

WHY IS IT SO DIFFICULT TO LOVE?

Because we have a broken heart! And because love is not a feeling but a life decision.

Today in the Gospel, Jesus gives us a New Commandment! First of all, can we really command or impose love? It has to come out of the heart spontaneously, otherwise it is not love. But how many conditions do we have in our life, which make our actions rarely totally free? Can we say that we are really free from all external and internal influences and conditioning?

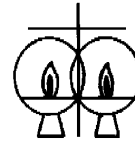
Then Jesus gives us the “command to love”. Loving should be easy! But it isn’t! It is like gold that has to be tested in fire! The rocks of a gold mine have to go through fire in order to liquify the metal, which then becomes pure gold. The same is for love! There are so many rocks and dirt in the modern understanding of love, that a strong purifying fire is necessary to make it pure love. Most of us do not have the desire or the time to go through this process, so we remain with a lot of rocks mixed with a few grains of gold. It is true that the personal interests and vices are degrading greatly the purity of our love.

Then Jesus gives us the measure, the standard of human love: “Just as I have loved you”! This is big! Maybe too big! Can we really love like Jesus? Humanly speaking no, but if Jesus gives us His Spirit and His Love, then we can do it!

So, we can obey His command only if we have His heart and His life; and that is what we receive in Baptism: a new heart and a new spirit.

His love is unconditional, with no other interest but the happiness of the beloved. “Love is patient, love is kind; love is not envious, boastful, or arrogant or rude; it does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. LOVE NEVER ENDS”.

And this is a “command”, that means we must love if we want to go to heaven. A person who does not love here on earth, cannot go to heaven! Wow! “I give you a new commandment, love one another **as I have loved you!**”



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 14, 2022 **St. Matthias**

8:00am ✚ Anthony Almeida

6:00pm ✚ Giuseppe Lombardi & Mario Dell’Omo

Sunday, May 15 **5th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am ✚ Phero Le Ngoc Lan

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm ✚ Lucy Fernandes

2:30pm FILIPINO MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

4:00pm ✚ Dennis De Marchi

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, May 16

8:00am ✚ Melecio & Feliza Sandoval Matibag

7:00pm ✚ Dorothy Scale

Tuesday, May 17

8:00am Special intentions for Franca Rando

7:00pm ✚ Nazzareno Di Michele

Wednesday, May 18 **St. John I**

8:00am Good health of Rocky Barreto

6:00pm *Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*

7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, May 19

8:00am ✚ Judy Silva

7:00pm Thanksgiving for 49th Wedding

Anniversary of Romulo & Estrella Salvador

8:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Friday, May 20 **St. Bernardine of Siena**

8:00am ✚ Margaret McShane

7:00pm ✚ Agostinho & Maria Lucinda Mota

Saturday, May 21 Sts. Eugene de Mazenod & Christopher Magallanes

8:00am Thanksgiving from Leo Cletus

6:00pm Thanksgiving for Ruban Emmanuel

Sunday, May 22 **6th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am ✚ Deceased of Maksimowski Family

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm Thanksgiving for Wedding Anniversary of
Kanthe & Mervyn Mendis

4:00pm ✚ Isagani Hortillo

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

El MARTES 17 de MAYO, 2022 (8:00 pm), continuamos el CURSO VIRTUAL DE BIBLIA #1 con el Padre José Plascencia, a través de Zoom

El MIÉRCOLES 18 de MAYO, 2022 (8:00 pm), continuamos el CURSO VIRTUAL DE BIBLIA #2 con el Padre José Plascencia, a través de Zoom .

El JUEVES 19 de MAYO, 2022 (8:00 pm), participaremos en la SANTA MISA en ESPAÑOL.

El VIERNES 20 de MAYO, 2022 (7:30 pm), participaremos en la ASAMBLEA VIRTUAL de nuestro grupo de la RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA HISPANA parroquial.

De LUNES a VIERNES ESTÁ EXPUESTO el SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO EN EL TEMPLO de 8:30 am a 5:30 pm. Dediquemos un tiempo para la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA VIRTUAL.

HOY, participaremos en el SANTO ROSARIO (5:30 pm) y en la SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL (6:00 pm).

Los siguientes son los enlaces del Internet para participar VIRTUALMENTE en el SANTO ROSARIO y en la SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL:

<https://www.facebook.com/parroquiasantacatalina.de.sienna.9>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpfixRYsl7vLmI4hDDWEmNA>

<https://stcatherine.ca/live-mass/>

LA FAMILIA MISIONERA TE INVITA A PARTICIPAR TODOS LOS MARTES EN LA REUNION VIRTUAL 8 PM Y TODOS LOS SABADOS ROSARIO DE AURORA VIRTUAL 7 AM CONECTATE CON TU FAMILIA EN EL SIGUIENTE ENLACE:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71084648499?pwd=ZCt6eW5GMUNQZHI5aGlnRFpwbS9WQT09>

Meeting ID: 710 8464 8499

Passcode: evr46T

SCOS ENGLISH PRAYER GROUP

SCOS Virtual Prayer services! Invite friends & family ! JOIN virtually By APP at

<https://www.gotomeet.me/cletusc>

OR Phone : 1 (647) 497-9391 Access code 481-676-325# and follow prompts. Send Love offerings, Thanksgiving & prayer requests by WA to Jane at 647 898 7518 or by email to dunbarjane21@hotmail.com. Glory to God!

SCALABRINI THE FOUNDER

Penance! Yes, my brothers and dearest children, penance is the awesome precept, which as it remedies the woeful consequences of original sin, it restores the soul to its primacy and reconstitutes order in our human nature; penance lifts us up from our misery, it regenerates our dignity, it refreshes us and, in a sense, leads us back to the chaste harmonies of Eden. J.B. Scalabrini-Pastoral Letter on Penance-1895

HOLY COMMUNION can be received also in the tongue. We request that those receiving in the tongue, for sanitary reasons, come last in line, after those who receive in the hand.

CONFIRMATION For the candidates to the Sacrament of Confirmation it is mandatory to be present to all the classes offered here in the parish. If one misses two classes, they have to meet with Father and if one misses three classes, they have to wait till next year. When someone misses three times, without a serious reason, it means that they are not interested in receiving the Sacrament.

THIS COMING WEEK we return to the normal schedule.

Monday – RCIA

Tuesday – Adult Spiritual Formation
St. Therese of the Little Flower

Thursday – Bible Class – Session 14
“Turning the World Upside Down”

Friday – Pre-Cana

Saturday – Catechism for both First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

2000 HAIL MARYS will be organized in our parish for Saturday, May 21st from 8:30am till evening mass. All invited.

PILGRIMAGE TO MARY LAKE –

May 25th – organized by the Seniors Group.

Bus will leave at 9:00am from the church parking lot; Holy Mass at the shrine at 11:00am followed by lunch (bring your own) and the Rosary Walk.

PARISH FEAST on Sunday, June 26th. Solemn Mass at 11:30am followed by the Solemn Eucharistic Procession, food and entertainment. There will be **NO 1:00pm and 4:00pm Masses.**

St Catherine of Siena Summer Day Camp

Date: (Week 1) August 8th to 12th, 2022

(Week 2) August 15th to 19th, 2022

Call the office for more details.