

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 6, 2007

“BEHOLD, GOD’S DWELLING IS WITH THE HUMAN RACE”

— Revelation 21:3

## TRUE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Can you imagine a world such as the one put before us in today’s scripture readings? Communities of believers everywhere would support and encourage one another and be identified as Christians by the way they love each other. It would be a world with no tears, no death and mourning, no crying out in pain. “Behold, I make all things new,” we hear the Son of God say in the second reading from the book of Revelation (21:5).

Is this world of John’s vision only imaginary? Are these faithful followers for whom Jesus prayed only a savior’s dream? Today they are put before us as a worthy goal. How much closer can we come to this vision of a true Christian community in our lives today?

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## THE ROSARY BOWL

May 19, 2007 6-9:00p.m.

Help fill the Rose Bowl to pray the timeless prayer of the Rosary for peace in our world and for the strength and unity of families everywhere. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of L.A. and Holy Cross Family Ministries.

web: [www.rosarybowl.org](http://www.rosarybowl.org)

## LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 7th, 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory

We will be making plans for Pentecost Sunday among other important items. Please try to be there!

## ACCW REGIONAL MEETING

Saturday, May 26, Our Lady of Refuge Parish  
5195 Stearns, L.B.

9:30 Registration

10:00a.m. Call to Order

Program “Angels”

Speaker: Dominic Berardino, Director SCRC

11:15a.m. Mass—Celebrant Msgr. William

O’Keefe, Host Pastor

12:00 Luncheon—\$10 per person

1:30p.m. Adjournment

Reservations and/or information call Alberta Rodrigues  
562.596.6668 before May 20

## FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING

(please note change of date)

Members of this committee are invited to come to the Rectory on **Monday evening, May 21 at 7:00 p.m.** for our planning meeting. Dave Kennedy will give a short presentation on the Archdiocesan Synod.

## CARDINAL McINTYRE FUND FOR CHARITY

“We walked together in harmony in the house of God”

(Psalm 55:14)

**Today is our Parish Collection Sunday** for the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity.

Since 1951, this special Fund helps those in CRISIS SITUATIONS from Santa Barbara, Ventura and Los Angeles counties. Your contribution goes directly toward emergency needs for children, adults, and families.

You are their hope!

Your gift provides a one-time emergency help such as

- ◆ Food, utilities, transportation
- ◆ Medical, housing or funeral expenses.

Envelopes are provided in the pews.

## JOIN US TODAY!!

This weekend, following our 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, Joyce Cottage will give a presentation in our parish hall entitled *CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT*. Hear about God’s call to care for our environment and learn practical ways we can do this.

## ANNUAL MOTHERS’ DAY ROSE SALE

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be selling roses after all the Masses next weekend (*Mother’s Day weekend*) The proceeds will be used to continue the Society’s work in assisting the poor among us. ***What a great way to honor the special women in your life and at the same time help the less fortunate!!***

## REFLECTIONS....

This week try to take time to sit and read next Sunday’s Gospel. Afterwards, reflect on the following questions:

*Jesus’ commandment to love another as I love myself is a challenge. What will you do this week to love yourself and others?*

*The world is full of examples of people who don’t love others. What are the results of hate that you see in the world? How would the world be different if we followed Jesus’ commandment?*

— SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER —

FIRST READING: Acts 14:21-27

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-5a

GOSPEL: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

*Jack Moran*

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**PRAY FOR OUR DEAD**

*Walter Desmond*

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