

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 29, 2018**

Let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

— 1 John 3:18

**LIVING BRANCHES**

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

In medieval times, one country, Scotland, linked its economy to the liturgy. Four holy days of the church calendar were keyed to the legal year. On these days, rents were due, clergy and servants were paid, and contracts and leases would begin or end. The term days were Pentecost (called Whitsunday), the Feast of Saint Martin on November 11 (Martinmas), the Feast of the Presentation on February 2 (Candlemas), and August 2 (Lammas), a harvest festival. On Lammas day, the first loaf of bread from the summer wheat harvest was given to the village priest. After the Reformation, which swept the Catholic festivals away, the term days were gradually detached from the old feasts. It was only in 1990 that the term days were anchored on the 28th of February, May, August, and November. Today the old Scottish universities are the last hold-outs, still naming their terms or semesters after the old festivals. Scottish students today may not know about the liturgical year, but they still call the fall term Martinmas, and the spring session Candlemas.

—Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10

**"Remember Lord, those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith."** These beautiful words at Mass recall our beloved dead. A Mass intention is a way to remember a beloved friend or family member, whether in death, for healing, in celebration of a special day, or simply for prayer and guidance. Come by the office (or call 707-874-3812) to arrange the Mass. A customary donation of \$10 is appreciated.

**Prayer Requests:** Teresa Kooi, Pat Kampmann, Pete, Thomas Tolar, Susan Brown, Holly White, Kathleen, Jamie Silva, Lorri McCamen, Sarah, Clifford James, Terri Andrews, Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne Parque, Steve, Sr. Marjorie, Barbara, Kathy Higgins, Dave Creeth, Jim Pearson, Annie Tobin, William, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O'Donnell, Bill Zandoski, Daniel, Papke family, Mary Karp, Randy Tonelli, Scott, Fr. Gary Logan, Columbina Albin, Michael Dan

**Finance Corner:**

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of **April/May** offerings:

4/22: 1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$2211. No 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.  
4/29: Rural Food. 5/6: Operating Expenses.

**Weekly Offering**



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**Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:**

**Parish Council:** Tues., 5/15/18, at 10:00AM in Hall  
**Finance Council:** Wed., 6/27/18, at 11:00AM in Hall

**Liturg Committee:** Fri., 5/4/18, at 9:30AM in Hall

**St. Teresa Ladies Guild:** Contact Diane, 823-6044  
**St. Philip Ladies Guild:** Contact Susan, 829-1189

**Every Friday, Centering Prayer:** 9:30AM at St Philip

**Coffee & Goodies:** Following 8AM Sunday Mass and Monday/Wednesday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall

**Mondays & Wednesdays-Seniors Lunch at 12noon:**

All seniors welcome! (No lunch Monday before 2nd Tuesday of month)



**✠ ♥ ✠ Mass Intentions ✠ ♥ ✠ Schedule**

- Sat., April 28, 5pm Mass ✠ Marcella & Joseph Kiefer
- Sun., April 29, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., April 29, 9:30am Mass
- Sun., April 29, 11:15am Mass ✠ Betty Rice
- Mon., April 30, 9am Communion Service
- Tues., May 1, 9am Mass
- Wed., May 2, 9am Mass ✠ Gary Carpenter
- Thurs., May 3, 9am Mass
- Fri., May 4, 9am Mass ✠ Ludo von Rautenstrauch
- Sat., May 5, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
- Sun., May 6, 8am Mass
- Sun., May 6, 9:30am Mass for the People
- Sun., May 6, 11:15am Mass Brian Kobler & family

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sun: Fifth Sunday of Easter
- Mon: St. Pius V
- Tues: St. Joseph the Worker
- Wed: St. Athanasius
- Thurs: Ss. Philip and James; National Day of Prayer
- Fri: First Friday
- Sat: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo



**Flowers for the Altar during the Year**

Flowers for the altar are a spiritual investment for a loved one, to celebrate any occasion, or just to express gratitude for your blessings. Flowers are also a gift to all of us as we enter and see the glorious display around the altar and experience the liturgy framed by such exquisite beauty. We appreciate your donations! To contribute for St. Philip Church flowers, please call 874-6072.



**Pope Francis Tweet**

"The Word of God is the lamp with which we look to the future: its light allows us to read the signs of the times."

## BE WHAT YOU SEEK

*Even as you seek a virtuous, fair, and good spouse*

*. . . it is fitting that you should be the same.*

—St. Bernardine of Siena

## SMALL TASKS

*Each small task of everyday life is part of  
the total harmony of the universe.*

—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

## RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for April 2018

On April 10<sup>th</sup> we welcomed 86 families- representing 112 adults, 38 children and 28 seniors- for a total of 178 people receiving nutritional support. This program is funded through the Rural Food Collection on the last Sunday of each month as well as through private donations and the generous support of our volunteers.

**Results from the 2018 Rural Food Client Survey are being displayed at both St. Philip and St. Teresa churches during the month of April. Please look at the information provided so that you can appreciate how the generous support of our parish community affects the lives of those we serve. We will be making adjustments to our program to continue to provide groceries and produce that are healthy and nutritious.**

Please continue to collect paper grocery bags, especially with handles, and egg cartons. We are looking into biodegradable produce bags and recyclable grocery bags for our clients.

### RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**(Please consider joining our ministry to people in need)**

Saturday, May 5, from 9:00-10:00am for repackaging in Parish Hall

Monday, May 7, from 12:30 – 2:30pm to set up the Parish Hall

Tuesday, May 8, from 8:30 – 11:00am to distribute the food and assist clients.

**Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953:** All proceeds will support needed restoration of St. Teresa of Avila Mission. A limited number of prints have been printed from Ansel's original negative. Each reprint is individually numbered. Prints are available for a tax deductible donation of \$175. Please contact restoration committee members for your own limited print: Peg 707-867-6073 or Bob 707-875-9148.

## St Philip and St Teresa CAREGIVING MINISTRY:

*Ministering to the sick, elderly and needy of the parish by...*

- Visiting, shopping
- Transportation (to support groups, doctor appointments, religious functions, etc)
- Socializing and companionship
- Providing specialized information.

Program is available to people in the area in need of our support. Contact: Dolores Novello (707-874-6072) or the office (707-874-3812)

## SAVE THE DATES!

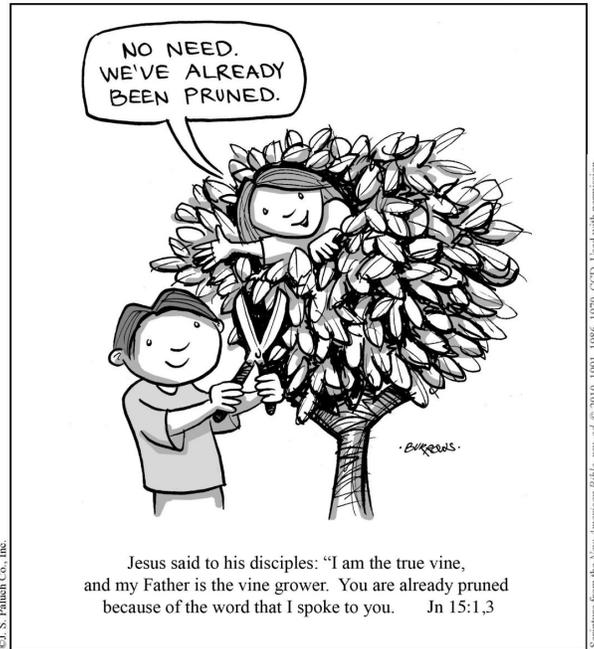
Casino Night @ St. Philip Hall – June 9  
Gospel Sing-along @ St. Teresa – June 24

**Are you, (or do you know someone) interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?** In becoming a Catholic? Talk to Fr. Fergal or email [fmccguinness@srdiocese.org](mailto:fmccguinness@srdiocese.org) to make an appointment. He'll be happy to meet with you and answer your questions

**Please note:** Beginning this Monday, April 30, 2018, Fr. Fergal will be switching his day off from Friday to Monday. That means that there will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion on Mondays at 9am and Mass on Fridays at 9am (both at St. Philip's).

## The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

Senior Director of Administration at Catholic Charities, Santa Rosa

As our role in community service and fire recovery expands, Catholic Charities has created a new executive leadership position. We are seeking a Senior Director of Administration who will be responsible for the administrative operations of the Finance and Accounting and the Human Resources Departments, and development and implementation of agency-wide strategy in these areas. The Senior Director for Administration will represent the agency in the community to convey our mission and programs and to develop strategic relationships with funders and the financial community. The Senior Director for Administration is an experienced professional, who is an innovative, collaborative, strategic leader, ready for an opportunity to give back and help those in need through dedicated community service.

The Senior Director of Administration provides strategic financial leadership and continuous improvement of the agency's financial position. Fiscal responsibilities include management of all agency finance and accounting functions, interaction with funding agencies and philanthropic organizations, property management, social enterprise, and relationships with financial and commercial institutions; including internal and Board-level reporting processes.

The Senior Director for Administration is responsible for the management and direction of the Human Resources Department. The Senior Director for Administration is responsible for development of an agency culture that supports the well-being and satisfaction of employees, and enhances agency performance through continuous improvement of the professionalism and quality of staff. Visit our website at [www.srcharities.org/about/careers](http://www.srcharities.org/about/careers) for additional information and an application for this position or other exciting opportunities at Catholic Charities.