



Guardian Angel - St. Columba

Helping all to experience Christ's love in our Parish Family as it celebrates the sacraments, makes disciples, and serves one another.

MOTHER'S DAY BLESSINGS



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

@ Guardian Angel

SATURDAY EVENING

Vigil Mass @ 4:00 PM

SUNDAY

9:00 AM & 12:00 NOON
SPANISH MASS — 10:30 AM

DAILY MASS

Mon to Sat — 12 NOON

ADORATION

Daily from 12:30 - 1:30 PM
Sundays from 5:00 - 6:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Before or after all Masses &
Between 9am to 5 pm call office #

Church is open for prayer 9am-6pm

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Registration



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Online giving



HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY

Prayer for Mothers

Loving Father, help all mothers to follow the example of Mary in doing Your will. Aid them in seeing human life as a precious gift from You and a manifestation of Your will. Give them a generous spirit to be willing to sacrifice for the sake of their offspring. Fill their hearts with joy as they watch their children grow, and give them strength and consolation when they see them suffer. Help mothers to be examples of faith, hope, and charity, so their children will grow to Christian maturity. Help them know that their children are Yours. Amen.

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FELIZ DÍA DE LA MADRES

Oración por las madres

Padre amoroso, ayuda a todas las madres a seguir el ejemplo de María al hacer Tu voluntad. Ayúdalos a ver la vida humana como un regalo precioso de Ti y una manifestación de Tu voluntad. Dale un espíritu generoso para que estén dispuestos a sacrificarse por el bien de su descendencia. Llena sus corazones de alegría al ver crecer a sus hijos y dales fuerza y consuelo cuando los vean sufrir. Ayude a las madres a ser ejemplos de fe, esperanza y caridad, para que sus hijos crezcan hasta la madurez cristiana. Ayúdalos a saber que sus hijos son tuyos. Amén.

Mass Intentions

Saturday- May 10

12:00 pm — All Parishioners

4:00 pm — Josephine Doris, Dorethea McElduff & Elizabeth Ring; Kathleen amore & Mary Rossi

Sunday - May 11

9:00 am — Mother's Day Blessings

10:30 am — Mother's Day Blessings

12:00 pm — Danny & Cynthia Weadock

Monday - May 12

12:00 pm — Joseph Rossi

Tuesday - May 13

12:00 pm — Mother's Day Blessings

Wednesday - May 14

12:00 am — Special Intention

Thursday- May 15

12:00 pm — Jerry Ettelman

Friday - May 16

12:00 pm — Mother's Day Blessings

Saturday- May 17

12:00 pm — Mother's Day Blessings

4:00 pm — Eileen Benedict

Sunday - May 18

9:00 am — Mother's Day Blessings

10:30 am — All Parishioners

12:00 pm — Jean & Salvatore Calabro

To schedule Masses please call (212) 929 - 5966

Sick, Suffering, and Homebound

- Marina Montalvo • Kara Jean Fleming
- Stacy Hearrell • Anthony & Anne Orlando
- Kerry Ann Sadak • Leu-Anne Nickey • Ellen Consales • Juan Cerda • Kevin Peet • Marjorie Suarez
- Arlene Stock • Michael Bini • Jaxson
- Theo Divoll • Baby Luna Vida Molina
- Edith Colon • George Telesco • Gregory Shea
- Patrice Adcroft • Linda Paskewitz • Angelo LaRocco
- Ellen Bender • Ann Topper • Evelyn
- Maria DeMutis • Juan Santa Cruz • Briana Ponzini
- Fr. Tomas Del Valle • Anita Calero •

CHURCH COLLECTION REPORT

Last Sunday Collection: \$ 2783.00

Shrine Candles : \$ 246.00

Poor Box: \$ 121.00

Thank you



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: I don't have all the answers to the questions I would love to ask Christ. "Why is this happening? Where are you taking me? What comes next?" But the beautiful thing is, I don't actually need those answers. I know him. He's got my hand. Wherever we're going is where I want to be.

We Don't Follow Strangers

I get a little crazy when it comes to my kids' safety. We've probably had a few too many conversations that could be entitled "What to Do If Mommy Loses You At the State Fair" or "Don't Trust People Just Because They Smile At You." Am I making them paranoid? Possibly. But that's something they can sort out later with their therapists.

Because here's the bottom line of it all — I don't want to instill a fear of strangers into my kids, but I do want them to understand that you can't always trust people you don't know (heck, you can't always trust the people you *do* know, but that's another therapy-provoking conversation we can have when they're older).

If someone says, "Hey, follow me," and we don't know them, it's not always a great idea to comply. First, we have to ask questions. "Where are you taking me? Why are we going? Who else will be there?"

But if someone we know and love and trust says, "Hey, follow me," we don't even think twice, and we don't need to ask any questions. We know wherever we're going is a safe place for us because we have a relationship with the person doing the leading. We feel comfortable putting ourselves in their care.

That's why it's so important to Christ that we know him. That we have a relationship with him. That we trust him.

Because we don't follow strangers, do we?

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— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do Catholics genuflect?

Answer:

Genuflection is an act of devotion that literally means "to bend the knee." For many Catholics, it's an almost automatic gesture that we perform before entering our pew or row of seats at Mass. But, like many of the symbols and gestures of our faith tradition, genuflecting can also be an invitation for deeper reflection.

The practice of "bending the knee" is an ancient way of recognizing the presence of someone greater than we are. It has been said that the practice dates back to the time of Alexander the Great, but it became a common part of etiquette in the royal courts of the Middle Ages. From throne rooms and palaces, it was a small step to genuflecting becoming part of the devotional lives of Christians, who used this secular gesture as a way of recognizing the presence of the One who is King of Kings, especially in the Eucharist.

Today, Catholics are asked to genuflect in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (whether in the tabernacle or exposed on the altar during eucharistic adoration). So, while it has become second nature to genuflect before entering your seat in church, we should pay attention to where the Blessed Sacrament is kept in each church or chapel that we visit, and genuflect in the direction of the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is kept. In churches or chapels in which the tabernacle is in a separate space, we are invited to simply bow toward the altar.

In addition to genuflecting before the Blessed Sacrament, we are also instructed to genuflect before the cross used for veneration on Good Friday (during the solemn celebrations of the Lord's Passion) and any time a relic of the True Cross is displayed for veneration. This long-standing tradition is a way of honoring the cross as the great sign of our salvation and of showing devotion to the passion of Jesus.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region. (Acts 13:48-49)

Psalm:

We are his people, the sheep of his flock. (Ps 100)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

"For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." (Rv 7:17)

Gospel:

Jesus said:
"My sheep hear my voice;
I know them, and they follow me." (Jn 10:27)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." To follow him, we must know him. This week, how can we know Jesus better?

Observances for the week of May 11, 2025

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day
- Monday:** Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
- Tuesday:** Our Lady of Fatima
- Wednesday:** St. Matthias, Apostle
- Thursday:** St. Isidore
- Saturday:** Armed Forces Day
- Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter



Devotions, *Explained!*

Spiritual retreats are an act of removing oneself from daily life for a period of prayer and reflection, with the intent of returning transformed. There are many kinds of retreats, but all share a common purpose: communion with God.

Prayer to the Good Shepherd

Beloved Shepherd,
You guide in a way often
beyond my understanding.
You lead to paths yet
undiscovered.
Keep me in Your care, as
together we seek green
pastures and still waters.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of May 11, 2025

Sunday:

Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/
Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Monday:

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday:

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn
10:22-30

Wednesday:

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
7-8/ Jn 15:9-17

Thursday:

Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/
Jn 13:16-20

Friday:

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn
14:1-6

Saturday:

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday:

Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see
1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A few years back, I felt as if I couldn't hear God's voice the way I used to. The words in the Bible seemed like cold ink on a page. Prayer felt like sitting anxiously in a lonely room. I was worried — how could I, a priest, preach or help others if I couldn't hear God's voice? It went on for months.

Then a friend encouraged me to go on a retreat and spend as much time as possible in silence. After a day or two of quiet prayer, I noticed gentle but clear thoughts of repentance in two specific areas of my life. I asked God for the grace to change, and I went to confession. Suddenly, the divine silence that haunted me was filled with a sense of God's closeness and goodness. I realized, gratefully, that God had been speaking to me in the quiet voice of my conscience.

This week we hear Jesus say, **“My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me” (John 10:27).** Jesus links the hearing of his voice to following him. He speaks to us in our conscience in an intimate, personal way, when we most need to hear him. When you feel deaf to God's voice, perhaps it is time to listen in silence for His voice in your conscience calling you to hear and follow the Good Shepherd of your soul.

— *Father John Muir*