Learn Our Catholic Faith

Join us at the Parish Center

Every Second Monday – April 29th, **7:00 pm**



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"God will give eternal life to those who convert sinners and bring them to the right path."

> Mariam Thresi Chiramel Mankidiyar



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Pastor: Fr. Carlos Jimenez

Sunday: 11:00 am (10:15 Divine Chaplet – Rosary)

5:00 pm (4:30 pm Rosary)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 8:00 am Mass (7:15 am Divine Mercy – Rosary)

Wednesday: 1:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion

6:50 pm Benediction

7:00 pm Mass

Thursday: 8:00 am Mass (7:15 am Divine Mercy – Rosary)

Friday: 8:00 am Mass (7:15 am Divine Mercy – Rosary)

1st Fridays 7:00 pm Mass (6:30 pm Rosary, All Night Vigil to

Saturday - Confessions before and after Mass)

Saturday: 8:00 am Mass (7:15 am Divine Mercy – Rosary)

Confessions:

Sunday: Only before 5 pm Mass

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday: Before 8:00 am Mass.

Wednesday: Until 6:50 pm

Also by appointment with Father Carlos

Baptism: Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks before

for proper preparation

Marriage: Arrange with the pastor one year in advance



April 28, 2024

Parish Office Hours.

To be Determined
Fr. Carlos Jimenez' office
located at: Holy Cross Parish
315 Douglas Avenue East
Call (306) 757-1325

Seeking to be Pruned

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you." John 15:1–3

Pruning a vine is an important part of helping it to grow and produce not only more fruit but the best fruit. If left unpruned, a grape vine will eventually produce less fruit and poorer quality fruit. Good pruning helps to direct the nourishment of the vine to the new buds that are most fruitful.

Jesus' teaching above uses the imagery of pruning a vine to help us understand that faith must lead to charity. First, Jesus says that He is the "true vine." He is the only source of the nourishment we need for the new life of grace. He is the only way to Heaven and salvation. Knowing our Lord and being attached to Him firmly is faith. Second, our Lord says that He takes away every branch that does not bear fruit. This indicates that faith without the good fruit of charity is dead and is like a branch on a vine that produces nothing. Third, when Jesus finds a branch that bears good fruit, he doesn't leave it alone. Instead, He prunes it with loving attention so that "it bears more fruit."

To apply these teachings to your own life, begin by looking at your faith as if it were a branch firmly attached to a vine. Do you believe all that God has spoken through His holy Word? It is useful to regularly examine your conscience in regard to your faith. Since faith is the first step in the spiritual life, it must remain firmly grounded in the Truth God has revealed. This means we must regularly study the Word of God as it is revealed through the Scriptures and the catechetical teachings of the Church, and assent to those teachings with all our mind.

Next, after affirming your faith in all that God has spoken through the Scriptures and the Church, try to examine your charity. Do you see concrete acts of love in your life that result from your faith? In other words, we can "love" many things in a purely emotional sort of way. But charity is based on faith, not on how we feel. Charity is the fruit of faith. What acts of charity can you point to in your life? What have you sensed God calling you to do in a selfless and sacrificial way? Have you done it?

Finally, when you discover the ways that charity is alive within you, know that God will focus His pruning there. Pruning can be painful. It will require sacrifice, patience in the face of trial, overcoming selfishness, and doing things you don't feel like doing. In fact, sometimes God even makes charitable acts seem unpleasant as a way of pruning your motivations and making them more pure, based more on faith than on emotion. But this is good.

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CWL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 6TH - 7:00 PM AT PARISH HALL

SAINT PETER CHANEL, PRIEST AND MARTYR



Anyone who has worked in loneliness, with great adaptation required and with little apparent success, will find a kindred spirit in Peter Chanel.

Born in France, Peter's interest in the missions began in school, when he read letters missionaries to America sent back home. As a young priest, Peter revived a parish in a "bad" district by the simple method of showing great devotion to the sick. Wanting to be a missionary, he joined the Society of Mary, the Marists, at 28. Obediently, he taught in the seminary for five years. Then, as superior of seven Marists, he traveled to Western Oceania. The bishop accompanying the missionaries left Peter and a brother on Futuna Island northeast of Fiji, promising to return in six months. He was gone five years.

Meanwhile, Peter struggled with this new language and mastered it, making the difficult adjustment to life with whalers, traders, and warring natives. Despite little apparent success and severe want, he maintained a serene and gentle spirit, plus endless patience and courage. A few natives had been baptized, a few more were being instructed. When the chieftain's son asked to be baptized, persecution by the chieftain reached a climax. Father Chanel was clubbed to death.

Within two years after his death, the whole island became Catholic and has remained so. He was canonized by Pope Pius XII in 1954. Peter Chanel is the first martyr of Oceania and its patron.

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COLLECTION FOR: Apr 21, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$730.00	Sunday Loose	\$425.80
Mass Intentions	\$180.00	Missalettes	\$30.00
Fundraise Spring into Summer \$1,956.60		Total Collection	\$3,322.40

Mass Intentions							
Sun	Apr 28	11:00 AM	Int of Rikki Steranka (Birthday)	Steranka Family			
Tues	Apr 30	8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for all Our Priests	Parishioner			
Wed	May 1	7:00 PM	Reserved for Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Devotees			
Thurs	May 2	8:00 AM	Repose of Paul & Marc Leclaire	Beatrice Leclaire			
Fri	May 3	8:00 AM	For Living & Deceased Members of Queen Of Pea	ace			
Sat	May 4	8:00 AM	Repose of Calvin Veron Philip	Beatrice Leclaire			
Sun	May 5	11:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory	Parishioner			