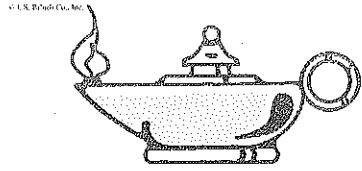


## Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

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

— 1 John 3:18



COMMITTED TO TRUTH

### 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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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The church was being built up and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

**Psalms** — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday

8:00 am

### Tuesday

8:00 am

### Wednesday

8:00 am

7:00 pm

### Thursday

8:00 am

### Friday

8:00 am

### Saturday

8:00 am

4:30 pm

### Sunday

7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

### April 30

† Ariel Ramos

### May 1

† Joaquin Ouano

### May 2

Communal Service

† Jorge Ayala

† Jaime Ayala

† Ana and † Lisandro

Bertolazzi

### May 3

† Vincent Gagliardo Sr.

† Maria and † Giuseppe

Mazzaferro

### May 4

† Joseph and † Carmen

Spiteri and † Tessy Spiteri

Lencioni

### May 5

Robert Galang (L)

† Mangion Family

### May 6

† Manuel Muscat

† Giovanni and † Maria

Rebagliati

People of the Parish

† Denotes deceased — (L) Living

### Sunday Collection April 22, 2018

Weekly Need: \$ 5,000.00

Sunday Collection \$ 3,460.00

Over/Under \$ 1,540.00

Missionary Cooperation \$ 900.00

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## From the Pastor's Desk:

News, Pope Francis has appointed Dominican Father Robert F. Christian as an auxiliary bishop for San Francisco. The appointment was announced in Washington last March 28 by Archbishop Christopher Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States and he will be ordained at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco on June 5. According to the Catholic San Francisco News dated April 12, Bishop designate Christian, 69, is a native of San Francisco. He entered the Dominicans at St. Albert Priory in Oakland in 1970 and made his solemn profession as a Dominican in 1974. He was ordained a priest in Oakland June 4, 1976. He started his teaching career at the Dominican College in San Rafael after his ordination. In 1977, he received his Master of Divinity degree from the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Oakland. Four years later, he earned a licentiate of Sacred Theology from the Angelicum followed by a doctorate in Sacred Theology from the same institution in 1984. He became a professor and then became a vice dean at the Pontifical University at St. Thomas Aquinas, also known as the Angelicum in Rome. He was a master of students for the Dominican's Western Province since 2015 and a lecturer at the Graduate Theological Union. Bishop-designate Christian said he was pleased to be returning home to minister among the people of San Francisco including many relatives and friends.

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone welcomed the new auxiliary bishop to his hometown, and according to the statement released by the Archdiocese that the two had met while studying in Rome in the 1970s. The Archbishop introduced the Bishop-designate Christian to the employees at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center and said that he was "absolutely delighted" with the appointment.

(Catholic News Service)



Our parish will be offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> in the All Saints Mausoleum Chapel at Holy Cross Cemetery at 11:00 am. You are invited to join Fr. Suan and fellow parishioners in offering this special Mass for your relatives, friends and deceased parishioners buried there. This Mass will provide us with an excellent opportunity to pray for the souls of the faithful departed. We hope that many of you will be able to join us.

You are all invited to the 11:30am mass today, April 29, 2018 to be presided by the Most Rev MYLO HUBERT VERGARA, Bishop, Diocese of Pasig, Philippines at St. Elizabeth Church. After the mass Bishop Mylo will give a recollection on "CHALLENGES OF NEW EVANGELIZATION" at Cantwell Hall. Lunch will be provided.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

#### First Communion at St. Elizabeth

The 11:30am mass on Sunday, May 6th will be the First Communion Mass of our 2nd Grade and Older First Communion Religious Program (CCD) students. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please pray for our First Communicants as they receive the Body of Christ.

#### Presentation of Newly Confirmed at St. Elizabeth

The 11:30am mass on Sunday, May 20th will be the Presentation of Newly Confirmed Mass of our 8th grade Religious (CCD) students. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please pray for our Confirmandi as they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, May 12th at St. Mary's Cathedral.