

READINGS

May 1, 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

STEWARDSHIP

April 24th.....\$1,912

Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

We live in an age rather skeptical of truth. Benedict XVI has spoken many times of relativism, that is, the tendency to believe that nothing is definitive, and think that the truth is given by consent or by what we want. The question arises: does "the" truth really exist? What is "the" truth? Can we know it? Can we find it? Pilate asks Jesus "What is truth?". You cannot grab the truth as if it were an object, you encounter it. It is not a possession, is an encounter with a Person. But who helps us recognize that Jesus is "the" Word of truth, the only begotten Son of God the Father? It is the Holy Spirit, the gift of the Risen Christ, that helps us recognize the Truth. Jesus assures his disciples that the Holy Spirit will teach them all things, reminding them of his word. What is the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in the life of the Church to guide us to the truth? The Holy Spirit, then, as Jesus promises, guides us "into all truth" he leads us not only to an encounter with Jesus, the full-

ness of Truth, but guides us "into" the Truth, that is, he helps us enter into a deeper communion with Jesus himself, gifting us knowledge of the things of God. If God does not enlightens us interiorly, our being Christians will be superficial. Let's ask ourselves: are we open to the Holy Spirit, do I pray to him to enlighten me, to make me more sensitive to the things of God? And this is a prayer we need to pray every day, every day: Holy Spirit may my heart be open to the Word of God, may my heart be open to good, may my heart be open to the beauty of God, every day. But I would like to ask a question to all of you: How many of you pray every day to the Holy Spirit? Eh, a few of you I bet, eh! Well, a few, few, a few, but we realize this wish of Jesus, pray every day for the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to Jesus. And then ask yourself, "How many things do I put before God?"

Adapted from: Pope Francis' May 15, 2013 public address, Vatican Radio translation, catholicworldreport.com

PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VÁSQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:

For those whose hearts are troubled and those that live in constant fear, may our prayers to the Holy Spirit console and comfort them ...

AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE APRIL

10am, 283; 5pm, 118 ; 7:30pm,109

FR. CHARLIE BANKS

for Spiritual Direction this Tues., May 3rd. Sign up in the Lobby for 30 min. appointments. This will be the last chance till August 30th.



GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises us the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In our personal prayer, we often acknowledge God, Jesus, Mary and the saints but leave out the Holy Spirit. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit asking for counsel and guidance.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ROSARY every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 5:45-9pm and *Mornings Mon-Fri* 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

NIGHT PRAYER hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

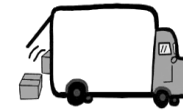
FREE LUNCH every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

BOBCATS FOR LIFE Thursdays 6:30pm in the Library

BIBLE STUDIES every day! www.txstatecatholic.org

DAY OF REFLECTION AT EAGLE'S WINGS

Aging with Grace and Wisdom, a day of reflection, will be held Tuesday May 10th 9:30am- 2:30pm at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. During the day specific attention will be given to six spiritual tasks of aging: Letting go, No regrets, Meaning, Legacy, Forgiveness and Solitude. The cost is \$35, which includes a light breakfast and lunch. To pre-register, visit www.ewrc.org.

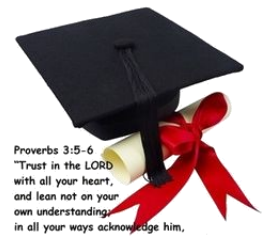


THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK will be at St. John's: Saturday, May 7th from 10am to 1pm. Accepting furniture, clothing, household items, etc. No appliances or computer equipment please. These items are sold in the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store (Austin) and the proceeds used to assist the poor and needy to include those of San Marcos. Thanks for your support.

ALL YOUNG ADULTS ARE INVITED TO ADORATION Tuesday May 17th from 7-9pm at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt in Austin. For more information, contact Jesse Cortes at jesus.cortes.amdg@gmail.com or Theresa Prudhomme at tprudhomme@schoenstatt.us. The shrine is located at 225 Addie Roy Rd, Austin, TX 78746 and is open daily from 9am -8pm.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD -Holy Day of Obligation- is Thursday May 5th this year is transferred to Sunday May 8th.



Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Congratulations

Graduates!

MATCHING GIFT COLLECTION starting this Sunday May 1st through Saturday May 7th.

Your generous gift will be doubled up to \$10,000 by a matching donor! Contribute during our Sunday collection, come by the office, or go online at www.txstatecatholic.org/giving, or by mail to 100 Concho St. San Marcos, TX 78666. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Wisdom. Thank you!

Happy 3rd Anniversary



to the Women of Wisdom