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Clarence Methot

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

*Praying With Next Week's
Readings*

Reading I: Acts 1:1-11
Responsorial Psalm: 47:2-3,
6-7, 8-9
Reading II: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

May Birthdays

- 3 Rosemary Buskirk**
- 12 Janely Leon**
- Jose Verduzco**
- Alison Vallejo**
- 24 Kirk Cook**
- 28 Juan Gonzales**

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2022-2023

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

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If you are a Catholic man 18 years or older and wish to join our Council, please contact Bobby Berndt (434)636-2565 or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Steven Goellner; Rosemary Buskirk, Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

- May 21-Diocesan Home Mission**
- May 23-Knights Meeting**
- May 29-Office Closed**

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses:
Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday—10:30 am
Rosary:
Sunday—10:00 am
Reconciliation:
Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Brenton Gorman: 801-682-0892
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Music Coordinator— Francis Mendoza
Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713
Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 14, 2023

Study of the Readings

Focusing the Gospel

Key words & phrases:

keep my commandments, Spirit of truth, world ... neither sees nor knows, you will see me, you will live, one who loves me, loved by my Father

To the point: In John's gospel, "world" refers to everything opposed to God and being obedient to Jesus' commandments. The world sees neither Jesus nor the "Spirit of truth"; faithful disciples do. The world does not love; faithful disciples do. The world does not

have life; faithful disciples do. Faithful disciples see, love, and live because of the Father's gift of the Spirit dwelling within them. This divine indwelling is God's very love. We are to be God's love made visible, that the world may see Jesus, come to the truth, and choose to live in faithful love.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the Second Reading:

Peter is writing to a community who has welcomed "Christ as Lord in [their] hearts" and has

remained faithful by their "good conduct in Christ." These disciples have heeded what Jesus asks in the Gospel: to keep his commandments. Through their faithfulness, the world that conducts itself with evil is "put to shame."

... to experience:

The world and its trappings are attractive. The "Spirit of truth" poured into our hearts by the Father leads us to discern where true satisfaction lies: in Jesus himself and being faithful to love as he has loved us.

PARISH NEWS



On Saturday, May 20th at 9 am the Knights of Columbus will participate in the Walk for Life sponsored by The Pregnancy Support Center at 1026 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, NC. We invite everyone to join us to show our support of Pro Life. Our goal is to raise \$3000.00 in support of this cause. Please contact Tom O'Neill at 252-578-3361 or oneilltomandanne@gmail.com for more information.

In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals that a wonderful day is approaching. Of it, He says, "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20). It can be easy to miss the magnitude of what He is saying, either because it's strange or because of our familiarity with His words. He is describing oneness. God is Spirit, inviting us to spiritual oneness with him. The spiritual world can seem so delicate and perfect that it becomes synonymous with "practically irrelevant." Becoming one with God is possibly the most practical of all things. When Jesus is in you, possibilities are endless: "For God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26). And God doesn't stop at spiritual oneness with us. He wants us to be one with each other, too. Our parish is here to facilitate both. Our Annual Diocesan Appeal needs you to succeed. God is alive in our parish, and we want others to taste and see. Please give to our Appeal so that we can help others experience the satisfying love of Jesus. He waits only for our "yes" to bring his transforming light into the lives of his children here!

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$884.62	\$1387.25
Building Fund:		\$502.63
		\$345.00

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
 Strichardemporiava OR Text
 GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

May 7th
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Sexto Domingo de Pascua

Estudio de las lecturas

Enfocando el Evangelio

Palabras y frases claves:

guarda mis mandamientos, Espíritu de verdad, mundo... ni ve ni sabe, me veréis, viviréis, el que me ama, amado por mi Padre

Al punto: En el evangelio de Juan, "mundo" se refiere a todo lo que se opone a Dios y es obediente a los mandamientos de Jesús. El mundo no ve ni a Jesús ni al "Espíritu de verdad"; Los discípulos fieles lo hacen. El mundo no ama; Los discípulos fieles lo hacen. El mundo no

tiene vida; Los discípulos fieles lo hacen. Los discípulos fieles ven, aman y viven debido al don del Padre del Espíritu que mora dentro de ellos. Esta morada divina es el amor mismo de Dios. Debemos ser el amor de Dios hecho visible, para que el mundo pueda ver a Jesús, llegar a la verdad y elegir vivir en amor fiel.

Conectando al Evangelio

... a la Segunda Lectura:

Pedro está escribiendo a una comunidad que ha acogido a "Cristo como Señor en [sus] corazones" y ha permanecido fiel

por su "buena conducta en Cristo". Estos discípulos han prestado atención a lo que Jesús pide en el Evangelio: guardar sus mandamientos. A través de su fidelidad, el mundo que se conduce con el mal es "avergonzado".

... experimentar:

El mundo y sus adornos son atractivos. El "Espíritu de verdad" derramado en nuestros corazones por el Padre nos lleva a discernir dónde está la verdadera satisfacción: en Jesús mismo y siendo fieles al amor como Él nos ha amado.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES



El sábado 20 de mayo a las 9 a.m., Caballeros de Colón participará en la Caminata por la Vida patrocinada por el Centro de Apoyo para el Embarazo en 1026 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, NC. Invitamos a todos a unirse a nosotros para mostrar nuestro apoyo a Pro Life. Nuestro objetivo es recaudar \$ 3000.00 en apoyo de esta causa. Comuníquese con Tom O'Neill al 252-578-3361 o oneilltomandanne@gmail.com para obtener más información.

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús revela que se aproxima un día maravilloso. Esto dijo Él al respecto, "En aquel día entenderán que yo estoy en mi Padre, ustedes en mí y yo en ustedes" (Juan 14:20). Es fácil pasar por alto la magnitud de lo que Él esta diciendo, tal vez porque es raro o porque ya estamos familiarizados con Sus palabras. Él esta describiendo la unidad. Dios es Espíritu y nos invita a la unidad espiritual con Él. El mundo espiritual puede parecer muy delicado y perfecto llegando a convertirse en sinónimo de "prácticamente irrelevante" El llegar a ser uno con Dios posiblemente es, lo más factible de todas las cosas: "Para Dios todo es posible" (Mateo 19:26). Dios no se detiene en la unidad espiritual con nosotros. Él quiere que nosotros seamos uno con los demás. Nuestra parroquia esta aquí para facilitar ambos. Nuestra Campaña Anual Diocesana necesita que usted lo logre. Dios esta vivo en nuestra parroquia y queremos que otros gusten y vean. Por favor done a nuestra Campaña para que nosotros podamos ayudar a otros a experimentar el amor gratificante de Jesús. ¡Él solo espera nuestro "sí" para que aquí traiga Su luz transformadora a la vida de Sus hijos!

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	BODY OF CHRIST	USHERS	SERVERS
Mary Anne Newsome	John Jones	Elizer Carillo	Louise Nery
Elsie Moleno		Dave Thomas	Carlos Nery
			Jayden Nery

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Christine Smith	Vanessa Carillo
Stevie Thomas	Mary Ann Newsome
Lois Gownley	