

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

**Sunday May 25, 2025**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

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### Mass Times

**Saturday: Vigil Mass--- 4:30p.m**

**Sunday: Holy Mass---11 a.m.**

**Weekday Masses: --- 8:00a.m.**

**First Friday Healing Mass**

**Office Hours Mon & Wed-Fri 2-5PM**

### Mass Times

**Saturday: Vigil Mass---6:00p.m.**

**Sunday: Holy Mass—9:30a.m.**

**Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.**

**Monday & Thursday**

**Office hours: Mon & Tues 8:00-12:00  
Wed 9-11AM**

### Mass Times

**Sunday: Holy Mass-----8:00a.m.  
12:30p.m.**

**Weekday Masses: -----**

**Wednesday 6:00pm.**

**First Saturday:**

**Rosary & Mass--- 8:30a.m**

**Office hours: Sun 9-5  
Mon 3:30-5:30PM**

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priest. At least *four months*  
before your wedding date.**



### Sanctuary Lamp

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**The lamp burns in memory  
of your loved one for 7 days,  
cost is \$5.00.**



## Gospel Reflection

The first Church council, the Council of Jerusalem we hear about in today's First Reading, decided the shape of the Church as we know it. Some Jewish Christians had wanted Gentile converts to be circumcised and obey all the complex ritual and purity laws of the Jews. The council called this a heresy, again showing us that in the divine plan the Church is meant to be a worldwide family of God, no longer a covenant with just one nation.

Today's Liturgy gives us a profound meditation on the nature and meaning of the Church. The Church is one, as we see in the First Reading: "the Apostles (bishops) and presbyters (priests), in agreement with the whole Church (laity)." The Church is holy, taught and guided by the Spirit that Jesus promises the Apostles in the Gospel. The Church is catholic, or universal, making known God's ways of salvation to all peoples, ruling all "in equity," as we sing in today's Psalm. And the Church, as John sees in the Second Reading, is apostolic founded on the Twelve Apostles of the Lamb.

All these marks of the Church are underscored in the story of the council. Notice that everybody, including Paul, looks to "Jerusalem and the apostles" to decide the Church's true teachings. The Apostles, too, presume that Christian teachers need a "mandate from us." And we see the Spirit guiding the Apostles in all truth. Notice how they describe their ruling." It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us."

Knowing these truths about the Church, our hearts should never be troubled. The Liturgy's message today is that the Church is the Lord's, watched over and guarded by the Advocate, the Holy Spirit sent by the father in the name of the Son. This should fill us with confidence, free us to worship with exultation, and inspire us to rededicate our lives to His name. In the Church we are called to love Jesus through our keeping of His Word, ever rejoicing that He and the father in the Spirit made their dwelling with us.

-Dr. Scott Hahn



## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2025

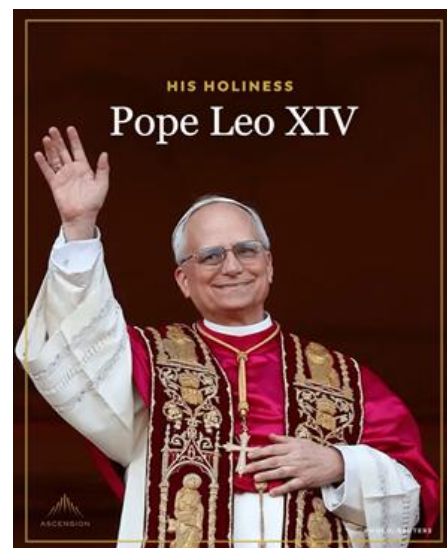
### ONE BODY, ONE MISSION: SERVING IN CHRIST

As we approach May 31<sup>st</sup>, let us keep the momentum going for Annual Catholic Appeal. Every gift matters and brings us closer to fulfilling our mission. **Please show your generosity and make your gift today.**

St. Helen Parish Goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is **\$9340.00 and 100% Participation.**

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### Prayer for our new Pope Leo XIV

Loving God, we pray today for our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV that he will carry on faithfully the mission entrusted to him. Give him courage, a love for the poor, compassion for all, and a voice for peace throughout the world.

Send your Holy Spirit upon him to accompany him and strengthen him for the work that lies ahead. May that same Spirit give him the gifts of wisdom, understanding, right judgement, and courage in all he undertakes for the good of the Church and the world.

May Pope Leo XIV strive to bring unity to your Church and to the world, be a builder of bridges, a true shepherd, and the face of a Samaritan Church; a Church that serves all especially the littlest and weakest among us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

May 24 (Saturday) at 4:30PM –William Wood

May 25 (Sunday) at 11:00AM--Manuel P. Apodaca  
15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## **Memorial Day Prayer**



### **Prayer for Fallen Soldiers**

"O Lord, greater love has no man than this, that a man lays down his life for his friend. We thank You for the lives of our loved ones and commit their souls to Your keeping. As they rest in peace, may we find comfort in knowing that You are with us always. Through the darkness we feel, let the light of Your love shine on us, amen."

## **PRAY FOR OUR NATION**



"I urge, then, First of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people, for kings, and all those in authority."  
--1 Timothy 2:1-2

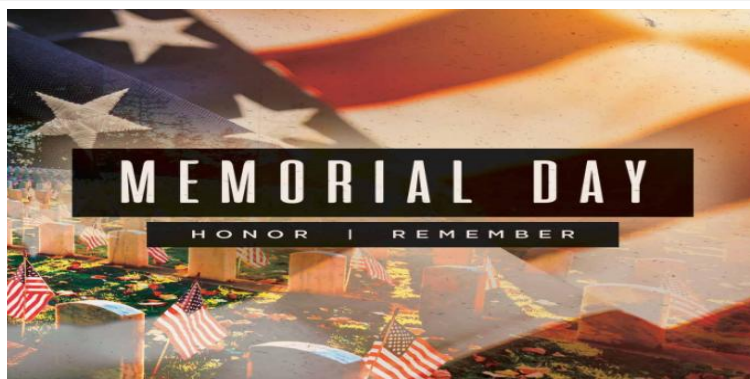
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5/17/25 & 5/18/25 \$1181.00

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**Mass**  
**St. Bartholomew Parish**  
**Monday May 26, 2025, 9AM**

## **First Friday**



**June 6, 2025, 8AM**  
**St. Helen Parish Oracle**

## **Second Friday**



**June 13, 2025, 8AM**  
**St. Helen Parish, Oracle**



## Please pray for the homebound

**Please contact us email [sthelensmission@msn.com](mailto:sthelensmission@msn.com) or parish office to add a name to our prayer list**

Tony Telles, Gabe Telles, N. Discher, Scott Helgeson, Patsy Armenta, Rachel Borquez, Jerri Defoor, Nick Lopez, Eddie Moraga, Ralph Montoya, Harry Clark Sr., Rudy Lara, Rusty Kent, Steve Chavez, Frank Pierson, Mario Hong, Freddy Cota, Dora Mendoza, Rosa Casillas, Olivia Nugent, Sue Simmons, Roma Nugent, Helen V Leavitt

### **Saints of the Day May/June 2025**

**May 26.....St. Phillip Neri...** Founder of Priests of the Oratory...Italy

**May 27.....St. Augustine of Canterbury...** Rome...England...Benedictine

**May 28.....St. Germanus...** Bishop of Paris

**May 29.....St. Bona of Pisa....**Italy...patron saint of flight attendants, travelers, pilgrims and travel guides.

**May 30.....St. Joan of Arc...**France...Martyr

**May 31.....Feast of the Visitation...** Mary and Martha

**June 1.....St. Justin Martyr...**Patron saint of philosophers...Martyr

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