



Walk to Mary This Saturday, May 1st, is not only the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, but it also begins the lovely month of May, devoted to Our Lady and to all mothers. To celebrate, I invite you to a nice rosary walk through tree-lined streets to the Little Sisters' convent at 4th and Lake streets after the 8:30am Mass.

A Community of Communities One of our newer parishioners gave me a book about the Neocatechumenal Way, a Catholic movement to which she belongs. The movement was founded by an accomplished Spanish painter, Francisco "Kiko" Arguello. As a young intellectual, Kiko read the French writer Jean-Paul Sartre, father of "post-modernism." Sartre described life as "absurd," denying that anything has an objective significance or rational order. Any meaning or purpose in life is simply a fantasy of one's own imagination. There are no objective truths, but only individual opinions and desires. This "post-modern" absurdity is implicitly taught to every public school child, communicated in just about every movie Hollywood produces, and celebrated by almost every college and university. "Post-Modern Absurdity" is at the root of our social disorder, because if there is neither a God nor a natural order, and nothing can be known with certainty, then we can only self-medicate or express our fundamental despair through self-inflicted violence (e.g., drugging or "cutting" ourselves) or public outrage (angry social media, "shaming," and street riots).

Saved by Beauty Kiko Arguello was an artist, however, and he was saved one day by Beauty. In

his own words: "I was aware of the beauty of a tree, of the beauty of things; there is something there that can't be absurd. Then if the absurd is not the truth, ... then somebody created us.... At that moment... something told me that God existed,... that God loved me,... that I was a son of God. And with great surprise I found... that this God that appeared in my deepest soul was Jesus Christ, the Jesus Christ of the Catholic Church." Kiko and many others have spent the last 40 years building up small Christian communities



Fr. Chung's farewell potluck last Sunday. Do you know the names of these people who are at Mass with you every week?

known as the "Neocatechumenal Way"—learning the faith deeply as "catechumens," discovering the meaning of our baptism in Christ. Today 30,000 small communities in 900 dioceses in 110 countries are "Neocatechumenal." Here in San Francisco my friend Fr. Moises Agudo, our local "neocat pastor," has built up supportive communities in his three Mission District Parishes. **Saved in Community** "Are the parishes" Kiko asked in 1996, "sufficient to withstand the power of the media, which excludes fundamental Christian values?" The answer: obviously not. Most urban

parishes are failing their people, who are losing their faith because parishes are more like gas stations than supportive communities. We never even say hello to most of the people with whom we receive the Body of Christ. "The parish must be transformed," Kiko wrote, "into a community of communities, a Way to rediscover Baptism." The pandemic has shown me just how much we need to strengthen community. The lockdowns have blasted big holes in our parishes, and we don't even know who is missing. We didn't know their names anyway, and they have dropped off, unnoticed and uncared for. Do you know someone who has given up on the sacraments? Invite them back to community. *Fr. Joseph Illo*



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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass, M-F, 7:30am Latin, 12noon, 6pm. Saturday 8:30am, 12noon Latin. Sunday Mass, Sat. Vigil 4:30pm; Sunday, 8am, 9:30am, 11:30am Latin, 7:30pm. Holy Day Mass, 7:30am Latin, 12noon, 6:00pm Sung Latin Mass. Confessions, 15 minutes before Mass; Sat, 3:15-4:15pm; by appt. 415-751-0450.

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Holy Hour & Confession Tuesday 7:00pm-8:00pm

Devotions, Sacred Heart of Jesus, First Friday 12noon, 6pm Latin; Divine Mercy, Saturday 3pm; Lady of Perpetual Help, Wed. 12noon; Our Lady of Fatima, First Saturday, 8:30am.

The Sunday Scriptures

By Fr. Joseph Illo (Acts 4: 8-12, 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18).

Good Shepherd Sunday The Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Easter is always about the "Good Shepherd." There is only one. Most priests try their best to be faithful and hard-working, but only One actually is good. Today is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray that your priests, and seminarians, surrender their lives to Christ, the Good Shepherd.

Eucharistic Adoration



"This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist"

- Bl. John Paul II

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Monday: 8am, 9am, 1pm, 2pm, 4pm

Tuesday: 5am, 8pm, 11pm

Wednesday: 10am, 2pm, 4pm, 10pm

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Mass Intentions

Sat. 04/24	8:30am 12noon 4:30pm	Int. of Dana Nunez and Family + Francisco Matturano-Gomez Int. of Thelma Queri and Family
Sun 04/25	8:00am 9:30am 11:30am 7:30pm	Int. of Simon Takita (bday) + Felix Flynn, Sr. + Deceased members of The Andre & Maria Gubbel's Families Int. of Fr. John Mary Chung Int of Kevin Carter and Family People of the Parish
Mon 04/26	7:30am 12noon 6:00pm	Int. of James and Harriet Hudson Int. of Fr. John Mary Chung Int. of Brigid McCormack Int. of Eva Aguas + Maria Anguiano Int. of Dan O'Neill Int. of Danilo Sandoval Int of Michael & Sandra Dillon (53rd wed. anniv) + Mauro Aguirre + James Liljefelt In Thanksgiving of Connie Arnaldo + Kaylini Arnaldo (bday) + Barbara Radcliffe + Venancia Barretto + Mr. & Mrs. Ciriaco and Genoveva Cinco
Tue 04/27	7:30am 12noon 6:00pm	Int. of Corinna Gamez and Family Int. of Carol Chan Int of Lesiya Strazhnyk (bday)
Wed 04/28	7:30am 12noon 6:00pm	Int. of Loc Thi Nguyen and Family + John Sellai (anniv) + Juan Santos
Thu 04/29	7:30am 12noon 6:00pm	Int. of Juan Carlos Lopez + Jovy N. Ong + Vilma West
Fri 04/30	7:30am 12noon 6:00pm	+ Frank Kwok (anniv) + Percy Carter Int. of Monica Vasquez
Sat 05/01	8:30am 12noon 4:30pm	Int. of Francis Chow Int. of Nancy and Skip Voves Int. of Edwin and Anita Clapp

Please pray for the sick in the parish

Spencer Christensen, Edna Herrera, Rosa Lee, Sally Tu, Chuck La Mere, Esmenia Batinga, Margaret Stangl, Margaret Sellai, Rosie Santos, Valentine Nevis, Juliet Tan, Miriam Valle, Carmen Smith, Maria Bruno, Trinkka Perry, Margo Kingsbury, Vicki Kruschin, Tom Schatz, John Johnson, Delora Roanhorse, Howard Morita, Alexandra Lavino, Edelmira Romero, Yemame Ambaye, Mary Ann Brautigan, Thomas Bolla.



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Lauds (morning prayer) Monday-Friday 7am-7:10am

Vespers (evening prayer) Monday-Friday 5:45pm-6pm

Rosary prayer, live stream M-F, 5:00pm on Facebook & YouTube

Sunday April 25, Mass: 8:00am, 9:30am (live stream), 11:30am (Latin), 7:30pm

Sunday, April 25, Rosary prayer walk at the Cathedral, 2:30pm. We invite you to register to get updates and news <https://star.flocknote.com/RosaryWalk>.

Tuesday, April 27, 7-8:00pm Holy Hour with confessions and communal Rosary prayer

Tuesday, April 27, 3pm Bible study with Mary Ann Eiler 650-660-4546

Saturday, May 1, Walk to Mary pilgrimage and rosary prayer walk after the 8:30am Mass from Star of the Sea to The Little Sisters of the Poor. on 4th and Lake

Sunday, May 2, Crowning of our Lady Virgin Mary at the 9:30am Mass.

Star Pro-Life Prayer Group, Saturdays 9am-2pm 1522 Bush Street. Contact: clarisse.siu@gmail.com

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Georgianna Askoff, Cantor & Doug Rieth on the Harp will feature two settings of Schubert's memorable *Ave Maria*

Please join us for this special presentation and perfect occasion to celebrate Mother's Day with your parish family

This is our first of a series of concerts when Mary, the Mother of God, will be honored in devotional songs

Flowers to Our Lady Virgin Mary

In honor of our Lady's month, we will be crowning her statue at the 9:30am Mass on Sunday, May 2nd. All are invited to bring flowers and place them in front of our Lady's statue.



WALK TO MARY

Saturday, May 1st

8:30am Mass, followed by rosary walk from Star of the Sea to the Lourdes Grotto at the Little Sisters of the Poor on 4th and Lake St. Or, go to the pilgrimage first, then come back for the noon Latin Mass. Both Masses will be for St. Joseph the Workman and for

Our Lady

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