

# Pastor's updates

May 13, 2022



## Things you may want to know this week

- 1.** A total of 45 kids, 34 from school and 11 from CCD, will receive their **First Communion** tomorrow. 25 kids will receive at the first mass at 10:30 a.m. and 20 at the second mass at 1 p.m. We have several people to thank: CCD teacher Michele Evans and her aide, Kara Killeen, our parish Religious Education co-directors Joanne Bartolotti and Leslie Fong, Joanne Nolan our Second Grade Teacher and Mr. Lawrence Kong-Ellison, our school Religious Ed director. Congratulations to our First Communion team for a job well done.
- 2.** This weekend, May 14-15, 2022, **Sr. Dorothy Fabrize, MSC** will visit our parish to share her missionary experiences, and to ask for our kind support. Her message is one of gratitude for the many years of support for the Church's missionary endeavors. Because of our continued support, the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus have been able to establish missions in 20 countries around the world, and educate the indigenous women God calls to religious life. Let's give her our warm welcome and generous support.
- 3.** This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Easter. In our civil society, we celebrate **Peace Officers Memorial Day** to pay tribute to the brave local, state, and federal peace officers who became disabled or even died in the line of duty. It falls within the National Police Week from May 11-17. Let us honor our peace officers living and dead, and thank them for their service. Our parish is blessed that a lot of our police officers in the City of San Bruno are from St. Roberts, or somehow affiliated with St. Roberts. Let us offer our prayers for them.
- 4.** Normally, the **Office of Vocations** would have special Holy Hours arranged on Good Shepherd Sunday which was last week. However, since it fell on Mother's Day this year, it was decided to have our special Holy Hours for Vocations on this Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the following locations from 3:30 – 4:30 pm:
  - Our Lady of Loretto Parish
  - St. Stephen Parish
  - St. Augustine Parish
- 5. Good News!** We have now reached 80% of our **Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)** goal. This is truly good news as compared to last year when we were just about 34% of our AAA goal around this time. Thank you for your support. I am confident that we will not only reach our goal, but exceed it which means that the surplus will be returned for the use of our parish. Join the success!
- 6. Another Good News: Livestream is back.** We will be livestreaming the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass, as well as the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sunday Masses. We may be livestreaming the daily masses only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, unless we get more committed volunteers.

7. This Sunday afternoon, I will be presiding over a Mass and leading a **Recollection for our Archdiocesan Association of Catholic Women**. This is one of my responsibilities as the spiritual moderator of this group. There are about 40 women from the different parishes of our Archdiocese who are expected to attend the event.

8. Our St. Robert School will be having their **Kidstock shows** at the church next week. Here is the schedule: May 18, Grade, K-2 at 1:30 p.m.; Grade 3-5, 6:00 p.m.  
May 19: Grade 6-8, 6:00 p.m.

9. I have heard a report about a severe **shortage of baby formula**. Many stores are limiting the amounts a customer can purchase. If you are a parent running into this problem and in dire need of baby formula, let us know. Perhaps some parishioners may be able to buy the formula for you and arrange for reimbursement.

10. Twelve Bay Area health officers, including San Mateo County's, are stressing the importance of taking safety precautions, including continued masking indoors, as the region experiences a new **swell of COVID cases** and hospitalizations. They stress their continued, strong support for people to mask up indoors, keep tests handy, and ensure they are up to date on vaccinations by getting boosters when eligible.

[https://www.smcgov.org/ceo/news/bay-area-health-officers-urge-public-take-precautions-covid-levels-rise?fbclid=IwAR2hOsj5F6yxipsxoF7zT-sJsGoaNx\\_Qhks1AENmb0AMMzq4O1rx3wZ-xxo](https://www.smcgov.org/ceo/news/bay-area-health-officers-urge-public-take-precautions-covid-levels-rise?fbclid=IwAR2hOsj5F6yxipsxoF7zT-sJsGoaNx_Qhks1AENmb0AMMzq4O1rx3wZ-xxo)

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## FAZnotes

( Father Arnold Zamora )

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Dear St. Robert's parishioners and friends,

Happy Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Nobody is strong because nobody is made from metal. Instead, we are all made from clay.

So, when we feel we'll be broken, let us not feel hopeless. Rather take another opportunity to be in GOD's hands.

Let Him re-mold and re-shape us as a new person so we can be strong again.  
He is the POTTER and we are the clay...

**We are God's Beloved! Thus, we are Victorious!**  
**We are Precious in God's eyes, and are always Blessed!**

*Fr. Arnold*