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SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022
ST. JOSEPH THE ARTISAN
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

We celebrate this Sunday the Feast of St. Joseph the Artisan (also known as “St. Joseph the Worker”). Pope Pius XII instituted this worthy feast day on May 1, 1955, as a means of countering the “May Day” celebrations of Godless Communism.

Saint Joseph taught us, by his life, the great value of our work. God commanded Adam to work already in the Garden of Eden, and work was not a toilsome affair before the sin of our first parents. It allows us rather to have a share in God’s own dominion over creation, to serve our neighbor, and participate in God’s plan of salvation, most particularly for our own souls.

Unlike us so often, the foster-father of Our Lord did not shirk the duties of his labors but loved them. He never grew bitter and complained when he felt the natural fatigue of work. He took comfort in the knowledge of a job well-done, and worked not to satisfy a disordered desire for wealth, but in order to provide for the Holy Family. He did not give in to envy of those who had more material possessions than Him; and he knew that he had infinitely more in the spiritual treasures under his roof. He also avoided another modern error – being a so-called “workaholic”! Saint Joseph always honored the weekly rest of the Sabbath, and took part in the religious celebrations with his fellow Israelites. We therefore have in this great saint the perfect model for our own approach to our labors.

Though we celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph the Artisan this Sunday, this Second Sunday after Easter is also traditionally known as “**Good Shepherd Sunday**,” in honor of today’s Gospel text where in Our Lord declares Himself to be the Good Shepherd, and faithful to us, His sheep. He will never flee from us when danger approaches, as does the mere hireling. May His priests ever imitate this steadfastness.

In accordance with the established custom, we will take up a special **collection for the Institute’s seminarians** this Sunday. These men will, please God, one day be made your spiritual shepherds. Please be sure to write “**Seminary**” in the memo line of your check, which should be made out to the Institute, or write “**Seminary**” on the envelope for your donation. **Thank you for your generosity!**

The **May Crowning and First Communions** are coming up **next Sunday, May 8** at 12:30 pm. The ceremonies will begin with the procession from the church to Our Lady’s statue in the garden, where Our Lady will be solemnly crowned to properly begin the most beautiful of months and that which is dedicated to her. Afterwards, we will process back into the church for the Mass, during



The Childhood of Christ, by Gerrit van Honthorst, ca 1620

which seven young children will make their First Holy Communion. **Please say some extra prayers for these young faithful** on the day of this spiritual milestone in their lives!

The **registration deadline** for the National Retreat of the Society of the Sacred Heart is this **Friday, May 6**. Please do not delay if you are planning on attending, as no late registrations will be accepted. The registration form can be filled at this link: <https://form.jotform.com/213417001058140>. The National Retreat will take place in **Wausau, Wisconsin from Friday, June 3 – Sunday, June 5**.

The Sacred Liturgy, I think you will agree, requires training and practice in order to have the most worthy ceremonies possible. To that end, there will be a **training session on Saturday, May 14 from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm in the church**. If you or your sons serve or are interested in serving, please make every effort to be there. The Sacred Liturgy is our most privileged means of glorifying God on this side of Heaven.

Will you be coming to the Sunday reception? Paschaltide is such a wonderful time to catch up and find refreshment with your fellow faithful after the rigors of Lent! We hope to see you there.

Finally, **First Friday** and **First Saturday** are this week. We will have our usual devotions after both Masses.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 5/1	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Joseph the Artisan <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Mary Marlett
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Barbara Powell†
Mon. 5/2	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Athanasius, Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church, <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Father Staal	Joselito Cabral†
Tue. 5/3	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	The Finding of the Holy Cross <i>4th Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	James Frunk†
Wed. 5/4	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Monica, Widow <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Sergio Raya
Thurs. 5/5	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Sovereign and Eternal High Priest, <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Pat Smyklo†
Fri. 5/6	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>First Friday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Theresa Hamilton†
Sat. 5/7	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>First Saturday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Dita Dakudao & Linda Bercasio
Sun. 5/8	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Third Sunday After Easter <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Barbara Powell†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Canon Norman	Eva Ponitkoff

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday.

Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes on Zoom Please contact Canon Norman or Lisa Caputi (henshinx@pacbell.net) to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30pm

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon for class times

EMAIL LIST: email oakland@institute-christ-king.org

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at ickspoakland.flocknote.com or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS*

In your kindness, please keep these requests in your prayers.

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Dario Gonzalez	Paula Case	Veronica Seder
Elizabeth Pawek	Diane Kasdan	Courtney Shoda
Canon Fragelli	Dobbins family	Peter Trong Nguyen
Paulann Dymond	Mead Lawson	Paul Oei
Thomas Orr	Canon Altiere	Msgr. David Link
Lianne Claver	Carmen Raya	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaen		Steven Miller
Jesus Cristobal	Rita Cristobal	Rod Phillips

Requiescant in pace.

*Please email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org if you would like to add a name to the above lists. A longer list is available as attachment to the weekly Flocknote.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 14—Server Training

May 19—Sursum Corda *

May 26—Ascension of Our Lord

May 28—Society of the Sacred Heart (Oakland) **

* **SURSUM CORDA:** If you'd like to attend, please email Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu

** **SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART:** Another half-day of recollection for the **Society of the Sacred Heart** will take place on **Saturday, May 28, from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.** There will be a spiritual conference followed by a convivial luncheon. If you would like to get to know the Institute's Salesian spirituality on a more profound level, above all its emphasis on serving God as well as we can in our particular state in life, I hope you will consider attending. Please RSVP to oakland@institute-christ-king.org

MEN'S GROUP

A growing **Men's Group** is in the works! If you're looking to meet and grow with other faithful men of the Church, please contact Johnny Lazear: Lazearj41@gmail.com. Activities include meeting for prayer, food, hikes, and other Faith-related adventures. All men ages 18 and up are welcome to join!

SUNDAY SERMONS AND BULLETINS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons for the Institute's Oakland apostolate can be found at:

<https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

For Sunday bulletins, go to

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