

Holy Cross Catholic Church

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Welcome:

If you are a new parishioner, or visiting for the first time, welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church! We are happy you are here and hope you find our parish home to be a warm and welcoming place. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please check with the parish office or give us a call.

Homebound: For Communion to the sick or the homebound, please call the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul: *Closed until the completion of our New Community Center & SVdP Food Pantry in 2024.

Funerals: To ensure the availability of a priest and the church, please call the office before you make arrangements with the funeral director.

Baptism Preparation: Classes offered as needed. Please contact the parish staff for more information. Se ofrece una clase cada tercer sábado del mes a las 10 de la mañana.

Senior Luncheon: We are working on re-establishing the Luncheons and will notify everyone when we are ready to offer lunch once a month for Seniors and Friends.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 8am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 5pm Vigil, English

Sunday: 9am, English & 12pm, Español

Adoration: Thursdays, 8:30am-8:30pm

Adoración al Santísimo: jueves, 8:30am-8:30pm

Reconciliation: Wednesdays, 7pm & Fridays, following the 8:30am Mass.

Reconciliación: miércoles, 7pm y viernes, 9am

Anointing of the Sick: Second Wednesday of each month following the 8:30am Mass.

(Anointing is available at all hours in emergency.)

School Mass: Fridays, 8:30am (Sept.—June)

St. Vincent de Paul: *Closed until the completion of our new Community Center & SVdP Food Pantry in 2024.

April 20th & 21st, 2024: Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Church Teaches...



Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“Dear friends, on this day in particular, but also in the ordinary pastoral life of our communities, I ask the Church to continue to promote vocations. May she touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each of them to discover with gratitude God’s call in their lives, to find courage to say ‘yes’ to God.” ~Pope Francis

It seems entirely fitting that we celebrate a Day of Prayer for Vocations on a day when the Gospel for the Mass is about Jesus as the Good Shepherd – who knows His sheep. He lays down His life for them, and is raised up again.

While all of us are called to imitate Christ, some are called to imitate Him in a unique way as the Good Shepherd. Priests and religious are not “hired help,” but rather, they give their whole lives to the Church, walking closely with all of us in the joys and trials of life. Let’s remember that those who are called to be shepherds must themselves learn to hear the voice of the *Good Shepherd*. That is one of the reasons we pray like we do today: so that those who are called will hear His voice.

But we dare not limit our prayer for vocations to one day! Take these prayers with you into this week:

- For the parish priests we already have: that they will minister with the heart of the Good Shepherd, and that their example will inspire more young people to discern how God is calling them to live their faith.
- For all parents: that they will be open to priestly and religious vocations within their families, and that they will encourage their children to seriously consider every vocation.
- For the renewal of marriages, and for those searching for a spouse: that God will fulfill their hearts’ desires.
- For our Archdiocese: that the Holy Spirit will create a culture of vocations here, and that young people in our own parish will respond to Lord’s invitation.

“Lord our God, we know that your Son Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Him! There is no one among us who does not have a “divine calling!” Help us to pay attention to the workings of your Spirit and to be obedient to your invitation to love and serve in your Holy Name. Amen.”

The Holy Cross Worship Schedule—

- ❖ Daily Mass: Tues. - Fri., 8:30am
 - ❖ Confessions: Wednesdays, 7pm & Fridays, following the 8:30am Mass
- (Appointments for Confession are also available throughout the week.)



Bulletin Announcements



There are some truly amazing things happening at Holy Cross School! I recently had the opportunity to (humbly) brag at the

Oregon Professional Educator Fair about our school and the holy work that happens in our halls and classrooms.

Holy Cross students are coming into the Church, creating service projects, competing in track events, and “crushing” their STAR tests. I am always so proud to talk about how our students grow their minds, bodies, souls, and hearts here at HC. Let’s keep up the good work, y’all!

Speaking of creating success, please continue to help your student **arrive to school on time (by 7:59am)**.

We’ve noticed more and more kiddos arriving late to school. Following a positive routine is the foundation for successful students. We will begin checking in on families that are frequently tardy. If you are having extra difficulties arriving to school on time due to external circumstances, please let us know because we may be able to help you make accommodations.

With all this hard work we are putting in, we know that life can get quite stressful at times for us and for our students. **A special thank you to Kevin Ashworth and the NW Anxiety Institute** for coming in to talk to some Holy Cross parents and staff members about Anxiety, Strength, and Resilience! We will make sure to share some of the highlights from the HC event.

Mr. Tagorda, Principal



Archbishop’s Catholic Appeal: April 6th & 7th— Praise Be Jesus Christ!

Your parish church, and you as an individual, are part of something great. As Catholics, you share in Eucharistic solidarity with a Church that, through the ages, has withstood attack after attack, and today faces unprecedented challenges. A Church that invites you to join hands in our shared mission to redeem Western Oregon for God.

Brothers and sisters, I am asking you to give. You are not just donating; you are actively participating in our shared mission to live and spread the Gospel.

Every Gift, regardless of size, is a profound expression of faith and solidarity. It is a testament to our belief that we are all one in the Eucharist, each of us essential to the vitality of our Church. Let us embrace this opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to one another and to the mission entrusted to us by Christ. Remember, **Jesus changes everything!**

In Christ,
Most Rev. Alexander K. Sample
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

For more information, please visit:
<https://osd.archdpdx.org/aca>

Bulletin Announcements: Activities & Opportunities



We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who made such generous contributions of their time, creativity, talents, and gifts to our celebration of Holy Week. It may sound a little redundant, but the whole week really was *holy*!

We are deeply grateful to our readers, musicians, vocalists, ushers, cleaners, decorators, servers, sacristans, catechists & teachers, and everyone else who made it possible to celebrate Baptisms, Confirmations, and First Communions for 28 members of our parish community!

And we offer congratulations (again) to all of those who received the Easter Sacraments ... and we pledge our support as they continue to grow in the faith and deepen their appreciation for the Catholic life. As we heard on Easter Sunday, their various Sacramental “certificates” were not given like diplomas – as if they are now “done” with anything! It is *now* that the real “work” begins.

The Next Generation of Gardeners— are needed for the parish grounds.

Those retired parishioners who have served on the volunteer grounds committee have family members who are ill and need care givers.

If you can donate 2-4 hours a month, working alongside a grounds committee member, you will get support and tools. Our parish grounds are beautiful, will you help to keep them that way?

Please contact the parish office at 503.289.2834 or holycrossoffice@archdpx.org if you are interested in supporting this important ministry. Thank you!



We thank our **St. Vincent de Paul workers** for their years of dedication to feeding the hungry here in North Portland.

While it is true that our Food Pantry is now closed (until our new Community Center opens), we are directing our labors and support to the SVdP Conference at Holy Redeemer parish.

Please continue to use your “blue envelopes” to support this vitally important ministry in North and Northeast Portland. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Holy Redeemer Food Pantry, please call 503.880.2780, or email: svdp@holyredeemerpx.org.



The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of our tradition. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those He ministered to, the Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to “help our neighbor in their spiritual needs.”

One of the Works is “admonishing the sinner.” This is not an invitation to judge, but rather to be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ. But how?

In humility, we can do our small part to create a culture that does not accept sin, while realizing that we all fall at times. Again, we are not to judge, but we can guide others towards the path of salvation (see Matthew 7, 1-2). When we correct someone, we are not to be arrogant, for we are all in need of God’s loving correction. We are invited to journey together to a deeper understanding of our shared faith, which is a lifelong task, but very much worth the effort.



Let’s not forget that our parish’s embrace of hospitality and fellowship has been a driving force for our new Community Center. Ensuring that our community has a facility that is welcoming and accessible to all, while providing ample space for us to connect with one another in faith, is at the heart of our dream.

Our Capital Campaign Committee is excited to announce that we have reached a total of \$1,437,097 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (in pledges and gifts)! Let’s not lose our momentum! But let’s also remember that *pledges* need to be fulfilled. If you have pledged a gift toward the new Center and you need a reminder, please let us know in the parish office. We will be glad to send you any information you need to help your “promised gift” become a reality. Also, it is still true that if you have already responded to the Campaign you can **add** to your gift and if you have *not yet given* to the Campaign, today is the perfect time to step up!

→ **Update:** The demolition phase of the new Center has been completed by the Lawson Company, which has left the site fully prepared for construction (tentatively scheduled for the end of summer 2024).

→ **More news:** The Archdiocese has approved our “construction documents” and we have forwarded them to the City for our building permit. We thank our hard-working friends at Soderstrom Architects, our parish building committee, our business manager Deb Volker, and our project manager David Mastroieni for guiding us through the process thus far. Given that St. Joseph is the patron and protector of our new Community Center project, please continue to ask for his generous help!

Family Resources— April 21st, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Upcoming Key Dates/Events:

April 21st:

- Sacramental Prep Classes
- Confirmation Rehearsal for Teens & Sponsors, 2pm

April 26th:

- Confirmation Rehearsal just for Teens, 6pm

April 27th:

- Confirmation Mass, 9:30am

April 28th:

- Rehearsal for English First Communion, 10am in the Church

May 5th:

- English First Communions, 9am Mass

Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School—July 22nd-26th, 2024

Registration is NOW available!

Limited spaces available. Sign up TODAY!

Printed packets in the back of the church, in the front offices of the parish and school, and online:

Vacation Bible School - Holy Cross Catholic Church (holycrosspdx.org). Questions, please contact Andrea

Swanson, Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry, 503.206.8069.

THANK YOU to Our GIFT and LIFT Catechists!

In this whirlwind of sacramental events, it's important that we offer a huge THANK YOU to our catechists and our volunteer teachers who make our Sacramental classes happen.

Thank you to our catechists:

- ❖ Eric Boughton (Confirmation)
- ❖ Michelle Dumas (Confirmation)
- ❖ Mark Gast (Confirmation)
- ❖ Marta Ramos (Confirmation)
- ❖ Francis Rochon (Confirmation)
- ❖ Salvador Santos (Confirmation)
- ❖ Steve Spitulski (Confirmation)
- ❖ Bunny Brown (First Communion)
- ❖ Sierra Faoro (First Communion)
- ❖ Genesis Gomez Mejia (First Communion)
- ❖ Beth Kabele (First Communion)
- ❖ Leslie Velazquez-Flores (First Communion)
- ❖ Ashley McCullar (Children's Liturgy)
- ❖ Carrina McNerney (Children's Liturgy)
- ❖ Keola Morley (Children's Liturgy)
- ❖ Jane Tagorda (Children's Liturgy)
- ❖ RJ Tagorda (Children's Liturgy)
- ❖ Eva Varga (Children's Liturgy)

Confirmation is Around the Corner!

Next weekend, our teens will be celebrating their Confirmation. We have **43** teens who will be confirmed on April 27th.

What a robust, inspired group!

To prepare for Confirmation, the teens prepare in several areas:

- **Saint:** each teen chooses a saint to take on their name, to be a guide and advocate for them.
- **Sponsor:** each teen chooses an adult who is a faith influence and mentor for them.
- **Service:** the teens have completed several group projects (Family Faith Fun Days, community babysitting, making lunches for the homeless, gardening) as well as individual service work, at least 10 hours.
- **Weekly classes:** we have been meeting and preparing since September!
- **Retreat:** we experienced a Confirmation Retreat at the Grotto in October. It was an amazing day of faith!



As we near the Confirmation Mass, we ask you to keep our amazing young people in your prayers!

Thank You to Our Families and Catechists Who Have Been Supporting Us!

First Communion Celebration Coming...

On May 5th at the 9am Mass, we will have our first communicants celebrate their First Communion at the usual Sunday Mass.

We are so excited to celebrate this faith milestone with our parish community!

Please join us in celebrating our 18 children who are celebrating First Communion in English this year!



Important Dates

April 21: 4th Sunday of Easter

April 23: Jog-A Thon! ☉

April 24: Confessions, 7pm

April 25: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm

April 26: Confessions, 9am



Next Week's Readings: April 27th & 28th

Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 9, 26-31

Psalm: 22 **2nd Reading:** 1 John 3, 18-24

Gospel: John 15, 1-8



We spend 40 days in the Lenten season preparing for Easter. Then Easter arrives, and so many of us are content to celebrate for the day and then go right back to our regular life. How might we extend the joy of this season for more than one day?

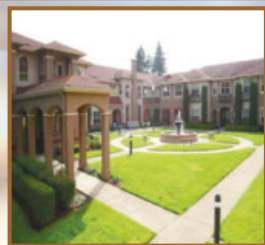
Pick a saint to walk with during these special "Resurrection days." For example, consider St. Mary Magdalene. About her we read: "Go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' Mary of Magdala went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord,' and what He told her." (John 20, 14-18)

In St. John's Gospel, St. Mary Magdalene is given the mission to carry the good news of Jesus' rising from the dead to the Apostles and the other disciples. She had been in the company of Jesus and His followers, and is given the privilege to announce the hope of new life. She has been known over the centuries as "the apostle to the Apostles." Jesus called her by name, gave her the eyes of faith, and called her to give a unique personal witness to her friends in the faith community, the early Church. Her role today is very much the same and she can continue to inspire us in many ways.

Ask St. Mary Magdalene (or the saint you have chosen) to help you be grateful with God's Word of Life, the power of the Sacraments, and the chance (each day) to advance in the way of salvation.

Saints of God, pray for us!

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Mass Intentions for April 23rd—28th, 2024:

Tues. +All Souls by Catherine Pham

Wed. +Veronica Eckman by Holy Cross Parishioners

Thurs. +Kellie Wisher by Nina & Dick Wisher

Friday +Mike Cole by Holy Cross School

Sat. (5pm) Int. of Peter Quinn by Annie Braunstein

Sun. (9am) +Frances Keagbine by HC Parishioners

(12pm) People of the Parish

*To arrange for a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.
Please plan ahead if you are requesting a specific date.*



In our prayers, let us remember all those who have died, including: James Graiff, Agustina Zavala, Brigid McManus and all the members of our parish family who have died in the past year — since last Easter

Let us pray also for those who are ill or homebound:

Darlene Thayer, Sue Anne Boettcher, Shayna Ramirez, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin, Bob Hungerford, John Bachmeier, Greg Busch, Amanda Holmberg, Anita Verbout, Erma Faoro, Christina Gardener, Carl Cawley, Tiem Nguyen, Marvella Graiff, Kathy Ackley, Sandra Blossom, Ann O'Reilly, Richard Lund, Sr. Mary Ryan, Annie Braunstein, Donna Hatley, Chris Kelly, Rose Petersen, Jane Bachman, Ann Renon, Jack Link, Bernie Maloney, Tina Paradiso, Rupert Liddie, Tim Brezo, and Georgie Ferguson

Stewardship



April 13th & 14th, 2024
Weekend Offertory: \$6,959.87
Online Giving: \$1,515.00
Total: \$8,474.87

**Weekly Offertory needed \$11,805.00*

Have you ever been in a situation where you have shared a God-given gift (perhaps your time, talent, or treasure) and it resulted in something wonderful – and was accompanied by compliments and accolades? How do you handle admiration, esteem, or approval? It would be easy to get caught up in the moment, wouldn't it?

St. Peter finds himself in one of those moments in Acts 4, minus the compliments! Referring to the healing of a man, St. Peter credits, who? Not himself, but "Jesus Christ the Nazorean, whom God raised from the dead."

We are stewards of all of God's gifts, including His glory – but whose "glory story" are we most often sharing?

When we pray, do we only ask Jesus for the things that we want? Do we ever ask Him what He wants from us? Do we ask Him to help us share His glory? And do we stick around to listen for His response? Even if He responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious, can we be patient enough to let Him, our Good Shepherd, work His wonders in and through us?

LA IGLESIA NOS ENSEÑA



El símbolo de Jesús como “pastor bueno” produce hoy en algunos cristianos cierto fastidio. No queremos ser tratados como ovejas de un rebaño. Decimos que no necesitamos a nadie que gobierne y controle nuestra vida. Queremos ser respetados. Pensamos que no necesitamos de ningún pastor. *No sentían así los primeros cristianos.*

La figura de Jesús Buen Pastor se convirtió muy pronto en la imagen más querida de Jesús. Ya en los cementerios de Roma se le representa cargando sobre sus hombros a la oveja perdida. Nadie está pensando en Jesús como un pastor *autoritario* dedicado a vigilar y controlar a sus seguidores, sino como un pastor bueno que cuida de ellas.

El “pastor bueno” se preocupa de sus ovejas. Es su primer rasgo. No las abandona nunca. No las olvida. Vive pendiente de ellas. Está siempre atento a las más débiles o enfermas. No es como el pastor mercenario que, cuando ve algún peligro, huye para salvar su vida abandonando al rebaño.

Jesús había dejado un recuerdo imborrable. Los relatos en los Evangelios lo describen preocupado por los enfermos, los pobres, los marginados, los pequeños, los más indefensos y olvidados, y los más perdidos. No parece preocuparse de sí mismo. Siempre se le ve pensando en los demás.

Los creyentes de nuestro siglo vivimos con frecuencia una relación bastante pobre con Jesús. Necesitamos conocer una experiencia más viva y entrañable. No creemos que Él cuida de nosotros. Se nos olvida que podemos acudir a Él cuando nos sentimos cansados y sin fuerzas o perdidos y desorientados. Pero una Iglesia formada por cristianos que se relacionan con un Jesús mal conocido, confesado solo de manera doctrinal, un Jesús lejano cuya voz no se escucha bien en las comunidades – corre el riesgo de olvidar a su Pastor. Pero, ¿quién cuidará a la Iglesia si no es su Pastor?

“El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta.” Salmo 22

PARA REFLEJAR....



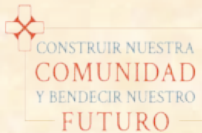
El Domingo del Buen Pastor es también el Día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones. **Siempre esperamos** que gente que está a cargo de otros,

especialmente en tareas de liderazgo y servicio, como médicos, trabajadores sociales, sacerdotes, Religiosos, padres y madres de familia, y ministros sagrados, se dediquen responsablemente a los que confían en ellos.

Los católicos no tenemos otro modelo que Jesús, el Buen Pastor. Él era todo corazón para con las personas, y estuvo dispuesto a ir tan lejos como hasta dar su vida por ellas. Todos los que tienen responsabilidad para con otros debieran ser como Él: no fríos funcionarios, no gente que se contenta sólo con hacer su trabajo, sino (ya sean laicos o ministros ordenados), todos con un corazón totalmente dedicado y comprometido aun a costa de sí mismos. **Y no olvidemos** que todos tenemos confiado el cuidado mutuo, unos de otros como hermanos y hermanas. Que Jesús nos inspire y nos guíe siempre.

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En la respuesta a la llamada de Dios, por Cristo, en el Espíritu Santo, hay algo que todos nosotros tenemos en común: ser discípulos del Maestro y ser enviados por Él a vivir y anunciar el Evangelio. Somos “discípulos misioneros,” como dos dimensiones simultáneas de nuestro ser católicos: “siempre aprendiendo y siempre enviados.”



Para quienes se encuentran inmersos en el mundo secular, la Pascua ha llegado a su fin. Los huevos de chocolate y las demás dulces, que aparecieron tentadoramente en las tiendas en cuanto los cristianos iniciaron el ayuno de la Cuaresma, han sido retirados de los estantes de las tiendas para ser reemplazados anticipándose a la próxima fiesta comercial.

Para nosotros, qué contradictorio parece todo esto. Si, nosotros creemos que el misterio Pascual y los eventos de la Pascua, de cambios en la vida, no han terminado. Ellos no son un final sino un inicio triunfal, y han alterado nuestras vidas en una manera radical. Nosotros hemos concluido la Cuaresma y estamos ahora celebrando la temporada Pascual, tratando de profundizar todo el tiempo una relación con la persona de Cristo. Esto es tan simple, y al mismo tiempo, tan sorprendente y complejo.

Cuanto más profundo crece la relación, tanto más nos arraigamos a ella, y esta relación con Cristo más dominará nuestras vidas. Nosotros no clasificaremos a Jesús, lo mantendremos en nuestro centro. Y los misterios Pascuales nos guiarán a las cuestiones fundamentales en el corazón : ¿cómo administro mis recursos – mi tiempo, mi dinero, mis habilidades y dones, mi vida entera – para que estén al servicio del Reino de Dios? Esta no es una pregunta de tiempo parcial. Esta no es una pregunta estacional que se quita del estante periódicamente. Esta también es una pregunta fundamental que la época de la Pascua nos exige: “Jesús, ¿cómo quieres que yo te sirva?”

Nuestra “campana para capital” es un programa basado en nuestra necesidad: un nuevo Centro Parroquial. Es un programa bien planificado y organizado, para recaudar una suma sustancial de dinero. El éxito de una intensa campaña como la nuestra, *depende de la participación activa de todos nuestros miembros.*

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Equipo Pastoral 503.289.7188

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales:

Tercer sábado del mes a las 10am.

Recuerde que necesita registrar a su hijo/a antes de asistir a la plática.

Bautismos:

El primer sábado del mes a las 9:30am y el último domingo del mes después de Misa.

Estas fechas son solo para niños menores de 6 años.

Los niños mayores de 6 años deberán de comunicarse a la oficina antes de apartar alguna fecha.

Preparación Sacramental para:

*Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA)
y Bodas – por favor llame a la oficina*

Misas de Quinceañeras:

Misa de Acción de Gracias para Quinceañeras en grupo, el segundo sábado del mes a la 11am.

Confesiones:

Los miércoles a las 7pm,
los viernes a las 9am,
y por cita entre semana.

Adoración al Santísimo:

Cada jueves de las 8:30am a las 8:30pm.

Misa con Unción de los Enfermos:

Segundo miércoles del mes inmediatamente después de la Misa de 8:30am.

HORARIO PARROQUIAL

21 de abril: IV Domingo de Pascua

23 de abril: Jog-A-Thon! ☺

24 de abril: Confesiones, 7pm

25 de abril: Adoración, 8:30am-8:30pm

26 de abril: Confesiones, 9am

28 de abril: V Domingo de Pascua



Corresponsabilidad Parroquial—

14 de abril: \$8,474.87

¡Gracias!

(El Ofertorio semanal necesita llegar al presupuesto Parroquial: \$11,805.00)

¿Alguna vez estuviste en una situación en la que tu tiempo, tu talento, y tu tesoro dieron como resultado algo realmente maravilloso que recibió muchos cumplidos y elogios? Sería fácil dejarse llevar por el momento.

San Pedro se encuentra en uno de esos momentos en la primera lectura de hoy (Hechos 4) – ¡sin los cumplidos! Refiriéndose a la curación de un paralítico, San Pedro atribuye el mérito ¿a quién? No a sí mismo, sino a “Jesucristo el Nazareno, a quien Dios resucitó de entre los muertos.”

Glorificar a Dios requiere intencionalidad y tenerlo presente. Somos corresponsables (*stewards*) de la gloria de Dios. ¿De quién es “la historia de gloria” que compartes tú?

LA LITURGIA — LECTURAS

V Domingo de Pascua—28 de abril

Primera Lectura: Hechos 9, 26-31

Salmo: 21

Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 3, 18-24

Evangelio: Juan 15, 1-8

EL DÍA DEL SEÑOR



Nos sorprendemos gratuitamente cuando a la vuelta de muchos años alguien nos reconoce y nos llama por nuestro nombre. “¡Él (o ella) todavía me recuerda!” decimos. Jesús nos asegura hoy:

“Yo conozco a los míos, y los míos me conocen a mí.” Por medio de Jesús, que es uno de nosotros, Dios nos conoce y nos ama y nos llama hijos e hijas suyos.

Es importante repetirlo: Dios nos ama. Estamos seguros de ello. No somos extraños a Él y Él está cerca de nosotros en todo lo que hacemos. Con gratitud, celebramos la Misa cada ocho días con Jesús, nuestro Buen Pastor. Que Él nos dé la gracia de no ser extraños unos a otros (especialmente alrededor de su Santa Mesa) ... y que seamos personas que nos edifiquemos mutuamente con la bendición del Señor.

De manera única, en la Plegaria Eucarística de la Misa, damos gracias a Dios por habernos hecho sus hijos e hijas por medio de Jesús, nuestro Buen Pastor, quien murió por nosotros para ser nuestra luz y nuestra vida.

¡Que nosotros sepamos reflejar el amor que Dios nos ha mostrado, preocupándonos los unos por los otros con la misma generosa amabilidad que Él nos ha mostrado a nosotros!

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