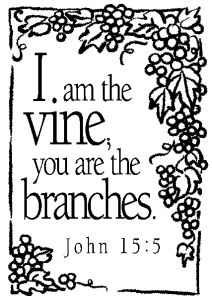


STEWARDSHIP

April 22nd.....\$ 1,944 Seminarians & Priest Formation & Education..\$666

Bobcat Catholics like you provide more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to Christ. Contact Tom Deming, Development Director, anytime to join our mission at 512-392-5925 or tdeming@txstatecatholic.org



LAST SUPPER DISCOURSE

In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus wash-

ing his disciples' feet. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, about their relationship with Jesus and with the world, and concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures:

Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us,

and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name. Our actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

- from Loyola Press

St. Joseph the Worker Feast Day May 1

To capture the devotion to Saint Joseph within the Catholic liturgy, in 1870, Pope Pius IX declared Saint Joseph the patron of the universal Church. In 1955, Pope Pius XII added the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker. This silent saint, who was given the noble task of caring and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and models for all the dignity of human work.

- from Franciscan Media.org

SECOND COLLECTIONS

4/29- Mexico and Appalachia missions

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

The Sisters of St. Francis' missioners will be speaking at our weekend Masses today. The Sisters serve those who are poor, with foreign missions in Mexico and home missions in Appalachia. In remote areas of Mexico they work to build faith communities where there are no priests for regular Sunday Masses. Sisters also give children living in extreme poverty the opportunity to obtain an education plus emergency outreach of food, clothing, and shelter for the poor. Please help make a difference in the lives of people suffering from poverty with your prayers and financial support.

LIPSTICK UPDATE

THANK YOU from our parish volunteer who cares for the liturgical linens. We are wiping off our lipstick before receiving from the Chalice, and she reports there is a notable improvement of stains and loss of purifiers.

CHALLENGE WEEK

May 6th - 13th

Formerly Matching Gift Week Accept the Challenge!

Make your most generous contribution during this week! Our goal is \$50,000!



Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Wisdom. Mail to 100 Concho St. San Marcos, TX 78666

or drop them in the collection basket on May 6th!

Online: <http://bcl.txstatecatholic.org/donate>

LATE NIGHT MASS & BREAKFAST

on Monday April 30th at 10pm. All parishioners are invited to help and or contribute to the breakfast. We hope all students come out and start finals with a blessing & great food!



WOW ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations Women Of Wisdom on celebrating 5 years at Our Lady of Wisdom!

Join us in celebrating them on Sunday May 6th at the 10am Mass. Members will host light refreshments after Mass.

Thank you to the Women of Wisdom for the enormous support you have given and continue to give to our community!

MORNING ADORATION

This will be the last week of Morning Adoration and we will not have Adoration Tuesday evening. Adoration will return with the start of the fall semester.

ASHES TO EASTER BOXES

TIME TO RETURN your full boxes and please continue to pray for the Missions.

Bulletin Submissions bulletin@txstatecatholic.org

Send content, questions, suggestions, etc. Deadline for submissions is Wednesdays by 5pm