

Fifth Sunday of Easter ***April 24, 2016***

The Story and You: Fifth Sunday of Easter

I break all the rules in the weight room of my inner-city Parks and Recs gym. I don't keep the code of silence that demands that tattooed strangers grunt their way through agonizing routines while keeping their eyes straight ahead, never acknowledging anyone else. AARGH! I say to the guy who can lift himself up and do about a thousand crunches on the ab machine.

How do you DO that? I've been coming here half my life and I can't do one. And just like that, Scary Guy becomes Kind Guy. Oh, sure you can, he says. Let me see what you're doing wrong. I love that moment of encounter, when two people from different backgrounds find a common place where gentleness and graciousness so easily spring forth. And it almost always happens when I ask strangers for help. Yesterday I smiled at a Scary Guy who was sitting on the bench, waiting for space on the basketball court. Could you help me, please? I don't have the extension in this leg to tie my shoes. Like that, he was smiling and saying, No worries! Is this tight enough? Do you need me to tie the left one too? And then his adorable daughter came running over to show me her shoes that light up, and how she can tie them herself. Love one another as I have loved you, Jesus says. My daily exercise—and I'm not talking about leg curls—is to find opportunities to break the weird silences between us in traffic, on elevators, in the gym. As it happens, I do need help sometimes. It's in asking "strangers" for help that lovely moments of warmth and friendship break open. *This week, ask a stranger for an easy favor. They'll be so grateful that you aren't asking for money!*

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La Historia y Usted: Quinto Domingo de Pascua Yo rompo todas las reglas del cuarto de pesas de mi gimnasio del centro de recreación de mi ciudad. Yo no le hago caso al código de silencio que ordena que los tatuados desconocidos hagan solo ruidos propios de sus rutinas agonizantes de ejercicio mientras mantengan sus ojos siempre hacia enfrente, sin hacer caso de nadie más. ¡Ay! Le digo al tipo que puede levantar su propio peso al mismo tiempo que hace como mil

abdominales en una maquina. *¿Cómo haces ESO? He estado viniendo aquí toda mi vida y no puedo hacer ni uno.* Y así como si nada, El Tipo Rudo se convierte en el Tipo Amable. *O, claro que puedes, me dice. Déjame ver que es lo que estás haciendo mal.*

Me encanta ese momento de encuentro, cuando dos personas de antecedentes diferentes encuentran un lugar en común donde la gentileza y la gracia brotan tan fácilmente. Y eso casi siempre sucede cuando les pido ayuda a los desconocidos.

Ayer le sonreí al Tipo Rudo que estaba sentado en la banca, esperando un espacio en la cancha de baloncesto. *¿Me podría ayudar, por favor? No tengo la extensión en esta pierna para atarme las correas de los zapatos.* Así Como si nada, él ya estaba sonriendo y diciéndome *¿No se preocupe! ¿Así está suficientemente apretado? ¿Quiere que le ate también el izquierdo?* Y luego su adorable hijita se acercó corriendo para mostrarme sus zapatos que aluzan, y como ella misma se los puede atar.

Ámense unos a los otros, tal como yo los he amado, nos dice Jesús. Mi ejercicio diario- y no estoy hablando de las flexiones de piernas- es encontrar oportunidades para romper los raros silencios entre nosotros en el tráfico, en los elevadores, en el gimnasio. Tal como sucede, yo necesito ayuda a veces. Es en pedir ayuda de los "desconocidos" que surgen los bellos momentos de calidez y amistad. *Esta semana, pídele a un desconocido que te haga un favor simple. ¡Estarán agradecidos de que no les pediste dinero!*

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Questions about how God is leading you in your life? Consider a retreat about the priesthood→→All retreats take place at St John Vianney Seminary (not a scary place, honest!) --for guys in high school—May 1, 9am to 4pm You can register online for each day of discernment at www.denverseminarians.org

Holy Name Club 50 Winners for April—

\$ 100	Jeannie Courchene
\$ 50	Dave & Debbie Flores
\$ 50	George & Gloria Madrid

Around the Parish and the Community

FAITH FORMATION

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

We are currently seeking a faith-filled, energetic and FUN person to join our Catechetical team to help lead our middle school youth in our Sunday Faith Formation Program. Ideal candidates must be practicing Catholics who have a desire to share their faith and who enjoy working with young people. Previous experience is appreciated, but not required. Must be available and ready to begin by late summer. Interested candidates should contact Laurie Lopez at the Parish Office, or via email at laurie.srldenver@gmail.com.

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—
Tate Hallahan, Rita Schuster, Jack Pepler, Jana Purdy, Lucila Pimental, Baby Stephany, Gretchen Testerman, Rosi Cervantes, Ana Portillo, Barbara Deaguero, Tony Romero, Lucy Ortega

Readings for the week of April 24, 2016

Sunday Acts 14:21-27//Rv 21: 1-5a//Jn 13: 31-33a, 34-35

Monday 1 Pt 5: 5b-14//Mk 16: 15-20

Tuesday Acts 14: 19-28//Jn 14: 27-31a

Wednesday Acts 15: 1-6//Jn 15: 1-8

Thursday Acts 15: 7-21// Jn 15: 9-11

Friday Acts 15: 22-31//Jn 15: 12-17

Saturday Acts 16: 1-10//Jn 15: 18-21

AMAZON SMILE--

Do you buy anything online? Of course you do! Do you buy anything from AMAZON? Of course you do! Well, now, if you buy anything from Amazon, first go to “Amazon Smile,” look for the organization you want to support—**SAINT ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC PARISH**, and once signed up, each purchase will help St Rose of Lima.

Spring Catholic Speed Dating 2016 Events—
Age 20-35—Ziggy’s Coffee, Westminster, May 6, 7-9:30pm
Age 30-45—Moma Roma, Centennial, May 14, 3-5:30pm
Age 40-55—Gaetano’s, Denver, May 21, 2-3:30pm
Age 55 and over—Northglenn, May 21, 10am-12:30pm.
Cost is \$30-40. RSVP is required—720.309.5321 or
Basqueza@aol.com

Mass Intentions

Saturday 4:00 pm	April 23 +Lillian Kress by family +Hazel Becker by Altar & Rosary Society
Sunday 9am	April 24 +Miquela Trujillo by Family Deceased member of the Holy Name Society
11:30am	People of the Parish
Monday 8:30am	April 25 Communion service
Tuesday 8:15am	April 26 +Laurence Byrne by Steve Stone
Wednesday 8:30am	April 27 +Florence Rael by the Martinez’s
Thursday 8:30am	April 28 +Warren Foote by Virginia Foote
Friday 8:30am	April 29 +George Valdez by Martinez’s
Saturday 4pm	April 30 +John Smice by Bert and Di Smice +Don Milner by Sue and Erwin Retzer
Sunday 9am	May 1 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society +Rev. John J. Tyne SJ by the Huter Family
11:30am	People of the Parish

Today is the Follow-Up Weekend for the 2016 Archbishop’s Catholic Appeal. Since so much of what our Church hopes to achieve this year is contingent upon the level of generosity from the faithful, all parish families are strongly encouraged to contribute. No gift is too great and no gift is too small. Please respond to the best of your ability. And to those who have already accepted the challenge, thank you! May our Lord bless all for their willingness to evangelize our faith. Please visit www.archden.org/donate or call 303.715.3111

Es el fin de semana de seguimiento a la Colecta Anual del Arzobispo 2016. Puesto que mucho de lo que nuestra Iglesia espera lograr este año depende del nivel de generosidad de los fieles, se invita a que todas las familias de la parroquia colaboren con la Colecta. Sin importar la cantidad, toda donación es bienvenida. Por favor respondan de la manera que mejor puedan. A aquellos que ya han res-pondido a este reto: ¡gracias! Que el Señor los bendiga a todos por su disponibilidad para evangelizar nuestra fe. Por favor visite www.archden.org/donate o llama al 303.715.3111