

PARISH CALENDAR

Third Sunday
of Easter

May 5, 2019

Cry out with joy to God,
all the earth!

Saturday, May 4	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Sunday, May 5	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 10:45 a. m.	Religious Education
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Monday, May 6	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, May 7	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
Wednesday, May 8	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, May 9		Mass
	..... 7:30 p. m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, May 10	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Mass - St. Daimen of Moloka'i - Pupu Potluck to Follow
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, May 11	..... 10:00 a. m.	Funeral Mass - Al Maria (+)
	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Acts:13:14, 43-52: The cost of preaching the Gospel to the Gentiles

Rev:7:9, 14b-17: A universal vision of Jesus' followers

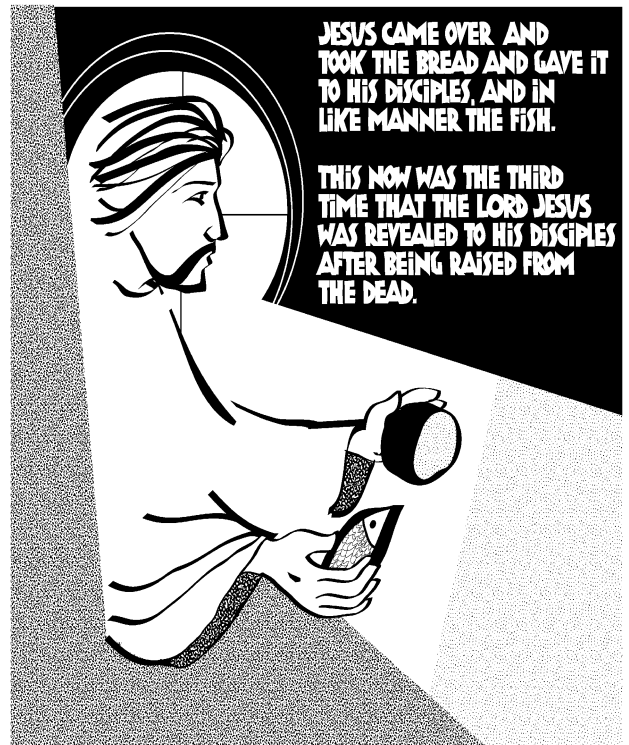
John:10:27-30: those who follow Jesus will have eternal life.

Reflection

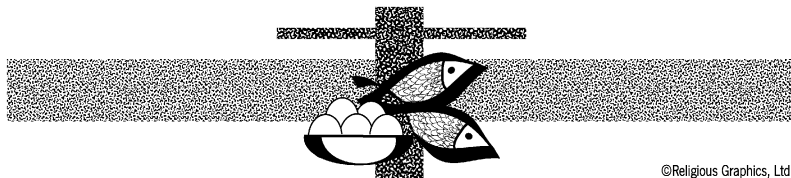
There are two kinds of authority in the world today, functional and personal. Functional authority is authority that's built into particular jobs or "functions." Teachers, for example, have authority. They get to give quizzes and homework and grades. They have functional authority just because they're teachers. If we happen to be a parent, a class president, a CEO, or the like, then we have functional authority, too. Functional authority works from the outside. It influences what other people do. It also depends on having other people to have authority "over."

Many people act as if functional authority were the only kind of authority. They spend a lot of time trying to get it, or fighting and complaining against people who have it. But there is another kind of authority. It's called personal authority, and it's different from functional authority. Personal authority is something that we all can have, even if others have functional authority over us.

Personal authority is the power to choose and be responsible for our own feelings, behavior, needs, and dreams. Personal authority works from the inside. It shapes who we are and how we relate to others. Personal authority doesn't depend on having someone to have authority "over." It just depends on us. This is just the sort of authority Jesus had and just the sort of authority he urges on us. Copyright © 2003, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS AT REGINA PACIS

CONVENT: The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent will remember our Parish during the week of **May 19th thru May 25th**. If you have a special intention that you would like the Sisters to pray for, please phone (808) 737-5822, or email at reginasscc@cs.com or Mail your prayer request to Regina Pacis Community 1120 fifth Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816-5828. As Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, their chapel is open daily from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., to anyone who wishes to spend some time in prayer.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE 2019: The Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy is organizing a 3-day conference to be held at the Hawaii Convention Center on **May 24-26, 2019**. The conference them - "Divine Mercy and the Message of Fatima" will focus on the connection of Divine Mercy to the messages given by our Lady of Fatima in 1917. For more information, please call 389-5764 or visit the www.divinemercyhawaii.org

WORD OF LIFE: "Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Prayer for an End to infanticide."

WEEKLY READINGS

May 5 Sun: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts:5:12-16; Ps:118; Rev:1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn:20:19-31

May 6 Mon: Easter Weekday

Acts:6:8-15; Ps:119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn:6:22-29

May 7 Tue: Easter Weekday

Acts:7:51-8:1a; Ps:31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab; Jn:6:30-35

May 8 Wed: Easter Weekday

Acts:5:1b-8; Ps:66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn:6:35-40

May 9 Thur: Easter Weekday

Acts:8: 26-40; Ps:66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn:6:44-51

May 10 Fri: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Rom:5:1-8; Ps:33: 2-3, 6-7; 8-9, 20-21; Jn:10:11-18

May 11 Sat: Easter Weekday

Acts:9:31-42; Ps:116: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn:6:60-69

A Different Kind of Authority

Today's readings celebrate a unique brand of authority, one that presumes some suffering and demands much service.

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The LORD
feeds us
himself



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NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

This weekend's Gospel reading from John enjoys a number of themes not least of which has to do with hearing Christ's call to live differently but returning to our "comfort zones." Even after seeing the risen Lord and receiving his blessing and missionary charge, his disciples go back to what they were doing before Jesus first called them. Instead of continuing Jesus' ministry, they return to the life they knew. When faced with the choice between embarking on a new way of life or staying where life is familiar and comfortable, they chose the latter. Good stewards know that Christ has called them to open their hearts and live in a different way. How often do we retreat from the Lord's call so that we may remain with what is comfortable and familiar?

(International Catholic Stewardship Council)

The biblical concept of authority held that all authority comes from God. Only God ruled over Israel; human kings held sway only as God's surrogate—though too many of them forgot that, much to Israel's lament. Throughout his earthly ministry, Jesus displayed a unique power and authority in all he said and did. In Matthew's account of Jesus' farewell scene, the risen Lord prefaces his instructions to his followers to "make disciples of all nations" by stating, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18).

The readings chosen for today's liturgy are rich in references to authority, divine and human, good and not so good. The first reading demonstrates that, as can happen to any authoritative body, the Sanhedrin tended to be pragmatic and pretentious, somewhat self-serving and self-contradictory. Had the reading retained verses 33-39, we would meet a moderating influence in the person of Gamaliel, the highly regarded Pharisee and teacher of the law under whom Saul (later the apostle Paul) would study. Gamaliel's wise advice prompted the other council members to curb their authority and abandon their thoughts of killing the apostles, but it did not spare Peter and the others a severe whipping.

Today's passage from Acts gives us an idea of the apostles' own exercise of authority and the responsibility that comes with that authority. The apostles are witnesses to the death and resurrection of Jesus. They can't help but proclaim these saving events: "We must obey God rather than men!"

The reading from Revelation exalts divine authority and all its attributes: "power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." In the vision, the Lamb—the risen and glorified Lord—shares divine authority with the Holy One, and together they are praised by every creature "in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea."

Today's Gospel is a kaleidoscope of shifting scenes and changing colors, all manifesting the power and authority of the risen Lord, all touched with tenderness. Yet within this marvelous display of Christ's power and affection for his friends is the Lord's own concept of authority. In his repeated questioning of Peter, Jesus is doing more than forgiving Peter his previous triple denial. The Lord is conferring authority on Peter. At the risk of hurting his friend and apostle's feelings, Jesus is giving Peter the opportunity to choose whether or not he can—or wants to—exercise authority in the style of the Good Shepherd in guiding, guarding, feeding, and caring for the sheep that belong to God. The risen Christ is saying that genuine authority is based on love and service. No other kind will do in tending the flock of the Lord.



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