



Fifth Sunday in Easter

May 2, 2010



We all dream of a new and better world – a world characterized by justice, order, and harmony. A world where people appreciate and support one another as brothers and sisters, and where everyone is ready to share not only the joys but also the pains of others. This is also the dream of God. Such a dream will become a reality only if we collaborate wholeheartedly with Him by putting into practice Christ's commandment of universal and life-giving LOVE. This is the only "formula" that can heal and renew our sickly and rotten world. Let this be the intention for which we offer the Eucharistic sacrifice as we gather together as God's family to renew our pledge to love one another as Christ loves us.



A NEW WORLD BUILT ON LOVE

We Christians have something wonderful to look forward to: a totally "new world." This will consist in a condition of perfect happiness, characterized by the absence of any form of suffering and by the deepest experience of God's saving presence. (See today's Second Reading, especially vv. 3-4.)



Such a world, so different from the present one, will not be the product of man's ingenuity, planning or efforts. By ourselves we are incapable of creating our own heaven. We are even unable to conceive it in our imagination, for we do not know what is really fulfilling for us.

The "new world" we eagerly await is the creation of God's love for us. He alone knows what can make us really happy forever. He alone can make this plan a reality. Yet, such a new world and new Jerusalem will not be simply a priceless gift distributed indiscriminately to all men, including those who persistently reject it. God treats us as adults. He respects our freedom and values our cooperation. He actually solicits it, gently and constantly. He wants us to be the ones who supply the labor, while He supplies the planning, the bricks, the mortar and the stones needed to build the "world" in which alone we will feel at home. In this way, the world without tears, death, mourning . . . will be not only a gift from God, but also the fruit of all the tears, pains, deaths . . . endured with love by us in this world. In practice, then, the "new world" will be the result of two loves: God's love for us, and our love for Him and our neighbor.

This is quite an uneven partnership, for there is no comparison between God's role and ours. Yet, it is God Himself who has chosen us as His "partners." Such has been His will and pleasure. It is His love which transforms our suffering and feeble efforts into the splendor of the "house of love" that we call "heaven."



That final result will be like a splendid flower blossoming out of a dark, small, unattractive seed – the seed of our life on earth . . . The vital force that makes our poor efforts produce such a disproportioned result is our Christ-like love, the self-sacrificing love of God and neighbor which Jesus taught his disciples with his example, even more than

with his words. A love patterned after that of Jesus for his disciples is the only valid passport that will enable us to enter the "new Jerusalem," our true homeland. Without a Christ-like love, we would feel total strangers and out of place in God's Kingdom. With it, we shall feel perfectly at home, and enjoy the fruit of even the tiniest acts of brotherly love done in imitation of Jesus, "the Teacher of love."

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As our model for such love we turn to Mary in this month of May. Of all the titles the church gives to Mary the one she probably treasures the most is **"disciple of the Lord."**

Mary was the first and most perfect of Christ's disciples because the driving force of her life was love and service. Pope Paul VI wrote: "The Blessed Virgin does not disillusion any of the profound expectations of the men and women of our time but offers them the perfect model of the disciple of the Lord".

Let us ask her to pray for us:

***We turn to you for protection, holy Mother of God.
Listen to our prayers and help us in our needs.
Save us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.***

(This prayer was found in a Greek papyrus and dates to about 300 AD; it is believed to be the oldest known prayer to the Virgin.)



• **HONORING MARY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY**



During the month of May, Catholics traditionally give special attention to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A great way to honor her is by praying the daily Rosary, on your own or in a group. Here at the FCMM, the Rosary is prayed before all the Liturgical services — with these prayers being offered for the intentions of the community.

On Sundays, aside from the Holy Rosary, Novena Prayers to the Virgin Mary are recited, followed by a Floral Offering ("ALAY") by children and devotees of the Blessed Virgin Mary... Everyone is invited.



We join the Officers and members of the PANGASINAN ASSOCIATION OF QUEBEC, INC. in their celebration of PISTA'Y DAYAT 2010. M A B U H A Y !



PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF MANAOAG

Virgin Mother of God, Queen of the most Holy Rosary, you have chosen to raise your throne of mercy in Manaoag, to be the beloved protectress and patron of the Province of Pangasinan, and therefrom to bestow your graces on us your children, banished in this alley of tears, look down with your eyes of mercy upon me, who am beset with so many dangers of body and soul. Despise not my petition O dearest Mother, but intercede for me before your divine Son now and at the hour of my death. Amen.

VIRGIN OF MANAOAG, Pray for us.

THE SEARCH FOR THE 2010 FCMM KING and QUEEN OF ANGELS is in FULL SWING !



The **First Canvassing** will be held on **Saturday, May 29, 2010, 6: 00 p.m.** at the Church Hall. The boy and girl candidates who would remit the highest amount of solicitations would be named the FCMM Reyna Elena and Constantino 2010. Entrance is \$ 7.00 inclusive of light refreshments. Tickets are now available from our FCMM Administrators.

Father Frank's 40th Anniversary of Ordination-

Father Frank is celebrating 40 years of priesthood this year and we are planning a little celebration.

There will be a Mass on **Saturday, 15th May at 5:00 pm** followed by a buffet in the hall. **All parishioners are invited** – we hope that many of you will come along and join Father Frank celebrate this milestone in his life, and in the life of our Mission community .





The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **AS THANKSGIVING FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE** offered by **JOSEFINA YABUT.**

STEWARDSHIP – “I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” - John 13:34

Jesus showed His love by healing the sick, giving hope to the hopeless and ultimately dying on the cross for us. We, too, are called to show our love for one another. The Church carries on the work and the love of Jesus. When you give to the Church you give love to someone in need.



OFFERING

Your Offerings for the week ending April 25, 2010 totaled **\$ 1, 580. 50**

Thank you for your continuing generosity !
God bless you always!!!



- ❖ To the *new arrivals* from the Philippines;
- ❖ To the *visitors* from other places;
- ❖ To those who have *been away and are back*;



WELCOME into our Filipino Catholic Mission of Montreal Family through **Baptism**–

MARCH, 2010: GABRIEL JOSHUA TABAMO / SOFIA DE LAS ALAS / ANGELICA JAYNE BELTRAN
APRIL, 2010 : KARL CHELSEA CASTROVERDE/ CHELSEA ANN LAMSEN/KAYE MARIE PAGAY/
LANCE GABRIEL ADAO

We pray God will give wisdom and courage to their parents as they endeavour to provide an atmosphere that will be conducive to faith growth.



We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of:

THE REMEGIO FAMILY, MR. & MRS. EDWIN & DELIA VISARIO,
DADDY TONY FOZ, ROSA VELASQUEZ, JESS ALCAIDE, ROMAR RIVERA,
MELANIE ASSAFF, MR. & MRS. NELSON ALEJANDRO.



- ❖ Please join in lifting up to the Lord the *special intentions of*: THE AFAN-BELTRAN FAMILY, ANGELITA CUELLO, MJ YASIS, GLENN CABRADILLA. May the Lord grant them their heart's desires


❖ Your prayers are humbly requested for all the *sick and suffering* members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, WILFREDO QUIRAPAS, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., ANTONIO FOZ, NORA ZABALA, JULIO MACARAIG, BEATA SANGALANG FRUCTUOSA VELASQUEZ, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, EMELITA GASPAY, ANGELITA ZARAGOSA, FELIMON AMIAN SR., GERRIELYN ANN MASAYA, DAWN DELA PAZ, PABLITO DE CASTRO, MARIA MINDA MIÑON, RODOLFO REQUILMAN, FELICITAS GARCIA, C.G.A., JESS ALCAIDE, VERONICA DE LAS ALAS, DALMACIO AQUINO SR., ANNIE FORGET, JULIE PARADO, MARIE FAUBERT. May God bring them healing and peace.

❖ Remember also all of our *deceased relatives and friends*, especially FEDELITO MANAOIS, LOUISE HUDON, ERNESTO SALONGA, RICARDO PERIODICA JR., TOMAS CATIBOG, VER MANGUBAT, CHARLENE MAE GALAN ,ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Stop by or call the FCMM Office (514 387 – 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.

		A RECIPE	FOR: The Rosary
			FROM: Our Blessed Mother
1	Apostles Creed	20	Mysteries (5 Joyful, 5 Luminous,
6	Our Father	5	Sorrowful, 5 Glorious)
53	Hail Mary	1	Hail Holy Queen
5	Glory Be		
Blend first four ingredients. Alternately add 5 mysteries.			
Top with Hail Holy Queen. Serves any number.			
This is one of my favorite recipes!			Love, Mother