



# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“BEHOLD, GOD’S DWELLING  
IS WITH THE HUMAN RACE.”

—Revelation 21:3

April 28, 2013

<b>KEEPING GOD’S CHILDREN PROTECTED AND SAFE</b>	<p>To know that we are children of God is to live in complete love, with deep abiding security and the ability to dream, to sing, to create, to laugh, and to play without worry. As we grow older, we face a new reality — we cannot approach all God’s creation with the same trust and confidence. We learn, through sometimes hurtful and damaging experiences, that some people reject the ability that God gave them to love and respect others—they ignore God’s call. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles program to safeguard children helps remind us of these facts. With the help of this program, the faithful are guided and educated about the responsibility of how to keep God’s children protected and safe.</p>
<b>NEXT WEEKEND’S CARDINAL MCINTYRE FUND SPECIAL COLLECTION</b>	<p><i>We walked together in harmony in the house of God</i> <small>(Psalm 55:14).</small></p> <p>Since 1951 there has been hope for those in crisis situations throughout the Archdiocese of L.A., thanks to the <b>CARDINAL MCINTYRE FUND FOR CHARITY</b>. Contributions to this fund provide one-time emergency help for food, utilities, transportation, medical, housing or funeral expenses for adults, children and families in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and Los Angeles counties. You are their hope! Your contribution to the Cardinal McIntyre Fund For Charity makes you a sharer in our parishes’ works of mercy, and in their rewards of grace.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Contribution envelopes will be available in the pews next weekend. Your generosity is always appreciated.</b></p>
<b>REMINDER</b>	<p><b>There will be a Liturgy Committee meeting this Monday, April 29th at 7:00p.m. All members are encouraged to attend.</b></p>
<b>CATHOLIC BISHOPS’ CALL TO RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIGNITY</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EIGHTY PERCENT OF CATHOLICS SUPPORT IMMIGRATION REFORM</b></p> <p>A large majority of Catholics support immigration reform legislation that provides a path to citizenship for the 11 million undocumented immigrants in the country, according to a recent survey sponsored by the Office of Migration Policy and Public Affairs of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Overall, 77 percent of Catholic voters support a proposal that allows earned citizenship through meeting requirements like registration, paying a fine, paying taxes and taking English classes, the survey shows. Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, chairman of the USCCB Committee on Migration, embraced the results of the survey. <b>“It is clear that Catholics understand the importance of this issue,” Archbishop Gomez said. “As an immigrant church, Catholics from all walks of life understand the migration experience and accept the Gospel’s call to welcome the stranger.”</b> Most Catholics support the bishops’ call for the creation of an immigration system that respects basic human rights and dignity while ensuring the integrity of our borders, according to survey results. As immigration reform takes center stage in the public square, this data makes clear that the Catholic population is behind current efforts to reform the broken immigration system. Archbishop Gomez called upon Catholics to engage their elected officials on behalf of immigration reform. “I encourage Catholics across the nation to contact their legislators in support of humane immigration reform, which would help our brothers and sisters come out of the shadows and become full members of our communities,” he said.</p>
<b>MARKETBASKET</b>	<p><b>Our market basket will be outside the church next weekend for your contributions of non perishable foods and hygiene items. Thank you!</b></p>
<b>REFLECTIONS</b>	<p><b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b></p> <p><b>First Reading:</b> Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 <b>Second Reading:</b> Revelation 22:12-14, 22-23</p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> John 14:23-29</p> <p>Jesus said <i>“Whoever loves me will keep my word... .”</i> Let me resolve once again to open the bible each and every day to read several verses and ask God to show me how to apply his teachings to my everyday life.</p>