

MISSION - VISION

We envision a welcoming Missiondriven community, sustained by the abiding faith in God and Christ-like love of fellowmen, where Filipino cultural and religious traditions are lived and practiced with dignity; where diversity of gifts and talents is embraced, strengthened by the commitment and relationship we build- nourished by the Eucharist, prayer, education and apostolic services. MABUHAY ! BIENVENUE ! WELCOME ! to The NOTRE-DAME-DES-PHILIPPINES

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> PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Wednesday – Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE Sunday - 11: 30 a.m. (Pilipino Mass on the last Sunday of the month) Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. (Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help recited before the Mass) Friday - 6:00 p.m. (Novena to the Holy Child – Señor Sto. Niño recited before the Mass)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every First and Third Friday of the month before the Mass.

03 MAY 2015 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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"I am the vine, you are the branches," Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. This is not a way of speaking but a wonderful reality, for at our baptism we have been grafted onto him. It is thanks to our deep union with Jesus that we can enjoy God's salvation and produce the fruits worthy of our new life in him.

Jesus' statement that "apart from him we can do nothing" may hurt our pride, but it is the sober truth. Only those who accept it in all humility and live accordingly can experience the joy of being God's children, and are in the best position to produce an abundance of fruits unto eternal life...



To bear fruit is to allow ourselves to be crushed for the sake of the world, and become wine in the chalice so that others may drink of it. To bear fruit there is one

condition: abide in Christ.

"Abide in me and I in you", says Jesus. It is an interpersonal relationship where the believer is in Christ and Christ in us. It is to follow the footsteps of Jesus Christ who is both the Shepherd and the Sheep, the Farmer and the Wheat, the Vine Shoot and the Wine in the Chalice, the Sacrifice and the Sacrificer.



Branches of a Fruitful Vine

Fifth Sunday in Easter

The claim, "Without me, you can do nothing," would sound empty or offensive and off-putting even on the lips of the most popular leader. Yet, when it comes from Jesus, we have to admit that it is simply true. In our spiritual life, in fact, we are absolutely dependent on him. Just as God is the only source of grace, so is JESUS CHRIST the only "channel" through which divine grace reaches us. Just as we have no alternative sources of life, aside from the Creator, so we have no "alternative ways" of reaching out to Him and enjoying the fullness of His saving love, except through Christ, the only Savior of mankind. He is the one and only Mediator. (See 1 Tim 2:5.)

All the other "channels of grace" that we know of the Church, the Sacraments, the Bible, prayer ... - are all "secondary channels." They are valid and effective only because of Christ. They derive from him and are essentially oriented toward him. We share in God's life by being united with Jesus. Such a life-giving union started out at baptism, when we became part of him - members of his Body, thereby beginning to enjoy the fruits of his passion, death and resurrection. Jesus' union and solidarity with us caused him suffering and death. Our union and solidarity with him produces in us happiness and salvation. Such is the vital meaning of us being branches of the fruitful vine that Jesus is. But our union with Jesus can be broken because of our weakness. It does get broken whenever we sin. This should never happen. Instead, we should steadily aim not only at preserving our union with Jesus, but actually at increasing it because such a union is not static, but dynamic and vital. We call it a COMMUNION : He is in us, and we are in Him. (See Jn 15:4.) A real communion can take place only among free beings. It is rooted in sincere appreciation and total mutual acceptance and is nourished by selfless love.

The preservation and growth of our union with our Lord Jesus Christ can happen only on one condition: that we keep his commandments. (See 1 Jn 3:24.) Then shall we bear the abundant fruits of the new life inaugurated by Jesus with his resurrection, especially the fruits of peace, and the genuine love of neighbour which expresses itself "in deeds and truth and not merely in words" (1 Jn 3:18.19). Then shall we enjoy the presence of the Holy Spirit in us, like the members of the

apostolic community (see Acts 9:31, and 1 Jn 3:24), and continually experience in ourselves the reality and the power of Christ's Resurrection. (See Phil 3:10.)





We ioin the Officers and members of the PANGASINAN ASSOCIATION OF QUEBEC. INC. in their celebration of PISTA'Y DAYAT 2015. MABUHAY!



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.



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, on this month, the Rosary will be prayed before all the Liturgical services — with these prayers being offered for the intentions of the community. On Sundays, aside from the Holy Rosary, a Floral Offering ("ALAY") by children and devotees to the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held, Everyone is invited.







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FIRST CANVASSING: MAY 30, 2015



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YOUR OFFERINGS -For the Weekend of APRIL 26,2015 = \$ 1, 811.00 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !



PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

We join in the **Thanksgiving** Intentions of: MARITESS SUNIO, ROSIE & DENNIS, FELIMON & IMELDA and FAMILY, KERWIN

REY, DUSTIN ALCAIDE, REY & MALOU, MARCELINA CONCEPCION, ENZO KELLE, ADELA CONCEPCVION.

Your prayers are humbly requested for **all** the sick and suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: FR. FRANCISCO ALVAREZ pme, FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, FR. GERARD LOISELLE, pme, SR. LUZ PADERANGA op, MSGR. ANDRE DESROCHES, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., ANNIE MOJADO, ELECITA ARACENA, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, DAWN DELA PAZ, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, **BERNARDINO FERNANDO, ANTONIO FOZ,** VICENTE TRIVINIO, FR. GEORGES MORIN, ofm.. May God bring them healing and peace.

Remember also all of our **deceased** relatives and friends, especially: BENJAMIN NIEVA, ROSE ECHIN, ANTONIO BENEDICTO, SOTERO MOJADO, ENGRACIA LAUS, SHIRIN, AVELINA ADUCAYEN, DELIA SUNIO, PRISCILLA & PESCASIO DIWA SR., ROSITA & EMILIO AGUILA, SATURNINO QUIRAPAS JR., ERNESTO SALONGA, VIRGILIO MANGUBAT, PONCIANO VERSOZA, 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.