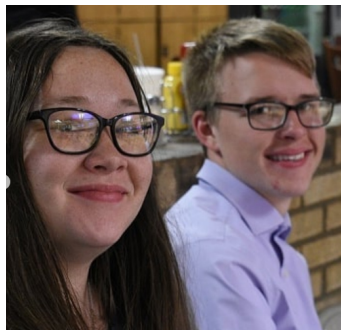




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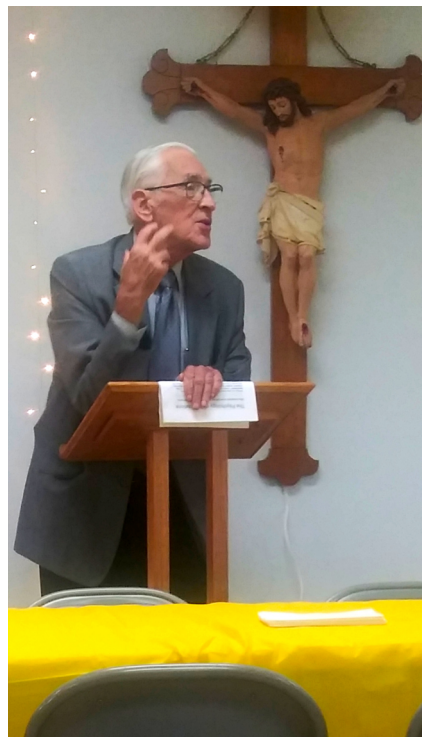
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July 25, 2021
ST. JAMES THE GREATER, AP
PENTECOST IX • ST. CHRISTOPHER, M

¶ ST. JAMES THE GREATER

Today is the middle day of our Triduum in honor of St. Anne. Festive Vespers of St. James with Benediction are at 4:45 PM. The Blessing of Cars takes place during all Masses today.

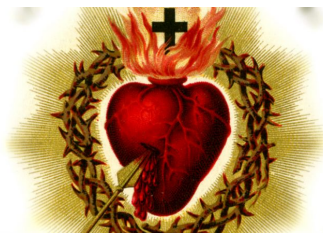
¶ THIS WEEK

Tomorrow is the feast of great St. Anne, the grandmother of Our Lord. Our **Boys' Camp** begins on **Tuesday**, feast of St. Pantaleon. The Octave Day of St. Mary Magdalen is her busy sister's feast, St. Martha, on **Thursday**. Sacred Heart Devotions and Benediction follow Mass at 5:45 PM on **Friday**. The great warrior for Christ the King, St. Ignatius, ends our month of July on **Saturday**.

¶ SUMMER NOVENA

We continue our traditional summer devotion of the Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony with a novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help this week after all Masses. Come to participate in this powerful devotion!

*Congratulations to
Joseph & Sarah Simpson and
the Collin Smith Family
on the enrollment of
the Sacred Heart in their homes.*



Medieval "Santiago Matamoros" legend—Tradition states that Saint James miraculously appeared to fight for the Christian army during the legendary battle of Clavijo and was henceforth called Santiago Matamoros—Saint James the Moor-slayer. Cervantes has Don Quixote explaining that "the great knight of the russet cross was given by God to Spain as Patron and Protector."

Collection Report

Sunday, July 18th\$4,747.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

¶ PLEASE DON'T DRESS COMFORTABLY

What with the Covid shake up, we've gotten away from the **Men's Dress Code**, the formality of a tie and jacket which we just won't give up, along with so many other traditions. It is a question of **respect**, the way you dress, of a proper formality for the Lord's Day and the Holy Sacrifice. I like to tell people "Please *don't* come to Sundays dressed comfortably." Dress up, dress well, for you appear before the King of Kings.

If you come to church during the week, please be sure to dress modestly, well covered, out of respect, even if not quite in your Sunday best. But on Sundays, give it your best.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Ron Swanson, Mary Beth Grumblatt, and the repose of the soul of †Patricia O'Brien.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST X

Next Sunday is the feast of St. Peter's Chains, Titular of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Province of Cincinnati. The Blessing of Religious Articles will be available after all Masses. The special Second Collection for our seminarians will be taken up. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** St. Peter's Chains, second collect of St. Paul, third of Pentecost X. Preface of the Apostles. Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost X.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

Parish Picnic: September 12



"Through their mother's mediation, the sons of Zebedee press Christ as follows in the presence of their fellow apostles: "Command that we may sit, one at your right side and one at your left" (*cf. Mk 10:35f.*)... Christ hastens to free them from their illusions, telling them they must be prepared to suffer insults, persecutions, even death. "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I shall drink?" Let no one be surprised to see the apostles displaying such imperfect dispositions. Wait until the mystery of the cross has been fulfilled and the strength of the Holy Spirit given to them. If you want to see the strength of their souls, take a look at them later on and you will see them to be above all human weakness. Christ does not conceal their pettiness so you will be able to see what they become later on by the power of the grace that will transform them..."

—*St. John Chrysostom (c 345–407)*
Father & Doctor of the Church

"At the mention of this name [the Blessed Virgin Mary], the angels rejoice and the devils tremble. Through this invocation, sinners obtain grace and pardon."

—*St. Peter Canisius*

SAINT CHRISTOPHER *SAN CRISTÓBAL*

Do you too miss the old days?
 We're alone now, so I can return you
 to your place and light a candle.
 Protect us, Saint Christopher.
 Forgive me for hiding you, but
 you're out of favor, an unofficial saint
 not enough proof I hear.

Not enough proof. How can they say
 this
 in a church. What happened to faith?
 Thrown out like the Latin.

Protégenos, San Cristóbal.
 Hear that rain thrash the windows?
 In such storms we need a saint like
 you
 who understands the river's voices.

You understand the river's voices,
 know we always pray for rain
 since this dry land drinks in gulps.
 Protect us, Saint Christopher.
 At your height, surely you under-
 stand
 too much of even good things
 can become burdens, ¿no?

He was no burden, the smiling Child
 who climbed your body's twenty feet
 onto
 your shoulder, a purposeful boy.

Protégenos, San Cristóbal.
 Like you'd carried others across
 the swirling river, you set off again
 as we set off daily from the shore of
 sleep.

You set off from the shore into
 a whirlwind, clutched Him as we
 should
 hold all children in life's stormy river.
 Protect us, Saint Christopher.
 But I fear the children can no longer
 count on us who must seem like gi-
 ants
 peering down at their question-mark
 faces.

Your face was a question mark when
 He grew heavier with each step

until you gasped, "Who are you?"
Protégenos, San Cristóbal.
 He said you carried the weight of the
 world,
 the Child, the mighty king you'd
 sought,
 Who smiled at your profound "Who
 are you?"

"Who are you?" The question echoes
 through this church whose adobe may
 melt
 if you don't silence the rain.

Protect us, Saint Christopher.
 I've ordered each of my children
 to keep your medal in their car. Yes,
 ordered.
 My firmness comforts them.

You comfort me, here until the rain
 exhausts itself
 as I will someday grow silent.
 My quiet husband doubts my scold-
 ings will ever cease.

Protégenos, San Cristóbal.
 If I fall asleep, forgive me, Dear
 Friends.

Please walk here, chat among your-
 selves.
 Help your Carmen across the treach-
 erous river to faith.

—*Pat Mora*



THESE DAYS

These days have no dawn
 but emerge out of a heavy mist.
 The sun, an orangish red plate,
 surprises me in the sky,
 an armed soldier sullen silent,
 glowering suddenly in my sight.
 What could this portend?

Dies mali sunt.

—*Bishop Dolan*

I love July, I've decided. Not so much for its hot humid weather or vacations, nor even the firecrackers and barbecues, but for its holy associations, its feasts and saints and all of the memories they evoke, and intentions they inspire. The Precious Blood comes first and stays, then my favorite Marian feast, the Visitation, which prays for an increase of peace; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, with her "dyed garments" of the Precious Blood; peacemaking St. Elizabeth and always forgiving St. John Gualbert; Alexius the Man of God; Charity Row's annual "four in a row;" the multi-deathed St. Apollinaris for church politics and humility; St. Christopher and St. James the Greater; God's grandmother; the pants saint and busy Martha and the fireman Ignatius. I love them all. I hope you do, too.

We did finally have 85 in attendance for the July Rosary Procession, you know. Excellent. On the other hand, the Tuesday Summer Novena now attracts only the "usual suspects," no more. I've printed a great story about the Miraculous Responsory in today's bulletin. Give it a try for the miracles you need, and *always* be asking for help from Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Our nature notes now include two fawns checking out the grounds with Mom. The rabbits, perhaps with all the rain, are multiplying like...rabbits. So far no coyotes, though they're actively after the Brueggemanns' sheep in Kentucky. The cats here enjoy studying the rabbits. **Fr. McGuire's** bunny, the improbably named Dawg, is still under wraps, though the cats are suspicious.

The seminarians are having some Summer Theology with **Fr. Nkamuke** via Zoom or something like it. We are grateful to Father, busy as he is covering his entire country, for his dedicated help.

Fr. McKenna is getting this week's Boys' Camp lined up, but took a moment to write something about the morality of the injection according to established principles. Take a moment to read it, and hand it on to someone who's hesitating: "We cannot do evil so that good may come from it." You may not risk your life or wellbeing in exchange for a vague notion of health from this experiment.

A blessed ending to your July!

– Bishop Dolan

"Communism was not created by the masses to overthrow the bankers, communism was created by the bankers to overthrow the masses."

– Europa, *The Last Battle*



SIN OF THE JAB: A BRIEF EXPLANATION

Much buzz has come about regarding Bishop Dolan's sermon last week, where he talked about how receiving the Covid shots would violate the moral law in a serious way, and thus be mortally sinful. Here is a very brief and simple explanation why the principles of Moral Theology would prohibit one from receiving the jab.

*The so-called "vaccine" is not to be thought of as a thoroughly tested and proven mode of treatment. Instead, one must view it as an experimental trial of unproven technology by inoculation. As such, it must be treated under different parameters for determining allowability. To help you best understand, it is necessary to grasp that experimental therapy is generally **NOT** allowed, under most circumstances. So what are the circumstances? Here are a few:*

1) The subject of the experimental therapy must be sick. It is forbidden to receive experimental treatment if a person is either deemed incurable, or is healthy, because they would incur all of the risk without the benefit. It is for this reason that even American Law prohibits the development of vaccines when effective therapeutics can be developed or obtained. It is also the reason that the government refused to fund research into hydroxychloroquine, ivermectin, or others, as a therapeutic would have prevented them from developing a much more lucrative and society controlling vaccine.

2) The necessity and good result to be obtained must be proportionate to the risk. If the risk be high, the necessity for it must also be grave, as well as the risk of the disease itself. Since Covid-19 is only, for most, a flu and that the risk of death or prolonged harm is also very low, especially for people in generally good health, it would not be permissible to participate in an experimental trial for a vaccine which carries the risk of death, strokes, blood clots, infertility, and other damaging consequences. Such a risk may only be undertaken when "less dangerous remedies have failed and the saving of his life hinges on the success of this venture." (*McFadden, Medical Ethics*)

3) The **sole** motive prompting one to participate in trial experiment **must be** for the desired good effect: in this case, immunity. Nobody can promise you that. Furthermore, many have a contributing or dominating motivation of pressure from family, job, education, government, or "return to normal."

4) Free and fully informed consent must necessarily be given for reception. The Geneva Convention outlines this must be free from "any element of force, fraud, deceit, duress, over-reaching, or other ulterior form of constraint or coercion." This is far from the case today, given the external pressure. Also, the Geneva Convention states all potential risks to health must be clearly stated. Again, this is not presented unless asked for, and then the list is only partial at best. Nothing about this "vaccine" is true, from the word "vaccine" on down.

A STORY OF THE MIRACULOUS RESPONSORY

"If there be any saint," says a modern writer, "who yet lives on earth in his mission of love and kindness, who while joining the celestial choirs before the throne of God, yet uses his powerful intercession in lessening the woes of mankind—surely that one is Anthony." Faithful to every tie of kindred and of friendship, and it must be noted that St. Anthony made friends wherever he went, for he had a perfect genius for friendship in its highest form; he was and is the unfailing advocate of the poor and the oppressed. Indeed, the custom of giving donations of bread for the needy, or offerings of money to be spent in his name, particularly for the education of young men desirous of entering the Franciscan Order, has developed into a devotion peculiarly and absolutely his own. When, moreover, we really try to study and to understand, as far as we, with our limited views of exalted spirituality, can understand his lovely character, we see a singular fitness in this special form of honoring the "Eldest Son of our Seraphic Father" because it is practically impossible to imagine a more ideal priest than Fra Antonio.

The custom has, in fact, become almost universal, and proves that the best means of obtaining favors from him is to help others. Who can say what showers of grace have fallen in ages past, and still will fall in the years to come, on those who generously deny themselves for this purpose?

In the East, Franciscan missionaries have made the name of Anthony venerated both among their Christian converts and even among the Mohammedans. We see this from Father Godfrey Schilling's description of what occurred at Aleppo during the Armenian Massacre in the year 1895, when the fanatical Arabs made an attack upon St. Anthony's College.

The Friars, realizing their imminent peril, for the furious rabble were on the point of destroying the entrance gate, recited with the boys the Miraculous Responsory; i.e., the *Si quaeris Miracula*; almost at the same moment, a Mussulman of high standing appeared and spoke urgently to the crowd, telling them of the immense good the Franciscans were doing by educating the young Mohammedans as well as Christians. He reminded them that the Fathers gave alms also to poor Mussulmen and that, during the famine, they had distributed wheat to the

needy followers of the Prophet.

At these words the rabble dispersed. St. Anthony had saved his faithful clients.

THE MIRACULOUS RESPONSORY

If miracles thou fain wouldst see:
Lo! error, death, calamity,
The leprous stain, the demon flies,
From beds of pain the sick arise.

**The sea withdraws and fetters break,
And withered limbs he doth restore;
While treasures lost are found again,
When young or old his help implore.**

And perils perish; plenty's hoard
Is heaped on hunger's famished board.
Let those relate who know it well,
Let Padua of her Patron tell.

**The sea withdraws and fetters break,
And withered limbs he doth restore;
While treasures lost are found again,
When young or old his help implore.**

May glory to the Father be,
And to the Son eternally,
And Holy Ghost, in essence one,
In Persons three, be honor done.

**The sea withdraws and fetters break,
And withered limbs he doth restore;
While treasures lost are found again,
When young or old his help implore.**

V. Pray for us, O blessed Anthony,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: O God! let the votive commemoration of Blessed Anthony, Thy confessor and Doctor, be a source of joy to Thy Church, that she may always be fortified with spiritual assistance and may deserve to possess eternal joy. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



THE FORMULA OF ST. HORMISDAS (517) is a head-on collision waiting to happen for those who want to avoid the "Question of Rome." Read the Formula that the Emperor Justinian forced his Eastern bishops to sign.

From The Church Teaches, (Rockford, Illinois: TAN, 1973), pp. 69-71.

During the pontificate of Pope St. Hormisdas (514-523), the accession of Justinian [as Byzantine Empire], a Catholic and a Latin, to the imperial throne at Constantinople, provided an opportunity to heal the 35 year old Acacian schism. The document which Justinian ordered the Eastern bishops to sign is a profession of faith, which had been added to a letter that the pope had sent to the bishops of Spain in the year 517. Its acceptance by later councils gives it the value of a definition.

"The first condition of salvation is to keep the norm of the true faith, and in no way to deviate from the established doctrine of the Fathers. For it is impossible that the words of our Lord Jesus Christ who said, 'Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church' (Matt. 16:18), should not be verified. And their truth has been proved by the course of history, for in the Apostolic See the Catholic religion has always been kept unsullied. From this hope and faith we by no means desire to be separated and following the doctrine of the Fathers, we declare anathema all heresies. ...Following, as we have said before, the Apostolic See in all things and proclaiming all its decisions, we endorse and approve all the letters which Pope St. Leo wrote concerning the Christian religion. And so I hope I may deserve to be associated with you in the one communion which the Apostolic See proclaims, in which the whole, true, and perfect security of the Christian religion resides. I promise that from now on those who are separated from the communion of the Catholic Church, that is, who are not in

agreement with the Apostolic See, will not have their names read during the sacred mysteries.

"But if I attempt even the least deviation from my profession, I admit that, according to my own declarations, I am an accomplice to those whom I have condemned. I have signed this my profession with my own hand and have directed it to you. Hormisdas, the holy and venerable pope of Rome."

— *RadTrad Thomist*

ST. JAMES

July 25: Feast of St. James the Greater, Apostle of Christ and Martyr. Also known as James Major, James the Elder, James the More, James, son of Zebedee, Santiago de España, Son of Thunder, Iago, Santiago, the Moor Slayer. Martyred—stabbed with a sword by King Herod Agrippa I in 44 at Jerusalem. Legend says his body was taken by angels, and sailed in a rudderless, unattended boat to Spain where a massive rock closed around it. His relics are believed to be at Compostella, Spain.

Patronages: against arthritis or rheumatism; apothecaries, druggists or pharmacists, arthritis and rheumatism sufferers, blacksmiths, equestrians, horsemen, riders, furriers, knights, laborers, pilgrims, soldiers, tanners, veterinarians, Spanish conquistadors, Chile, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Spain, Archdiocese of Seattle, Washington, diocese of Bangue, Philippines, 20 cities.

St. James was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus and traditionally considered the first Apostle to be Martyred. He was a son of Zebedee and Salome and brother of John the Apostle. He is also called James the Greater or James the Great to distinguish him from James, son of Alphaeus and James the brother of Jesus (James the Just). James the son of Zebedee is the patron saint of Spaniards and as such is often identified as Santiago.



GIVING OUR LIFE AS A RANSOM

These fateful days have hit us all hard, and we feel it. We want something more than this suffering and worry and visible distress we have been going through. God the Lord is present in everything that happens, and we want to find the answer to all this that He wants from us. We want to arrive at that composure and harmony of heart that God surely wants to accomplish in us and that we owe to Him. Without it, He will not avert the distress of this world from us.

We do not want to gather together here only to beg. We want to step into the ranks of the great intercessors, to approach the question that is God's challenge to us. Through His Spirit, we must increase the world's proper order and responsibility, its proper composure, so that it is in harmony with God, so that the intrinsic lack of peace, from which all suffering and distress comes, will end! This intrinsic lack of peace within the world is because man's dispositions are no longer in conformity with God's freedom or the questions He daily poses to us.

If we as victims succeed in communicating this through silent example and enlightening word, and if we make it the rule and order of our days, it will show that we have been authentic worshippers. We will have come before God in truth and freedom, as authentic *pacifici* [peacemakers].

— *Fr. Alfred Delp, S.J.*

MON 7/26/21 ST. ANNE, MOTHER OF OUR LADY

PENTECOST VIII

CLOSING OF THE ST. ANNE TRIDUUM

8:00 AM **High Mass** Birthday wishes – Nathalie Andreotta
(Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze)

TUE 7/27/21 RESUMED MASS OF SUNDAY

ST. PANTALEON, M • OPENING OF BOYS CAMP

SUMMER NOVENA VII AFTER ALL MASSES

7:00 AM **Low Mass** Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Thank You
(Nathaniel Arnold)8:00 AM **Low Mass** In honor of St. Angela Merici for our
recent graduates (Mr. & Mrs. Mike Briggs)9:00 AM **High Mass** Repose of the soul of †Fr. Anthony
Cekada (Mr. & Mrs. James E. Kolenich & Family)5:00 PM **Low Mass** Omlor Family (Ball Family)WED 7/28/21 SS. NAZARIUS & CELSUS, MM; VICTOR I, PM;
INNOCENT I, PC7:00 AM **Low Mass** Younger brother's conversion
(David Bayer)8:00 AM **High Mass** Fr. McKenna (David Bayer)☞ 5:15 PM **Low Mass** †Pauline Rubin (Kirby & Jean Bischel)

THU 7/29/21 ST. MARTHA, V • ST. FELIX II, PM

SS. SIMPLICIUS & COMPANIONS, MM

7:00 AM **Low Mass** Isaac Smith (Collin Smith)8:00 AM **High Mass** Fr. McGuire (David Bayer)☞ 11:25 AM **Low Mass** Birthday wishes for Bishop Dolan
(Mr. & Mrs. Michael Briggs)

FRI 7/30/21 SS. ABDON & SENNEN, MM

8:00 AM **Low Mass** Repose of the soul of †Joyce Briggs
(Mike Briggs Family)5:15 PM **Confessions & Rosary**5:45 PM **Low Mass** †Rose Wellman (Simpson) – 1st
Anniversary 6/7 (Tom & Karen Simpson)6:30 PM **Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction**

SAT 7/31/21 ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, C

7:15 AM **Confessions**7:30 AM **Low Mass** Thanksgiving for prayers answered
(Jamie Wagner)8:10 AM **Salve, Sermon**8:20 AM **High Mass** Renee, Cora & Cecilia – Graduation
(Levi & Jacinta)

SUN 8/1/21 ST. PETER'S CHAINS

PENTECOST X

THE HOLY MACHABEES

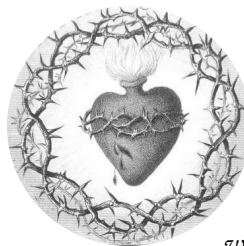
7:05 AM **Rosary**7:30 AM **Low Mass** Lisa McConnell & Family (Laura Gilliam
& Abigail)9:00 AM **High Mass** In thanksgiving to St. Joseph, Model of
Artisans, for great favors received (Joe Druecker)11:05 AM **Rosary**11:30 AM **Low Mass** †Ted Zapp (Brockman Family)4:45 PM **Vespers & Benediction**5:45 PM **Low Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

PRAYER TO ST. MARY SALOME

Sister of Our Lady, Mother of Ss. James & John, Apostles

O beloved disciple and true lover of Jesus Christ, St. Mary Salome, I, thy humble client, thank the Blessed Trinity for the glory bestowed on thee in making thy family truly a family of saints. By thy generosity in devoting to the apostolate thy sons and thyself, obtain for me that throughout my whole life, whatever be the cost, I may labor efficaciously in promoting the glory of God and the salvation of souls. And when my end shall come, O my dear protectress, assist me with that loving pity with which thou didst assist our dying Lord on Calvary; and obtain that in that terrible hour He may address to me also those consoling words which He spoke on the Cross to the penitent thief: "This day thou shalt be with Me in Paradise." (100 days once a day)

RECOMMENDATION TO JESUS



It was revealed to St. Gertrude that if anyone commends himself to God, praying to be kept from all sin, God will never forsake him; and even though he be permitted to fall into some grievous fault, the grace of God will sustain him like a staff, and enable

him to return more easily to repentance.

O Jesus, full of compassion, I commend to Thee my spirit and my soul, in union with that love wherewith Thou didst commend Thine own to the Father on the cross; and I place them in the most sacred wound of Thy tender Heart, that they may be therein protected from all the snares of the enemy. Thou knowest, O good Jesus, and I know by my own sad experience, how weak and frail I am, so that I could not of myself persevere in good, or resist temptation even for one single hour. Wherefore I pray Thee, by the reverence due to that union wherein Thy manhood is united to the adorable Trinity in order to our glorification, that Thou wouldst deign to unite my will to Thine, and so to strengthen and secure it, that it may be unable to rebel against Thee. In union with Thy most sinless limbs, I commend to Thee all the members of my body, with all their movements, that they may throughout this day move for Thy glory alone, for Thy praise and Thy love. Amen.

Servers

SUN 8/1 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.

9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: P. Omlor, Seminarian MC: M. Simpson

TH: Na. McClorey CROSS: T. England ACs: D. Simpson, B.

McGinnis TORCH: J. Stewart, J. & C. McGinnis, C. Arlinghaus, M.

Kolenich

11:30 AM LOW: A. McClorey, N. Kolenich

4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: Seminarians

5:45 PM LOW: Seminarians