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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 20, 2008

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<b>Mass Schedule:</b>	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9:30 a.m.
		at St. Mary's	11:15 a.m.
	Weekdays	at St. Cecilia's	8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Thur.)
<b>Confessions:</b>	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Gospel: John 14:1-12

How we see things determines the value we place on them. If we believe Christ rose from the dead, we can believe in resurrection, the question is asked, "What is a Primrose?" Several answers were given.

A yellow primrose by the rivers brim, and it was nothing more, just that and no more.

Another person, "A primrose is a delicately balanced biochemical mechanism, requiring potash, phosphates, nitrogen, and water in definite proportions."

A third person says, "A primrose is God's promise of Spring."

I say, a living organism of beauty enhancing the beauty of creation.

All descriptions are correct. 'Our Values are Our Beliefs.'

### Pope Benedict XVI's Visit to the United States: April 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

A website, <http://www.uspapalvisit.org>, created by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops contains videos of the events. The website has information such as the papal itinerary, facts and figures on the Church in the United States, biographical information and stories of the papal visit. Among the other features on the web site is a blog, giving an inside view of papal visit preparations, views from the pew and reflections on the meaning of the visit.

### Mass Intentions: Week of April 20, 2008

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... Peter Forstner
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Chris De la Torre
Monday	8 a.m.	... Stephen Gitaoly
Wednesday	8 a.m.	... John Lawson
Thursday	8 a.m.	... David De la Torre
Friday	8 a.m.	... Marge

### Last week's collections:

St. Cecilia's	....	\$ 758.00
St. Mary's	....	\$ 369.00
Total:	....	\$1,127.00

### From the Pew

Pray for Maureen O'Sullivan for her recovery.

Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, thirteen children will make their First Holy Communion at St. Mary's. Some of the questions kids have about the Church:

"Dear God, I went to this wedding and they kissed right in church. Is that OK?"

"Dear God, instead of letting people die and having to make new ones, why don't you just keep the ones you have now?"

"Dear God, thank you for the baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy."

Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, St. Cecilia's/St. Mary's as host, we will be looking for many volunteers for the Valley Community Barbeque, where up to 150 people may attend. Contact Cia Donahue, 488-0337, if you can spare time to volunteer. We will need all the help we can get.

Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, St. Cecilia's Golf Tournament at the San Geronimo Golf Course, followed by dinner with awards, raffle, and silent auction. Fabulous prizes. For reservation and information, contact Ginny Kerbs, 488-9694.

Need more 4 to 5 lines on What a Parish Is. So far only four people have sent in their ideas. Wish to hear from a lot more. Next year, we will use your understandings to define - What Our Parish Is.

Congratulations to Teresa, baptized Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Cecilia's.



### Pope Benedict XVI's Coat of Arm

#### **MOOR'S HEAD**

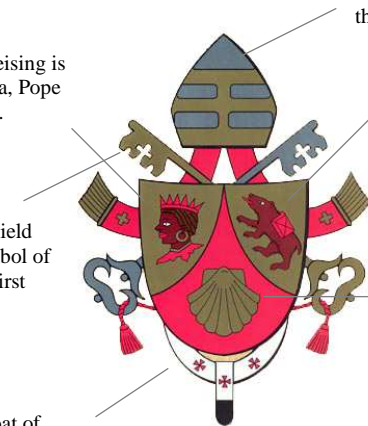
This emblem of the Diocese of Freising is common in the tradition of Bavaria, Pope Benedict's home state in Germany.

#### **THE KEYS**

It has long been tradition for the supreme pontiff to surround his shield with crossed keys. They are a symbol of the power that Christ gave to the first pope, St. Peter, and his apostolic successors.

#### **PALLIUM**

Unique to Pope Benedict XVI's coat of arms is the pallium, which stands for the pope's responsibility of the flock entrusted to him by Christ.



#### **MITRE**

The simple mitre has three bands of gold to represent the powers of Orders, Jurisdiction and Magisterium.

#### **BROWN BEAR**

According to legend, when St. Corbinian, the first bishop and patron saint of the Diocese of Freising, was on his way to Rome, a bear attacked and killed his horse. The saint tamed the bear and then made him carry his belongings the rest of the way to Rome.

#### **GOLDEN SCALLOP SHELL**

This recalls Pope Benedict XVI's admiration of St. Augustine, who, according to legend, met a child on the beach who was trying to scoop up the sea into a hole in the sand. When St. Augustine asked him what he was doing, the child explained his vain attempt and Augustine took it to refer to his own futile attempt to encompass the infinity of God within the confines of the limited human mind. The scallop shell also symbolizes pilgrims.

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"Injustice Anywhere is a Threat to Justice Everywhere." ...Dr. Alveda King

Sources: Vatican, Catholic News Service