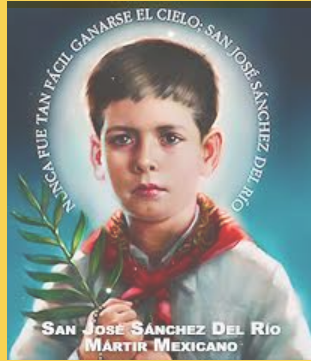




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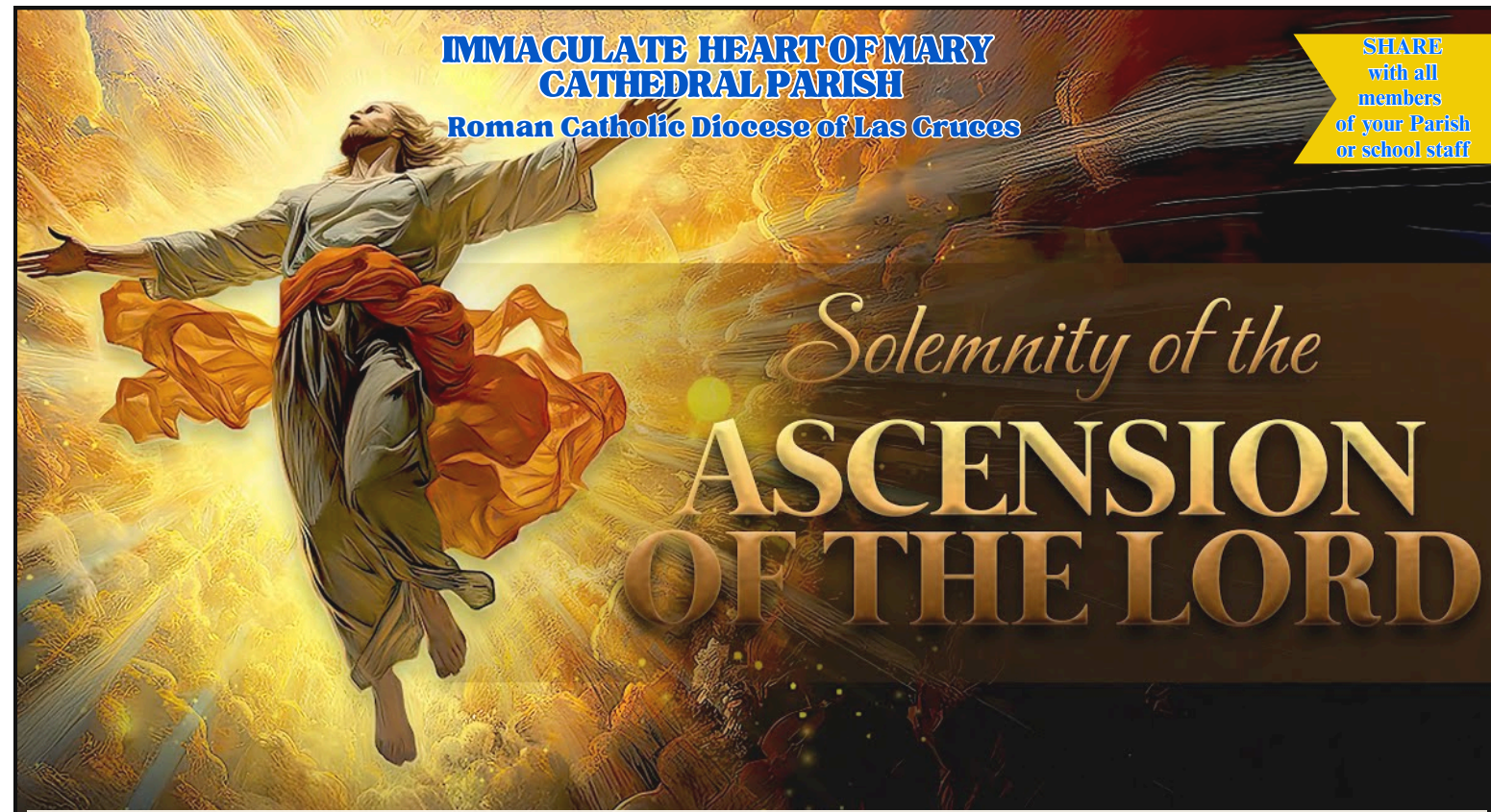
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Saturday Vigil/Vigilia del sabado: 5:30p.m. (English)
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9:00a.m. (Español)

WEEKDAYS / DIAS DE LA SEMANA
Monday-Saturday: 8:15a.m. (English)
Tuesday / martes: 6:00p.m. (Español)
Thursday / jueves: 6:00p.m. Hora Santa en (Español)
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The Youth Group preparing beautiful flowers for Mother's Day May 10, 2026



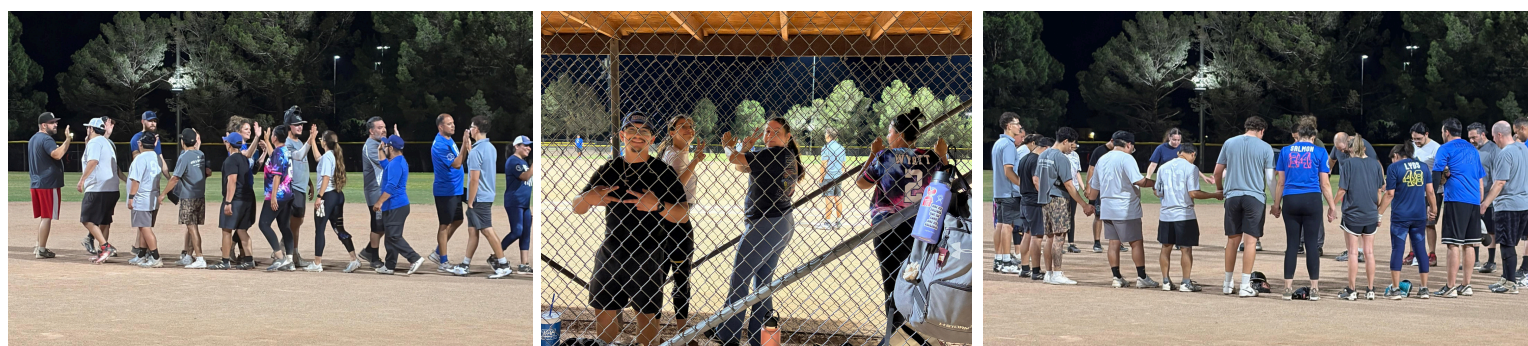
Gracias por acompañarnos en el Rosario en honor a la Virgen de Fátima este 13 de mayo de 2026



Our library project are currently underway, and we are working hard to complete it and have it ready for everyone to enjoy. Thank you for your patience, support, and prayers as we continue this important project for our community.



Our young adults are participating in a christian softball league. We are proud of our young people for their teamwork, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm as they represented our community well . May 14, 2026



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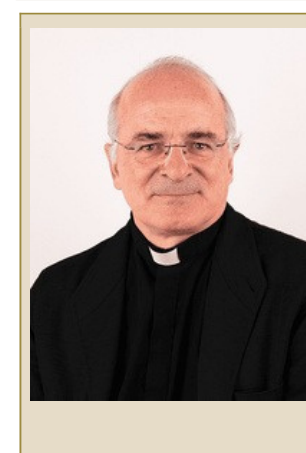
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DATE
Thursday
May 21, 2026

EVENT DETAILS
LOCATION
Immaculate Heart
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LECTURE
7:00 PM

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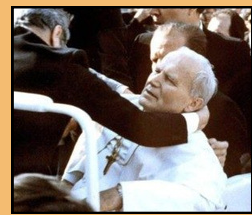
Pope Leo: Literature must be a 'school of fraternity and peace'

Pope Leo XIV sends a message to the Turin International Book Fair, taking place this week in the northern Italian city, reiterating that literature must promote human dignity, peace and fraternity, and stressing that children, especially amid 'the horror of war' and 'chill of indifference,' offer the world hope.

See full article at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2026-05/pope-leo-literature-must-be-a-school-of-fraternity-and-peace.html>

Some 200 Ethiopians sentenced to death in Saudi Arabia

As 200 Ethiopian migrants in Saudi Arabia face execution, the Catholic eparch of Adigrat is appealing to international organizations for dialogue and mercy. **See full article at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2026-05/witnesses-to-the-gospel-through-unity-a-year-with-pope-leo.html>**



León XIV reza en el lugar del atentado de hace 45 años contra Juan Pablo II

En la audiencia general del 13 de mayo, el Papa León XIV recordó el atentado contra san Juan Pablo II ocurrido hace 45 años en la Plaza de San Pedro, deteniéndose a rezar en el lugar exacto rezar en el lugar exacto señalado por una placa conmemorativa. En sus saludos en inglés y portugués, el Pontífice vinculó la memoria del hecho con la festividad de Nuestra Señora de Fátima y encomendó a la Virgen el clamor de paz de los pueblos golpeados por la guerra.

ver artículo completo en: <https://www.vaticannews.va/es/papa/news/2026-05/leon-xiv-reza-lapida-plaza-san-pedro-atentado-juan-pablo-ii.html>

Annual Catholic Communication Campaign collection supports mission to 'shed the light of Christ on everyone'

Catholics in dioceses across the United States are invited to support the Church's mission of evangelization by contributing to the U.S. bishops' Catholic Communication Campaign at Mass on the weekend of May 16-17.

See full article at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2026-05/pope-leo-xiv-mass-pompeii-italy-peace-global-leaders.html>



El Papa en la catequesis: "María, modelo de la Iglesia, la mujer icono del Misterio"

Tras haber dedicado su última catequesis a "La Iglesia peregrina en la historia hacia la patria celestial", este miércoles, 13 de mayo, memoria de la beata Virgen María de Fátima, el Santo Padre reflexionó sobre el capítulo VIII de la Constitución dogmática Lumen Gentium, dedicado a "La Virgen María, modelo de la Iglesia". El Papa: "Pidamos a la Virgen que nos conceda este don: que crezca en todos nosotros el amor por la Santa Madre Iglesia".

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Pope Leo to Rome's Sapienza University: 'Be artisans of true peace'

Pope Leo XIV makes a special visit to Sapienza University of Rome, urging young people to reject resignation, become "artisans of true peace," and warning against rising military spending and the dangers of artificial intelligence in war.

Teaching as a form of charity

The Pope also described teaching as "a form of charity," comparing it to "rescuing a migrant at sea, a poor person on the street, or a despairing conscience." Teaching, he continued, "means loving human life always and in every circumstance, esteeming its possibilities." Pope Leo said education should speak "to the hearts of young people" and not focus solely on intellectual knowledge. The Pope went on to ask what would be the point of forming researchers or professionals who fail to cultivate conscience, justice, and respect for what "can neither nor should be dominated."

See full article at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2026-05/pope-leo-xiv-mass-pompeii-italy-peace-global-leaders.html>



Del *Pastor*

«Recibirán la fuerza del Espíritu Santo que descenderá sobre ustedes, y serán mis testigos en Jerusalén, en toda Judea y Samaria, y hasta los confines de la tierra.» Hechos 1,1-11

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, la celebración de hoy nos recuerda las últimas palabras de Jesús a sus discípulos, en las cuales hizo tres cosas: les aseguró su poder, les dio una misión y les prometió una presencia. «Y he aquí que yo estoy con ustedes todos los días hasta el fin del mundo». Qué alegría saber que el Señor está siempre con nosotros, que cuida de su Iglesia.

El obispo Robert Barron enfatiza que la solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor no significa que Jesús abandona la tierra para ir a un lugar lejano, sino que entra en una dimensión superior del cielo para reinar como Señor. Marca su presencia en todo tiempo y espacio. Permitirle que fortalezca a la Iglesia es motivo de esperanza para nuestro propio futuro. Celebremos esta solemnidad de manera digna y profunda.

Veamos la presencia del Señor en la Iglesia, no solo en nuestra Iglesia local, sino hasta los confines del mundo, en la Iglesia universal.

Hoy se nos invita a convertirnos en testigos de la presencia del Señor. Él va al Padre, pero no nos deja huérfanos. La luz del Espíritu Santo ilumina siempre nuestras mentes y corazones en medio de la oscuridad de nuestro tiempo, y nos invita a brillar e iluminar la vida de los demás.

«En un contexto cultural marcado por la fragmentación del conocimiento, el relativismo y la instrumentalización de la comprensión, Veritas in Caritate [la encíclica de Benedicto XVI] continúa siendo un criterio para el discernimiento académico y pastoral, y un programa exigente para el futuro, en el cual ustedes están llamados a ser "la luz del mundo".»

En una carta conmemorando el 60º aniversario de la Universidad Católica Boliviana "San Pablo", el Papa León recuerda a la institución académica que la verdad encuentra su identidad en la persona de Jesucristo y reitera que Veritas in Caritate sigue siendo un criterio para el discernimiento académico y pastoral. (Por Deborah Castellano Lubov)

Hoy felicitamos de manera muy especial a nuestros graduados, quienes son llamados a hacer una diferencia en un mundo fragmentado, marcado por la falsedad y dividido, un mundo que ha perdido el sentido del respeto por la persona humana. Les ruego que no busquen solo conocimiento, sino que oren al Espíritu Santo para que les conceda la sabiduría para discernir qué es novedoso, qué es verdadero, qué es bueno y cuál es la voluntad de Dios en sus vidas.

Tengan una mente crítica; no hablo de la crítica destructiva que divide, sino de aquella que construye y une, la que protege a los demás del contagio y del veneno de Satanás, el padre de la mentira. Viven tiempos desafiantes, pero recuerden: nunca están solos, el Señor está con ustedes hasta el final. Además, cuentan con las oraciones y el apoyo de nuestra familia de fe.

El Papa León XIV hizo una visita especial a la Universidad Sapienza de Roma, exhortando a los jóvenes a rechazar la resignación y convertirse en "artesanos de la verdadera paz". Como su servidor en Cristo, los invito a escuchar a nuestro Papa.

Sigan el ejemplo de los santos, como San Agustín.

«San Agustín cometió errores graves, pero nunca perdió su pasión por la sabiduría», recuerda el Papa León.

El Papa León recordó a los estudiantes su conexión espiritual con San Agustín, su padre espiritual, a quien describió como "un joven inquieto" que cometió errores serios, pero nunca perdió su pasión por la belleza y la sabiduría.

Por favor, queridos graduados, no olviden: ¡el lugar de la sabiduría es la humildad! Un corazón orgulloso se basta a sí mismo; nosotros dependemos totalmente de Dios. Necesitamos a Dios, necesitamos su guía y su perdón.

Finalmente, muy pronto inauguraremos una nueva biblioteca dedicada al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, donde ustedes y sus familias podrán disfrutar de un espacio acogedor y espiritual, un lugar donde podrán encontrarse con Cristo.

«Todos deben leer libros, como antídoto contra la cerrazón mental, que se manifiesta en actitudes rígidas y visiones reductivas de la realidad.»

Pax Vobiscum — "La paz sea con ustedes"

Sinceramente,

Padre Alejandro Reyes Cárdenas Rector

From The *Pastor*

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:1-11

Dear brothers and sisters, today's celebration reminds us of the last words of Jesus to his disciples where he did three things: He assured them of his power, He gave them a commission, and He promised them a presence." And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age". What a joy to know that the Lord is with us always, that he cares for his Church. Bishop Robert Barron emphasizes that the solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is not Jesus leaving earth to go to a distant place, but rather to move into a higher dimension of heaven to rule as Lord. It marks Jesus' presence to all space and time. Allowing him to empower the Church is a time of hope in our own future. Let us celebrate this solemnity worthy and well. See the Lord's presence in the church, not just our local Church but to the end of the world, in the universal church.

Today we are invited to become witnesses of the Lord's presence. He is going to the Father, but he does not leave us orphans. The light of the Holy Spirit always enlightens our minds and hearts amidst the darkness of our time and invites us to shine or illuminate the lives of others.

"In a cultural context marked by the fragmentation of knowledge, relativism, and the instrumentalization of understanding, [Benedict XVI's encyclical] Veritas in Caritate continues to serve as a criterion for academic and pastoral discernment, and as a demanding program for the future, in which you are called to be 'the light of the world'."

In a letter commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Bolivian Catholic University "San Pablo," Pope Leo reminds the academic institution that truth finds its identity in the person of Jesus Christ and reiterates that 'Veritas in Caritate' continues to serve as a criterion for academic and pastoral discernment. By Deborah Castellano Lubov

Today we congratulate in very special way our graduates who are being called today to make a difference in a fragmented world marked by the untruth and a divided world which has lost the meaning of respect to the human person. I beg you not to look just for knowledge but pray to the Holy Spirit to grant you the wisdom to understand what is novel, what is truth, what is good and what is God's will in your life. Have a critical mind, I am not talking about the destructive criticism, the one which divides but the one which constructs and unites, the one which protects others from the contagion and venom of Satan the father of lies. You live in challenging times but remember, you are never alone, the Lord is with you until the end. Moreover, count on the prayers and support of our family of faith.

Pope Leo XIV makes a special visit to Sapienza University of Rome, urging young people to reject resignation, become "artisans of true peace," recalling these words as your servant in Christ. I invite you to listen to our pope.

Follow the example of the Saints like Saint Augustine.

"St. Augustine made serious mistakes but never lost his passion for wisdom" Pope Leo.

Pope Leo reminded the students of his spiritual connection to Saint Augustine, his spiritual father, whom he recalled was "a restless young man" who made serious mistakes, but never lost his passion for beauty and wisdom.

Please dear graduates, do not forget: the site of wisdom is humility! A prideful heart is self-sufficient, we are totally dependent on God, we need God; we need his guidance and His forgiveness.

Finally, Very soon we are inaugurating a new library dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, where you and your families will be able to enjoy a welcoming and a spiritual space, where you can encounter Christ.

"Everyone to read books, as an antidote to closed-mindedness, which manifests in rigid attitudes and reductive views of reality." Pax Vobiscum "Peace be with you"

Sincerely,

Father Alejandro Reyes Cardenas Rector

MASS INTENTIONS



Vigil / vigilia Saturday / sábado May 16th

5:30p.m † Maria del Carmen Narro (by Family)
† Daniel Romero (by Family)

Sunday / domingo May 17th

7:30a.m. † Alfredo & Betty Moreno
(by Erlinda Moreno)
Vocational Retreat

9:00a.m. † Mauricia & Juana Gutierrez
(Por Eva Gutierrez)
(sp) Cumpleaños Moises Zucio (por familia)
Por las almas del purgatorio

11:00a.m. † Gilberto & Nancy Diaz (by Family)
† Father Christopher Williams
(by Friends of Saint Publius)
Vocational Retreat

Monday / lunes May 18th

8: 15a.m. Community of IHM

Tuesday / martes May 19th

8:15a.m. Divine Mercy (by Denise Ingram)

6:00p.m. † Juana Arredondo (by Family)

Wednesday / miércoles May 20th

8:15a.m. † Marcelina Meza (by Terri Meza)

Thursday / jueves May 21st

8:15a.m. Vocation of Oscar Gonzalez

Friday / viernes May 22nd

8:15a.m. Holy Souls of the Purgatory

Saturday / sabado May 23rd

8:15a.m. Health of Bishop Ramirez
For the youth of Las Cruces

What is happening

- **Last Day of Catechesis**
May 20, 2026
- **Steubenville West youth conference**
July 17-19, 2026

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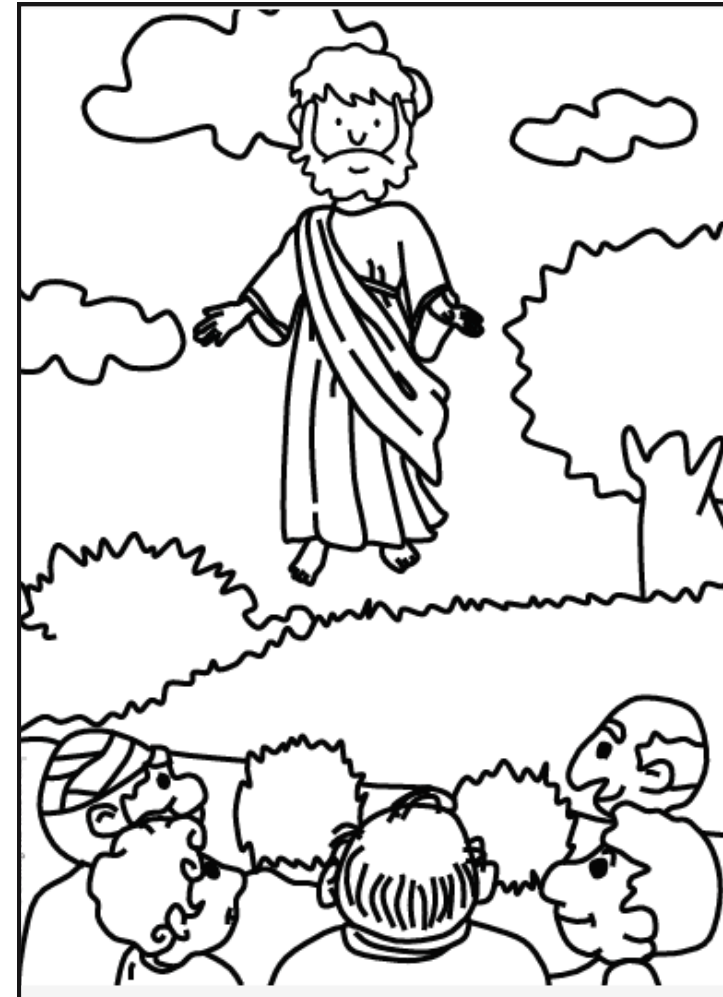
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Saint of the Day / Santo del dia

s. Julia, virgen y mártir en Córsega
En Córsega, Santa Julia Virgen, por medio del suplicio de la cruz, obtiene la corona de la gloria. Cristiana de origen cartaginés, vendida como esclava, la nave que la transportaba se detiene en Nonza, en el Cabo Corso. Es allí que por odio a la fe, fue torturada y crucificada en torno al 303. Desde entonces, siempre se la venera con fervor.



Vendida como esclava

En la época en que Cartago fue tomada al asalto, Santa Julia fue comprada por un hombre de nombre Eusebio. Su patrón, a pesar de ser pagano, admiraba el coraje con el que la mujer cumplía con su servicio. Cuando, después de terminar su trabajo, se le permitía reposar, se dedicaba a la lectura o se recogía en la oración. Movida por el amor a Dios, ayunaba frecuentemente y su patrón no consiguió nunca hacer que interrumpiera su ayuno ni un solo día, excepto el domingo de Resurrección.

Torturada y crucificada

Cuando la nave de su patrón se encontraba en el puerto del Cabo Corso, donde Eusebio asiste a una fiesta pagana; unos paganos lo duermen y aprovechan para raptar a Julia que se había quedado en la embarcación. Esta rechazó renegar de Cristo: "mi libertad es servir a Cristo, al que adoro cada día con toda la pureza de mi alma". Julia fue torturada, y después flagelada. Y mientras sufría estos tormentos, la santa continuaba confesando su fe con todo ardor: "confieso -gritaba- a quien por amor a mí, ha soportado el suplicio de la flagelación. Y si el Señor ha sido coronado de espinas por mí, ha sido clavado en el árbol de la cruz, ¿porqué debería zafarme de que me arranquen los cabellos, como precio por la confesión de mi fe, a fin de merecer la palma del martirio?" La santa murió crucificada.

St. Julia, Virgin and Martyr of Corsica

In Corsica, Saint Julia the Virgin, through the agony of the Cross, obtained the crown of Glory. A Christian of Carthaginian origin, sold as a slave, the ship carrying her would have called to port at Nonza. It is there that, in hatred of faith, she would have been tortured and crucified in 303, though the precise date is uncertain. She has always been venerated with fervor.

Sold as a slave

At the time when Carthage was attacked, Saint Julia was bought by a man named Eusebius. Her master, though he was a pagan, admired the courage with which the woman went about her work. When she finished her tasks, she was allowed to rest, and devoted herself to reading, or gathered herself in prayer. Moved by the love of God, she fasted frequently, and her master never succeeded in making her stop fasting on a single day, save for the Sunday of the Resurrection.

Tortured and crucified

When her master's ship was in the port of Cap Corse, where Eusebius had attended a pagan feast, he was put to sleep by the pagans, who took advantage of the occasion to kidnap Julia, who was also on the ship. She refused to deny Christ. "My freedom is to serve Christ," she said, "whom I love every day in all the purity of my soul." Julia was tortured, then scourged. However, in the midst of these torments, the Saint continued to confess her faith with ever greater ardor. "I confess Him," she cried, "who for love for me has endured the torment of the flagellation. For if my Lord was crowned with thorns for me, was nailed to the tree of the Cross, wherefore ought I refuse to let my hair be torn from my head as price for the confession of my faith, that I might be worthy to seize the palm of martyrdom?" Saint Julia died by crucifixion.