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Revelation 7:17



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MAY

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2022

FOURTH SUNDAY

OF

*Easter*

# Mass Times

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

7:30AM Mass

**SATURDAY**

4:00PM

(1st Saturday) 7:30AM

**SUNDAY**

7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM

1PM (Spanish)

5PM (LifeTeen)

**Confessions**

Thurs: 5-7PM

Sat: 8:15-9:30AM

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Wednesday from 8AM-8PM

Friday - 24 hour Adoration at 8AM

Benediction at 7:45AM on Saturday  
In the Adoration Chapel, in the Parish Hall

**Holy Days Of Obligation**

As announced in the Bulletin

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

**Saturday, May 7**

4:00 PM Rose Harpur—*Healing*  
†Raymond Paez  
†John Buri

**Sunday, May 8**

7:00 AM †Jim and Dorothy Laws  
†Alex Sapien  
9:00 AM Henry Montoya Jr.—*Happy Birthday*  
People of the Parish  
11:00 AM †Frank and Dona DeCoteau  
†John Moncayo  
1:00 PM Sabrina and Baby Hank—*Healing*  
Danny Argueta—*Healing*  
5:00 PM Jose Maria Corporal—*Happy Birthday*  
Nadine Corporal—*Happy Birthday*

**Monday, May 9**

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Tuesday, May 10**

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Wednesday, May 11**

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Thursday, May 12**

7:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

**Friday, May 13**

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Saturday, May 14**

4:00 PM Katie and Ramiro Guillen—*Happy Anniversary*  
†Kenneth Calhoun

**Sunday, May 15**

7:00 AM Mother's Day Novena  
9:00 AM Mother's Day Novena  
11:00 AM Mother's Day Novena  
1:00 PM Mother's Day Novena  
5:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR BELOVED REMEMBERED?**

We invite parishioners to consider a gift of flowers for the altar in thanksgiving, memory, or in Celebration of a loved one or special event.

To designate the weekend & occasion please call  
**CAROLINA MENENDEZ — (909)987-9312**

These intentions will be recognized in the bulletin.  
Minimum cost for 2 medium—\$100  
1 large arrangement—\$75

†Virginia Reyes  
†Marian Boudreaux  
†Patricia Alforque  
†Dixie Alessi  
†Zenaida Reyes  
†Hugo "Sonny" Tadolini  
†Basil Yniguez



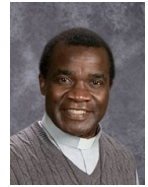
May the souls of all the faithfully departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

**Our Parish Financial Corner**

Sunday Envelopes 5-1-22:	\$15,434.00
Online:	\$13,787.34
Sunday Plate:	\$ 2,966.99
Total Sunday 5-1-2022	\$32,188.33
Misc. Income:	\$ 1,901.31
Diocesan Development Fund 2022	
Diocese Goal:	\$99,500.00
Pledges Made:	\$74,892.00
Gifts Received:	\$50,150.53
Donors: 215	
Percent of Goal: 50.40 %	
As of: Apr 23, 2022 11:08PM	

Dear Parishioners,

For your convenience we have provided several ways you can send us your offering.



- Safely drop off in the office
- between the hours 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Mon-Thurs., Fri. 9am-12.
- Drop in the mail slot in the Serra Building which is checked daily
- Mail in to St. Peter & St. Paul, 9135 Banyan St. Alta Loma, 91737
- Online giving via our website [stpeterstpaul.com](http://stpeterstpaul.com)
- Through your bank

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish and we are so grateful to be back in the pews! May God bless you and keep you and your families safe.*

In Christ's Service  
Fr. Henry

Please open your camera on your phone and scan this QR Code to direct you to the music for this weeks Sunday Masses.  
**Please sing with Us!**




We are currently in the process of updating our Military Ministry Board. If you have a child, grandchild, godchild etc. who is currently serving in our armed forces and would like to include them please contact Gloria Rivera in the parish office 909-987-9312 Ext. 1105 God bless you.



**Invitation to Eucharistic Adoration**  
located at the Chapel  
EVERY WEDNESDAY 8AM-8PM  
+  
EVERY FRIDAY 8AM- SATURDAY 8AM  
Adoration Volunteers needed. Karen Hein ext 230, [khein@stpeterstpaul.com](mailto:khein@stpeterstpaul.com)  
ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

*"Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake, watch over us as we sleep"*  
Come, Let's give thanks to our Lord for having reached the end of this day.  
**Night prayer with Benediction**



## Tagalog Corner

John 10:27-30

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Sinabi ni Jesus sa kanila: Nakikinig sa akin ang aking mga tupa; nakikilala ko sila, at sumusunod sila sa akin. Binibigyan ko sila ng buhay na walang hanggan. Kailanma'y hindi sila mapapahamak at hindi sila maaagaw sa akin ninuman. Ang aking Ama na siyang nagbigay sa kanila sa akin ay lalong dakila sa lahat, at hindi sila maaagaw ninuman sa aking Ama. Ako at ang Ama ay iisa."

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."



Te invitamos a unirnos en oración al

REZO DEL

## Santo Rosario

TODOS LOS JUEVES  
7:00 pm

en la capilla



Usted puede escribirnos sus intenciones para presentar en este Rosario.

Recuerde que no está solo, somos una familia en Cristo.

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As a  
*mother*  
comforts her child,

so I will  
*comfort*  
you.

Isaiah 66:13

## Una hora con El Santísimo Sacramento del Altar

Los invitamos en la capilla parroquial, a adorar a  
**CRISTO REY** del Universo, en el Santísimo  
Sacramento del Altar

MIÉRCOLES

De 8:00 am  
a 8:00 pm

VIERNES

De 8:00 AM a 7:30 am  
del día Sábado.



Para reparar las blasfemias hechas al Corazón de Nuestra Madre Maria Santísima, aumentar nuestra fe, tener un dialogo íntimo con Jesucristo, a descargar

Nuestras penas y alegrías a sus pies; para orar por nuestras familias, por nuestra iglesia y sociedad.



*Heart of Mary Ministry Hosts*

# MARIAN CONSECRATION

THURSDAY, APRIL 28 (DAY 1) - MONDAY, MAY 30 (DAY 33)

SATURDAY DISCUSSIONS WILL BE OUTSIDE  
AT THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND, FROM 9AM - 10AM  
APRIL 30, MAY 7, 14, 21, 28

WE WILL BE USING THE BOOK, "33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY"  
BY FR. MICHAEL GAITLEY



*"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."* -Matthew 25: 31-46

Thank you for your generous participation in St. Peter and St. Paul's ongoing food collection.  
*Non-perishable, currently dated food, may be left at any time in the receptacle in front of the Church office.*  
(Suggestions: pop tops, chef Boy ardee, cereal, peanut butter, crackers, ramen, granola bars, etc.  
disposable utensils, bowls and toiletries are also welcome.)

**Update on your generosity:**

Recently, Marie and Margarita, one of St. Vincent de Paul's five visiting teams, drove to and delivered 18 bags of your very generously donated food, gas, and food cards to the following who phoned our helpline:

- Five bags to a generational family of eight*
- Three bags to a mother and daughter living alone*
- Two bags to a homeless couple*
- Two bags to a woman living alone*
- Two bags to another woman living alone*
- One bag each to four homeless individuals*

If you are interested in joining our SVDP Team we invite you to attend our meetings and learn more about us. Our meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Augustine room on the ground floor of the JP11 building.

*In addition to the above distributions, we also donated food to Mary's Mercy Center in San Bernardino and His Hands in Upland.*

If you or someone you know is struggling with utility bills or other needs, our helpline is available on  
**Most Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:30 to 3:00**      **1-800-716-0646**

Leave a message and your call will be returned.

May 8, 2022

**Marriage Moments & Parenting Pointers  
MAY 2022**

**This year Mother’s Day and Good Shepherd Sunday both fall on May 8. So, what do sheep and mothers have to do with marriage? Perhaps it’s about taking care of another. Of course, neither of you are sheep or a child, but seek out a fun way to care for your beloved today.**

**Momentos Matrimoniales y Pautas Para Padres  
MAYO 2022**

**Este año se celebra el Día de la Madre y también el Domingo del Buen Pastor el 8 de mayo. ¿Y qué tienen que ver las ovejas y las madres con el matrimonio? Tal vez radica en cuidarse el uno del otro. Claro que ninguno de los dos es ni oveja ni niño, pero busca una bonita manera de cuidar de tu amor hoy día.**

*We Pray for the Healing of our Family & Friends*



ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD,  
YOU ARE THE EVERLASTING HEALTH  
OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN YOU.  
HEAR US FOR YOUR SICK SERVANT  
FOR WHOM WE IMPLORER  
THE AID OF YOUR TENDER MERCY,  
THAT BEING RESTORED TO BODILY HEALTH,  
HE (SHE) MAY GIVE THANKS TO YOU  
IN YOUR CHURCH.  
THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD.

Miguel Aguilar  
Evelyn Smith  
Chase Reyes  
Lydia Soto  
John Alderete  
The Caro Family  
Ernie Ochoa

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ADD A PERSON TO THE PRAYER LIST.  
DUE TO THE MANY PRAYER REQUESTS, EACH NAME WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR 4 WEEKS.  
IF ADDITIONAL PRAYERS ARE NEEDED, CALL TO RE-SUBMIT THE NAME.  
THANK YOU & MAY GOD BLESS YOU.



**HOPEFUL, LOVING,  
MEMORY MINISTRY**

**HLMM- “How Love Moves Many”**

**Please join the Hopeful Loving Memory Ministry this coming Saturday  
May 21st @10am, for a Spirit filled meeting of sharing and uplifting  
conversation for the caregivers of a memory impaired loved one.**

*“Please come to be “Blessed, Heard and Loved.”*

For Info Contact; Deborah Waters (Cell #@ 951/203-8287) or Josie Urquizu (home # @ 909/987\*7348)  
“Important”Please leave a return # & brief message when you call and we will get back to you asap.  
Thank you & God Bless You!

**USE THE LINK BELOW TO WATCH SCENES ABOUT EASTER**

[HTTPS://COMMUNITY.CCLI.COM/CVL-NEWS/EASTER-SCENES-APRIL-2022-22/?LANG=AU](https://community.ccli.com/cvl-news/easter-scenes-april-2022-22/?lang=au)

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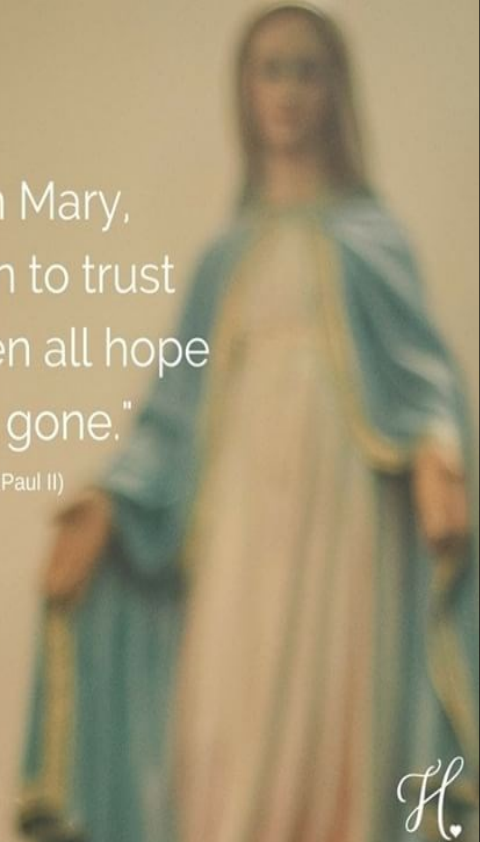
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Si usted desea ser miembro de uno de estos ministerios o necesita más información, por favor contacte al coordinador y deje su nombre, teléfono y al ministerio que le gustaría participar.

"From Mary,  
 we learn to trust  
 even when all hope  
 seems gone."

(St. John Paul II)



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF Easter



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Revelation 7:17

## WE BELONG TO GOD

In the time of Jesus, when multiple flocks of sheep would be gathered, protecting the flock depended heavily on the shepherd's personal recognition of individual sheep, by sight and sound. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses this imagery to speak of how Jesus—with the Father—protects those whom God loves—that is, everyone. Forces that pull us away from God are ultimately no match for the fierce love that God has for us. Our favor with God does not depend on our behaving properly, or gaining theological knowledge, or holding precise beliefs. Our stance with God is primarily about God's insistence that we belong to God, and to no other. Belonging to God, we know that however much we mess up, we are not lost. Belonging to God eventually draws us into a life of care for each other. Belonging to God, we can safely grow into a fuller belonging.

## LIGHT TO THE GENTILES

Today's passage from the Acts of the Apostles is one of several turning points in the self-understanding of the early Church. Paul evokes the image of "A light to the Gentiles." Some thought that Gentiles, non-Jews, were somehow marginal in God's eyes. The Gentiles in Paul's audience rejoice, because they now see that they are not "second class" members of God's family, but fully part of God's beloved people. The story continues by noting the resistance from those who enjoy "first class" status in the community, as inclusion of the Gentiles was perceived as a threat to their self-image and privilege.

The book of Acts continues to challenge today's societies, churches, and organizations. Luke's vision of God's family, united as equal heirs to the Kingdom of God, confronts our many barriers of wealth, race, gender, and much more. We are invited to give witness to this vision in our life together as the Church.

## WHITE ROBES

Our reading from the Book of Revelation presents the image of God's people before God's throne, wearing robes that are washed white in the blood of the Lamb. A robe, especially when worn in God's presence, is meant to express the real truth about the person. A white robe indicates their purity. The washing in the blood of the Lamb (Jesus) suggests that the people have met much suffering and, in some manner, have participated in the suffering of Jesus.

These passages were written to a people experiencing great tribulations in living their faith. But the author of Revelation does not suggest that anyone should seek out suffering for its own sake. He does not make suffering somehow a necessary entry pass for salvation. Our sufferings come from many sources, and suffering is a profound mystery. The image of washing in blood suggests that God is present within our suffering. God accompanies our suffering, leads us toward refreshment, and will wipe every tear from our eyes.

## TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 13:14, 43–52  
Psalm 100:1–2, 3, 5  
Revelation 7:9, 14b–17  
John 10:27–30



El Comité  
Coordinador  
Hispano te invitan  
a su primer

# RETIRO ESPIRITUAL 2022



Predicado por

Padre  
Pedro E. Amezcua

Empezando con la SANTA MISA  
en el templo a las 7:30 am  
y terminando a las 2:00 pm

Sábado  
**4 Junio 2022**

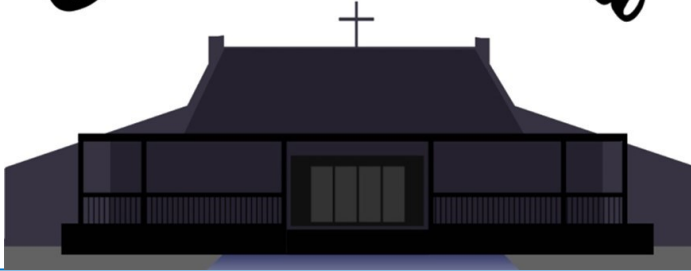
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May 8, 2022

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909-477-3362 for Emergencies requiring a priest.

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Monday - Thursday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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\*Please contact us through email so we  
may assist you as soon as possible

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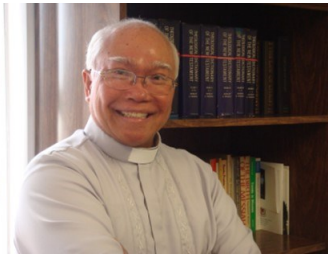
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## *Parish Mission Statement*

We the people of St. Peter and St. Paul Parish, as members of the Roman Catholic Church, are a sacramental, worshiping community on a journey towards the fulfillment of Christ's Kingdom. We strive to provide a spiritual haven for all people without distinction. We are equally committed to the challenges of the gospel message. We accept its call to ongoing conversion, the use of our gifts for the benefit of our community, and loving service to one another.



## Jesus Christ and his Mission in the Gospels

The first significant story, and the most decisive one, concerning mission in the New Testament is decidedly the story of Jesus, the Messiah. The accounts of the Synoptic gospels portray a Jesus on a missionary journey, from Galilee and the Judaeen hills to the city of Jerusalem. Luke, however, extends this missionary journey to Rome in his Acts. While each of them follow the same fundamental pattern of the Jesus' missionary story, still each of them has a different insight to tell. Each of them has his own people and epochal situation to address to, from the inspiration of the Jesus' missionary example.

**The Markan Story:** Mark's dramatic presentation of the Jesus story revolved around geographical settings and characters in the play. After the inaugural proclamation of Jesus concerning the reason for his coming: The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel (Mark 1,15), the evangelist speeded up the plot with a sense of great urgency.

At first, he put Jesus preaching around Galilee and the Judaeen hills. He never allowed him to enter Jerusalem, until after the confession of Peter (Mark 8,27-30) and the collaboration of this confession in the Transfiguration (Mark 9,1-13). It was only when Jesus' real identity and the mission and fate of this identity were shared, in secret, within a select group of disciples, that he then set his face towards Jerusalem. Arriving there after a long trek (Mark 11,11), Jesus chose not to sleep in the city. For Mark would never allow Jesus to sleep in the city (Mark 11,19; 14,26). In fact, the first thing he made Jesus do in the city was to let him cleanse the Temple, with the prophetic words taken from Isaiah and Jeremiah: My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations (Is 56,7), but you have made it a den of robbers (Jer 7,11).

For Mark, this geographical construction is significant. Galilee and the Judaeen hills are symbols of the acceptance of Jesus. It was in those places that the poor lived, the sick were looking for healing and the rich citizens from the city wandered in search of life's meaning and direction. On the contrary, Jerusalem was the symbol of rejection. It was the center of economic, political and socio-cultural power. The Temple embodied this power that had no concern whatsoever for the poor and the sick, and had ceased to be the articulator of life's true meaning and direction. That was why it had to be purified and be given back to God and to his people. The full quote from Isaiah recalled the internationalism of the justice and peace of Yahweh, while the phrase from Jeremiah reminded the state and the temple, and the people in general, of the class character of the mission of Jesus: in the Old Testament prophetic insight, one became rich only by stealing from the people, and in no other way! Jesus was now denouncing and subverting the recurrence of this thievery, legal brigandage and injustice in the temple commerce.

The appearance of the characters and participants in the Markan plot is significant too. Before Mark 8,27-30, every believer in Jesus would always find a corresponding non-believer. As the number of believers increased, so also would the number of opposition be. After Mark 8,27-30, as Jesus gradually entered the fortress of the enemy, his circle of believers would slowly dwindle down, out of fear (Mark 10,32), even as the gang of his enemies would correspondingly grow. And at the moment of his capture (Mark 14,50), until his resurrection, Jesus would completely be alone totally in the hands of those who sought to destroy and to, eventually, kill him: the power holders and the elite of his society. On the cross, Jesus would completely be abandoned even by his own God, when he exclaimed the "why" of forensic justice (Alonso-Schoekel): My God, my God, why have you forsaken me (Mark 15,34)!

After his resurrection, his own people, led by the women who were the first to overcome the fear of being identified with Jesus, were looking for him in Jerusalem, only to be told that they should go back to Galilee, for there the risen Jesus was waiting for them. And the story, this time in the life of the Christian community, would be lived out again.

It seems that this Markan plot was born out of the situation of the Christian community Mark was addressing to. The Christians in Rome had just gone back to that city after their expulsion earlier. But now, they had to contend with a new wave of persecution under Nero. Emperor Nero was then looking for scapegoats to blame for the problems besetting his empire, and a common reason against which he could rally the allegiance of his subjects around his rule. He found his convenient excuse among the believers and followers of Christ (Josephus).

So, Mark had to give his advice to a Christian community undergoing persecution in Rome. Would they also betray and abandon Jesus Christ, give up the faith (apostasy) and break up the Christian community as it happened in the earthly days of Jesus of Nazareth, in order to survive and escape the persecution? Or would they follow Jesus all the way to Jerusalem, even with the seeming absence of their God in the midst of persecution? Would they follow the hidden Suffering Messiah by themselves going "underground" in the hardships in the countryside until they would be ready to enter and reveal themselves and the finality of their mission in the city? Would they go back to their own "Galilee" once again, and from there proclaim the Good News all the way to "Jerusalem" to confront the powers who have converted that City of Justice and Peace into a haven of Plunderers, Thieves and Violent Men and Women? Would they, in fact, as a Christian community, cleanse the "Temple" and be willing to suffer and die in the process?

The reality of the Resurrection ought to deeply convince them to follow the mission of Jesus who brought the fullness of time, the advent of God's Reign.

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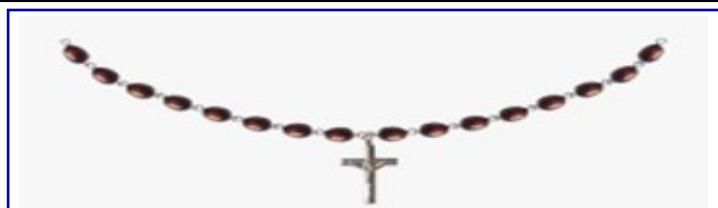
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Here is Father Charles Miller's information just in case you would like to send a card, visit, or get in touch with him.

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Catechism:

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Sacramental Preparation continues on May 12<sup>th</sup>  
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First Communion Mass May 14<sup>th</sup>



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Confirmation Mass May 10<sup>th</sup>

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May 26<sup>th</sup> - XLT in the church

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