

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 2023

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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“And whoever loves me
will be loved by my Father,
and I will love him and
reveal myself to him.”
- Jn 14:20-21

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COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

MAY 6 & 7, 2023—WEEKEND TOTALS:

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
WEEKLY COLLECTION	838.00	607.00
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	688.00	450.00
FUNDRAISING	998.65	
OTHER	30.00	120.00
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PARISH TOTAL	2554.65	1177.00

OTHER- E-GIVING, VIA USPS

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

May 13 (SH)	Christine Caffrey Tony Stellato	May 20 (SH)	Cathy Parry Theresa Kovian
May 14 (SC)	Kathy Marcais Bill Quinn	May 21 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Dave Marcais

Counters Schedule

May 16 (SH)	Katherine Downing Kathy Avery	May 23 (SH)	Deb Swarczewski Noreen Brownell
May 15 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Flo Stanton	May 22 (SC)	Bette Papa Sandy Hayes

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat. May 13, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) *In memory of George & Maria Kovian, requested by Christine Wolff & Theresa Kovian.*

2.) *For the repose of the soul of Belinda Douglas, requested by George Stanwick.*

3.) *In memory of Frances Opalka, requested by her daughter Barbara.*

Sun. May 14, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) *In memory of Ralph & Sadie Mancini, requested by their children.*

Mon. May 15 thru Sun. May 21, 2023

Mon. May 15, 8:00 am (SC) - *For the repose of the soul of Joan Joyce, requested by Jim Wray and the Wray family.*

Tue. May 16, 8:00 am (SC) - *In memory of Jerri Cortese, requested by Mr. & Mrs. Chris Furnare & family.*

Sat. May 20, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) *In memory of Casmer & Mary Stanwick, requested by George Stanwick.*

2.) *In memory of John & Josephine Bartman, requested by Janice DeJulius.*

Sun. May 21, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) *In memory of John Gorham, requested by Jim Wray.*

2.) *For the repose of the soul of Joan Joyce, requested by Michele Furnare & family.*

Food Pantry

May 24 (SC)	Bette Papa Flo Stanton Marjorie Savoie
June 7 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 14, 2023 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

My dad was adopted as a baby. It's a big part of my family's story. His birth mother placed him in a Catholic orphanage not long after birth. A young couple longing for a baby strolled among the bassinets. My father, then only a few months old, looked at the husband and smiled. The man said, "That's my son." They took him home and the family grew. This moment of adoption was a wonderful truth they celebrated even when my dad was a young boy. They told him, "You're even more special than the other children, because we chose you to be our son." My dad's eyes well up with tears of gratitude whenever he tells the story, even eighty-three years later.

What is your story? Do we think or act like unwanted orphans? Who do we believe ourselves to be? As we continue to ponder Jesus' resurrection, we hear him say to us this Sunday, "I will not leave you orphans." God doesn't leave us alone like spiritual orphans. The power that raised Jesus from the dead is the Holy Spirit, who is also called the Spirit of Adoption. He chooses us to be His children, to share God's life forever. He gives us a future filled with hope.

We are not orphans anymore! This Easter, that's the story we should share with others. It's the true story we are living right now.

~Father John Muir

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Saint Matthias - Saint of the Day for May 14

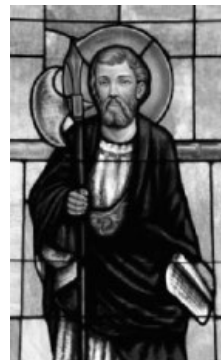
According to Acts 1:15-26, during the days after the Ascension Peter stood up in the midst of the brothers—about 120 of Jesus' followers. Now that Judas had betrayed his ministry, it was necessary, Peter said, to fulfill the scriptural recommendation that another should take his office. "Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection" (Acts 1:21-22).

They nominated two men: Joseph Barsabbas and Matthias. They prayed and drew lots. The choice fell upon Matthias, who was added to the Eleven.

Matthias is not mentioned by name anywhere else in the New Testament.

Reflection

What was the holiness of Matthias? Obviously, he was suited for apostleship by the experience of being with Jesus from his baptism to his ascension. He must also have been suited personally, or he would not have been nominated for so great a responsibility. Must we not remind ourselves that the fundamental holiness of Matthias was his receiving gladly the relationship with the Father offered him by Jesus and completed by the Holy Spirit? If the apostles are the foundations of our faith by their witness, they must also be reminders, if only implicitly, that holi-



Parish Announcements

Summer is Approaching: With the summer upon us, those traveling or attending the shrines, please remember that your home parish still needs your support. Your contributions are important to the health of our churches.

St. Cecilia Pastoral Council Meeting: Our next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is May 21st, after Sunday 8:30am Mass. All are welcome.

Fr. Juanito's 30th Anniversary: Everyone is invited to a joint celebration on Sunday—June 11, honoring Fr. Juanito on the 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. A potluck breakfast will take place at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall following the 8:30 am Mass. Please bring a dish to share and join us in extending our congratulations to him.

Feast of the Sacred Heart: We will be celebrating with a potluck cookout following the Vigil Mass on Saturday, June 17th. Sacred Heart will provide Hamburgers/hotdogs. We ask attendees to bring sides and desserts. We are inviting musical guest, Shelby Wadsworth to entertain us.

Sacred Heart Summer Clean-Up: We are having a clean-up day on Saturday, June 3rd from 9am-12pm. We will be cleaning inside and out. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Bottles and Cans Drop Off: Those dropping off bottles and cans at Sacred Heart can drop off at the church garage and also can now drop off at The Fultonville Redemption Center (just let them know they are for Sacred Heart).

The Diocesan Appeal: You can make a gift or pledge online at www.thediocesanappeal.org or set-up bill pay through your bank for recurring gifts (easier on your budget), asking the bank to make checks payable to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Be sure to include your name & the location of your parish. Thank you!

Sacred Heart- \$8538. Assessment with a balance of \$5,329.

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