

Mass for the Intentions Week

5-13	Mon	9:00 AM	Chuck LaFave
			By the family
5-14	Tues	9:00 AM	Mary Alice Bagley
			By Christine Bagley
5-15	Wed	9:00 AM	James Householder
			By Mom
5-16	Thurs	s 9:00 AM	John Dworak Jr.
			By Gloria Papastrat
5-17	Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
5-18	Sat	4:00 PM	Mary Alice Bagley
			By Dick & Audrey Regan
5-19	Sun 1	0:30 AM	Michael Blincoe Sr.
			By Christopher Blincoe &
			family
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Join us after the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday May 12th for a Mother's Day coffee hour sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome to attend.

Correction

The date for the Rosary Society meeting is listed incorrectly on the May calendar. The meeting will be on May $14^{\rm th}$ after the 9:00 AM Mass.

Once Upon a Morning

Join the Ecumenical Choir this coming Friday, May 17th and Saturday, May 18th at 7:00 PM in the Methodist Church for a presentation of the cantata Once Upon a Morning. All are welcome to attend this free performance.

Seventh of Sunday of Easter

Prayer is a powerful force. We know that it changes hearts, it sustains in times of difficulty, and as intercession, it binds us to one another in the community of discipleship. Today's Gospel account begins by saying that Jesus lifted his eyes to heaven. This description reflects the important insight that prayer is rooted in our relationship with God the Father, who abides in and reigns in heaven.

Jesus' relationship with the Father flows from the reality that Jesus is the incarnate Word of God, the second person of the Trinity made flesh. For us, this relationship is established in baptism when the Holy Spirit washes away original sin and any sin, and comes to dwell in our hearts, incorporating us into the Body of Christ and making us sons and daughters of God. Now with Christ, we too, can raise our eyes to God the Father in heaven.

Unfortunately, unlike Jesus, we can grow distant from the Father through sin. This means that sin will negatively affect our prayer life. But thankfully the Lord, in his wisdom, knew this about us and gives us the means to address this challenge: the sacrament of reconciliation and the Eucharist. Both these sacrament heal the wounds of sin and strengthen God's grace in our hearts to resist temptation and remain in relationship with him. If we are struggling in our own prayer life, participating in these sacraments regularly will certainly help us.

As we turn our attention to Jesus' prayer, we notice two important points. First, it comes immediately prior to his passion, death, and resurrection. Second, he prays not for himself as he faces his trail, but for his disciples. Jesus knew what he was about to face, and so he prayed. We, too, know when significant events in our life our coming. In our preparation for these moments, prayer ought to be at the center. The weight we carrywhether these moments are sad or joyful-are greatly lightened when we come to them rooted in our relationship with God and seeking to move through them in the context of obedience to God's will.

When faced with life-changing events, or even our everyday trials, it is easy to focus only on ourselves and what they mean for us. But, as John tells us in his letter today, a marker of our relationship with God is our love for one another. One expression of that love is to pray for our loved ones in difficult as well as joyous times.

As we seek to deepen our relationship with God and persevere in our life of prayer, let us ask the Lord to intercede for us as he did his disciples, knowing he will give us the grace we need to do so.

~Faith Catholic, Daily Homilies for Sunday and Weekday Masses



Weekend of May 18th & 19th, 2024

First Reading- Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Saturday 4:00 PM Fr. Peter

Celebrant:Fr. PeterLector:Nancy KahaneEucharistic Ministers:Regina MathewsonAltar ServersBrock & Easton Porter

Solemnity of Pentecost
Gospel- John 20: 19-23
Sunday 10:30AM
Fr. Peter
Carole Ostrander
Pat Smith
Anderson & Garret Callender

Offerings April 27th & 28th, 2024-Weekly, \$2,218.00; Fuel, \$108.00; Evangelist, \$40.00; Ascension, \$5.00



Walking in the Spirit

See the flyer on the bulletin board in the vestibule and at each of the exits for information on a Labyrinth walk on May 22, at the Dominican Retreat House. See Paula Ciborowski for help registering

From July 2023 to April 2024 the amount collected in the regular collection and Holy Days was \$112,776.00.00. The budget for these collections is \$115.253.18. To date we are \$2,447.18 below budget. This report is done monthly now to better reflect the financial standing of our collections.



Generous Beyond Measure

A heartfelt thank you to the parishioners of Sacred Heart for your support of the Youth Ministry fundraiser. A total of \$707.00 was raised through your generosity. A special thank you to the youth of our parish who took the time to run the booth the past two weekends. We look forward to giving you a report on the activity our youth are able to participate in due to your generosity.

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS: We are in need of gardeners to help maintain our biblical gardens. All tweens and up, families, ladies and gentlemen are invited to join in this adventure. You can work on your own or in a small group. If you are willing to help out, please call Pat Smith 607-563-3118.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Council, are once again offering a scholarship to graduating students from Sacred Heart, Saint Agnes or Saint John's. Applications are available in the folder hanging on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Applications are due by **June 1, 2024**.



May Bulletin Quotes

"Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Radical Solidarity"

Celebrate Easter's 50 days

Easter is the most important feast of the Christian yearso important that the Church sets aside a seven-week season to rejoice in Christ's victory over sin and death. This week we provide a few ideas to help celebrate the fifty days.

1-Learn a prayer to the Holy Spirit to use in your family prayer time.

2-Find ways to make Sunday meals special during the Easter season and then continue the traditions to celebrate Jesus' resurrection all year.

The Power of One Hour

The Power of One Hour is a 5 part video series from the Diocese of Albany. The series breaks the Mass into five parts; Mass Prep, Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, and Communion and Concluding Rites. Each installment has a study guide for adults and children and can be accessed at www.rcda.org/powerofonehour. Read more about this program in the article from the Evangelist posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

Pastoral Care Ministry

A day of rest and spiritual renew is planned for June 5, 2024 at St. Edward the Confessor in Clfton Park. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the vestuibule for information on how to register. This is open to all parishioners but is specifically for those who provide pastoral care to our home bound and shut-ins.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, George Mertz, Kimberlee Roe, Grady Charles Weigand, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Kathryn Wickham, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroleto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Gugliemo, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, Stephanie Soldinger, Rowan DeCocker, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Nancy Herron, Mike Wombacker, Dani