

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2010 12th Avenue
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Rectory Office Hours:
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11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Parish Office: 814-942-0371
or call the Cathedral Office at 944-4603.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

Parish Secretary
Paula Hall

Director of Music Ministry
Cathy McFee

Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Sunday through Saturday: 7:30 AM - 5PM
for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be
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Cathedral Eucharist:

Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 6:45 AM

8:00 AM

8:00 AM

12:00 Noon

10:00 AM

12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon

5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

5:00 PM

12:00 Noon

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

11:30 A.M.

This Sunday, May 22, 2022, Sixth Sunday of Easter

Leo Wozniak (Sister, Barb)

Ascension Thursday, May 26, 2022

6:00 P.M.

Genevieve Musto (Connie Angeski)

Next Sunday, May 29, Seventh Sunday of Easter

11:30 A.M.

David Conrad, Anniv. (Wife, Karen)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

May 22, Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 AM +Frances Pagliaro, Birth. (Family)
10:00 AM +Deceased Members of the E.T. Smith Family
(George & Dot Smith)
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

May 23, Monday, Easter Weekday

- 6:45 AM +Tom Plunket (Cathy Chirdon)
11:00 AM +Mike Kling, Birth. (Mom & Dad, Brothers & Sisters)

May 24, Tuesday, Easter Monday

- 6:45 AM +Henry Mangiacarne Family (Bill Mangiacarne)
12:00 PM +Charles Yanchik, Anniv. (Family)
6:00 PM HTCS Graduation

May 25, Wednesday, St. Bede the Venerable, Priest

- 6:45 AM +Rosemary Plank Grieg (Albert Schlecht)
12:00 PM +Pam Beaver (Paula Miller)
5:30 PM +Roger Doyle (Mary Lysinger Family)

May 26, Ascension Thursday-Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord-A Holy Day of Obligation

- 8:00 AM Pro Popolo/For the People
12:00 PM +Ron Sheehan, Anniv. (Wife & Children)
6:00 PM At Our Lady of Fatima Church
+Genevieve Musto (Connie Angeski)

May 27, Friday, St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

- 6:45 AM +Mike Zurilla, Anniv. (Family)
12:00 PM +Cyril & Mary Kibler (Jerry & Rita Kibler)

May 28, Saturday, Easter Weekday

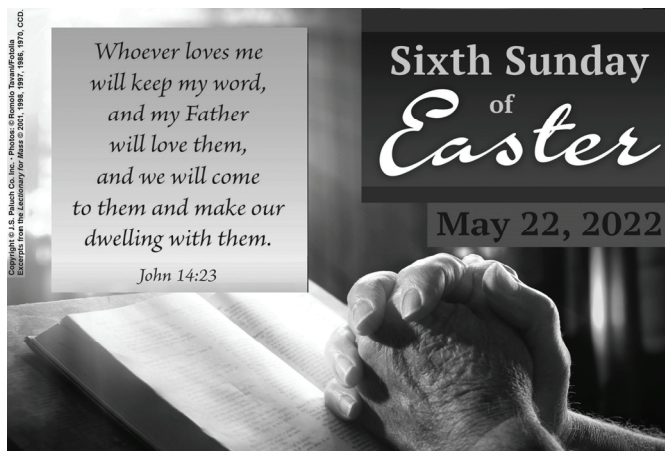
- 8:00 AM +John Capouellez, Birth. (Family)
10:00 AM Ordination to the Priesthood
12:00 PM No Noon Mass Today

Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 5:00 PM +Tim McCloskey (Patty & Bear McCloskey)

May 29, Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 AM +Bev Woodring, Anniv. (Tom Byrne)
10:00 AM +Danyll Rougeux, Anniv. (Mom & Dad)
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

Gospel — The Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in Jesus' name, will teach us everything (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1: 1-11; Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

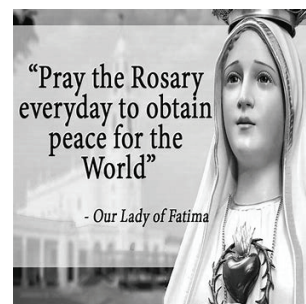


SANCTUARY CANDLE

For the month of May, the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Kathy Starr and has been requested by Bryan & Eileen Starr. Thank you.

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, May 15, were \$1,735.20.



RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

Today's passage from Acts captures the beginning and the conclusion of what became known as the Jerusalem Council. It is well worth studying all of Acts 15, meant to provide an example of responsible leadership for the wider Church. There was substantial conflict within the community over what is necessary for unity in the diverse community of Jews and Gentiles. We can notice some key characteristics of the actions of the leadership.

The leaders acknowledged the reality of a significant conflict without minimizing it. They received and fully honored the diverse experiences of persons of different backgrounds. They worked with an accepted authority structure and a process to move toward resolution. They were committed to discerning the action and will of the Spirit, with a deep respect for testimony about how the Spirit was working. They avoided placing unneeded burdens on anyone. And afterward, they continued to observe the ongoing action of the Spirit as the decision was implemented.

The issues weighed by the Jerusalem Council in our passage from Acts were related to circumcision as a requirement, and to table fellowship. A strong theological tradition held that traditional practices were essential, and the community genuinely sought to maintain continuity with the roots of their faith. Peter's observation about how the Spirit was actively working in their midst pointed the leaders in a new direction. Then James reminded them that the scriptural tradition also pointed to fully welcoming the Gentiles into God's community.

It is a profound challenge for leaders in our own parishes when encountering issues that can fracture a community. What is essential and what is not? What are we called to embrace, or called to lay down? Acknowledging conflict and working toward resolution is an essential function for our parishes, because Christ calls us to live in unity. We are called to open our hearts, mine our tradition, and observe the activity of the Spirit.

Today's Readings: Acts 15:1–2, 22–29; Ps 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10–14, 22–23; Jn 14:23–29

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RETURNING TO ORDINARY LIFE

Six weeks into our Easter rejoicing, the Church gives us readings today that start preparing us for a return to ordinary life. The Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel both dwell on proper daily behavior for followers of Jesus, while the reading from Revelation reminds us why we bother with laws at all. In Acts, leaders of the church meet to discuss which essential elements of the Mosaic Law converts must obey if they wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ. John's Gospel reflects back to the Last Supper discourse when Jesus himself emphasizes the importance of obeying God's commandments. Observing God's law, says Jesus, shows a desire to be intimate with the Lord. We follow rules not for their own sake, but to love God and neighbor better. This more excellent love brings us closer to Revelation's vision of paradise, gleaming with "the splendor of God."

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Forty days after Easter, the Church celebrates our Lord's Ascension into heaven. Since it is a holy day of obligation, Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Fatima Church on Thursday, May 26, at 6:00 P.M.

FORWARD IN FAITH 2022

Our Lady of Fatima Parish's target is \$8,641. So far, 16 donors have contributed \$4,045 or 47% of our target.

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