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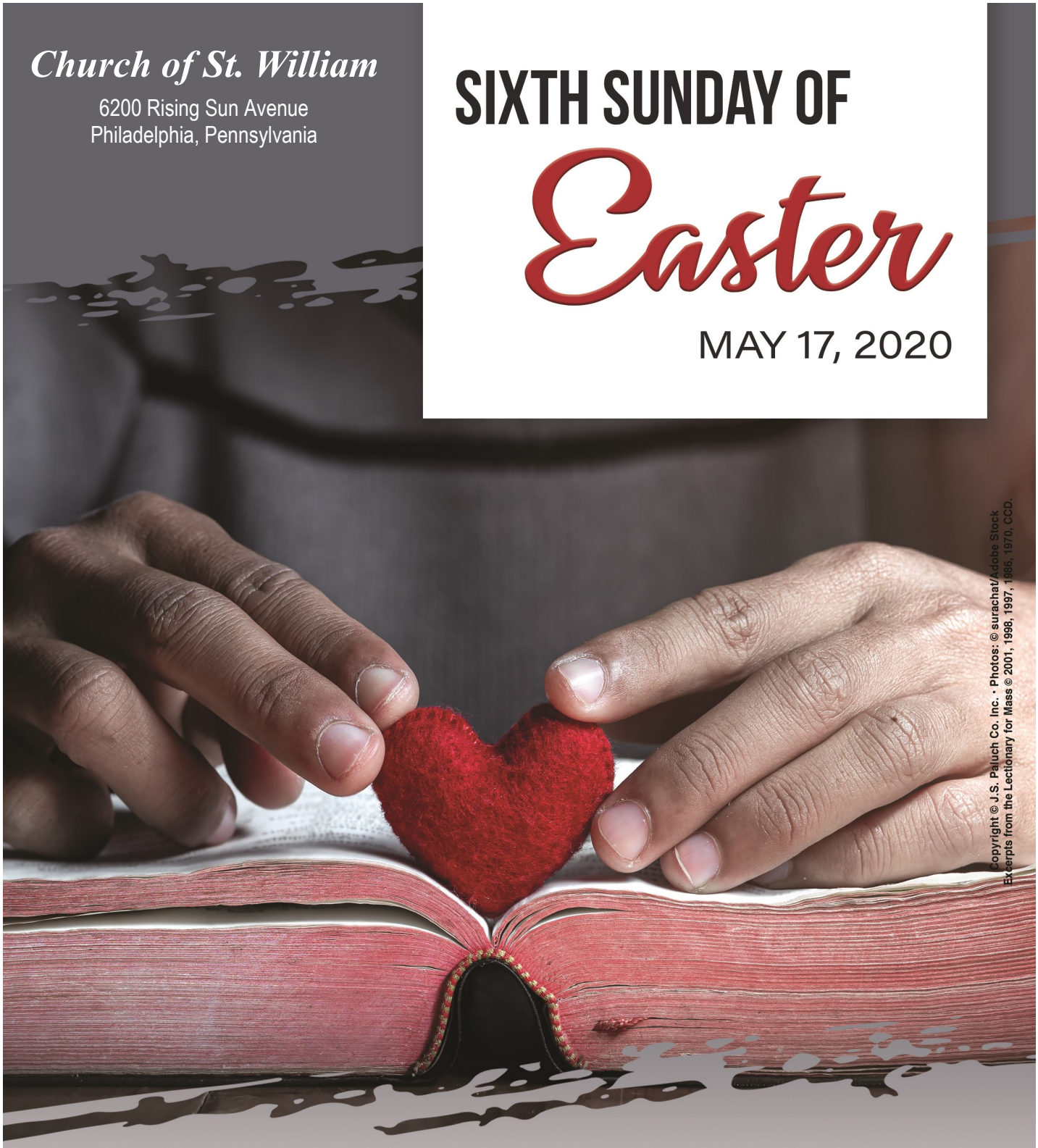
# SIXTH SUNDAY OF Easter

MAY 17, 2020



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Jesus said, "If you love me
you will keep my commandments."

John 14:15

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**PARISH STAFF**

**Pastor** Rev. Alfonso J. Concha (Fr. Al)
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**Retired (Resident)** Rev. Augusto Concha (Fr. Gus)
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## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

**(postponed)**

**BAPTISM** (Lower Church)
Spanish: 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00PM
English: 2nd or 4th Sunday of the month at 1:00PM

**Pre-Baptismal Instructions (Rectory Basement)**
Spanish: 2nd Wednesday 7:00PM
English: 1st Sunday at 1:00PM

For information or scheduling a Baptism, please email Deacon Bill Moser (English) or Sister Rose (Spanish) at the following:

deaconmoser@churchofstwilliam.com
s.rose@churchofstwilliam.com

**CONFIRMATION**
Bishops are Ordinary ministers of Confirmation.

**RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH**
Saturday: 4:00—4:45PM
Eve of Holy Days: 4:00—4:45PM
Eve of First Fridays: After 12:00 Noon Mass only
For personal request, contact the Rectory.

**MATRIMONY**
Weddings are scheduled on Saturdays at 11:00AM, 1:00PM, or 3:00PM in the Upper Church; 2:00PM in the Lower Church. Couples intending marriage must contact our Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage. Contact: **pastor@churchofstwilliam.com**

For required marriage preparation contact the rectory or **PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com**

For wedding music contact Ken Houser, Music Director at **music@churchofstwilliam.com**.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**
Sacrament of healing and God's blessings for those who are sick or in serious condition. Parishioners in serious illness, please contact our parish priests. Anyone unable to attend Mass due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their home.

## *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

**May 17, 2020**

**FOCUS:** If we do not speak and act for Christ, who will?

Saint Teresa of Avila once wrote that Christ has no body on earth but ours. This 16th-century mystic understood what Jesus meant when he said, If you love me, you will keep my commandments. She believed we meet Jesus' expectation by becoming a voice for the voiceless, as Philip did in Samaria—where his preaching, signs, and deeds brought great joy.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:** In the first reading, Philip proclaims the Gospel in Samaria and many people are cured. Peter and John follow and lay hands on the newly baptized there, and they received the Holy Spirit. In the second reading, Peter encourages the community to always be ready to give reason for their hope, and be willing to suffer for doing good. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that those who love him will follow his commandments.

**REFLECTION:** The Advocate, the Spirit, is God's permanent presence in our midst, not only in us individually, but a sustaining presence in our faith community. Jesus is true to his promise. He has not left us orphans, but has gifted us with his Spirit, our strength and companion for these difficult days.

**So we ask ourselves:**

- How is your faith being tested these days?
- Does Jesus' promise to give us "another Advocate" help at all? How?

## The Pope's Monthly Intentions

For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

**RECTORY OFFICE**

Due to the current situation with COVID-19 the rectory office is closed.

If you need assistance in an emergency, please call and leave a message.

Rectory: 215-745-1389
Fax: 215-745-8432
Convent: 215-745-3513
PREP: 267-831-8046

Website: www.churchofstwilliam.com
Email: office@churchofstwilliam.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/

## St. Helena's Cupboard

Thank you for bringing non-perishable food items this Sunday, May 17. You may place them in the Church's Narthex between 12:00 and 3:00pm when the church will be open. Please do not leave any food outside of the church, rectory or convent. Thank you for your generosity and for thinking of others, especially during this time of need. God bless you for your thoughtfulness.

## Mass Book for 2020

There are many Masses available for your loved ones (living or deceased) and your special intentions throughout the year. Please either email office@churchofstwilliam.com or call the rectory at 215-745-1389 and leave a message.
Include the following:

- Name of Mass intention
- Date and time of the Mass
- Your name and phone number

We will then contact you to verify that the date and time are available. Your donation may be mailed to:

St. William Church
6200 Rising Sun Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19111

When sending your donation, please indicate the date and time of the Mass you selected.

## 2020 Census

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the United States on April 1—no matter where they are from, why they are here, and whether they are documented. When people complete their census form, they should count everyone living in their homes as of April 1, 2020. It's easy, important, and safe to respond via mail, telephone or online.

◊ The 2020 Census impacts our community.

◊ The 2020 Census helps businesses, researchers, and communities make decisions.

◊ Your answers are important, secure, and confidential.

◊ Funding for hospitals, schools, roads, and more is informed by census data.

◊ Shape the future for everyone from newborns to their grandparents by responding to the 2020 Census.

## Your Opinion Matters

Life after the Pandemic may be a little different. I would like to know your thoughts and answers to the following questions. Please email me at pastor@churchofstwilliam.com.

1. What is the most important item you would like to hear when churches are open and we resume our normal schedule of Masses?
2. What is the one thing you missed the most while the churches were closed due to COVID-19 pandemic?
3. Is there any special experience you have learned as a family while you were away from the church?

Remember: All this time we were in the Lord's loving hands. He always helps us ~ in the past, present and the future.

## Masses for the week of May 17, 2020

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| Sunday, May 17 | |
| 5:00pm *(Vigil)* | Joseph Mauro |
| 7:30am | All Souls in Purgatory |
| 9:00am | Parishioners of St. William Church |
| 10:30am | Rosana Aguirre & Camilo Rivera |
| 12:00pm | St. William Senior Citizens |
| 8:00pm | Special Intention *(anniversary)* |
| Monday, May 18 | |
| 6:30am | Haitian Community |
| 12:00pm | IHM Sisters of St. William Convent |
| Tuesday, May 19 | |
| 6:30am | Pakistani Community |
| 12:00pm | Children of St. William Church |
| Wednesday, May 20 | |
| 6:30am | Special Intention *(anniversary)* |
| 12:00pm | Vietnamese Community |
| Thursday, May 21 | |
| 6:30am | Faithful Departed |
| 12:00pm | Sick Members of St. William Parish |
| Friday, May 22 | |
| 6:30am | All Souls in Purgatory |
| 12:00pm | Monsignor James Mortimer |
| Saturday, May 23 | |
| 8:00am | Marie Gallagher |
| 5:00pm | Mark Czyzewski |

*Please keep the sick in your prayers.*

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| Mike Montgomery | Christopher Browne |
| Clifford Browne | Joe Fenuto |
| Shawn Downey | Irene Coyle |
| Stephanie Morgan | Jeffrey Jubelirer |
| Michael Griffin | Sher Anne Shea-Jubelirer |
| Richard Shea | Conor F. Donnelly |
| Matthew Koreck | Anne Krause |
| Carmella Dick | Donna Griffin |
| Patricia Jordan | Michael Wilson |
| Loretta LaBarge | Elizabeth Junod |
| Betty Harding | Francisco Perez |
| Walter Aguilar | Avila Aguilar |
| Nelson Hernandez | Norberto Palanco |
| Carmen Hernandez | Domingo Teletor |
| Linda Richardson | River Fisher Ritter |
| Francisco DeJesus | Luz Pena DeJesus |
| Josephine Starkman | |

*Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.*

Sister Irene Loretta Cassady, IHM

## Sunday Collections for May 10

Church $1786 Utilities $55 Ascension $10

E-Giving: Church $355; Catholic Home Missions $25

Thank you for continuing to support the parish.
We are sincerely grateful. God bless you.

## Job Opportunity

St. William's Rectory is looking for a cook to work 3 to 4 days per week. Please send your resume to Fr. Al at pastor@churchofstwilliam.com.

You can watch Sunday Mass at St. William Church by going to our FACEBOOK page at www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/
Or visit our website at churchofstwilliam.com and click on the Facebook link

Sunday Masses are also available on these TV channels

Ch. 57 at 6:30am

Ch. 2 at 7:00am

Ch. 44 at 8:30am

## Contemplative Prayer

There are three major forms of prayer in Christian tradition—vocal prayer, meditation and contemplative prayer. Perhaps the most difficult in our media saturated culture is contemplative prayer. At its core, contemplative prayer is spending alone time with God. More than just talking, contemplative prayer is listening to God speak to us, away from the distractions and hustle and bustle of life.

Many people have the false notion that contemplative prayer can only be practiced by cloistered nuns or monks or saintly mystics. Actually, we all need to engage in contemplative prayer. Like everything, it is simply a matter of priorities.

In its beautiful section on contemplative prayer, the Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it this way: "One does not undertake contemplative prayer only when one has the time: one makes time for the Lord, with the firm determination not to give up, no matter what trials and dryness one many encounter."

The Catechism quotes Jesus from Matthew 26:40 and says that, "We must be willing to keep watch with him one hour." It also says that contemplative prayer is silence. Silence can be a rare commodity. Why not take five or ten minutes of your day to find some solace in silence and contemplate God's love and mercy for you?

*A Minute in the Church* by Gus Lloyd

**FREE Baby food and diapers**

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9:00am - 12:00pm
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Feast of Justice
3101 Tyson Ave (19149)
215-268-3510
Wednesday 5:00pm – 7:00pm
Saturday 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Appointment is not necessary

For more information:
https://www.phila.gov/2020-04-15-free-pregnancy-baby-and-toddler-supports-during-covid-19/

**Free Meals During This Pandemic**

### *Food for the family*

- Sites open Mondays (canned food / dry food) and Thursdays (produce) from 10:00am to 12:00 noon
- Families receive a box with food
- No identification is needed

***Some sites near St. William Church***

- Shekinah SDA 531 W. Chew Ave. ( 19120)
- Keep the Faith Ministries 1906 Harrison St. (19124)
- Philadelphia Citadel 5830 Rising Sun Ave. (19120)
- Feast of Justice 3101 Tyson Ave. (19149)

### *Food for students*

- Sites open Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00 noon
- Each child receives 4 breakfasts and 4 lunches
- Children are eligible at any center; no identification needed

***Some sites near St. William Church***

- Benjamin Franklin School 5737 Rising Sun Ave. (19120)
- Northeast High School 1601 Cottman Ave. (19111)
- Washington Grover Middle School 201 E. Olney Ave.

**For more information:**
**www.phila.gov/COVID-19**
**"Locate a free food site"**

## Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and
unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me
to be separated from You.

Amen.

## *Comida para la familia*

- Sitios abiertos **los lunes (alimentos secos) y jueves (**frutas y verduras) **de 10 a.m. a 12 p.m.**
- Los residentes pueden recoger una caja por hogar.
- Los residentes no necesitan identificación

## *Algunos sitios cerca de St. William:*

- Shekinah SDA 531 W. Chew Ave. ( 19120)
- Keep the Faith Ministries 1906 Harrison St. (19124)
- Philadelphia Citadel 5830 Rising Sun Ave. (19120)
- Feast of Justice 3101 Tyson Ave. (19149)
- Salvation Army 5830 Rising Sun Ave. (19111)

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## *Comida para los estudiantes*

- Sitios abiertos los **lunes y jueves de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.**
- Cada niño recibirá 4 desayunos y 4 almuerzos
- Cualquier niño es elegible en cualquier sitio.
- No necesitan identificación.

## *Algunos sitios cerca de St. William:*

- Benjamin Franklin School 5737 Rising Sun Ave
- Northeast High School 1601 Cottman Ave. (19111)
- Washington Grover Middle School 201 E. Olney Ave

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## *Banco de Alimentos*

St. Helena Church Food Bank
6161 N. 5th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19120
Martes y Jueves: : 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

***Para más información:***

***www.phila.gov/COVID-19*** "Locate a free food site"
***www.philabundance.org*** "Find food"

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***Panales y Comida para bebes (gratis):***

**https://www.phila.gov/2020-04-15-recursos-para-mujeres-embarazadas-bebes-y-ninos-pequenos-durante-covid-19/**

## Los Domingos en St. William

**No HAY MISA PUBLICA**

**Vea la Misa celebrada por Padre Al o por Padre Gus, en español: entra el sitio** web: **www.churchofstwilliam.com** **o** página de Facebook: **www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/** a las 10:30 am

**La Iglesia estará ABIERTA para oración privada y confesión, con Adoración al Santísimo: 12- 3pm.**

Por favor, observe la distancia social de 6 pies y por favor, entrando bancas indicadas.
Use la máscara cuando venga a la Iglesia.

**Vea la Misa diaria en ingles a las 12:00 pm: entra** : **www.churchofstwilliam.com** **o** página de Facebook: **www.facebook.com/**

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## DOMINGO, MAYO 17, 2020
## SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

" NO LES DEJARÉ DESAMPARADOS "

Este Domingo nos habla de la promesa del Espíritu Santo hecha por Jesús a sus discípulos. Jesús no les dejará desamparados. Para recibir El Don del Espíritu Santo deben amar a Jesús guardando sus mandamientos. Cuando hacemos esto, el Espíritu de Dios crece en nosotros. Deben llevar una vida de acuerdo con la guia y las luces del Espiritu Santo. El Espíritu Santo es la presencia de Dios en nosotros. Es el Don supremo de la Pascua de Jesús. El Espíritu Santo es El Espíritu de Jesús que hemos recibido. Así, El Señor Resucitado está presente a través del Espíritu Santo en nuestras vidas. Para los apóstoles fue como un momento de despedida y ausencia. Jesús dijo a sus apóstoles y a nosotros: "si me aman, guarden mis mandamientos" ! Los cristianos debemos dar testimonio de nuestra fe con palabras y con obras. Es Señor está con nosotros y nos asiste con su Santo Espíritu.

## *ARISE: "Levántate"*

***"Restaurando la vida católica después de la pandera"***
@Archphila.org/arise

***En los "Recursos en Español" se encuentran:***

- Recursos para la Oración, Adoración, Misa
- Formación en la Fe
- Pastoral Juvenil
- Recursos para Niños
- Y mucho más…

## Caminando a Pentecostés

Con Kathia y Andres Arango
Sábados 9:15—10:15 pm
Facebook.com/HispanosPhilly

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Con ***Guadalupe y Rolando Da Costa*** de nuestra parroquia
Domingos 17,24,31 de mayo y 7 de junio 8:00-8:45 pm
Facebook.com/HispanosPhilly

**#IGLESIA VIVA** ***Retiro Virtual Juvenil***
Mayo 30 3-5pm: **Facebook.com/HispanosPhilly**

***Intención del Papa Francisco para mayo***

**Intención de oración universal:** Por los diáconos.
**Recemos para que** nuestros Diáconos Felipe, Ángel y Bill, fieles al servicio de la Palabra y de los pobres, sean un signo vivificante para toda la Iglesia.

CONSULTAS sobre la INMIGRACIÓN:

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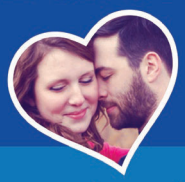

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