

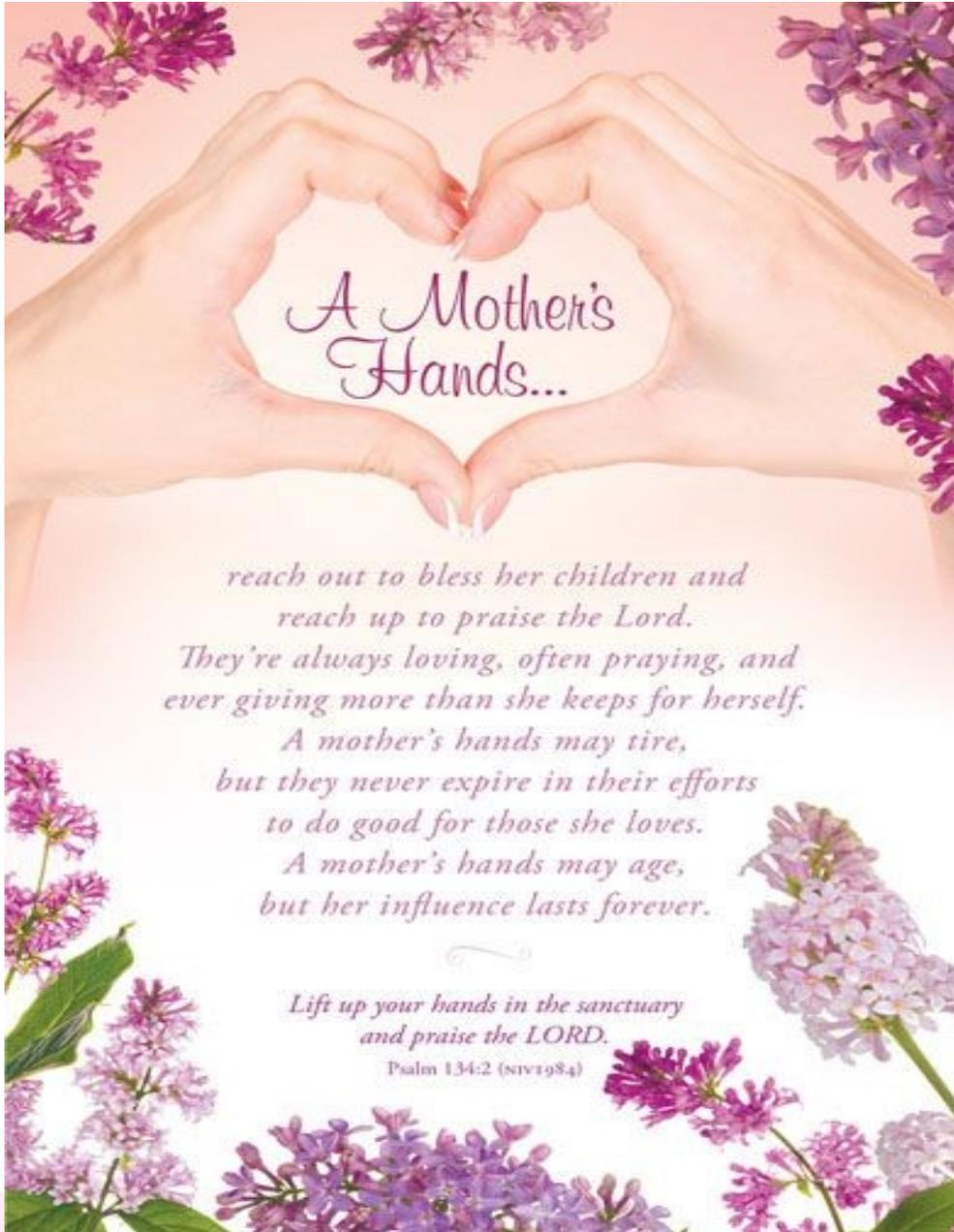
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**May 10, 2020
Mother's Day**

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Monday—Closed

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Sunday Readings:

✠ Acts 6:1-7 ✠ Psalm 23 ✠ First Peter 4-9 ✠ John 14:1-12 ✠

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Worship

Eastertide Worship

Public Masses and Gatherings are Suspended **thru May 29** with hope to celebrate Pentecost on May 30/31

"Participate" via Spiritual Communion & Bshp Barron Daily Mass - WordonFire.com

www.stgabrielradio.com & 820AM

EWTN: www.EWTN.com & TV Chnl 385

Rosary & Chaplet, Etc. - YouTube.com

Pray Daily for

- * COVID-19 Victims & their families
- * Healthcare workers & COVID scientists
- * Students away from normal school
- * People serving those shuttered in place
- * persons isolated during the shut in

Masses

Saturday	May 9	Easter weekday
Private Mass	<u>Unemployed in our Community+</u>	
Sunday	May 10	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Private Mass	Parish Mothers & Grandmothers+	

Monday	May 11	Easter weekday
Private Mass	<u>Scientists working for COVID cures+</u>	
Tuesday	May 12	Easter weekday
Private Mass	<u>Rosella, Frederick & Fred Herb+</u>	
Wednesday	May 13	Our Lady of Fatima
Private Mass	<u>Hellen and Walter Bruns by Jenkins Family</u>	
Thursday	May 14	Saint Matthias, Apostle Feast
Private Mass	<u>Stan Carter by Joan and Tom Fowler</u>	
Friday	May 15	Saint Isidore
Private Mass	<u>Farm Workers+</u>	

Saturday	May 16	Easter weekday
Private Mass	<u>David Hetterscheidt by Judy</u>	

Sunday	May 17	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Private Mass	Parish	

Be Heath*y

Be Holy

Be Home

Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother, a mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of the sunshine and he molded her heart in gold;
In her eyes he placed bright shining stars, In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother, and He gave that dear mother to me.

Pat O'Reilly~

And Grandmas too...

While we honor all our mothers with words of love and praise.
While we tell about their goodness and their kind and loving ways.
We should also think of Grandma, she's a mother too, you see...
For she mothered my dear mother as my mother mothers me.

~Author Unknown~

Mother's Day

As a father and a grandfather I admit to a bit of jealousy over all the attention paid to mothers and grandmothers on this day. After all, what about the dads? My repentance of this selfishness comes in a number of ways.

One is the unique life-affirming qualities in those who do “mothering.” It’s generally the case that fathers tend to be oriented more to ‘law’ and mothers, more to ‘grace’. While this isn’t an absolute of human nature (which is both masculine and feminine,) the distinction of father’s and mother’s roles is generally true and is a gift by each to the family. Life-affirming qualities that characterize “mothering” are typically associated with the female Mother ... but not exclusively. Think of families with only the Father as parent.

Another path of my repentance and deepening respect for Mothers comes from my love and devotion to Mary our Blessed Mother. Christian life has always held Mary as God’s most perfect Creature. Nevertheless, societies across the centuries have usually subjugated the roles of women and often devalued their place in the family. However, Christians maintain an elevated view of Mary’s unique place in our Faith. We look to her as the supreme intercessor for Graces. She cooperates with her Son’s work of redemption and in the care for his family, the Church.

We give many titles to our Blessed Mother and none is more apropos for our Mother’s Day celebration than **Mary, Mother of the Church**. Please take a few moments to share your prayer and honor for Mary by going to 2 web links: <https://youtu.be/9ya7UAyhVWc> and <https://youtu.be/jSdLG0sHv3g>.

The first YouTube link is a beautiful Novena prayer. The second is from the Christian Youth Channel. Set to the hymn ‘*O Mary, Mother of God*’ you’ll see a beautiful portrayal of Mary Mother of Jesus, Mother of God, Mother of Redemption and Mother of the Church.

Collect for the Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Monday following Pentecost

O God, Father of mercies, whose Only Begotten Son, as he hung upon the Cross, chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother, to be our Mother also.

*Grant, we pray, that with her loving help your Church
may be more fruitful day by day and,
exulting in the holiness of her children,
may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*



REFLECTING on the GOSPEL as a Family

5th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2020

John 14:1-12 This Gospel passage occurs during the Last Supper as Jesus tells his apostles he is going to prepare a place for them. They do not understand because they do not yet know that Jesus is the way. Jesus tries to explain that he and the Father are one.

For you, what does it mean to “follow the way”? How will you “follow the way”? Jesus says whoever sees him has seen God the Father. Who is a sign of God for you? Are you a sign of God for others? Jesus says we can do what he did. How will you make your world a better place this week?



Read the Gospel and Color



Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

HEARTS
TRUST
PREPARE

PLACE
GOING
FATHER

BELIEVE
LIVING
MIRACLES

A	T	N	A	Y	H	O	F	N	T	W
H	M	O	P	R	E	P	A	R	E	H
A	I	S	A	E	A	S	T	N	I	M
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Mission for the Week

I will remember not to worry because God has everything under his control.



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Announcements

Special Procedures Necessary When Masses Resume

Considerable study and thought are in progress at all levels to develop proper precautions for the resumption of public worship. The Universal Church and in America. Congregations in Ohio and our own local parish. How can we gather and also maintain “distance?” How do we safely and warmly greet one another? Spacing? Masks? Liturgical ministers? Use of hymnals? Receiving Communion with minimal risks? There are many questions and some answers. Directions will come from the Bishop and some details will be determined by the local pastor.

So far for Saint Mary (unless directed to a stricter rule), I’ve determined to have no more than one server at each Mass. Music will be led by our organist and only one cantor. Communion will be in One Kind. At first there will be no carrying the Eucharist to folks at home. In some way “safe spacing” will be maintained in pew seating, in communion lines, during dismissal and outside following Mass. Specific procedures will be defined in the coming days for these and other precautions.

Opportunities for Confession

Commencing Friday, May 1 special arrangements were implemented at some parishes throughout the Diocese for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession sites are at different parishes at various schedules. At Saint Mary, Groveport Confession times are on Mondays: 10am to Noon and 5 to 7pm. **An advance appointment is necessary** (call/text Fr. John: 740-503-2827). Careful pandemic precautions apply. See last page of last Sunday’s (5/3) Bulletin for detailed instructions.



Pray for our Agricultural Workers

Please note that Friday May 15 is the feast of Saint Isidore the patron of farmers. In this time of disruption our farmers have the difficult job of providing food for the nation. The Coronavirus pandemic interrupts normal distribution. This week Bishop Brennan will go to some of the agricultural areas of the Diocese to offer Masses and express his pastoral concerns and the Church’s appreciation.

Prayer Line being Revived

Efforts are progressing to revive the prayer line as part of our overall parish prayer and pastoral ministry. Requests for prayer will be passed to a corps of prayer partners who have committed to pray for these needs with fervor and with discretion. This prayer line will complement our liturgical prayer, the Mass intentions and the prayer needs expressed privately to Father John.

PSR, First Communion and “May” Mary Crowning

With the suspension of worship during May and the conclusion of PSR programs for this year, we still must consider plans for First Communion (that would have been this Sunday.) We may look for a special opportunity for a grand festival in June. The Memorial of The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, June 20 looks interesting. Stay tuned for further word from Andrea Maier and me.

