

Christ Our Savior Catholic Parish

South Holland, IL

MAY 15, 2022
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I, JOHN,
SAW A NEW HEAVEN
AND A NEW EARTH.

~ Revelation 21:1

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM
Monday: 8:30 AM
Wednesday: 8:30 AM
Friday: 8:30 AM

MASS AND ADORATION

Tuesday: 8:30 AM Mass
9:00 AM Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Thursday: 8:30 AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM

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WELCOME

We trust that the message will uplift and encourage you
as we share in today's Eucharist.
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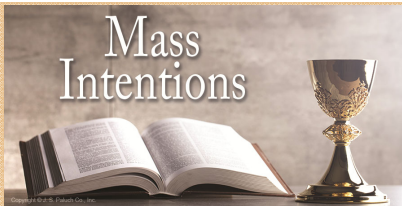
WORSHIPPING WITH US

The Archdiocese of Chicago has made the wearing of masks optional for all Masses and liturgies. We remind you of the following:

- **Maintain social distancing**
- **Report any COVID cases** to the parish office if you have been on parish property within 48 hours of symptoms or positive diagnosis so that appropriate communication can be shared with close contacts.
- **Follow CDC guidelines for isolating** if you are symptomatic or test positive. Unvaccinated close contacts must quarantine.
- **If you feel ill** in any way, or if you knowingly have COVID-19, **please do not attend Mass, parish activities or visit the parish office.**
- **Everyone is encouraged to vaccinate, boost, and wear masks.** We support everyone in their decision regarding the use of masks.

Hand sanitizer will be available before the distribution of Holy Communion. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The **10:30 Drive In Mass** will continue, please park in the north end of the parking lot. Tune your radio to **90.7 FM**.



Saturday May 14

4:00 PM Genevieve Sikorski by David Sikorski Family †
Sabina Brozynski by Barbara Schmidt †

Sunday May 15

8:30 AM John & Angie Ostarello by Family †
Dionisia Oblepias (Death Annoversaary) by Thelma Montgomery †
10:30 AM Brandi Bugel by Bekavac Family †

Monday May 16

8:30 AM Dan Wojciechowski by Carol Wojciechowski †

Tuesday May 17

8:30 AM Faith Community of Christ Our Savior Parish

Wednesday May 18

8:30 AM Ron & Jan Binkowski (Wedding Anniversary) by Jan Binkowski

Friday May 20

8:30 AM In Memory of Fr. Anthony Talarico
In Memory of Divine Ntamere

Saturday May 21

4:00 PM Jim McKenna by Kathy McKenna †
Sabina Brozynski by Don & Pat O'Barski †
Kathryn Sterker by Bernadine Sterker †

Sunday May 22

8:30 AM Veronica D. Ashworth by Clayton Family †
10:30 AM Petra Abayon by Chicago Family †

Mass intentions can be offered in memory of your loved ones, for those who are ill or suffering. If you would like to acknowledge the celebration of a birthday or anniversary. You may call the rectory office or put a note in the weekly collection with a contact number. The mass stipend is \$10



The wine used at Mass for the Eucharist
for **MAY** is in memory of

Mr. Francis Obegolu

From The Obegolu Family

The hosts used at Mass for the Eucharist
for **MAY** is in memory of

Mr. Charles Obiesie

From The Obegolu Family

To sponsor the wine or hosts for a month in 2023 you may put a note with a contact phone number in the weekly collection or call the rectory office. The donation for wine is \$65 and for hosts is \$45.



MAY SPLIT THE POT

To enter the monthly drawing, drop your \$5.00 Split the Pot envelope in the collection box. To increase your chances of winning, additional \$5 envelopes are at the church exit doors.

CURRENT POT \$ 360

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Our group strives to develop a deeper understanding of scripture on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM in McMahan Hall to reflect the upcoming weekend readings. We will end with a decade of the Rosary. All are welcome!

SENIOR HOSPITALITY

Seniors will meet in McMahan Hall on Thursday, May 19th at 9:15 AM for coffee and good company. Bring a smile and a friend. Please sign up in the back of church if you plan to attend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

Are you celebrating a special day in **MAY**, fill out your name and the date on a balloon and put it on the board in the church lobby. Let's recognize the birthdays and anniversaries of our parish family.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8;

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

PRAYER OF THE WEEK 5th Sunday of Easter

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What does it mean for me to bear fruit for the reign of God?

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

Although we are five full weeks into the celebration of Easter, today's readings focus on newness. Our Easter food leftovers may be long gone, but the readings insist on every moment's freshness in the risen Jesus. The Acts of the Apostles depicts Paul and Barnabas reflecting on all the innovative work that God has done with them. They have traveled hundreds of miles, introducing faith in Jesus Christ to all who listen, even Gentiles. For the dutiful Jewish scholar Paul, preaching to Gentiles is a completely unique development. Jesus calls Paul, and us, not to be afraid of new challenges: as John the Evangelist reports in Revelation, Jesus promises to "make all things new." In the Gospel reading, Jesus even gives us a new commandment. The Hebrew Scriptures overflow with commandments, but Jesus knows we need one more, perfect mission: **"love one another."** Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
No Stunt Man for Jesus**

Today's first and second readings seem to contradict each other. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas remind the other disciples that they would "undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). But in the second reading from Revelation, John says there will be "no more . . . mourning, wailing, or pain" (Revelation 21:4). These two sides of the Kingdom show how real our faith is. Life is frequently contradictory. A woman in labor moves from pain to joy in seconds after her child is born. She doesn't forget the pain, but knows it is necessary for the joy of new birth. Only the artist knows how much effort and pain went into the creation of a painting, sculpture, or symphony. That's why Jesus in the Gospel talks of his coming death on the cross as the way that God will glorify him. Even God does not do things the easy way. Jesus didn't send a stunt man to take his place on the cross. It was God who was born in poverty, in a time of high infant mortality (even higher when Herod tried to kill the Child). It was God who suffered, from the Agony in the Garden through the Crucifixion.

So when Jesus tells us to love one another as he has loved us, he knows what it cost. And he also knew that his death on the cross would be the beginning of a way of love that will eventually lead to "no more death or mourning, wailing or pain." We're not there yet, but we know we are not alone in our suffering for "God himself

**Jesus said,
"I give
you
a new
commandment:
love
one
another.
As I have
loved
you,
so you also
should
love
one
another."**

John 13:34

CHRISTIANITY HERE AND NOW

Jesus made an extreme sacrifice for us. Are we willing to make extreme changes in our lives for Him? Jesus doesn't want us to be run of the mill Catholic Christians. Jesus wants us to make a wholehearted commitment to Him. Our faith must never be an afterthought, it must be our ultimate priority. We have been the recipient of Christ's love. We must accept it and share it. There are no "ifs, ands or buts". There is only JESUS!

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MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY Things You Can Do

PRAY THE ROSARY

There are many graces to be gained, pray the rosary daily

READ A BOOK ABOUT MARY

Increase your knowledge about Mary and her life by reading a book about her

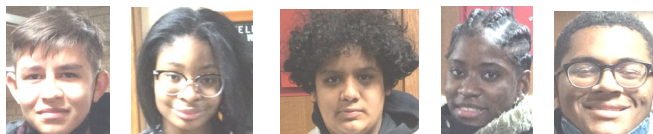
PRAY A NOVENA TO OUR LADY

Pray a novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

LEARN ABOUT A MARIAN DEVOTION

Adopt a devotion to Mary under one of her many titles (Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Sorrows, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Our Lady of Medjugorje)

Our 2022 Confirmation Class will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at St. Kieran Church at 2:00 P.M. Please pray for our young people as they become fully initiated into our faith.



CONGRATULATIONS Rose Award Scholarship Recipients



Antonette Baker *St. Margaret of Scotland School,
Marcia Cage *The Academy of St. Benedict, the African,
Hannah Melton *Sacred Heart (Chicago).

Pray for the Sick



Kathleen Bauer, Ronald Bentle, Shirley Beukema, Sue Bordenaro, John Bromly, Roni Caldwell, Margaret Chavers, Jorge Chevere, Franklin Crevier, Debbie Davis, Bill Doptson, Mary Faulkner, Art Giacomini,

Taylor Harding, Laura Harris, Ann Herman, Jeff Holden, Ruby Ingram, Dolores Janich, Mike Kelly, Walter Komanski, Mary Kozlowski, Marilyn Krolo, Loretta Kujawa, Eason Lynch, Marilyn McAllister, John Magon, Mary Marson, Daniel Mendez, Emily Nyugen, Marian Panny, Mae Frances Patton, Adela Pena, Marian Peters, Linda Powell, John Roberts, Mary Lee Rosland, Ava Rupp, Thomas Ruvoli, Pasquale Santucci, Tim Spratte, Maryanne Sucharzewski, Jean Marie Sullivan, James Tomaszewski, Cindy Torres, Dan Voce, Edward Voce, Mary Ann Voce, Denise Washington, Ramone Watts, Rosemary Watts, James B. Watts Jr., Cheryl Watts-Izard, Debra Worthy, Margaret L. Whitley, Vicente Zamora

All praise and glory is yours, Lord, for you have called us to serve you in love. Bless them so that they may bear their illness in union with your Son's obedient suffering. Restore them to health, and lead them to glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you or a loved one needs prayers due to an illness, please call the parish office to put your name on the prayer list. Names are kept on the list for four weeks unless we are notified the person has not recovered.

Please contact the parish office at 708-333-3550 and leave a message if you would like to have your loved one on the list for another four weeks.

TASTE OF CHRIST OUR SAVIOR

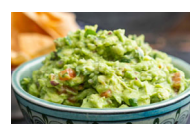
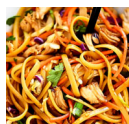
Parish Fundraiser JUNE 12, 2022

Please consider donating a dish for this event that celebrates our multicultural parish. Volunteers are needed to prepare dishes or purchase and donate ethnic dishes.

Examples of types of food:

How about some Polish dishes, Thai food, Greek salad, egg rolls etc?

It is your participation that will make this a success. Sign up as a food provider using a form in the back of the church.



PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Canon 537 of the 1983 Code of Canon Law requires that each parish have a finance council.

“Each parish is to have a finance council which is regulated by universal laws as well as by norms issued by the diocesan bishop; in this council the Christian faithful, selected according to the same norms, aid the Pastor in the administration of parish goods with due regard FOR THE PRESCRIPTIONS OF Canon 532 (i.e., The Pastor represents the parish in all judicial affairs in accord with the norm of law he is to see to that the goods of the parish are administered in accord with the norms of Canons 1281-1288).”

Duties and responsibilities of the PFC include the following categories.

The Pastor may change the responsibilities and duties in consultation with the Business Manager and in accordance with Canon Law and Archdiocese of Chicago “Best Practices”.

- * Annual Parish budget review
- * Monthly review of financial performance and current year forecast
- * Facilities and Maintenance
- * Financial Planning and Development

Members of the PFC and all persons attending Parish Finance Council meetings must follow the Archdiocese of Chicago’s guidelines concerning “Confidentiality of Materials Discussed”, and “Conflicts of Interest”.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dr. Wanda Murphy-Fulford (Chairperson) Mary Ellen Quinn (Secretary)
Zenovia Evans, David Holmberg, Patricia O’Barski, Patricia Slusarski

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The primary responsibility of the PPC is pastoral planning. Pastoral planning involves discernment, and prioritizing goals and objectives, implementation and evaluation. The PPC works with the pastor to discern needs, ensure that they are met and move the parish towards fulfillment of its mission. The council will reflect on what it means to be a Christian in today’s world and on what it means to be a community in service to the church. They will articulate local goals and objectives in relation to the mission which flows from the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mary Ann Zamora (Chairperson) Diane Sheeran (Secretary)
John Aranonu, Kathleen Danrich, Gerald Edeh, Jeffrey Nowak, Sondra Watts

*God our Father, you have called these people and they have answered.
Send the Holy Spirit into their hearts and minds as they work
towards furthering your mission at Christ Our Savior Parish
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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