

5th Sunday of Easter



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WORSHIPING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:

- 4:15-4:45 PM Confessions
- 5:00 PM Vigil Mass.

SUNDAY: • 10:00 AM Mass.

MONDAY-THURSDAY:

- 8:00 AM Rosary
- 8:30 AM Mass
- Healing Mass on First Fridays with the Anointing of the Sick**
- 9:00 AM Adoration 30 minutes:
- Love4Life** Mon., Wed., Thu. * **OLPH** Tue. * **Divine Mercy** Fri.



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SACRAMENTS *and* RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- **Tuesday:** 5:00 - 6:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- **Saturday:** 4:15 - 4:45 PM
- **Mon-Fri:** 8:00 AM Or by appointment.

MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS:

- **Contact** the office six months in advance.

BAPTISM:

- **Baptismal seminar** is required for Parents and Godparents.
Parents meet with the Pastor/Deacon.
- **Godparents** must provide proof of Confirmation in the Catholic Church.






Next Weekend Liturgical Assignments

6th Sunday of Easter

(Please find your substitute if you are unable to serve as assigned)

•1st Reading - Acts of the Apostles 15: 1-2, 22-29 (57c) •Psalm - 67: 2-3, 5, 6, 8

•2nd Reading - Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23 • Gospel Reading - John 14: 23-29

May 18 May 19			
SATURDAY 5:00 PM VIGIL	Constance McEnaney George Hero	Estelle Gordon Homer Baham Sylvia Schwarz	Jermaine Lewis Julie Williams
SUNDAY 10:00 AM	Donna Crowden Myra Lewis	Felix Garcia Rosa Garcia Greg Javonillo	Erin Perdue Judy Sherman

CANDLES/FLOWERS	TO PRAY FOR	DONATED BY	 To burn a candle or offers flowers... in memory of your loved ones... Call the Office \$10 is a donation for a candle.
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I Acts 14:21-27—After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, **"It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God."**

They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished.

And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.





MASS INTENTIONS

5th Sunday of Easter

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 5:00pm Vigil	5/18	Joseph Loi Tran, Poor Souls, All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, Joseph, Anna My, Ancient Parents, Special Healing
SUNDAY 10:00am	5/19	All Holy Spirit Parishioners, Maria Tua, All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, In Memory of Mary Barbara Yokum, Poor Souls, Anna My,
Mon 8:30am	5/20	All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, Special Healing
Tue 8:30am	5/21	All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners
Wed 8:30am	5/22	All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, Special Healing
Thu 8:30am	5/23	All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners
Fri 8:30am	5/24	All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, Special Healing

NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 5:00pm Vigil	5/25	In memory of James E. Dean, Kenny Perdue on his Birthday, All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners, Viney Miller
SUNDAY 10:00am	5/26	All Holy Spirit Parishioners, Joseph Loi Tran, Poor Souls, Kenneth Bonaparte, Special Healing, All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners



Second
Reading

Rv 21:1-5a - Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. **The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.**

I also saw **the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
"Behold, **God's dwelling is with the human race.**
He will dwell with them and they will be his
people and God himself will always be with them
as their God.



He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." The One who sat on the throne said, "**Behold, I make all things new.**"

(Cont. the Homily)... It is only with the grace of God that we love our neighbor as ourselves in this new way. It is only by living every day with Jesus that we can love our neighbor as ourselves in this new way. Can we live our day in such a way that we are in communion with Jesus in some way all day? It is only by living our day with Jesus that we can love as he loved. Cardinal Ratzinger wrote that the heart of Jesus is at the center of the image of Easter. He was referring to Jesus inviting Thomas to put his fingers into the wounds in Jesus' hands and to put his hand in the wound in Jesus' side. That is Jesus inviting us to his Sacred Heart. It is only by living in the heart of Jesus that we can love as Jesus asked us. If not, we will be relying only on our human efforts, and we will love with some other type of love but not the agape love of Jesus.

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). Fr. Tommy Lane

Love one another as I have loved You

Jesus said to his apostles during the Last Supper “**I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another**” (John 13:34) There are different types of love but there is no confusion in the language of the New

Testament. When Jesus speaks about love it is always a special type of love, unselfish love, loving the other for the other's sake without anything in it for oneself. The New Testament writers used the word “agape” to describe this special type of love. There are other types of love in the New Testament; there is what we nowadays call friendship, and there is also selfish sensual love. Whenever Jesus uses the word “love” he only talks of agape, unselfish love, which is also the love God has for us.

We might ask what is new in this commandment of Jesus to love one another. The Old Testament asked to love your neighbor as yourself (Lev 19:18). Perhaps we could say what is new is that we are to love as Jesus loved us, and we know how Jesus loved us, to the last drop of his blood on Calvary. Perhaps we could say Jesus' commandment to love one another is new in the sense that unlike the Old Testament command which was to love only your neighbor, now everyone is our neighbor as Jesus taught us in the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). So loving our neighbor is without boundary now since Jesus. There is no such a thing as racism in Christianity; racism is contrary to Christ's new commandment. Pope emeritus Benedict explained what is new in this commandment of Jesus in his book Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week: From the Entrance Into Jerusalem To The Resurrection+ (p64-65). It is new because to live this new commandment we have to immerse ourselves in Jesus, immerse ourselves in Jesus' mercy. Why do we have to immerse our lives in Jesus to live this new commandment to love our neighbor as ourselves? Because to love in this way as Jesus commands is impossible by mere human efforts; it takes a divine grace within us to love in this way. We can only love in this way with the grace of God. Loving in this new way is only possible in the New Covenant because we have the grace of Jesus in the Eucharist and Sacrament of Reconciliation, and we have the Holy Spirit since Baptism and Confirmation. We have Jesus with us to help us love in his way.

Of course there are difficult situations where it is very demanding to love our neighbor as ourselves and our neighbor may be a family member, someone who lives near us, or who works with us. These are a few little helps to love our neighbor. Remember Jesus died for that person; imagine that person beneath Jesus dying on the cross. Imagine that person as an infant in the arms of Jesus. Let go of your need for that person to ask forgiveness, forgive anyway even if they don't apologize. When it is really challenging perhaps some therapy is necessary. Parishes offer marriage counseling as needed.

When we have to love and forgive after a difficult situation it is even clearer that Jesus' commandment to love is a new one that we can live only with the grace of Jesus, with the grace of Jesus in the Eucharist and Sacrament of Reconciliation. We understand what Paul said in the first reading, that we have to endure many hardships before entering the kingdom of heaven (Acts 14:22). Books in Catholic bookstores have advice on how to forgive, and recover from painful memories. They can help us work through difficult stages in the process of forgiving e.g. moving from denial, to anger, to bargaining, to depression, to the final stage when we can see a grace as a result of the difficult situation that occurred. You owe it to yourself to allow the love of Jesus to heal you so that you can live a better life and be happy and not weighed down by the past. Then you will be free to love your neighbor as yourself as Jesus commands us in his new commandment today.

We receive the grace of the sacraments to help us love our neighbor as ourselves when a priest celebrates the sacraments for us. We need priests to give us the sacraments. That is why also in our first reading we hear of Paul appointing presbyters in every church he founded (Acts 14:23). Paul, a bishop, appoints presbyters i.e. priests in every church he founded. It is from the word “presbyter” that our English word priest comes. While Scripture doesn't say explicitly when Paul was ordained a bishop he was ordained by one of the apostles or with the authority and permission of the apostles. We heard in that first reading that Paul “appointed” presbyters; the Greek of the New Testament says Paul stretched out his hands over these presbyters as he appointed them; it was the laying on of hands that we see now when a priest is ordained by a bishop. So Paul leaves presbyters i.e. priests in every church he founded so that people may receive the sacraments to give them the grace to love in this new way that Jesus asks. (Cont. prev. page)





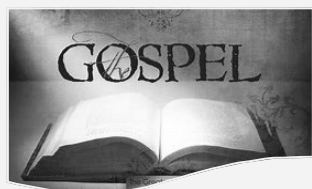
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May 1-31



Leon Legendre 5/30, Claire Kleinschmidt 5/28, Audrey Allen 5/26, Veronica Tuazon 5/14, Jill Stone 5/9, Elena White 5/3, Felix Garcia 5/18, Morgan Mix 5/30, Sandra Coyne 5/22, Memory of Kenny Perdue 5/25, Andrew Laudun 5/30, Max Gisleson 5/21, Celine Rochon 5/13, Makeda Dukes 5/11, Rosalie Rodriguez 5/3



John 13:31-33a, 34-35 - When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "**Now is the Son of Man glorified**, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once.

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: **love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."**



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HOLY SPIRIT CALENDAR

15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

♦ **JUNE 1: GARAGE SALE 8AM-4PM CONCESSION STAND AND**
BAKE SALE

♦ **JUNE 9: CHURCH BARBECUE AND FATHER**
BACH'S 25TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY,
PENTECOST SUNDAY

Tickets are on sale now for
the Condo Raffle, Drawing on June 9th

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Weekdays' 30 minutes of Adoration (Monday thru Friday), as below:

Monday Love4Life (Pro Life)	Tuesday Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wednesday Love4Life (Pro Life)	Thursday Love4Life (Pro Life)	Friday Divine Mercy Chaplet
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