Queen of Peace Parish

Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.



OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:
Monday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

MASSES:

Tuesday:	7:00 am
Thursday:	7:00 am
Sunday:	10:00 am

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Saturday:	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

MASSES:

Monday:	9:00 am
Wednesday:	9:00 am
Friday:	9:00 am
Saturday:	8:30 am
Sunday Vigil Mass:	4:30 pm
Sunday:	8:30 am
	11:30 am

CONFESSIONS 3:30 pm on Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday:	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Benediction:	5:45 pm

May 12th, 2024

From the desk of Fr. Rich



Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. It is also Mother's Day. Our first reading takes us back to the beginning verses of the Acts of the Apostles and sets forth the themes that Luke is going to develop throughout this, the longest book of the New Testament. His major theme is the role of the Holy Spirit, who enables the apostles to be effective witnesses to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is mentioned 57 times in the Acts of the Apostles.

Today's second reading from Ephesians was chosen because of its reference to Jesus' ascent to heaven, which is contrasted with his descent to the dead. Early Christians believed that those who died before the coming of Jesus awaited redemption in a shadowy existence described here as the lower regions of the earth. It is our Christian tradition that immediately after his death, Jesus went to these people to announce that they had been saved.

For those who may be wondering why we are celebrating the Solemnity of the Ascension this weekend and not on Thursday, May 9th, it is because many years ago the ecclesiastical Provinces of Boston, Hartford, New York, Omaha, and Philadelphia chose to retain the celebration of the Ascension on it's proper day, while all other Provinces, including Chicago, have transferred this Solemnity to the Seventh Sunday of Easter which would be today.

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This Mother's Day weekend is the traditional weekend that Catholic Charities encourages all Catholics to support its Annual Mother's Day Appeal.

The number of calls to Catholic Charities is increasing daily from people who have nowhere else to turn. People in every parish and every neighborhood are struggling to make ends meet. More families face unemployment or the loss of a home.

Please give generously to the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal. Your support of this collection gets transformed into the compassion that Catholic Charities has become known for that protects the poor and gives the precious gift of a fulfilling and dignified life to those less fortunate than we. Please be generous and remember that as you mail in or drop your offering off at church or at the rectory, you become the only source of hope to those who seem to not matter in the eyes of so many in our world.

Your donations also support programs for emergency food and shelter, affordable housing for seniors, teen parenting services, employment and job training and so many other services that Catholic Charities provides. If there were ever a worthy cause to support this would be it. You can also contribute online at: www.catholiccharities.net/ donate or mail your check directly to Catholic Charities at 721 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60454.

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Once again, I would like to offer my thanks to all who participated in our Parish Mission. In many ways our gathering with each other on those Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights was like going on a mini retreat. Fr. Tom McCarthy provided us with practical ways of looking at and understanding in new and different ways the many facets of our Catholic faith.

Each night over 400 people attended at Our Lady, Mother of the Church which literally filled the church. We also shared delicious food and drink prepared by many of the members of our planning committee. I especially want to thank and acknowledge Allegretti's Bakery for the donation of their delicious sweets. I also want to thank Mary Marszalek and Lonnie Muehlfelder for their very generous donation of all the pizzas on Tuesday night. It was wonderful to see our blended and newly formed community of Queen of Peace come together in this way. Many had shared with me that they would like to see us provide this opportunity on an annual basis.

I would also like to thank the members of our parish Unification Committee and in particular Gail Henderson for all their work with the planning and organizing of our Easter season Parish Mission. Thanks for a job well done everyone!

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I'd like to congratulate our 8th graders who will be receiving their "Ribbons" after the 9:00 a.m. Mass this coming Wednesday. We also had our school's May Crowing Ceremony this past Friday, which was both a tribute to our Blessed Mother and also an honor for our eighth graders that participated in the May Crowning Court of Honor. These events are all part of the end-of-the-school-year transition process for them as they prepare to take leave from grammar school while making their transition to high school – a time we all remember fondly. It won't be long now before they will be celebrating their 8th Grade Dinner Dance and then Graduation. Congratulations, Class of 2024.

Happy Mother's Day, moms!

Fr. Rich Yanos



QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH - MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - St. Eugene Church

For All Living and Deceased Mothers

Sunday, May 12

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

For All Living and Deceased Mothers

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

For All Living and Deceased Mothers

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

For All Living and Deceased Mothers

Monday, May 13, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Anthony & Aurora Barone
Mary T. Keating—B-day Remembrance
Lincoln & Mannheim Families
Stefania Mroczkowski - 2nd Anniversary of Death
Helen Wozny
Henry Wyszkowski

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Bill & Catherine Aiken
S.I. for Matthew

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Souls in Purgatory
Carol Foley
Jose Garcia
Helena and Andrzej Mac
Brian Masterson
Anthony Parisi
Rozalia & Bartlomiej Radzik
George Stryker
Henry Wyszkowski

Thursday, May 16, 2024,

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Pietro Pisello
Minnie Raw & Families

Friday, May 17, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Naomi Joseph
Wieslawa Karczmarczyk
Northlake & Hummel Families
Mary Kay DeDonker

Saturday, May 18, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Living & Deceased Members of Family
Burzynski Family & Jozef Burzynski
Larucci & Johnnie Families

Saturday, May 18, 2024

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass -St. Eugene Church

Juan Diaz
Carol Foley
Wayne Greco
James & Matilda Halas
Martin & Katharina Hoog
Mary & Edward Kenevan
Francesco Salvatore Pagano
Rev. Fred Tomzik

Sunday, May 19, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish
Robert J. Brun
Peter Debski
Juan Diaz
Giacomo Giovannielli
Medinger & Hopkins Families
Stanislaw Misiak
Grace Pawula
Lucyna Piechowicz
Maria & Matthias Rempala

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Antonia & Guiseppe Daniello
Giacomo & Maria Daniello
Ezio DiBartolo
Ralph Ferri
Giovanna & Vito Lieggi
Josephine Miller
Jennie & Vito Moretti
Jozef Rebacz
Pietro Pisello,
Charlene Widmaier

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Mario Bartucci
Anna Battista
Dominica & Ernesto Fiorante
Pearl & George Giovannoni
Giovanne & Cristina Greco
Barbara (Dymphna) Hayes
Hillard Michalek
Michael Michalek
Anna Parente
Deceased Members of the Parente Family

Schedule of Liturgical Ministers

Date	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
Saturday, 05/18 4:30 PM – SE	Rev. Greg Rom Deacon Chris Virruso Preaches	M.B. Glynn - WB R. Sparacino - B Celebrant & Deacon - C M. Meo - O J. Horn - WO S. Sparacino - Cup - B M. Pollowy - Cup O	M. Delisandru D. Olson B. Rog L. Acierno A. Boccia	D. Sulimowski
Sunday, 05/19 8:30 AM – SE	Rev. Ed Pacocha	J. Kowaski - WB G. Fornek - B J. Fornek - C C. Hill - O J. Pomis - WO C. Mikucki - Cup - B M. Unger - Cup - B	A. Czubek AJ Orlando E. Burzawa M. Marrinan L. Solis	I. Rog
Sunday, 05/19 10:00 AM – OLMC	Rev. Rich Yanos Deacon Chris Virruso Preaches	M. Walsh - AB M. Marszalek - AC E. Aspi - TB M. D'Alessandro - TB	D. Flynn G. Pilch J. Pilch	C. Roldan - 1st P. Vega - 2nd
Sunday, 05/19 11:30 AM – SE	Rev. Jacek Dada	U. Pawlowski - WB C. Paulini - B T. Moore - C M. Tomzik - O P. Tomzik - WO P. Paetsch - Cup - B F. Pacia - Cup - O	C. Rodriguez D. Luna Q. Sznura M. Sclafani B. Villena	P. Wagner

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Eugene Church

Mondays 4 – 6 pm.

Benediction at 5:45 pm





PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida
Annabella Amato
Ralph J. Amelio
Victoria Amelio
Peter Badagliacca
Patricia & Lawrence Basili
Judy Bauer
Ludwika Bialo
Bronislaw Bialo
A. & V. Bischof
Gabriella Bongiorno
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence
Johnmar Castillo
Gracie Carey
Karen Cazolas
Mary Ciliak
Mark Corrado
Sharon Crowley
Susan Curtin
Angela & Rocco D'Alessandro
John Dahlquist
Sharon Dompke
Joseph Duna
Arol Fijalkiewivz
Tony Fiore
Bob Gasiorek
Harry Gelardi
Patricia Gelfond
Susan Hennessy
Jeff Herden
Renee Holm
Ryszard Jablonski
Terry Katz
Arthur Kopeck
Harry Krawczyk
Thomas Landeck
James LaPietra
Abagail Lim
Allie Lim
Frank Lizak
Rose Mary Maratto
Mickey Margelewski
Stanisław Mazek
Azucena & Jazmine Melendrez
Dolores Michalek
Patrick Miscinischinski
Linda Morton
Norman Mosk
Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello
Michael J. Muscarello
Rodney Niewinski
Joey Notaro
Anthony Notaro
Victtoria Nudo
Rev. James J. O'Brien
Donie Odulio
Catherine O'Hara
Blanca Pacia
Camille Pavlis
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa
Kay Phelan
Rita Rogers
Bill Ruhl
Diane Rizzuto
Pat Schippers
Shirley Schindler
Peter Schroeder
Robert Shelton
Dolores Scorza
Maria Slomski
Daniel Staniec
Emily Steckiewicz
Rachael Stowe
Mae Stryker
Lavergne Suchor
Bob Schu
Tom Szczech
Dave Tudron
Ernesto Vergara
Genowefa Wawronowicz
Dolores Wilk

We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.



**Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform for us
in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen**

Major Adamczyk
Joseph Antosh, Jr.
Ghaleb Azroui
Matthew Calderisi
Timothy Emmett Carolan
Melissa Rose Cortese
James Vincent Degrazia
Patrick Edward Dillon
Zbigniew Dudkowski
Matthew Scott Forrest
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.
Major Dirk Haller
Andrew Hopkins
Christopher Jenkins
Bernard Edward Kusinski
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak
Antonio James Lim
Payne Manczko
Chris Marchiori
Daniel McLenieghan
Daniel Meaney
Keith Miller
Michael Morales
Mike Mroszczak
Thomas Neuhengen
Eric Norwood
Elliott O'Claire
Vincent Page
Chad Pritchard
Nicholas Ranch
Adam Roberts
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.
Holly Schippers
Michael Schippers, Jr.
Sean Sherlock
Sharon Sherlock
Phillip R. Simonsen
Tony Strzalka

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Spring 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May is a month to remember and celebrate the mothers and mother figures in our lives. These women—on whom all generations depend—are essential to the fullness of God's plan for human life.

May is also the month when we celebrate the important work of our Catholic Charities. Helping mothers in need is core to our Catholic faith and a cornerstone mission for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Whether they be single mothers, mothers of children with special needs, foster mothers, or mothers who are migrants, we help them and their children.

Your generous donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities enables this urgent work. Catholic Charities was founded more than a century ago by the Archdiocese to help those in need in Cook and Lake counties. As the largest provider of human services in our region, Catholic Charities serves nearly 400,000 people annually. This tremendous reach of services is only possible through your generous support.

Each year I call on our parishes to support Catholic Charities, and so I encourage you to be generous by contributing, either:

- In-person during the second collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12
- Online at catholiccharities.net/donate
- By mail to Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 8275, Carol Stream, IL 60197-8275.

Thank you for your on-going support and partnership. May Mary, our Mother whom we honor in May, continue to inspire us to take up the mission of her Son with joyful enthusiasm.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Riana Aguilar
Neenah Alarcon-Guerra
Ciamarie Bertolli
Joseph Biondo
Carly Brown
David Brozyna
Alannah Burneo
Sofia Carvajal
Sophia Castelli
Lucia Colosimo
Noah Corcino
Sebastian Corcino
Jon Rey Donghit
Viola Egan
Nathan Elliott-Meneghetti
Liam Fabyan
Leighianne Fajardo
Giovanni Fanelli
Massimo Figueroa
Logan Garcia
Thomas Gibbons
Samantha Gimay
Amelia Hall
Noah Hernandez
Thomas Janus
Frances Katalbas
Alex Kenar
Susanna Kenar
Zoey Kozik
Paul Kutnyy
Frank Kuzborska
Nora Labek
Stella Lagiglio
Giuseppe Lombardo
Gianna Losacco
Elizabeth Mares
Faelan McCormick
Marissa Miller
Avery Mora
Giuliana Orlando
Elias Papaioannou
Lucas Payne
Anthony Pugliese
Simone Rabor
Kathleen Richardson
Brandon Rodriguez
Luis Rodriguez
Brandon Sabel
Sean Sevilla
Cristina Spada
Elizabet Val
Marco Valdes
Ashylyn Vallejo
Maximilian Vasquez
Anna Vivcharyk
Shae Wallace
Angelika Wnek
Ariana Wozniczka
Anthony Ziajor-Pikul

FIRST COMMUNION

MAY 4, 2024



Welcome Newly Baptized



Julia Rose Alaimo



Mia Lillian Sokol

First Holy Communion Sunday, May 5



First Holy Communion, Saturday, May 4, 2024

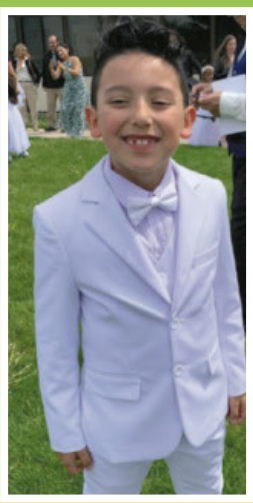


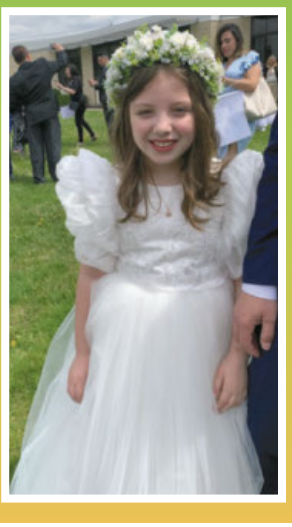










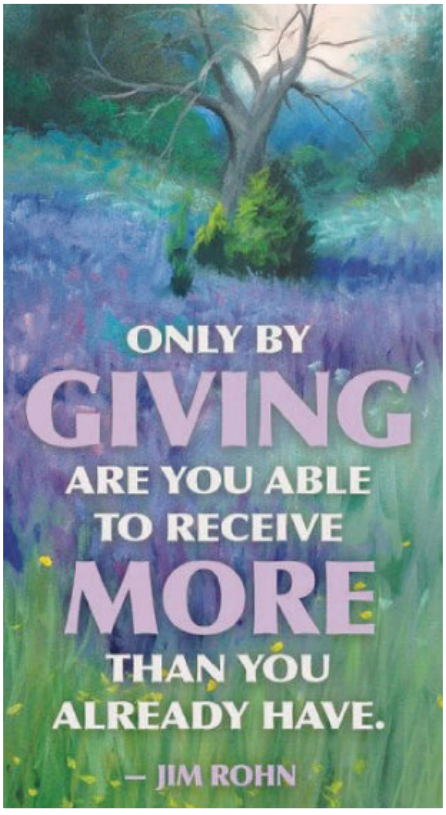




Sunday, May 5

Sat. 10:00 am SE	$1,694.00
Sat. 4:30 pm SE	$3,531.00
8:30 SE	$2,757.50
10:00 OLMC	$3,003.00
11:30 SE	$4,013.00
Mail SE	$5,183.00
Total Physical	**$20,181.50**
Online Collection	$3,030.01
Grand Total	**$23,211.51**
Mother's Day Remembrance	$3,680.00







Queen Of Hearts Raffle Tickets

Available After All Masses
In Rear Vestibule
(Tickets are Also Available
In SE Rectory Office)

Second Collections

May 5
Mother 's Day Remembrance

May 9
Ascension

May 12
Catholic Charities Mother`s Day Appeal

May 19
School Support

May 26
St. Eulalia Sharing Parish





Bulletin Submissions:

Bulletin requests must be sent two weeks prior to the desired bulletin weekend to mgeurtsen@archchicago.org We reserve the right to edit. Submissions will be placed in the bulletin if space allows and pending administration approval. Please call the parish office for the holiday schedule. *Thank you.*

Please Pray for our Deceased Parishioners:

† Stan Joseph Prucnal
† Mary Ann Drury

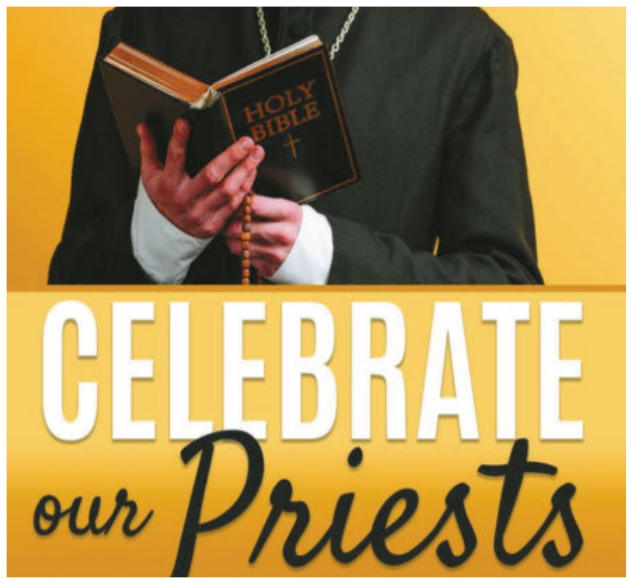
May the souls of the faithful rest in peace.



BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday in St. Eugene School room 110 from 10:00 to 12:00. Questions or comments please feel free to email Frank at fjlizak@comcast.net.
Hope to see you there!







Happy Anniversary
of your Ordination to the Priesthood
Rev. Greg Rom
May 14 - 49 years



Living Rosary

We pray a decade or more of the Rosary each day for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of our Blessed Mother Mary, and in honor of the patron of the Living Rosary, Saint Philomena. Please reach out to the parish office to be a part of the Living Rosary.

Joyful Mysteries
Annunciation - Ted M.
Visitation - Barb R.
Nativity - Josephine N.
Presentation - Karen R.
Finding in the Temple - Mary M

Luminous Mysteries
Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.
Wedding at Cana - Mary M.
Proclaim the Kingdom - Ted M.
Transfiguration - Emily A.
Institution of Eucharist - Emily A.

Sorrowful Mysteries
Agony in the Garden - Jean R.
Scourging at the Pillar - Jean R.
Crowning with Thorns - Mary M.
Carrying of the Cross - Ted M.
Crucifixion - Demi S.

Glorious Mysteries
Resurrection - Lita J.
Ascension - Marsha G.
Descent of Holy Spirit - Camille C.
Assumption of Mary - Camille C.
Coronation of Mary - Camille C.

Rosaries for Mothers and Ordinandi

This weekend we have diaconate ordinations and Mother's Day, and next Saturday we have priesthood ordinations. So, the Rosary intentions of the Rosary Guild this week is for mothers, living and deceased, and for those being ordained. All are welcome to pray at least one Rosary for this week's intentions. Our Rosary Guild members are: Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Gilda M., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., Shirley S., and Milabelle T. Please contact the parish office to join the Rosary Guild.





We continue to meet the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month thru June.

Our cabinets are slowly getting filled again and we have a couple places to donate too.

If you like to crochet, you need to join us.

We have tons of great yarn to choose from and we are a great group of ladies who would welcome you with open arms.

Any questions please feel free to reach out to Pam at 773-685-7586.

THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club will be having a trip to Four Winds Casino in New Buffalo, Michigan on Thursday, June 20, 2024.

The cost of the trip will be $35.00 plus $1.00 for the tip for a total due of $36.00.

The bus will leave the south parking lot of Our Lady, Mother of the Church at 9:00am SHARP and return about 5:00pm.

Any questions, please call Valerie at 708-453-6034.

The Friendship Club will be meeting on Tuesday, May 14th at 11:00am. This will be our Mother's Day Party.

Our lunch will be Chicken Marsala, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, Italian Vegetables, Hawaiian Rolls, and a Cannoli for dessert. We will have entertainment for our party, The Jammers.

After lunch, Bingo will be played.

Hope to see you there.

OCIA
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

BECOMING CATHOLIC — OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. OCIA can also be a method for Catholics to complete their reception of the initiation sacraments. The manual used in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults states that the rite is designed for adults "who after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God." The manual also states when speaking about those in the process "By God's help they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time receive the sacraments fruitfully."

WHO IS OCIA FOR?

- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or Profession of Faith
- Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Eucharist.

As our Blessed Mother brings us to her Son Jesus, it is our task also to bring others to the Lord. Is there someone you can invite to explore the Catholic faith - someone unbaptized, or baptized in non - Catholic Christian tradition? Perhaps you know a Catholic adult interested in being confirmed. Please contact the Parish Office at 773-775-6660

(PRACTICING)
CATHOLIC

The Truth We Cannot See

I only pray out loud when I want my kids to hear what I'm saying.

I know what you're thinking — *hypocrites in the synagogue and the street corner; go to your room and shut the door* — but I think if Jesus had to raise children he would understand where I'm coming from. I pray out loud not because I want my kids to think I'm holy and not because I want them to admire me but because I want them to know how broken I am, how desperately I rely on the mercy and love of God.

It's also a really effective way to send a message. "God, I'm sorry I've been losing my patience today. Please help me. And send your Holy Spirit to make these kids stop fighting."

Vocal prayer, in front of other people, is an incredibly vulnerable action, so it strikes me whenever Jesus chooses to pray out loud in front of his disciples. Surely, mental prayer was something of a perpetual state for him. I imagine Jesus was ceaselessly in conversation with his Father in heaven throughout even the most ordinary of days. So, when he chooses to make those communications public, my ears perk up.

He wants his kids to hear what he's saying.

In John, chapter 17, we see that he wants us to remember who we are. His disciples are about to see things that will shake the very foundations of their faith. The only way they will make it to the other side is if they remember that truth does not consist only of what we can see with our eyes.

This is the same truth in which we have been consecrated. We belong to this truth in a way the world will never understand or accept. It is the truth we cannot see.

"I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world." John 17:14

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?
Catholic Life Explained

Question:
Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

Answer:
This is an interesting question! During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost — the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us. Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth!

Nurses Notes:

May is Stroke awareness month. Therefore, I'd like to share some information to make you more aware of what this term means. An **ischemic stroke** occurs when the blood supply to part of the brain is blocked or reduced. This prevents brain tissue from getting oxygen and nutrients. Brain cells begin to die in minutes. Another type of stroke is a **hemorrhagic stroke**. It occurs when a blood vessel in the brain leaks or bursts and causes bleeding in the brain. The blood increases pressure on brain cells and damages them. A transient ischemic attack (**TIA**) is a short period of symptoms similar to those of a stroke. It's caused by a brief blockage of blood flow to the brain. A TIA usually lasts only a few minutes and doesn't cause long-term damage. However, a TIA may be a warning. About 1 in 3 people who have a TIA will eventually have a stroke, with about half occurring within a year after the TIA. Often called a ministroke, a TIA can serve as both a warning of a future stroke and a chance to prevent it.

The Facts:
Stroke can happen to anyone at any age. 80% of all strokes are preventable.
Stroke is the fifth leading cause of death in the U.S. and a leading cause of severe disability.
On average, one person dies from a stroke every 4 minutes. More than 795,000 people have a stroke each year in the U.S.
Stroke kills almost 130,000 of the 800,000 Americans who die of cardiovascular disease each year—that's 1 out of every 19 deaths from all causes.

Should you notice these symptoms, call emergency services (911) immediately:
BEFAST
B = Balance - Loss of balance headache, dizziness
E = Eye - Blurred vision
F = Facial drooping on one side
A = Arm drifting when held up or weakness
S = Speech difficulty, especially if slurred
T = Time is of the essence



Prevent stroke by following the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's Life's Simple 7 tips:

- Manage blood pressure
- Control cholesterol
- Reduce blood sugar
- Get active
- Eat better
- Lose weight
- Stop smoking

Peace,
Terri, RN

PLEASE JOIN ME FOR THE NEXT B/P SCREENING WHICH WILL BE MAY 18TH AND 19TH BEFORE AND AFTER ALL MASSES. I WILL NOT HAVE A SCREENING IN THE SUMMER MONTHS, RETURNING IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ME AT QUEEN OF PEACE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MEET ME TO ASSESS YOUR B/P OR DISCUSS ANY HEALTH CHALLENGES.

TOMATOES, PEPPERS, BEANS, CUCUMBERS!!

Are you thinking what is this about? Of course, you are!

Many parishioners have small gardens in the summer in the neighborhood. We all enjoy fresh vegetables. So we thought of starting a new ministry for our sharing parish, St. Eulalia's Food Pantry at their Quinn Center-A Garden Ministry.

Once or twice a month in the summer, we will collect fresh produce from our gardens and deliver them to our sharing parish. Dates to be determined.

So start thinking about what you are going to plant and share. It will be fun to share and give to our sharing parish friends.
Further information to follow at a later date.
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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
"Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men
who accompanied us the whole time
the Lord Jesus came and went among us,
beginning from the baptism of John
until the day on which he was taken up from us,
become with us a witness to his resurrection." (Acts 1:21-22)

Psalm:
The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:
God is love, and whoever remains in love
remains in God and God in him. (1 Jn 4:16)

Gospel:
"Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." (Jn 17:11)

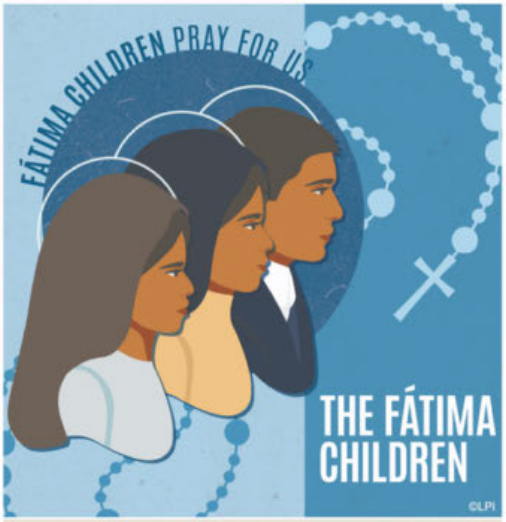
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Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

In his prayer to the Father, Jesus says it aloud to remind us, always and forever: if we belong to Him, we belong to the truth. Lord, may those words ring in our ears as we go into the world as Christ taught us. We are consecrated to the truth.

Observances for the week of May 12, 2024

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day; Mother's Day
Monday:	Our Lady of Fatima
Tuesday:	St. Matthias, Apostle
Wednesday:	St. Isidore
Saturday:	St. John I, Pope and Martyr; Armed Forces Day
Next Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday



Saint of the week

The Fátima children, St. Francisco Marto, St. Jacinta Marto, and Venerable Lucia dos Santos, ages 7-10 years, impacted the world after the many apparitions of Mary they experienced. They shared Mary's call to pray the rosary and for peace in the world.

Prayer of Mission

Dear Lord,
Grace us with courage and zeal as we go forth in Your name, speaking your Word, offering Your love, and bringing Your healing to a world in need.
Amen.

Readings for the week of May 12, 2024

Sunday:
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

Monday:
Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday:
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday:
Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday:
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday:
Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday:
Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Nest Sunday:
Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A few months ago, I had the singular privilege of a private meeting with Pope Francis. We were a small group of pastors, composed largely of non-Catholics. The Holy Father wished to discuss our work for Christian unity. The phrase I remember him saying with greatest frequency was: *Tutti dentro*. It means, "Everyone in." He clearly wanted us to emphasize that the Church is made for the whole human race, not a select few. At the center of his concern was unity. We are all brothers and sisters, he said multiple times. The Church's primary longing is for everyone to join Her.

This longing is at the heart of this Ascension feast day. We hear the longest recorded prayer of the one whom Pope Francis represents. Jesus' concern is unity, praying to the Father, "**that they may be one, even as we are one**" (John 17:11). The deep unity of all people in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit is what Jesus most desires. It is what he ascends to accomplish.

Do we have this same burning desire in our hearts, too? Or do we see Christian unity as an unrealizable dream? Or worse, as something that threatens our own narrow tribal interests? This feast is a wonderful time to consider our attitude toward Christian unity, and to commit to do whatever we can to foster it. It is the Pope's desire because it is that of Jesus — and it should be ours, too.

— Father John Muir

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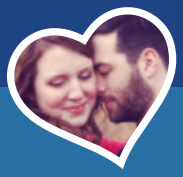
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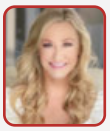
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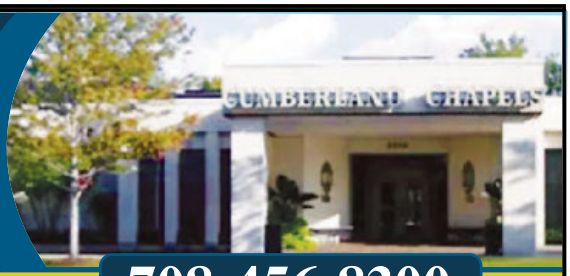
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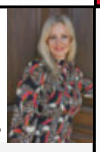
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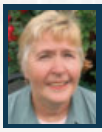
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