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ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

14936 W. Wilmington - Peotone Rd.

Manhattan, Illinois 60442

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2026

Most Revered Bishop Dennis Spies
Administrator

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mass is celebrated on Saturday evening only

May 9	5:45pm	Mothers of St. Patrick +Gladys Meyer req. by The Family +Grace Niemiec req. by The Family
May 13	5:30pm	Parish Family
May 16	5:45pm	ASCENSION OF THE LORD +Gladys Meyer req. by The Family +Grace Niemiec req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick
May 20	5:30pm	+Ulman Family req. by Family
May 23	5:45pm	+Bob & Carmen Elken req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Gladys Meyer req. by Family Parish Family of St. Patrick

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Minister</u>
May 9 - 5:45pm	Jerry Kinsella	C. Kinsella
May 16 - 5:45pm	Sherrie Ashley	P. Engler
May 23 - 5:45pm	Jerry Kinsella	C. Kinsella



SERVERS & USHERS

Please volunteer at the Mass you are attending

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of May 10, 2026**

Sunday Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Monday Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Jn 15:9-17

Friday Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

In those places where the observance of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, the Mass and readings of the Ascension are used.

This weekend Bishop Spies asked there be a Special Collection to help with the Kankakee Conty Storm Damage. Thank you



**Kankakee County Storm Damage
3/10/26**



**WEEKLY OFFERING FOR
5/3/2026**

Sunday - \$1,455.00

Maintenance - \$125.00

Gutter Repair- \$965.00

Kankakee Storm Damage - \$75.00

Our weekly budget goal is \$1211.54

Thank you for your faith filled support.

SPECIAL COLLECTION- Thank you to everyone who so generously gave to our Gutter Repair Collection. We are able to pay our bill and have a little left in case of an emergency.



**Our Blessed Mother
Candle
Is burning for
THE PARISH FAMILY
OF ST. PATRICK**

Please Remember our sick: especially:

Dan Phelan, Greg Harnois, Jim Kreske, Ann Marie & Tori Jasinski, Lisa Price, Barbara Schriver, Joe & Carol Price, Bernice & Dominick Marino, Tom Lane, Peggy Schiesow, Haley Donzella, Ken Smith, Laura 'Hanson, Steve Niemiec, Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernard.

**PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO HAVE A
LOVED ONE ADDED TO THE PRAYER LIST.**



God took the fragrance
of a flower...
The majesty of a tree...
The gentleness of
morning dew...
The calm of a quiet sea...
The beauty
of the twilight hour...
The soul
of a starry night...
The laughter of a
rippling brook...
The grace of a bird
in flight...
Then God fashioned
from these things
A creation like no other,
And when his
masterpiece was through
He called it simply -
Mother.

~Herbert Farnham

In Honor of Our Mothers

MAY CROWNING 2026





MEMORIAL DAY

**MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
IN OUR CEMETERY AT 10:00AM
IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER
MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED IN
CHURCH**



Healing From the Inside Out

Your support of the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal funds counseling services at Daybreak, Catholic Charities' shelter for those experiencing homelessness. In two years, nearly 200 clients have received therapy, coping skills, and the compassionate care they need to heal — and hold on to — a stable home.



**Watch the video and see
the good your donation to the CMAA
brings to our community**



Are you widowed and still hurting?
Please join us.
Attend a Joyful Again! 2 day Workshop
& Spiritual Retreat
May 30th & 31st 2026
St Joan of Arc Parish, Lisle, IL
No Overnight Accommodations available
For more information, call: 708-354-7211
or
e-mail us at info@joyfulagain.org
For Registration visit:
www.joyfulagain.org

Background Music: Life, Love and Prayer

“I live and you will live,” Jesus tells his disciples. You and I are both alive right now, so this seems easy to wrap our heads around. This is life, right? I’m living it right now. Is there more to life?

The fullest life that Jesus reveals is so much more profound than we could have known without His revelation to us: “I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you.” Jesus is in the Father, and we are IN Jesus, and Jesus is IN us! The One Who is the Way, the Truth, and Life itself dwells in us, and we dwell in Him, in the Father. This “mutual indwelling” that is true life is harder to wrap our heads around. But Jesus was very clear that this is the whole point of the Kingdom, and that God’s joy is to dwell with us, because He loves us and created us precisely for this.

What is love? How do we love the Lord we cannot see? Jesus tells us that the one who keeps His commandment loves Him. What is Jesus’ commandment? To love one another as He loved us. And if we love Jesus and love one another for love of Him, we will be loved by the Father and we will truly know Jesus. Loving one another as Jesus loved us is a tall order – He loved us infinitely, loved us all the way to the Cross and beyond, pouring Himself out utterly for us. He “loved me and gave himself for me,” as St. Paul says (Gal. 2:20), and continues to take care of me in every single moment.

The world in which we live and the busywork of much of our lives does not easily resonate with the vibration of divine life and love. Sin has obscured this and made it hard to keep in mind. But praying and loving (true, self-sacrificing love) re-tune our hearts and minds so that they again vibrate with the eternal rhythm of the divine, so that it can become the “background music” of all we think and say and do! The Advocate, the Spirit of truth, poured into our hearts remains with us always, and keeps us open to the will of the Father in every circumstance and situation.

How do we attune ourselves to this Holy Spirit? Prayer. In prayer, we are still enough to listen for love and conform our heart to its demands. In prayer, we give the Spirit opportunity and permission to continue and complete His work in us, so that we walk

**MASS IS CELEBRATED WEDNESDAY AT 5:30PM
COME AND PRAY FOR OUR PARISH**

I Will Not Leave You Orphans

As Jesus prepares his closest friends for the profound grief of his Passion and Death, He gives them a great promise and the way to abide in that promise. They could not have known precisely what He meant, or what that would look like, but they held onto His words hoping that the fullness could unfold in them.

Jesus, Love Incarnate, loves His friends, and they love Him. How will they express this love when they can no longer see Him with their bodily eyes? He tells them they must continue to obey His teaching. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." We abide in the promise of Christ by humbly obeying the law of Love and following the will of God, by living out and imitating His self-giving love in our own lives.

But the promise is much more profound than just this "loving-by-obedience." The promise is that if we love Him and keep His commandment of love, Jesus will not leave us to our own devices, ideas, resources, or strength. He - the One Who lives - will come to us. He will come to us not only to be among us as one of us, but to be truly with us, to be IN us. The One Who is IN the Father will be IN us, and we will be IN Him.

Those who love Christ truly will be truly loved by His Father. And the Son, Who loves what the Father loves, will love us, and reveal Himself to us. He is clear about this: "I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you." This is not a mental conundrum or play on words, but the verbal expression of an infinite mystery: that God's delight is to dwell in us, that our souls are alive in God, that we live and move and have our being in Christ, that our bodies are truly temples of the Most High, that our Baptism incorporates us into the very mystery of the Love of the Trinity. These are among the last words spoken by Jesus to his friends, straight from his Heart, before it is pierced and poured out. It is a summary of His whole desire, and a call to embrace the Promise.

While this is so familiar to us that we can forget how profound and mystifying it truly is, the Apostles would have to wait for the coming of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to plumb the mystery and bring it to the world. Then they understood that this supernatural intimacy can only be given by the Spirit proceeding from the love of the Father and the Son. As we prepare for Pentecost, let us pray that we will be open to this working of the Spirit in our souls, and enter fully into the Promise of Christ. - By Kathryn Mulderink