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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## MAY 9, 2021

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OFFICE HOURS Monday thru Friday: 9:00 AM - Noon and 1:00 - 4:30 PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday: 6:40 PM Wednesday—Friday: 9:00 AM

> **CONFESSIONS** Saturday: 3:00 PM

ADORATION Tuesday: 4:00–6:30 PM

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS Tuesday at 6:30 PM and Thursday at 9:00 AM

For *Marriage, Baptism* and *Confirmation* information, please call the Parish Office.

BOOK & GIFT SHOP Open weekends before and after Masses

# PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. Amen.



PRAYER LIST Norma Bak Ana Bautista Edgar Bautista **Miguel Bautista** Lea Berta **Rose Brunetti** Elaine Bucholtz Angela Burger **Rusty Burrell** Maria Caretti **Rachel Clark** Simon Croke **Bob Fulkerson Bradley Golm Dolores Hnot** Mary Hodak **Emily Hudson** Chris Kanai Joann King Fran LaMacchia Irene Lazar Pat Mazzola Perla Navarro Peter Nolan **Timothy Nolan** Patricia O'Daniel Kevin O'Day **Dorothy Pakron** Sidney Saynor Julia Smith Michelle Smith **Deborah Stoner** Fr. Mathias Thelen Dennis Tymosko Marc Wais Michael Ward Jim Weeks Tom Yeip

Ever-living and ever-loving, Lord God, You are the everlasting salvation of those who believe. Hear us on behalf of all who are sick. We ask You to have mercy on them that bodily health may be restored. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen

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# How the Black Plague changed the "Hail Mary" prayer

Christians added "pray for us now and at the hour of our death" in the midst of the Black Plague.

The "Hail Mary" prayer that Christians have been praying for centuries is composed of two main parts. The first part of the prayer is derived from the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel greeted Mary by saying, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" (Luke 1:28) The next part of the prayer is taken from the Visitation, when Elizabeth greeted Mary with the words, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" (Luke 1:42)

At first the prayer was known as the "**Salutation of the Blessed Virgin**," and only consisted of the two verses joined together. However, during the **Black Plague** (also known as the "Black Death") the prayer was further developed and a second part was added to it.

This second part ("Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death") is believed by many to have been added during the plague to ask for the Blessed Mother's protection from the **fatal disease**.

Venerable Fulton J. Sheen explains this origin in his book *The World's First Love*. Since it seizes upon the two decisive moments of life: "now" and "at the hour of our death," it suggests the **spontaneous outcry of people in a great calamity**. **The Black Death**, which ravaged all Europe and wiped out one-third of its population, prompted the faithful to cry out to the Mother of Our Lord to protect them at a time when the present moment and death were almost one.

An expert in Marian devotion, Fr. Donald H. Calloway, confirms this conclusion in his book *Champions of the Rosary* and explains how, "After the Black Death, the second half of the Hail Mary began to appear in the breviaries of religious communities, especially those of the Mercedarians, Camaldolese, and Franciscans ... **the people of the 14th century greatly needed the 'hope-filled' dimension of the second half of the Hail Mary prayer**."

The prayer took various forms during this bleak period in Europe but was officially recognized after the publication of the Catechism of the Council of Trent and the full prayer was then included in the Roman Breviary of 1568.

https://aleteia.org/2020/03/17/how-the-black-plague-changed-the-hail-mary-prayer/

## Prayer in the Midst of a Pandemic

Kerry Weber, executive editor of America

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness s." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heai and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare in place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

66 emain in my love," and, "I call you friends," are powerful words that are found in John's Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning. The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our "failures in love." In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love's author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.



oming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God's love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act nonviolently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world's problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds. Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share.



"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."  $- 10^{-15:16-17}$ 

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God is love. These three simple words deserve a great deal of attention. They have the power to transform our relationship with God from something that is static and distant to one that is personal and real. We all know the power of love and how important it is to completing all of the human and divine circuits of our lives. But we do not often consider the awesome fact that it is given to us as a gift and is not simply part and parcel of the human package. God is the author of love and love itself. When we truly love another human being, it is really God being God in and through us. The love to which we are called and the love of which the Gospel speaks is a selfless love that seeks the wellbeing of not only our significant others but of all of our brothers and sisters. This love, which is of God, is a love that will endure all things and bring immeasurable joy when experienced. It is the most sincere form of friendship.

## **REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

#### **First Reading:**

In the home of the Gentile-believer, Cornelius, Peter revealed one of the most significant insights from the early Church: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality." Where do you see this message of unity needed today?

#### Second Reading:

John saw love at the very core of God's divine identity. In fact, for John, "God is love." For this reason, believers are called to love one another. **How do you keep this virtue paramount in your life?** 

#### Gospel:

During his farewell discourse, Jesus refers to his disciples as his "friends." How often do you think of Jesus as your "friend?"

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#### LITURGY LINK

After the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings, we say "Thanks be to God." After the Gospel, the priest says, "The Gospel of the Lord." How do we respond?

#### FAMILY CHALLENGE

In today's Gospel, Jesus commands us to love one another. Try to be the MOST loving person in your family this week. Invite your family to vote on who was the most loving at the end of the week.

#### FUN FACTS!

On Mother's Day, more phone calls are made than any other day of the year.

# ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT & BOOK SHOP NEWS



Spring has sprung! First Communion, Confirmation and Wedding season is upon us. Check out our selection of cards, gifts, and books related to those occasions. We are open before and after weekend Masses. Thank you for your continued support!





Cabrini High school is proud to announce that Senior Katelyn Drazba has signed a letter of intent to bowl at Siena Heights. Katelyn is the Captain of the Monarchs Girls Bowling team. In addition to bowling, she is also a member of the Track and Field team.

# A few quotes on mothers:

*Life doesn't come with a manual. It comes with a mother. Nothing is really lost until your mom can't find it.* 



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

<u>U. S. Air Force</u> Diamond Knight Kathleen Lyons Teresa Lyons Timothy Lyons Raymond J. Palowski Connor Plate



U. S. Army Nick Calvas Dalton Evans Adam Schneider U. S. Marines Anthony P. Alfano Louis J. Bardel Lukas Boudreau Connor Danaher Mitchell Kaczmerek Haley Valentine Joseph R. Walker U. S. Navy Brendan Burns Conor Burns James Donahue Ben LePage James Smith Rob Swales



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 6:40 PM

- † James Uniewski (by Family) † Ray Escobedo
  - (by Maria & Jerry Cunningham)

## Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr **9:00 AM** 

+ Donald Simoneau (by Marc Wais)

**Thursday, May 13**<sup>th</sup> The Ascension of the Lord [holy day in some U.S. dioceses]; Our Lady of Fatima **9:00 AM** 

+ Lottie & Ed Witkowski (by Family)

Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> St. Matthias, Apostle 9:00 AM

† Emidio DiPaolo (by Family)

### Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day 4:00 PM

- Mike & Jeff Kerner, Health & Healing (by Gloria Koss)
- Armira Paalam, Birthday Blessing (by Nora Anasco)
- + Cassie Potok (by Pat Urban)
- + Jammie Lynn Walters (by Family)

### Sunday, May16<sup>th</sup>

The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day **9:00 AM** 

- + Mike & Mark Brotherton (by Family)
- + Shelly Zub & Charla Bynum (by Family)
- + Cindy & Ray Zub (by Family)
- + Susan Pollack
  - (by Amy & Mark Catallo)

## 11:00 AM

- Leah Berta & Mark Hodak, Health
  & Healing (by Gloria Koss)
- † Mary DePoli
  - (by Angela & Chester DePoli)
- † John Hartman (by Gloria Koss)

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- \*Canned Northern Beans
- \*Peas
- \*Spinach
- \*Jiffy Mix (small boxes please)
- \*Gravy
- \*Dish Soap
- \*Feminine Hygiene Products

We would all like to send out a very special THANK YOU to all of the wonderful regulars who have been bringing us cases of food. It's just amazing and most appreciated. Please, if you know of a family near you that could use our help, stop by the pantry and get an "order list" to take to your neighbor in need. We are there to help. God bless all of you.



Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde -3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1 -2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20 *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 Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28 Next 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

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May 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Week 44
	Current	Year to Date
Budget	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 294,800.00
Current	\$ 7,064.00	\$ 265,998.00
Variance	\$ 364.00	\$ (28,802.00)

We appreciate all those who continue to support our parish. Your envelope can be mailed, put in the offertory, or dropped off at the parish office.





# 16101 Rotunda, Dearborn

St. Kateri

St. Francis Hall Sunday, <u>MAY 30</u>, 2021 8:00am to 2:00pm Sunday, <u>JUNE 6</u>, 2021 8:00am to 2:00pm

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Thank You for Joining Us at Mass LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH!

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Yes! I want to be added to your email list.

Yes! I'm interested in becoming a member.

No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color, and no matter what your self-image or esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church.