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Mission Statement: "Sacred Heart of Jesus—St. Patrick Parish, as one family, proclaim and live our Catholic Faith through Liturgy, Sacrament, and Ministry. As a united parish, we seek to love and serve God and our neighbor."

MAY 2, 2021—FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Church Swap begins today, May 2!
Please see the website for details.

Liturgy Schedule
Spring/Summer
(Reduced due to the pandemic)

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
At Division & N. Dewey Streets

Sunday Masses (May-Oct.)

Sunday: 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

**Weekday events will remain at SH
until SP parking lot is completed.**

Wednesday: 6:00 PM
Friday: 12:00 NOON
Saturday: 8:30 AM

Adoration:

Monday: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Confessions:

Wednesday: 5:15-5:45 PM
Saturday: 9:00-10:30 AM

St. Patrick Church

At Oxford & Fulton Streets



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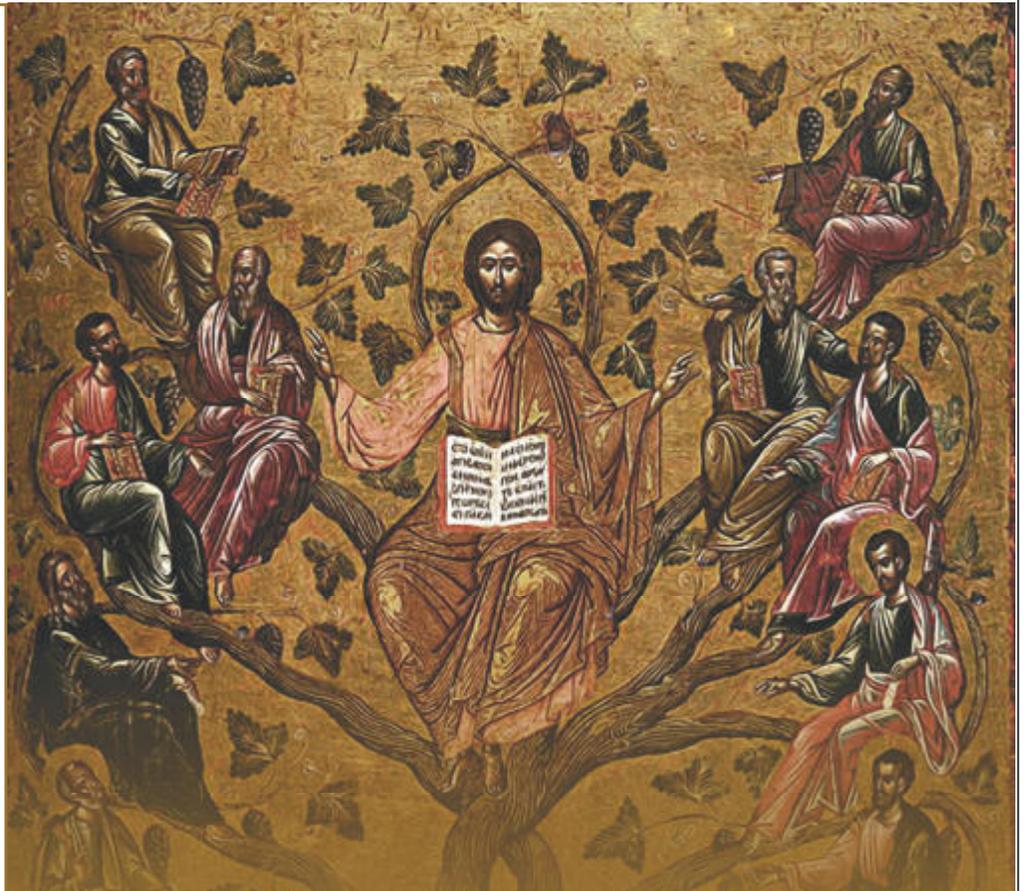
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5th SUNDAY
OF EASTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

Issue 23

Readings for the week of May 2, 2021

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8.
Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14.
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13b, 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-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21.
Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17.

Bulletin Info Deadline: Kindly submit items at least 10 days, inserts 5 days, prior to bulletin date.



RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic? For info, please contact us at 715-832-0925 or email us at office@shspec.org.

BAPTISM PREPARATION:

Parents who will be having a child baptized are required to attend one Baptism class. Attending class during pregnancy is ideal. During the pandemic, appointments will be made on an individual basis. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a meeting.



USHERS and SANITIZERS are needed to help our Parish provide a safe, clean environment during the pandemic. Please contact Liz to sign up to serve others! We could use your help!



Parish Support

Fund	April 25, 2021
Envelopes	\$4,182.00
Plate	\$17.00
Other Funds	\$1,285.00
Total:	\$5,484.00



Parish GOAL: \$67,675.00
 Received: \$57,878.00
 Under Goal: \$9,797.00

Thank you to those who have paid \$57,518 towards our 2020-2021 goal of \$67,675. With 86% of our goal paid, we are still short by \$9,797. Please prayerfully consider an additional donation to help the Parish fulfill our obligation.

HEY, HEROIC CATHOLIC MEN! If you haven't already, check out the new website: heroicmen.com, a free Catholic streaming platform designed especially for men who want to discover (or re-discover) the truth, beauty & goodness of the Catholic faith. Offering feature-length & short films, TV shows & documentaries, Heroic Men seeks to source the best Catholic media available.



PRAYER CHAIN: If someone is seriously ill or facing surgery & prayers are needed or wanted, call Dee at 715-835-8347, or Mary at 715-514-4541.

CANDLES. If you would like to remember someone by having a candle lit, you can do so at \$5 for one 7-day candle. There are candles available at both churches. Call the Parish Office.

SH: Virgin Mary: (1) † Verona Loechler
 (1) † Marilyn Loechler
St. Joseph: (1) † James Mach
 (1) † Special Intentions
SP: Virgin Mary: (1) † Vinnie Lee (1)



VISIT THE U.S. BISHOPS' "ACTION ALERTS" PAGE (Votervoicenet/USCCB/home):

- Advocate in favor of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.
- Tell Congress to keep the Hyde Amendment – No taxpayer funding of abortion.
- Oppose the ERA and the "Equality Act" that hurt women and the unborn and discriminate against people of faith.

For resources from the U.S. Bishops, visit usccb.org/committees/communications/abuse-prevention-resources.

HELP FILL THE BASKETS—Remember, the weekend of May 2, we will be collecting food for the Food Pantry. Place your nonperishable items in the baskets in church or bring to the Parish Life Center during Office hours. *Thanks!*

SOJOURNER HOUSE: If you would like to help serve a meal to the residents on Tues., May 11, please contact Phyllis Czech at 715-552-8199 to schedule time at the shelter.



COMMUNITY TABLE: Our turn sponsoring the evening meal at Community Table is Tues., May 20. Sign up if you can help prep, serve, or clean up. Help is especially needed for Serving from 4:45-6:00pm & Clean Up from 5:45-7:00pm. Contact Becky at 715-832-1303, or rmattson711@gmail.com

WISCONSIN BISHOPS SPEAK OUT AGAINST "EQUALITY ACT"

"Wisconsin's Catholic bishops join with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in opposing the Equality Act of 2021 (H.R. 5). While all people must be treated with dignity and respect, efforts to prevent discrimination cannot foster inequality and intolerance of religion and people of faith. The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution specifically protects free speech and the free exercise of faith, as both are essential for a free and open society...." Read more and make your voice heard –

Visit diolc.org/social-concerns.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

READING I: ACTS 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 22: 26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

R. Alleluia.

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD. The lowly shall eat their fill; they who seek the LORD shall praise him: "May your hearts live forever!"



R. Alleluia.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of the nations shall bow down before him.

R. Alleluia.

To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; before him shall bend all who go down into the dust.

R. Alleluia.

And to him my soul shall live; my descendants shall serve him. Let the coming generation be told of the LORD that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice he has shown.

R. Alleluia.

READING II: 1 JN 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL: JN 15:1-8

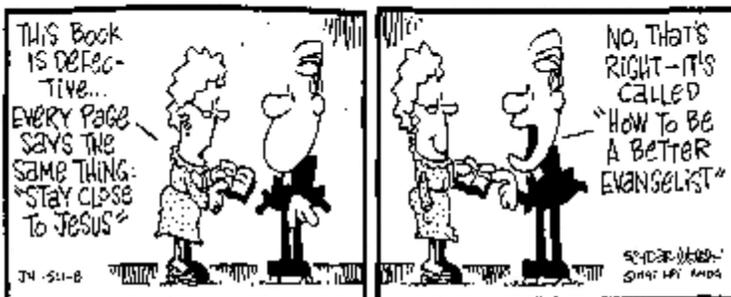
Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASS INTENTIONS

All liturgies at SH until parking lot at SP is completed.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 2

8:00 AM SH: † Florence Boyle

10:30 AM SH: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

Monday, May 3 *Sts Philip & James, Apostles*

at Dove S: † William F. Keegan

Wednesday, May 5 *Easter Weekday*

5:15-5:45 PM SH: *Opportunity for Confession*

6:00 PM SH: † Dotty Salski

Friday, May 7 *First Friday; Easter Weekday*

12:00 PM SH: Family of † Albert Kamrowski

12:30 PM SH: *Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Saturday, May 8 *Easter Weekday*

8:30 AM SH: † Dianne Mortwedt Hanson

9:00-10:30 AM SH: *Opportunity for Confession*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 9

8:00 AM SH: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

10:30 AM SH: † Jean Bechel

Our readings today teach us what it means to bear fruit as disciples of Christ. We hear in each of our readings that it is from the Lord that good effects will be produced in our lives.

In our first reading, we hear about disciples that were preaching the Good News and defending the faith. The work they were doing was “with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.” It was not their work alone, but the work of God.

We must ask ourselves, ‘how is God bearing fruit in my life?’ and ‘have I invited the Holy Spirit to work in me?’ The more we try to produce good effects in our lives, the more we will become disappointed if all we are relying on is our own efforts. It is only by inviting the Holy Spirit into our everyday moments that we will see goodness poured out.

Jesus clearly tells us how to do this in our Gospel. He says, “I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.” We can remain in Christ by staying faithful to His commandments and frequently receiving the sacraments. And our day-to-day moments should be a reflection of those commitments.

That could mean opening our day with a prayer of thanksgiving, smiling at those we see on the street, asking God for help as we begin our workday, praising God in moments of trial, taking time to listen to our spouse after a long day. To remain in Christ means, in all that we do, we do it with the Lord. When we live a life like that — as a branch never separated from its vine — God will produce bountiful fruit in our lives. *(Catholic Stewardship Consultants)*



Sunday Instructions for receiving Holy Communion:

*There are now two spots at the front of church to receive Communion: one for each side of the church.

*An Usher will excuse your household from the pew.

*The line will be single-file, and the Usher will release one household from one side, then one household from the other side, and in that way alternate sides. Please follow the Usher’s directions and maintain 6 feet of distance between households while in line.

*At the front of the line will be a sign with instructions for dealing with your mask in order to receive communion, as well as a bottle of hand sanitizer:

- **First remove your mask.**
- Then sanitize your hands.
- Go to STAND at the † on your side of the church. Everyone in your household should stand together, side-by-side.
- Receive Communion (Father will come to you).
- Replace your mask while still at the †.
- Return to your pew via the side aisle (more hand sanitizer is available in the front corners).

*If you will not be receiving Communion today, please allow the others in your pew to move past you.

*At the †, Father will be on the other side of the rail, moving between the sides. He will be wearing a mask and will sanitize between communicants, if he believes any contact was made.

*You are encouraged to receive Communion on the hand, but you will not be refused Communion if you desire to receive on the tongue.

We realize this may take time, and we appreciate your patience. We are not in a rush, so please don’t feel that you have to be, either.



**HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!
HAPPY EASTER!**

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

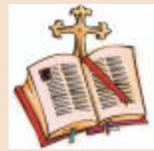
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



+ ALLELUIA! + ALLELUIA! +



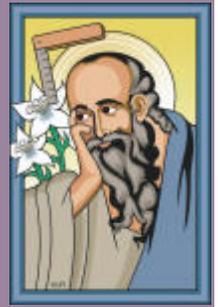
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MEMORARE TO ST. JOSEPH

Remember, O most pure Spouse of the Virgin Mary, my noble protector Saint Joseph, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I come to you, my spiritual father, and fervently commend myself to you. Despise not my petitions, O Guardian of the Redeemer, but in your goodness hear and answer me. Amen.
(from prayer card. © 2020 | diolc.org/year-of-st-joseph)



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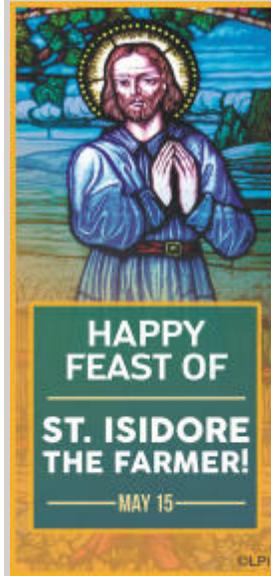
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PRAYER TO ST. ISIDORE

Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread and wine, are brought and offered to God by the priest. Then, in the Consecration, Christ Himself, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread and wine. And in what

was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value and beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can. Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, and offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The more often we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good Saint Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may someday reap the reward of good works with you in heaven. Amen

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR ST. PATRICK PARKING LOT CONSTRUCTION.

EAU CLAIRE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB: On May 17, the Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club will hold their Spring Banquet at The Eagles' Club. Social hour will begin at 5:00pm with dinner served at 6:00pm. The menu includes salad, rolls, chicken cordon bleu, baby reds, broccoli spears, apple crisp with ice cream and coffee. The total cost is \$25 and payment should be sent to Judy St. Arnault by May 8. Following dinner we will conduct the installation of new board members. If you have any questions contact Renee Liming (715) 379-6782.

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