

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 15, 2022

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Worship Times

Saturday: 4:30PM LIVESTREAMED YOUTUBE.COM/CHURCHOFSTMICHAEL

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:30AM Tuesday—Friday: 8:30AM

Confession

Saturday: 3:00-4:00PM

Appointments w/Fr. Froehle

Call Carol Severson for all appointment requests 651-463-3360

Anointing of the Sick

If you or a family member needs to receive the Sacrament of Anointing please call the Parish Office 651-463-3360

Baptism

Baptism class attendance is required. Baptism 1 is offered the 3rd Thursday of the month. Baptism 2 is offered the 2nd Thursday of the month. Both classes are at 6:30pm. Group Baptism is held the 2nd Sunday of the month at 12:00 noon. Call 651-463-5237 to pre-register for class & sacrament.

Matrimony

Please contact the Parish Office. Allow at least 9 months to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage.

Homebound Eucharist

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Jennifer Schneider 651-463-5224

Prayer Line

Email your prayer requests to jschneider@stmichael-farmington.org or call 651-463-5224.

Parish Office Hours

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FROM THE PASTOR

We are now more than half-way through the Easter Season, so the Feast of Pentecost is quickly approaching! It is a fitting way to round out our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection with the fulfillment of Christ's promise to send us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit! Traditionally, Pentecost held a place of profound importance in the liturgical life of the Church. In addition to the actual feast of Pentecost, there was also an Octave of Pentecost—a week-long liturgical repetition of the singular day's feast. These octaves were ways to prolong the celebration and meditation by the Church regarding a particular mystery of faith. Today, we still retain the Octave of Easter and the Christmas Octave. Nonetheless, even though the Octave of Pentecost has disappeared from the calendar, it marks a tremendous moment in the yearly life of the Church.

When the most recent edition of the Roman Missal was published in 2011, there was a desire to highlight the Feast of Pentecost in a renewed manner. As such, looking back previous centuries of the Church, an Extended Vigil of Pentecost was included. Especially this year, when our local church will be completing the Synod Process on Pentecost weekend, it seems suitable to highlight this feast in a particular way.

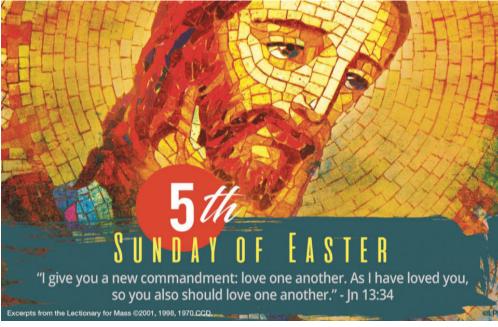
As such, I am delighted to announce that on Saturday, June 4th, we will observe the Mass for the Extended Vigil of Pentecost at our parish! The normal Saturday evening Mass will not be held that night, and the Vigil will begin at 6:00pm in the evening. This is a terrific opportunity for us to come together and pray in a particular way for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as we seek to be the Lord's disciples, evangelizing the world! In the next several weeks, be on the lookout for additional information about the Vigil, and plan on coming that Saturday evening.

In the meantime, let us continue to rejoice in our Lord's resurrection and his fidelity to each of us!

In Christ,

Fr. Froehle

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CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MAY 14

3:00PM Confessions

4:30PM Mass Intention—Carol

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SUNDAY, MAY 15

8:00AM Mass Intention—Donald

Jenkins+

9:00AM Coffee & Donuts

9:15AM Respect Life Prayer

Group

10:30AM Mass Intention—Church

of St. Michael Community

11:30AM Coffee & Donuts

12:00PM Baptisms

TUESDAY, MAY 17

8:05AM Rosary 8:30AM Mass

7:00PM Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

8:05AM Rosary

8:30AM Mass Intention—Rev.

Francis Pouliot+

3:00PM Building & Grounds

Committee Meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 19

8:05AM Rosary

8:30AM Mass Intention—Rev.

Martin Klaers+

6:30PM Baptism Class

6:30PM Pastoral Council

Meeting

7:00PM Ladies Auxiliary

Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 20

8:05AM Rosary

8:30AM Mass Intention—Rita

Hermann+

9:00AM Eucharistic Adoration

SATURDAY, MAY 21

3:00PM Confessions

4:30PM Mass Intention— Rev.

Francis Kittock+

SUNDAY, MAY 22

8:00AM Mass Intention—Mavrick

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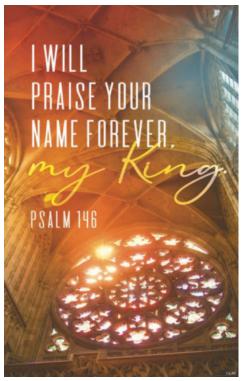
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Community





FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, June 3, 2022 in the Chapel 9:00AM-9:00PM

Plan to spend an hour with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Contact Connie Fifarek (612-269-5901) for time slots needing to be filled. All are welcome to come spend time with Jesus in the Chapel.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

"It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God." Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It's no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world. Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God's wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be? As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull. As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless. Helen Keller remarks that, "a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships." What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what's important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it's authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other. Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other. Maybe that's why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both. ©LPi

GROWING IN FAITH



DO YOU KNOW?!

What was the profession of Adam's son Cain?

Last week: What is the name of the large fan used in pontifical functions? Flabellum



22-23 FAITH FORMATION

Did you know that we offer 3 opportunities for Preschoolers and Kindergarteners to attend Faith Formation, including one during the Sunday 10:30 Mass? Early Bird registration deadline is June 30. Registration forms are available on the parish website and in the Gathering Space.



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PICK OF THE WEEK: Saint Rita of Cascia: The True Story. A

compelling docu-drama that tells the whole story of the amazing life of St. Rita of Cascia, the very popular saint who lived in Italy in the 14th century. Famous as the patroness of hopeless situations, St. Rita dealt with many very difficult and tragic events in her life. Through it all she developed a profound faith in God that was the source of her great strength, and why she is such a popular saint for all those dealing with difficult events in their own lives.

Her story combines high drama, great love, deep betrayal, profound forgiveness, and strong faith. She finds peace and new hope through the generosity of a nearby Augustinian convent and develops a deep union with Christ that inspires all who are near her. As we honor her on May 22, watch this 1-hour film available through Formed.

FUN AND FAITH

Wednesday, June 15 from 9:30-11:00AM, all PK—Grade 5 youth and a parent are invited to join us in the Quad Rooms for Bible story, crafts, snacks, video and games. Our theme for the morning is "What is the Bible?" For more information, please contact Laura Shupe.



MASS AND MISSION

Wednesday, June 8, join us at the 8:30AM mass and at 9:00AM, we will begin our outreach project - tying blankets. We are in need of fabric donations which can be placed in the gray and white basket by the Backpack Project bin. For more information about this activity which is open to everyone in the parish, contact Sydney Gordon or Laura Shupe in the parish office.



5th SUNDAY OF EASTER





GROWING IN FAITH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 15, 2022

SUN 5/15 Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a,

34-35

MON 5/16 Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

TUES 5/17 Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

WED 5/18 Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

THUR 5/19 Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

FRI 5/20 Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

SAT 5/21 Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

SUN 5/22 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn

14:23-29

OBSERVATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 15, 2022

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter; St. Isidore

Wednesday: St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Friday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Saturday: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs;

Armed Forces Day

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

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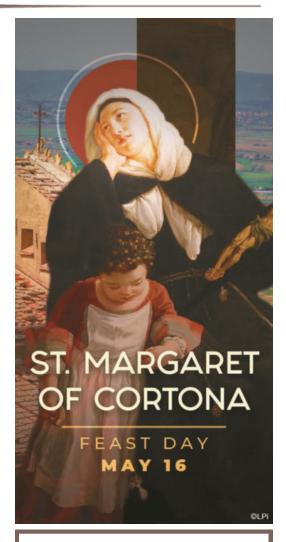


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Lord, we ask that you also bless the families of our service members and continue to watch over them during times of hardship and separation. We ask this in your name.

Especially today we would pray for those who wear our country's uniform in areas of danger, and for those who prepare to go to such places. Amen.



REFLECT

First Reading: (Acts 14:21—27)

We hear in Acts how Paul and Barnabas formed Gentile-believing churches in cities of the eastern Roman Empire. What do you think is needed today to build a strong faith community?

Second Reading: (Rv 21:1—5)

In John's final visions, he sees "a new Jerusalem" coming down from heaven. God is fully present with humanity and there is no more suffering and death. How often do you think about the end-times?

Gospel: (Jn 13:31—35)

As Jesus discussed his impending death with the disciples, he presents them with "a new commandment: love one another." In what ways are you challenged by this commandment?

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MAKING DISCIPLES

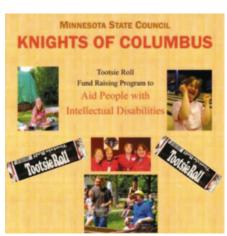
CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

By Grand Knight Dan Kiel

The Knights of Columbus do a great deal to assist people with intellectual disabilities. One of the most popular and successful programs conducted by the Farmington Knights for the benefit of people with intellectual disabilities is collecting donations outside local stores and at the Church of St. Michael. In appreciation, the donor is often given a Tootsie Roll. The high visibility of this program has led to the campaign being referred to as the "Tootsie Roll Drive." The nickname is understandable, but somewhat misleading.

The Knights of Columbus have no official tie to Tootsie Roll or their manufacturer. Rather, the Knights wish to highlight the good the money does, supporting programs and services for the "Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities," not advertise a candy. The program is administered by the Minnesota Knights of Columbus.

We will collect donations before and after each Mass this weekend in the Gathering Space at Church of St. Michael. The Knights will be wearing our signature yellow aprons. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



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BACKPACK PROJECT

We will continue providing food for 31 students at North Trail Elementary School through the last week of this

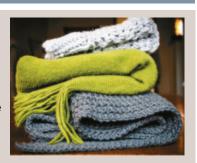
academic year, May 30th. Items in need are: ramen noodles, granola bars and fruit snacks. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the students and their families.



FEEDING OUR FUTURE

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We want everyone to have one. If you or someone you know still needs one, please take one from the rack in the gathering space.



BAPTISMAL GARMENTS

We are in need of a few people to make the baptismal garments that we give the parents. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Laura Shupe in the Parish Office.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	Jul - April 2022		Jul - April 2021	
Sunday Collections	\$	703,865	\$	688,109
Budget	\$	724,083		14.0000000-014.
Budget Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$	(20,219)		
Debt Reduction Fund	\$	45,922	\$	47,786
Budget	\$	25,000		
Budget Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$	20,922		
Maintenance Fund	\$	38,395	\$	43,268
Budget	\$	20,833		2007000
Budget Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$	17,562		
Operating Expenses	\$	741,864	\$	749,770
Budget	\$	761,111		
Budget Surplus/(Shortfall)	5	(19,247)		

Loan Debt

Balance 4/30/2022	789.059.28		\$ 1,004,288
Monthly Payment	5	14,725	Principal/Interest

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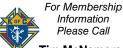


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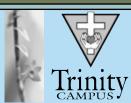
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