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MAY 29, 2022

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

#### Saturday

4:30pm

#### Sunday

8:00am, 10:30am

### WEEKDAYS

#### Monday - Saturday

8:00am (in the Holy Family Chapel)

### RECONCILIATION

#### Thursday

7:15pm - 7:55pm (Church)

#### First Friday

7:30am - 7:55pm (Chapel)

#### Saturday

3:00pm - 4:00pm (Church)

#### Sunday

7:30am - 7:55am (Church)

9:45am - 10:20am (Church)

### PASTOR

Father Timothy Cloutier

### PAROCHIAL VICAR

Father Joseph Fink

### PERMANENT DEACON

Deacon Dennis Chlebeck

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## 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I have given them the glory you gave me."

- Jn 17:22

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# May 29, 2022

# FROM FATHER TIMOTHY CLOUTIER

## GOD'S COMMANDMENTS AND OUR HAPPINESS

The revelation by God of the divine will for humanity, created in God's own image and likeness, is like the "user's manual" for human happiness.

Too many people, however, including many who consider themselves Christians, see the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, or any other difficult or challenging teaching of the Gospel as simply an "imposition" on their own judgment, their own personal freedom, and on their own self-determined pursuit of happiness. But, the reality is just the opposite, and it wouldn't hurt to remember the saying that, "if it doesn't work, read the instructions."

Rather than something externally and arbitrarily "imposed" on human nature, God's revealed will and law actually reveal the purpose and destiny of human nature as God the Creator intended it. Therefore, to follow God's will as it has been revealed is to pursue the only path that will lead to real happiness in this life and, more importantly, to eternal happiness in the next. To reject it is to reject God's will for our happiness in this life, and more importantly, eternal happiness in the next.

The Commandments and the demands of the Gospel challenge us all, but the degree of resistance on our part may reveal a deeper and more serious problem. So, in order to find out whether or not you see God's will for you in one way or in the other, ask yourself this simple question: "What would change in my daily behavior, choices, or in my lifestyle if there were no Commandments?"

## A PRAYERFUL THOUGHT ON CHRISTIANITY

In the home it is kindness; In the business it is honesty;

In society it is courtesy; In work it is fairness;

Toward the unfortunate it is sympathy; Toward the weak it is help;

Toward the wicked it is resistance; Toward the strong it is trust;

Toward the penitent it is forgiveness; Toward the successful it is congratulation; And toward God it is reverence and obedience.

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY JUNE 5TH, PENTECOST:

**Acts 2:1-11** Here is the Church's "birthday scene": the expression of one faith in many languages, all praising the one, true God, Creator and Redeemer of all.

**I Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13** The metaphor of a body goes beyond a mere image; it expresses a spiritual reality, one that evokes expression in everyone putting their gifts and talents at the service of all, just as each of the members of our own physical body is coordinated in working for the good of the whole.

or **Romans 8:8-17** Just as light and darkness cannot coexist in the same place at the same time, so neither can sin and the indwelling in the soul of the Holy Spirit.

**St. John 20:19-23** Here is the commissioning given by Jesus to those members of his body, the Church, whom he would endow with his own power to forgive sins.

or **St. John 14:15-16, 23b-26** "The Father will love" and send "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit" to teach only those who keep the word spoken to us by the Lord Jesus.

## Mass and Confession Times

**Daily Mass** Monday-Saturday 8:00 am in Chapel-Enter door 5

**No Mass on the First Monday of the Month (June 6th)**

**Saturday** Mass 4:30 pm

**Sunday** Masses 8:00 am and 10:30 am

**Confessions:** Thursday 7:15 pm-7:55 pm in Foyer at Door #4

First Fridays 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Chapel

Saturday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm in the Church

Sunday 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Church

9:45 am-10:20 am in the Church

**Adoration:** Thursday 8:30 am - 8:00 pm in the Chapel

## Memorial Day Prayer

O God, we give you praise for these people who have allowed us to serve and worship You in freedom. We do not take for granted that there are millions of Christians around the world afraid of prison or even death because of what they believe. Our veterans are a significant reason why we do not fear and we thank You for them. Amen.

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." - John 15:13

## Parish Office Summer Hours

The parish office will be closed on Fridays in the summer starting next Friday, June 3rd.

## Memorial Day Hours

There will be No School May 27th & 30th. The parish office will be closed May 30th

## New Parishioners

Maternity of Mary extends a warm welcome to our newest members, **Hayley Goltry** and **Joseph Suthers**. As we are the hands and feet of Jesus, please take a moment to introduce yourself to visitors or those new to our parish.

**No daily Mass Friday June 3rd**

## Prayers for the Deceased

Please pray for those who have died, especially **Betty Stai**, may she live forever with Jesus in the Reign of God. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## St. Odilia parish is celebrating a Dementia Friendly Mass:

Date: Thursday, June 2nd

Mass will begin at 1:30 PM, Celebrated by Father Eric Rutten at St. Odilia's parish. 3495 Victoria St N, Shoreview, MN 55126 (please enter through Door 11 on the Southeast side of the building). There will be a hospitality gathering immediately following in the Courtyard. All are welcome, especially individuals experiencing memory loss and their caregivers.

## Holy Childhood's Rummage Sale

June 9 from 9-7 & June 10 from 9-6

Drop off days will be:

Monday, June 6, between 10 am - 7 pm, Tuesday, June 7, between 10 am - 7 pm Wednesday, June 8, between 10 am - 8 pm Please donate SALABLE items only. We cannot accept chemicals or baby furniture, car seats, etc. If you have any questions or concerns please call Teddy @ 612-618-0138.

## Maternity of Mary Ministry Fair – Pentecost Weekend

Please mark your calendars for June 4 – 5 to join us at a parish Ministry Fair to be held in Sirba Hall after all Masses that weekend! The Ministry Fair will be an opportunity to see all the various ministries and activities offered by our parish, speak with those involved in each ministry or activity, and perhaps be an occasion to reflect on the gifts we've received for the building up of our parish community. Light refreshments will be served.



## Maternity of Mary and MMSA will be hosting Food Truck

Thursdays beginning June 2nd from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. We are so happy to be able to gather again outdoors. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a meal and reunite with friends!!

## Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saint Rose of Lima in Roseville is taking a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, Wisconsin on June 25, 2022, the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are welcome to attend, children too! We will be departing from Saint Rose at 8:00 am and returning at 7:00 pm. To sign up and view the itinerary, go to <https://saintroseoflima.net/faith-enrichment-opportunities-1>. Space is limited and sign up will close on June 20, 2022. Suggested offering: \$35/person (for those who plan to bring their own lunch), \$45/person (lunch at Shrine included). If you have any questions or concerns please call Brian Hindt, Pastoral Associate at (651) 357-1202.

## Call for Gardeners

The Rosary garden needs volunteers for the summer in order to provide a beautiful setting for prayer and meditation to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Knowledge of planting perennials and keeping weeds under control is helpful. Please consider an hour of volunteering, there is no requirement for specific times. Contact Tom at 612-991-0869 for more information.



## Archdiocesan Synod: Pentecost Vigil Mass

Saturday, June 4, 7 p.m., Cathedral of Saint Paul  
Be part of this historic gathering of our local Church, joining Archbishop Hebda, Bishop Williams and more than 500 Synod Members from across the Archdiocese who are meeting June 3-5 for the Synod Assembly. Come to worship alongside your parish's Synod representatives, clergy, religious and lay faithful, calling upon the Holy Spirit to guide those participating in the Synod Assembly - the final step in our three-year Synod journey. Learn more about the Synod at [archspm.org/synod](http://archspm.org/synod).

## Memorial Day Masses

May 30, 10 a.m., four locations The Catholic Cemeteries will once again commemorate Memorial Day with four outdoor Masses. Cemeteries with Masses are: Calvary in St. Paul, Gethsemane in New Hope, Resurrection in Mendota Heights, and St. Mary's in Minneapolis. Visit our website for more information at [catholic-cemeteries.org](http://catholic-cemeteries.org).



## Youth Ministry

### Steubenville Youth Conference Summer 2022

This summer Maternity of Mary will be taking a group of High School students to the Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester Minnesota! Steubenville is a weekend long experience with the purpose of equipping and empowering 9th-12th grade youth to become energized and joyful disciples! For more information and to register please visit <https://www.maternityofmarychurch.org/steubenville-conference>.

### Totus Tuus Registration Is Open!

All students K-12 are invited to join our Totus Tuus program this summer. Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic parish based summer catechetical program, for K-12th grade youth led by missionaries of the Archdiocese. Totus Tuus will take place June 27th-July 1st. For more information and to register, please visit <https://www.maternityofmarychurch.org/totu>.

# MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

## Weekday Mass Intentions May 30-June 4

Monday 8:00am Horvath Family living & Deceased

Tuesday 8:00am † Father Marvin J. Klaers

Wednesday 8:00am † Edwin Adams

Thursday 8:00 am † Dolores Heppner

Saturday 8:00 am † Mary Ann Houck

## Next Weekend Mass Intentions June 4-5

Saturday 4:30 pm † Betty Dunne

Sunday 8:00 am Parish

10:30 am † John & Liz Pojar

## Readings for the week of May 29, 2022

**Sunday:** Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14,16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

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

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

**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

**Next 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/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

**Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

## Observances for the week of May 29, 2022

**Sunday:** 7th Sunday of Easter; The Ascension of the Lord; St. Paul VI, Pope; World Communications Day

**Monday:** Memorial Day

**Tuesday:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Wednesday:** St. Justin, Martyr

**Thursday:** Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

**Friday:** St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

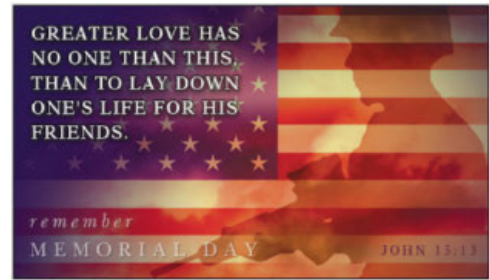
**Next Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday; St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

## Financial Blessings

### Sunday giving + weekly tithing through week ending May 22, 2022

Sunday Envelope/Plate/eGiving Received	\$	12,223
Sunday Envelope/Plate/eGiving Budget	\$	10,000
Total Received to date	\$	550,222
Total Budget to date	\$	571,800
July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 Fiscal year deficit	(\$	21,578)

# MMSA



Heavenly Father, on this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the example of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe. Amen



Thank you to everyone who stopped by last Sunday for Donut Sunday. I appreciate all the kind words and well wishes. Thank you for the warm welcome for our new principal, Mr. Mike Langer. While these transitions might seem difficult, I am very excited to see our school thrive and grow under Mr. Langer's leadership.

*Home of the MMSA*



As the school year comes to a close, we would like to recognize all of the MMSA sports teams and athletes. Whether they were winning or losing, they showed great sportsmanship and teamwork. Thank you to the coaches who guided these athletes and taught them important life skills. Thank you to the parents who accommodated their schedules to get their kids to practices and games.



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