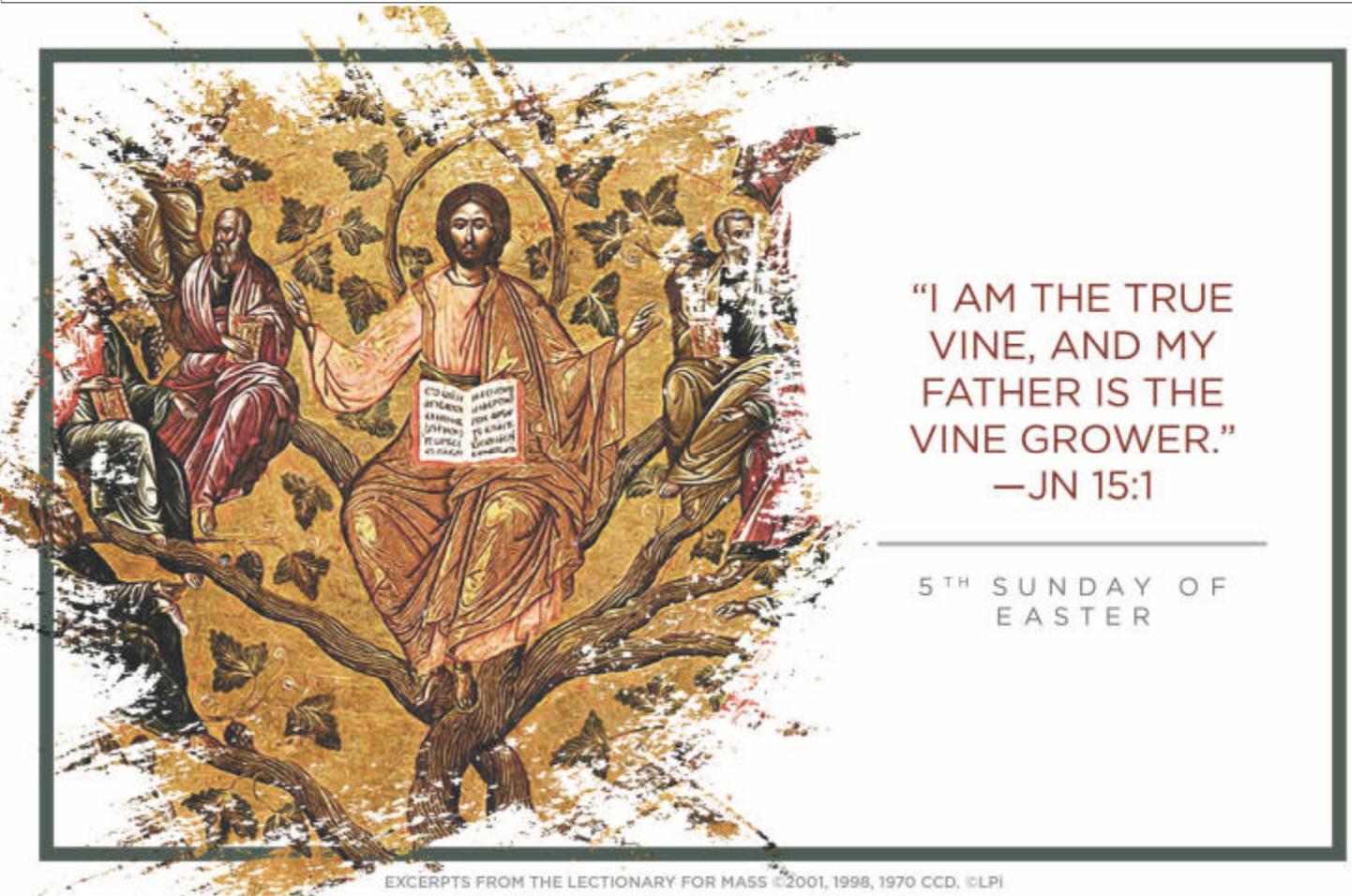


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May 2, 2021



“I AM THE TRUE
VINE, AND MY
FATHER IS THE
VINE GROWER.”
—JN 15:1

5TH SUNDAY OF
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Mass Times at St. Joseph's

Monday-Friday 7:30am
Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 7:30am, 11:00am

Mass Time at St. Francis Xavier

Sunday 9:15am

Adoration (St. Joseph)

Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm

Confessions (St. Joseph)

Monday- Friday: 7:00am-7:25am
Tuesday: 8:00am-8:30am
Thursday: 4:00pm-5:30pm
Friday: 11:00am-12:00pm
Saturday: 4:30pm - 5:15pm

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MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK OF May 2 Saturday, May 1

†Isabelle Stein

Sunday, May 2

7:30am

Parishioners of both parishes

9:15am

†Andrew and Margie Stein

11:00am

Unborn Children

Monday, May 3

†Elmyra Strege

Tuesday, May 4

Dawn and Jason Klassen

Wednesday, May 5

Jane Thompson Anco

Thursday, May 6

Joyce and Jim Staffki

Friday, May 7

Fr. Drees

FOR THE WEEK OF May 9

Saturday Vigil, May 8

†William Otto

Sunday, May 9

7:30am

†Dick and Doris Zangs

9:15am

Parishioners of both parishes

11:00am

†Lawrence, Marlene and Thomas
LaRue

† Indicates repose of soul

KC GUN RAFFLE TICKETS

See a member of the Knights of Columbus to get your ticket to this year's Gun Raffle before they're all sold out. Only 200 tickets will be sold. Cost is \$100 and includes the raffle entry and a buffet dinner.

The 2021 KC Gun Raffle will be on September 16. Please contact Gary Johnson at 651.492.5114, Bill Maassen at 651.269.6015, Neal Deneen at 651.278.2885, or see Fr. Drees after Mass for your tickets.

Options for Women Thanks You

The Baby Bottle Donation Drive was a great success! The Churches of St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier donated over \$2453.00 to the Chisago County Options for Women. Thank you to all who made this year's donation drive a huge success!

Would You like to Join the Parish?

If you would like to become a member of St. Joseph or St. Francis Xavier, talk to Fr. Drees after Mass so that he can personally give you a parish registration form.

COLLECTIONS UPDATE

St. Joseph

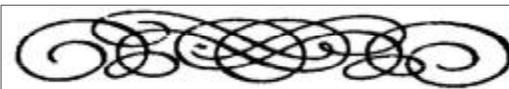
(\$3,100 needed weekly)

April	11	\$ 4734.00
April	18	\$ 2299.00
April	25	\$ 4250.00

St. Francis Xavier

(\$1,425 needed weekly)

April	11	\$ 1592.53
April	18	\$ 920.52
April	25	\$ 1535.38



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SUFFERING OF OUR PARISHES

Terri Angel, Steve Gall, James McIntyre, Don Nellen, Pat Lee, Sr., Justin Bradley, Dory Kazmierczak, Gene Krell, Karen Salokar, Mark Kruger, Jim Burkart, Elizabeth Cox, Daniel Ostling, Adam Carr, Bonnie Maassen, Troy Maassen, Mary Ohotto, Carl Ostling, Allen Peltier, Kylie Peterson, Don Klocker, Dona Roderigue, Chris McIntyre, Robert Steele, Rick Globensky, Robert Linwood, Kimberly Vaneps.

To add or subtract a name, please call the office.



From Fr. Drees' Desk -

St. Joseph the Worker, May 1st

The first day of May is the Feast of St. Joseph the worker. During this year of St. Joseph, I've been posting monthly St. Joseph Reflection videos at the "Year of St. Joseph" sidebar on the website. The video reflection for May is obviously on St. Joseph and work.



Silence after Communion

Last Sunday at the Masses I mentioned the period of silence after Communion. This brief silence is a prevailed time to rest in the Lord's embrace of love. For some, a short prayer or brief scripture passage can sometimes help them remain focused on the Lord after receiving Communion. After Communion, St. Therese of Lisieux would recite: "It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives within me" (Gal 2:20). Here are some other possible short prayers one could say after receiving Communion:

"Live, Jesus, Live"

-motto of St. Francis de Sales

"My beloved is mine and I am his ."

- Song of Songs 2:16

"Jesus, meek and humble of make my heart like yours" - *based on Matt 11:28*

Easter Blessings,

Fr. Drees

Where are my Envelopes?

Due to fears over COVID, some postal hubs have been closed across the country. This is why some of you have not received your contribution envelopes in time. Please be patient and remember you can always use the mail back envelopes at the church entrances for a couple weeks until your envelopes arrive. Thank you and continue to contact the parish office at 651-465-7345 or email: stjosephstfrancis@outlook.com if you have any questions.



Worship Aid for recorded Mass. Online by noon on Sunday, May 2.
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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify
you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy
on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father.
Amen.

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 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.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph, adopt me as your child. Take charge of my salvation.
Watch over me night and day. Preserve me from occasions of sin. Obtain for me purity of body and soul and the spirit of true prayer.

Win for me a spirit of sacrifice, humility, and self denial.

Obtain for me a burning love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and tender love for Mary, my Mother.

St. Joseph, be with me in life, be with me in death and obtain for me a favorable judgement from Jesus. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm: 22

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

2nd Reading: 1 John 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: John 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."

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MASS INTENTION

If you want to add a Mass intention to the calendar, contact the church office.

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