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May 16, 2021

MASS

Mass is now being celebrated
at 9:00 am every Sunday

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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you
keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any
more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth.
Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

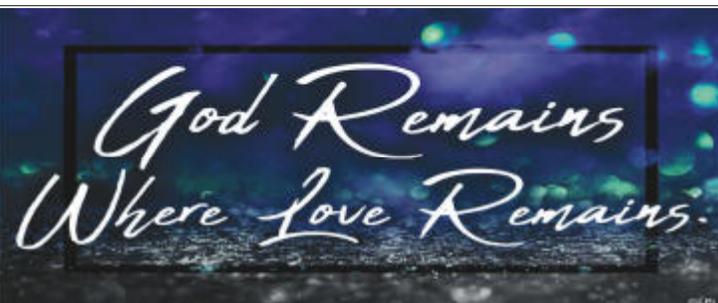
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Blessed by the assurance of Heaven's

Love,

*we, as the people of God,
witness to Christ's life-giving
presence in our
communities and the world,
through Word, the sacraments
and our service.*



As a Reminder-

The Diocese has not released the parish from following
Covid protocols. Please follow the direction of our
ushers with kindness and understanding.

In your prayers...

Alexandra Babcock, Annabelle Andrews, Barbara Mazzucco, Betty Fringi, Bret Hilliker, Brian Crawford, Camille Cavagnaro, Carol & Terry Terrance, Carolyn Baker, Casimuro Maningas, Christopher Gauthier, Cynthia Holbrook, Dan Opulski, David Falk, David Schneider, Destiny Dundon, Don Montgomery, Dorothy Jurnak, Dorothy Robertson, Eric & Daniel Campbell, Francis Martindale, Helen Macura, Janice Tucker, Jeanne Tallone, Jessica Schmidt, Joanne Sedgewick, Joe Grottoli, John Beis, Jr., Judi Daigle, Kaiden Munro, Karen Moulder, Karigan Parker, Katrina Foster, Loralin Fioretti, Lori Warner, Madeline Losito, Marie Surdukowski, Marie Williams, Marilyn Boyle, Marvin Mondoux, Mary Ann Taylor, Mary Ellen Favro, Nancy Fish, Nelson Housman, Nick Parker, Nick Ward, Owen O'Brien, Rita Devine, Robert Gordon, Rodney Tarbell, Stephanie Nassar, Stephen Surdukowski, Sylvia Palumbo, Tom Caivana, William Mahlmann & Wyatt Illsley



May– June 2021



LECTORS

05/16– Victoria Palmer 06/06– Peter Beyer
 05/23– Elaine Watkins 06/13– Donna Lamb
 05/30– George Olsen 06/20– Tom O'Brien

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Second Collection, May 23rd

The theme for this year's Special Collection for the Catholic Church of Central and Eastern Europe is "Restore the Church – Build the Future". The Church in this region of the world continues to have great needs for its pastoral work. Your donations invest in future generations of Catholics; a gift of faith to the future. Your support of this collection helps rebuild churches, support scholarships for ministry formation and supports Catholic organizations that provide family support, food, shelter, medical care and education in this region.

Thank you for your support and for helping to shed Christ's light upon the region by your parishes support of the *2021 Central and Eastern European Collection*.

St. Mary's Collection Summary 05/09/21

Sunday Collection	\$1470.00
Candles	\$34.00
Ascension	\$25.00
Eastern European 2021	\$15.00
Communication	\$5.00

**GOSPEL MEDITATION -
 ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
 OF SCRIPTURE**

God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad, positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart.

If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses.

Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home.

**God gives us the gifts we need to follow him,
 as we see His plan laid out for us,
 in His love, each new day.**

Suggested donation for Mass Intention is \$15 beginning on Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd

Mass Intentions 05-16-21



+ **John Micich** by Charles & Marilyn Boyle
 + **Constantin Misailidis** by Joan Beecher
 + And for the People of the Parish

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Please read over these readings for next Sunday's Liturgy to familiarize yourself so hopefully when you hear them you will have a richer understanding of what is being said

READING I Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter stood up in the midst of the brothers -there was a group of about one hundred and twenty persons in the one place-. He said, "My brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand through the mouth of David, concerning Judas, who was the guide for those who arrested Jesus. He was numbered among us and was allotted a share in this ministry. "For it is written in the Book of Psalms: May another take his office. "Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Judas called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this apostolic ministry from which Judas turned away to go to his own place." Then they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles.

READING II 1 John 4:11-16

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us. This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us, that he has given us of his Spirit. Moreover, we have seen and testify that the Father sent his Son as savior of the world. Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in him and he in God. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us. God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him.

GOSPEL John 17:11b-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed, saying: "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one. When I was with them I protected them in your name that you gave me, and I guarded them, and none of them was lost except the son of destruction, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely. I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth."

"God does not choose the qualified, He qualifies the chosen."

One parishioners response on why they attend Mass:

I attend Mass to feel renewed for the week ahead. To thank the Lord for his many blessings and to receive the Eucharist and have a closeness to the Lord.



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