

"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." - Jn 17:18-19



7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Así como tú me enviaste al mundo, así los envío yo también al mundo. Yo me santifico a mí mismo por ellos, para que también ellos sean santificados en la verdad". - Jn 17, 18-19

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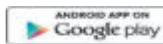
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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM or by appointment

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From Ann McCauley ~

A Reflection from Sister Kristine Anne Harpenau, OSB

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: "Whatever you ask the Father for in my name, God will give to you." Now take a moment and think back. How many times have you asked God for a grace or sign that God was with you? How many times did you receive a clear sense of God's presence or grace? If you are like me, you may come up with very few instances of having a clear sense of God's presence. Today, however, Jesus clearly says: "Whatever you ask of God, if you ask in my name, God will give it to you."

The core and power of Jesus' instruction seems to be that we need to ask in Jesus' name and not just say: "Hey God! Could you help me out?" Jesus tells us that if we speak God's name reverently and call upon God from the depths of our hearts, we will receive what we truly need.

Most of the time I think I know what I need. Perhaps more accurately, I know what I want. What I may want or desire, however, may not be the most beneficial gift or grace for me. There have been many times when I asked God for a specific gift or grace but I did not receive it (at least as I had hoped to experience it).

What does it mean to "ask in Jesus' name?" Does it mean simply "dropping Jesus' name" as you talk with God? Or does "asking in Jesus' name" imply a depth of intimacy and trust in Jesus that develops over time in a loving, trusting and committed relationship?

Jesus knows us intimately and Jesus desires that we come to know Him intimately. Today and every day Jesus invites us into an intimate and loving friendship. Jesus doesn't want us to come to Him only when we need something from Him. Rather, Jesus yearns for us to come to Him simply because we love Him and we desire to be with Him. This truly is what love and friendship is about!

Do we want a "vending machine God" that automatically dispenses what we desire when we "push a button (say a prayer)?" Or do we desire an intimate friend who loves us unconditionally and wholeheartedly, a friend who will stay with us no matter how many times we disappoint Him? As always, it is our choice! Today ask: What do we truly desire? Whom do we desire? Only we can answer that question!

SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021 / SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WEEKLY PRAYER



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN 5/16 Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20/Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19
MON 5/17 Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
TUE 5/18 Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
WED 5/19 Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
THR 5/20 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
FRI 5/21 Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19
SAT 5/22 Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25
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
SUN 5/23 Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

FIRST READING

Then they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles. (Acts 1:26)

PSALM

The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)

SECOND READING

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. (1 Jn 4:11)

GOSPEL

“Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one.” (Jn 17:11b)

QUESTION FOR THE WEEK

Who needs my prayers this week? Whom can I pray for this week?

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God, help me to learn all that I can from Jesus and my teachers.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Draw a picture of someone who teaches you about Jesus.



MAY 18

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Penny Norton; (1st Anniv), req., Dennis Norton

MAY 22 AND 23

Saturday 4:00 PM

Alex Audi, III, (4th Anniv Remb), req., Mom
Regina DiNova; req., Bill & Susan Murdock
Ed Morgan; req., wife, Mary Alice
Helen Fake; req., Marilyn Cataldo

Sunday 10:00 AM

Deceased Members Maimone Family; req., Family
Ambrose Mecier; req., Elaine Mecier
Rita Dennis; (B-day Remb), req., niece, Elaine Mecier
Anthony Morelli; (102 B-day Remb), req., daughter, Teri



Sanctuary Lamp ~ Is lit this week for

Mary Zumbo, req., Family & Friends

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel is a beautiful way to remember a loved one. Please contact the office if you would like to make arrangements to have a sanctuary lamp lit for one week.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays ~ 3:15—3:45 PM

Located in the Reconciliation Room (behind the organ).
In keeping with physical distancing guidelines there is a 6-foot separation between penitent and priest.

Parish Giving ~ Sharing gifts we have been given

Weekly Offertory for May 8 & 9, 2021

Weekly Budget	\$ 7,450.98
Weekly Actual—Mail-Ins & Offertory	\$ 7,802.00
Overage/Shortfall	(+) \$ 351.02

YTD (July 2020-Present) Offertory

YTD Budget	\$ 327,843.14
YTD Actual	\$ 315,464.00
YTD Overage	(-) \$ (12,379.14)

Thank you for your generosity.

Your gifts are greatly appreciated!!

Upcoming Collections:

May 23 — Eastern Europe

June 6 — Capital Communications Campaign

May Crowning ~ Sunday, May 23 at 11:10 AM

(Following the 10 AM Mass)

Join us outside (the statue of Mary by flagpole) for the Crowning of Mary. We will make paper flowers for Mary, hear a story about how Mary brings Jesus to others, and pray with our Blessed Mother.

All ages welcome. Masks are required.



Re-opening of Parish Office

The Parish Office has once again opened our offices for Church business. The office staff will resume their regular business hours from 8:30 AM to 4 PM.

In keeping with COVID protocol, masks and social distancing will be required. All visitors will be required to sign-in at the desk when entering and we ask visitors to please refrain from socializing.

We appreciate your continued support of our parish staff.



MANY THANKS

May the Lord be loyal to you in return and reward you with his unfailing love!
And I, too, will reward you for what you have done. -2 Samuel 2:6

Thank You from Fr. Noone ~ Friends of Fontaine

Dear Parishioners or, I should have said, "Dear Friends of Fontaine" for you are indeed that. Your generosity of \$4,306 in the Easter collection was deeply appreciated. You have helped keep the doors of St. Gabriel's open for the past ten years. The original "ask" was simply to dig a well so folks wouldn't have to go to the river for water. Now, St. Gabriel's is about to graduate its fourth class. Many seeds have been sown, the harvest is ahead.

On a personal note, all is well. Like most of you, I've had both vaccinations which left me with a very reassuring feeling. Both parishes I help have weathered the pandemic, one more so than the other. Every time I celebrate Mass at either church the congregation seems to have grown.

Again, on behalf of Pierre Louis and all the students at St. Gabriel's: THANK YOU.
Fr. Noone

Thank You from Fr. Tom Zelker ~ Immaculate Conception of Hoosick Falls

St. Paul writes, "I give thanks to my God every time I think of you for the way you have continually helped promote the Gospel.

So on behalf of all the good people of our parish, please accept our appreciation for your generous donation of \$1,523.

Our future is built on the shoulders of those who have gone before us. May Christ always be our foundation.

Fr. Tom Zelker

Thank you to Our Rosarians ~ Miraculous Medal of Mary

Thank you to the Rosarians who lovingly gave to each of the children who made their First Holy Communion, on Saturday, May 8, a miraculous Medal of Mary.



Second Collection Next Weekend ~ Church in Central and Eastern Europe - "Restore the Church – Build the Future"

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please give generously to this Special Collection next week.

2020 Diocesan Appeal (As of 5/16/2021)

FOR WE WALK BY FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT
(2 CORINTHIANS 5:7)

Assessment:	\$103,904.00
Donors to Date:	267
Gifts/Pledges to Date:	\$ 65,329.00
Achieved:	62.9%
Yet to Raise:	\$ 38,575.00

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The Diocesan Appeal makes it possible to serve the people of God on a scale a single parish could not possibly do on its own. By coming together through our caring and faith, each one of us becomes the heart, the hands and the eyes of our Most Blessed Lord, reaching out to those in need of love, compassion and spiritual nourishment.

Please consider making your annual gift today. In partnership with our parish, the diocese will continue to serve the faith communities through prayer and worship resources and an array of ministries and programs that ensure the perpetuation of our Catholic faith.

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Mental Health Awareness Month ~ You Are not Alone

1 in 6 youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health condition each year.

Mental Health Awareness Month-It is important for the parents and caregivers to be aware of warning signs a child may be struggling. Visit mentalhealth.gov to learn more about warning signs, tips for how to talk to children about mental health, and how to get help. Talking to your child's doctor and/or school nurse or counseling office are good places to start. For more information about local mental health resources visit worksformercyschdy.org

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