

6[™] SUNDAY OF EASTER

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[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities.' (Acts 15:28)

PSALM:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67) Or Alleluia.

SECOND READING:

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. (Rev 21:10)

GOSPEL:

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022

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

22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/

Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/

Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 *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

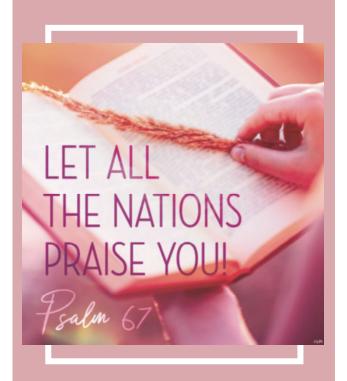
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ /Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/
Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7,

9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

LIVE-STREAM MASS FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK

The 9:00 am Sunday Mass is live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on their webpage:

www.cathedralofsaintpatrick.org/Resources/Live-Stream



REFLECT

FIRST READING

Today's reading offers an excerpt from the "dissension and debate" taking place at the first Church council in Jerusalem over the question of male circumcision. How often do you experience conflict within your faith community?

SECOND READING

One of John's final visions depicts the heavenly Jerusalem where God's presence is fully known in all its splendor. Why do you think this vision of heaven was revealed to John?

GOSPFI

During his farewell discourse, Jesus reassured the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the promise of divine peace. When do you experience God's presence this way in your life?

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MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 21—SATURDAY VIGIL: 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER		MAY 26—THURSDAY: ASCENSION OF THE LORD 7:00 am St. Michael: † Madeline Kaiser		
4:00 pm	St. Michael: † Rose and Joe Shea	2.22	Requested by Anita and Tom Kapolowicz	
F.00 pp	Requested by their daughter	8:00 am	St. Mary: † Elizabeth Nellie Pampel and Sons Dick and Fred	
5:00 pm	St. Thomas More: Parishioners St. Patrick: † Intentions of the Giannattassio, Sharble,		Requested by their daughter Rose Weston	
	and Palembas families Requested by Loretta Palembas	11:00 am	St. Michael: † Paula Shea Requested by St. Michael School	
5:30 pm	St. Mary: † Manuel and Lillie Maderia Requested by their family	12:05 pm	St. Patrick: † Daniel Henry Requested by Joan Balestracci	
May 22	-Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter	6:00 pm	St. Michael—High Mass (Latin): † TBD	
7:00 am	St. Michael: † Liontina Dimental	7:00 pm	St. Patrick: † Parishioners	
	Requested by Antonio and Sandra Costa	7:00 pm	St. Thomas More: † TBD	
8:00 am	St. Mary: † TBD		'-Friday: Easter Weekday	
8:30 am	St. Michael: † Antonio and Eulalia Tavares Requested by their family	7:00 am	St. Michael: † Paula Shea Requested by David and Marcia Erskine	
	St. Patrick: † Jacqueline Vanuch Requested by her daughter	8:00 am	St. Mary: † Walter Larkin Requested by his family	
10:00 am	St. Michael: † Rita Whewell Requested by John and Cheryl Hesse	12:05 pm	St. Patrick: † Michael Cavanaugh Requested by Tom Longa	
10:15 am	St. Patrick: Parishioners	May 28	B-SATURDAY: EASTER WEEKDAY	
11:45 am	St. Michael—High Mass (Latin): † Daniel Brian Henry	7:00 am	St. Michael: † David Sisk	
May 23	-Monday: Easter Weekday		Requested by Tom and Doris Messina	
7:00 am	St. Michael: † Jose Jr., Eduardo, Agrinoalda and Nelson Tavares Requested by family	MAY 28 4:00 pm	3—SATURDAY VIGIL: 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER St. Michael: † Betty and Chet Bukowski Requested by Tim and Pamela Klapproth	
8:00 am	St. Mary: † Manuel and Augustina Davis Requested by their daughter Joan Batzle	5:00 pm	St. Thomas More: † Si Borys Requested by the Choir	
12:05pm	St. Patrick: † Daniel Henry		St. Patrick: † Parishioners	
	Requested by Loretta Palembas	5:30 pm	St. Mary: † William Osga (7th anniversary)	
May 24	-Tuesday: Easter Weekday		Requested by his daughter Sharon	
7:00 am	St. Michael: † Owen and Mary Sherry	May 29	-Sunday: 7th Sunday of Easter	
8:00 am	St. Mary: † Dorothy Travers Requested by Tony and Maria Henry	7:00 am	St. Michael: † Dennis Thibodeau Requested by his family	
12:05pm	St. Patrick: † Daniel Henry Requested by a friend	8:00 am	St. Mary: † Joan Grabowski Requested by Kay and Dick Daniele	
May 25	-WEDNESDAY: EASTER WEEKDAY	8:30 am	St. Michael: Parishioners	
7:00 am	St. Michael: † Fred Perkins Requested by the Szewc family		St. Patrick: † Irene Van Wagner Requested by Charlene Corkhill	
8:00 am	St. Mary: † Jose Silveira Requested by Our Lady of Fatima Society	10:00 am	St. Michael: † Robert and Madeline Kaiser Requested by their family	
12:05 pm	St. Patrick: Intentions of the Ballentine Family Requested by a friend	10:15 am	St. Patrick: † Peter Balestracci Requested by Janet and Richard Przybysz	
		11:45 am	St. Michael—High Mass (Latin): † Dennis Thibodeau (6th anniversary) Requested by Janette Phillips and family	

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5:30 pm (Saturday), 8:00 am

Weekday

8:00 am Monday—Friday except Thursday



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4:00 pm (Sat.), 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am (Traditional Latin Mass)

Weekday Mass

7:00 am Monday—Saturday

Confessions

3:00—3:45 pm Saturday

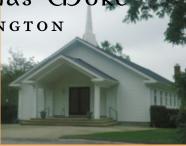


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5:00 pm (Saturday)



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REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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Russell Coupland, Robbie Damask, Douglas Delaney,
Tom Dowling, Alfred Fratoni, John Fratoni, Barbara Fuller,
Gerry Gianutsos, Alice Harrison, Thomas Harrison,
Karen Hess, John Hesse, Margaret Hickey,
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Helen Lauterio, Ledyard Lewis, Sean Madden,
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Raoul Roy, Judy Schiller, Brandon Smith, Jerome Ward,
Margaret Ward, Jennifer Flaherty Whipple

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Weekly Offertory		8,321.00
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Seminarian Fund	_ \$	10.00

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For your convenience, the churches of St. Mary, St. Michael and St. Thomas More offer the option of Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) for your weekly offering. For more info, email Amy Bennett at abennett@stmichaelpawcatuck.com.

ALL ARE INVITED TO USE THE ST. MARY PRAYER TREE

All are invited to use the Prayer Tree in the rear of St. Mary Church in Our Lady of Fatima's room. The petitions are emailed weekly to a large group of parishioners who pray for the intentions.

MASSES FOR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD AND MEMORIAL DAY

ASCENSION THURSDAY, May 26th

7:00 am St. Michael Church 8:00 am St. Mary Church 11:00 am St. Michael Church 6:00 pm St. Michael (Latin Mass) 7:00 pm St. Thomas More Church

MEMORIAL DAY, May 30th

8:00 am St. Michael New Cemetery

ST. MICHAEL PARISH WELCOMES A **SEMINARIAN THIS SUMMER**

Bishop Cote has assigned Mr. Julian Cuervo to St. Michael Parish for his summer pastoral work this year. He will enter his third year of theological studies this fall at Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. This is an important time for Julian as he continues his preparation for priestly ministry in the Diocese of Norwich. We welcome Julian to our parish and ask that you remember him and all our seminarians in your prayers.

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL WITH BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Join us to see Bishop Robert Barron as we kick off the Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Norwich. Beginning in June, The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops will launch a multi-year Eucharistic revival which will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress. Throughout the next three years, the Diocese of Norwich and its parishes will foster a deeper love for the Holy Eucharist among the faithful. To kick off the event, the Office of Faith Events is sponsoring a bus trip to Boston's Eucharistic Congress in Lowell, MA on June 18th. The trip will leave from the Cathedral of St. Patrick or St. Matthew, Tolland at 6am. The cost is \$93 which includes the conference fee, transportation and taxes. To register, go to https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y or contact Marianne Nicholas at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860) 848-2237 ex.304.

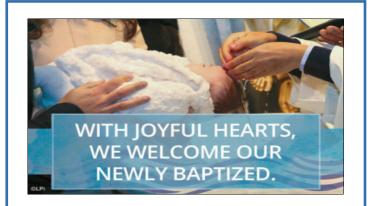


Keep up to date with parish focknote information through Flocknote. To register simply text MILO to

84576 or contact Anita in the parish office at akapolowicz@stmichaelpawcatuck.com or 860-599-5580.

SPRING FUNDRAISING CHALLENGE

The St. Michael Maria Assunta Society will match donations toward the completion of the St. Michael Church Kitchen and Steeple up to a grand total of \$50,000. The challenge runs from Easter Sunday to Fathers Day (June 19th). **Special thanks to the Maria Assunta Society** and all who participate!



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FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

June 3, 2022 • 8:30 am-10:30 am • St. Mary's

"To converse with You, O King of glory, no third person is needed, You are always ready in the Sacrament of the Altar to give audience to all."

-St. Teresa of Avila

MASS INTENTIONS

To schedule Mass Intentions for Masses at St. Mary, St. Michael and St. Thomas More, please contact Anita at 860-599-5580 or by email at akapolowicz@ stmichaelpawcatuck.com.

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5:00 pm (Sat. Vigil), 8:30 am and 10:15 am Weekday Mass:

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May 15, 2022

Offertory	\$	4,971.00
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PLEASE NOTE

The secretary will be away and the office will be closed from Friday, May 27th, through Wednesday, June 1st, and will reopen Friday, June 3rd, at 9am.

Fr. Kevin will be away from Friday, June 3rd, through Sunday, June 5th.

PROGRAM ON THE EUCHARIST

EUCHARIST

Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence

Christ is alive and fully present in the Eucharist. Join us as we delve into the "source and summit" of our Faith with Bishop Robert Barron's DVD-based program, Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice and Real Presence. This spiritual study will give you a deeper understanding of the precious gift of Christ's body, blood, soul and divinity that you can receive at each and every Mass.

Starting on Thursday, May 26th, at 7pm and continuing for the next three Thursdays in our parish hall until June 16th, we will be having the Eucharist program. This is a free program. For those interested in taking part, please contact me through email at jennifer bourque@outlook.com.

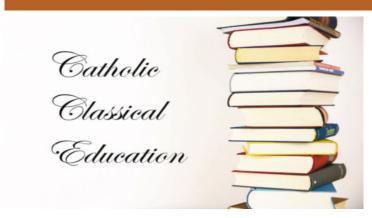
ST. PATRICK OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The St. Patrick Outreach Committee is in need of mops, buckets, brooms and dustpans for Safe Futures of New London. If you have any of these items, please leave them in the Church Center. Thank you for your continued support!

2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of May 5, 2022, Saint Patrick Parish, Mystic has donated \$51,001.00 or 63.45 percent of its goal, and 11.47 percent of our parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100 percent participation as possible. THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE! Our campaign year ends December 31, 2022. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available within the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you to everyone for your support!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 22, 2022



ENSURING A WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION

St. Michael School recently completed the NWEA Map Growth Tests. These tests are a little different from the tests in which we participated in the past. We previously took the lowa Tests of Basic Skills. These are summative assessments based on grade level knowledge. They give you an idea of how students and classes are doing based on how well students who take the tests do at each grade level.

The NWEA tests are formative tests, which means they are more specific to each child. These tests measure what students know regardless of grade level. They measure individual student growth over time. The tests are given three times each year, at the beginning, middle and end of the year. This way we get a good idea of a student's academic growth over the year.

The tests are completed online rather than with paper and pencil. But the hardest thing for the students to get used to is that they are adaptive tests. This means the questions are adjusted to each child's performance. This gives a more accurate measure of what each child knows, but also means that they adapt to how successful a child answers a question. Success leads to harder questions, and a fourth-grade student could be answering the same questions as an eighth-grade student.

The best part of these tests is that they give teachers a great deal of information about their students so that they can formulate instruction based on individual and whole class needs. It provides the information necessary for target instructions that results in greater growth for the students. And, our students do show growth over time. We have used the tests for a couple of years now, and are able to see that the students are progressing nicely in their knowledge. Just one more tool in our toolboxes to be sure to provide all of our students with a well-rounded education!



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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Management According to the Apostles

If you've ever worked in any kind of organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, I'm sure you have attended a conference or two. Whatever our expectations going in, I usually find these conferences expose me to communication and problem-solving styles that are different from my own, nudging me into a little unexpected self-discovery. And it's a great opportunity to meet new people and do something different.

Here's my idea for a leadership conference: The Management Style of the Apostles. Think about it, the only thing the Apostles had more abundantly than holiness was problems. Lots and lots of problems ... most of them of the human resources variety. It's no small feat, starting Christ's Church on earth. I wouldn't want to be project manager of that endeavor.

The Acts of the Apostles is, in some ways, a big book full of problems and ways to solve them. It's a blueprint for tackling interpersonal issues in the manner of a true steward, who encounters every problem starting from the same place: What would my Master want?

It's a question we should be asking ourselves every time we, too, encounter a problem — especially problems relating to other people. What is the truth in this situation, and how would God have me communicate it? How could I handle this in a way that is worthy of the name of my Master?

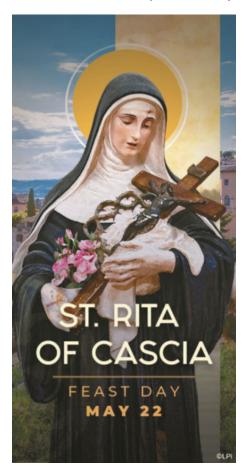
In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of every-day stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings, this Gospel's problem du jour. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining committed to the truth while helping newcomers find avenues to salvation.

Maybe I'm just saying it because it's my idea — but it sounds like a conference we could all use.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Rita of Cascia | Feast Day May 22



St. Rita of Cascia (1381 – 1457) had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community. Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.

Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She

also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.

LIVE THE LITURGY

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only the peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking. ©LPi

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction.

The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence.

St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise,

and love. It is there for each and every one of us."

In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our

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bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never

be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (shalom). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and

wellbeing than anything else.

Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood

and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death.

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"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.'

If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father;

for the Father is greater than I."—In 14:27-28



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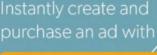
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