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### Newport - Fort Loramie Pastoral Region

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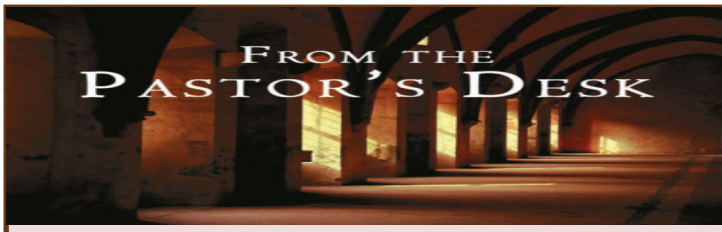
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## May 1, 2022



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus] said to him, "Follow me." - Jn 21:19b



As we continue to celebrate the wonderful Easter and Spring Seasons, we look forward to **Phase 1** of the **Beacons of Light Family of Parishes** initiation. In order to be prepared for July 1st beginning date, I am announcing the following changes to our liturgical schedule (which I will begin June 6th).

**Weekend Masses:** Times in all the parishes of the family will remain the same for the interim period.

**Daily Masses:** Remain the same except for the following:

**At SPP:** Tuesday morning mass will move to Monday morning at the same time, 8:00a.

**At SM:** Tuesday evening mass will be at 6:00p not 6:30p.

**Confessions:** Tuesday evening confessions at SPP are canceled. There will be confessions at SM on Tuesday evening before the 6:00p Mass from 5:00p to 5:45p. Added to the confession schedule (beginning in July) is Sunday morning at SM from 10:15a to 10:45a. **First Friday's Thursday** confessions will continue as usual, at SM from 5:00p to 5:30p and at SPP from 6:00p to 6:30p.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** will continue on Wednesdays from 9:00a to 9:00p.

**May God bless our priests and parishioners during this time of transition.**

Fr. Steve

#### WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michael Wampler & Elizabeth Pleiman, and Nicholas Steinke of St. Joseph & Danielle Holthaus of St. Michael.

#### BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Silas Joshua Albers, son of Joshua & Lisa (Muhlenkamp) Albers, and Carter Joseph Hemmelgarn, son of Luke & Katelin (Luthman) Hemmelgarn.

### SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MAY 1</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Easter</b>
SM 8:00a	Living & Dec'd Members of the Pastoral Region	
SPP 9:30a	Elmer & Esther Zircher Family	
SM 11:00a	Fred & Agnes Behr Family	
SM 2:00p	SM First Communion	
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>MAY 2</b>	<b>St. Athanasius</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>MAY 3</b>	<b>Ss. Philip and James</b>
SPP 8:00a	Purgatorian Society	
	Mary E. Barhorst, Dec'd of Frank & Frances Meyer Family, Ray & Marcella Chaney, Kay Nance	
SM 6:30p	Tom Siegel, Francis & Victoria DeLoye, Louis Hilgefert, Jerry & Bertha Marchal	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>MAY 4</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
SM 8:25a	Terry & Lisa Frantz	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>MAY 5</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
SM 8:25a	Ralph & Betty Mayo	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>MAY 6</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
SM 8:25a	Irene Boerger	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>MAY 7</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
SM 5:00p	Pat Pleiman	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MAY 8</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Sunday</b>
SM 8:00a	Tony Fullenkamp	
SPP 9:30a	Living & Dec'd Members of the Pastoral Region	
SM 11:00a	Henry & Marie Eilerman Family	



#### HOW TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION

Donations for mass intentions are accepted **up to one year in advance from the current month** by scheduling with your parish secretary. The stipend for a mass intention is \$5.00. The number of intentions that can be scheduled per year is limited.

### Ss. Peter & Paul Parish

#### Weekly Financial Report - April 17, 2022

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Week (42)</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Offertory:	\$ 6,321.60	\$ 128,602.46
Total Budgeted:	6,000.00	128,000.00
Over/under Budget	\$ 321,60	\$ 602.46
Total Other Deposits	\$ 126.00	\$ 39,920.64
Maintenance Income	\$ 45.00	\$ 11,223.78
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Parish Weekly Expenses:	\$ 1,265.25	\$ 182,183.12
Capital Improvements	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,040.00

Holy Land Collection (Good Friday): \$ 395.00  
THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!

### St. Michael Parish

#### Weekly Financial Report - April 17, 2022

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Week (42)</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Offertory:	\$ 26,078.00	\$ 513,960.44
Total Budgeted:	25,000.00	495,000.00
Over/under Budget	\$ 1,078.00	\$ 18,960.44
Total Other Deposits	\$ 500.09	\$ 224,898.69
Capital Improvements	\$ 1,045.00	\$ 50,302.25
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Parish Weekly Expenses:	\$ 3,151.26	\$ 780,415.68
Capital Improvements	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Holy Land Collection (Good Friday): \$ 1,757.00  
THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!



**St. Michael**

Tue. 5/3 6:30p  
 Wed. 5/4 8:25a  
 Thu. 5/5 8:25a  
 Fri. 5/6 8:25a  
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**ALTAR SERVERS**

Hailey Meyer, Will Rethman  
 Zac Siegel, Marissa Snider  
 Adult Volunteers  
 Adult Volunteers  
 DJ Barhorst, Keira & Kenleigh Eilerman  
 Elly & Lucy Siegel, Colleen Borchers  
 Ally Siegel, Aubrey Baker, Elise Beresik

**CANTORS**

Kay Zumberger  
 Ashlee Slavin  
 Chip & Amy Noykos

**LECTORS**

Tracy Eilerman  
 Rachel Barhorst  
 Mary Jo High  
 Marsha Hess

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Mav Grudich, Angie Hoelscher, Makenna Homan  
 Peg Wray, Taylor Gephart, Gayle Holthaus  
 Lynn Gusching, Nate & Ella Boerger

**GREETERS**

Mary Ann Schmitmeyer, Chris & Vicki Gasson, Mike & Lisa Pleiman Fam., Jeff & Shelly Albers, Karl & Roberta Ratermann  
 Jan Stockman, Keith & Amy Bergman Fam., Jerry & Mary Siegrist, Doug & Kristin Heitkamp Fam., John & Kelly Holthaus Fam.  
 John & Teresa Puthoff

**USHERS**

Jerome Barhorst, Elton Gaier, Myron Gaier, Roger Siegel, Jake Meyer, Jim Albers  
 Bob Barhorst, Ed Gigandet, Urban Holthaus, Ken Subler, Ken Meyer, Don Holthaus  
 Lester Schmitmeyer, Jordan Pleiman, Mark Poeppelman, Jeff Schemmel, Paul Barhorst, Steve Hilgefert

**MASS COORDINATORS**

Karen Zimmerman  
 Peg Wray  
 Lynn Gusching

**OFFERTORY FAMILIES**

Scott & Tracy Allen  
 Douglas Anthony  
 Michael & Mary Anthony

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Tues. 5/3 8:00a  
 Sun. 5/8 9:30a

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**ALTAR SERVERS**

Adult Servers  
 Sayer & Finley Magoto,  
 Grace Poeppelman

**CANTORS**

Jean Watercutter

**LECTORS**

Jeff Replogle

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Jeff Poeppelman

**GREETERS**

Diana Paulus, Jerri Barlage

**USHERS**

Vernon Ahrens, Nick Dues

**"We are excited to launch a new communication tool that will allow us to connect with you between Sundays and between bulletins. It is called Flocknote. Below is information on how to join. Please contact Kate Boeke at the Parish Office Center at [kateb@nflregion.org](mailto:kateb@nflregion.org) or 937-295-2891, ext. 115 or with any questions or concerns you may have regarding Flocknote. We look forward to connecting with you!"**

*Keep in touch with us!*

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**SUN 1**  
8:00a Mass—St. Michael Church  
9:30a Mass with SPP First Communion  
Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
11:00a Mass—St. Michael Ch.  
2:00p SM First Communion—St. Michael Church

**MON 2**

**TUE 3**  
8:00a Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
5:00p (until 5:30p) Confessions—Ss. Peter & Paul  
6:30p Mass—St. Michael Church

**WED 4**  
8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
9:00a (until 9:00p) Adoration—St. Michael Church  
9:00a Senior Citizen Exercises—St. Michael Hall  
6:30p SPP Gr. 1-6 CCD last class—Ss. Peter & Paul Ch.

**THU 5**  
7:00a Breakfast Club—St. Mike’s Place  
8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
9:00a Senior Citizen Chair Volleyball—SM Hall  
5:00p Confessions before First Friday—St. Michael  
6:00p Confessions before First Friday—SPP Church  
7:00p Soul Core—St. Mike’s Place

**FRI 6**  
7:00a Communion Service  
8:05a Morning Prayer—St. Michael Church  
8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
9:15a Communion to the Homebound  
3:15p Rosary for Persecuted Christians—SM Church

**SAT 7**  
8:00a Soul Core—St. Mike’s Place  
1:30p Wampler-Pleiman Wedding—St. Michael Ch.  
4:00p (until 4:30p) Confessions—St. Michael Church  
5:00p Mass—St. Michael Church

**SUN 8**  
**MOTHER’S DAY**  
8:00a Mass with Children’s Liturgy—St. Michael Ch.  
9:30a Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
11:00a Mass—St. Michael Ch.

**MASSES AT ST. MICHAEL CHURCH ARE LIVESTREAMED ON THE PASTORAL REGION WEBSITE [www.nflregion.org](http://www.nflregion.org)**



**ARE YOU CELEBRATING A SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN 2022?**

Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2022 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr. Contact the Marriage & Family Evangelization team at [aramirez@catholicaoc.org](mailto:aramirez@catholicaoc.org), or visit the website:

<https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources>

**before June 15** to request your certificate.

**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS 2022**

Married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 are invited to attend one of the following Golden Wedding Anniversary Masses: August 13 at 4:30 pm at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton or August 14 at 11:00 am at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Cincinnati. Visit the website:

<https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources/weddinganniversary-certificate-request> **before June 15** to complete the form to register for one of the masses.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**Gifts in Disguise**

Have you ever opened a gift and wondered what the giver was thinking?

I won’t call out any of my family or friends here, but suffice to say, I think we have all been the confused recipient of a sweater that wasn’t our size or a gift card to a store where we don’t shop. But we smiled all the same and said how much it meant to us, because we know that when it comes to gifts, it’s all about the gesture.

Suffering is a lot like that — the gift you never asked for, and don’t really want to receive. Sometimes we look at suffering and, like the apostles who see Jesus as a stranger on the shore, we don’t recognize it for what it can be. We don’t appreciate the catalyst suffering can be for change, for growth, for grace.

What was the gift that you received in disguise? Was it a relationship that confounded and frustrated you? Was it a job that tested your spirit? An obstacle that stopped you dead in your tracks? A rejection that threatened to break your spirit?

If I go back and look at the worst gifts I’ve ever gotten, chances are that I didn’t like them because I didn’t know what to do with them — they were more fitted for someone else’s interests, someone else’s life. It’s the same with suffering. We’re tempted to cast suffering aside when it comes our way because it doesn’t fit the person we are. Suffering is made to fit the person God knows we have the ability, with His grace, to become.

Hang onto that suffering. Unlike the misshapen sweater, it really will come in handy.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## Pastoral Region

**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN** in saying the rosary at 7:30 am every Sunday morning before the 8:00 am mass and at 10:00 am before every 10:30 am funeral mass.

### **WILL YOU COMMIT TO PRAYING FOR OUR NEW PRIESTS?**

The Serra Club of Cincinnati is calling on all the newly-formed Families of Parishes to pray for our priests. Each person chooses a different day of the week and offers one Holy Hour so our priests each receive a Holy Hour every day. It is a blessing for the priest and the intercessor! Please let Rose know if you would be willing to commit to praying by contacting her at the POC.



### **TOTUS TUUS SUMMER YOUTH**

**PROGRAM** for ALL NFL Pastoral Region students in Grades 1-12 will be held June 26-July 1. Registration forms have been sent home. Stu-

dents are asked to register by June 16. With questions, contact Melissa or Wendy at the SM CCD Office or Lisa at the Parish Office Center.

**DONATIONS FOR MERCY MISSION HOUSE** should be placed in the tub in the entrances to both churches. Donations will be delivered the second week of May.

**ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW** possibly interested in becoming Catholic? It's time to sign up for sessions for the next year. Contact Rose at the POC for more information.

**OUR MAY SENIOR CITIZEN EVENT** will be on Friday, May 20 beginning at 11:00 am. We will be touring the Wilderness Trail Historical Museum with Jim Rosengarten, eating out for lunch, and then seeing the toy display at Romie's. Please make reservations with Rose for lunch.



### **"UNLOCKING THE MYSTERIES OF THE BIBLE"**

summer session will begin on Tuesday, May 24 from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. Mike's Place south large room. Ses-

sions will be every other week, meeting eight times. Cost is \$10.00 for materials. Contact Rose at the POC to register.

**"A SEASON OF GRIEF" DAILY EMAILS:** When a loved one or friend dies, grieving that loss can take a long time, but you are not alone. GriefShare is here with support groups, and now daily emails, that provide encouragement and reminders of the recovery process. If you would like to sign up to receive these daily emails, please go to the website [www.griefshare.org/dailyemails](http://www.griefshare.org/dailyemails).

**RADIO ROSARY:** Tune in to the Radio Rosary every Sunday at 9:30 am on WCSM (96.7 FM). The program is sponsored by individuals and various other groups.

## St. Michael

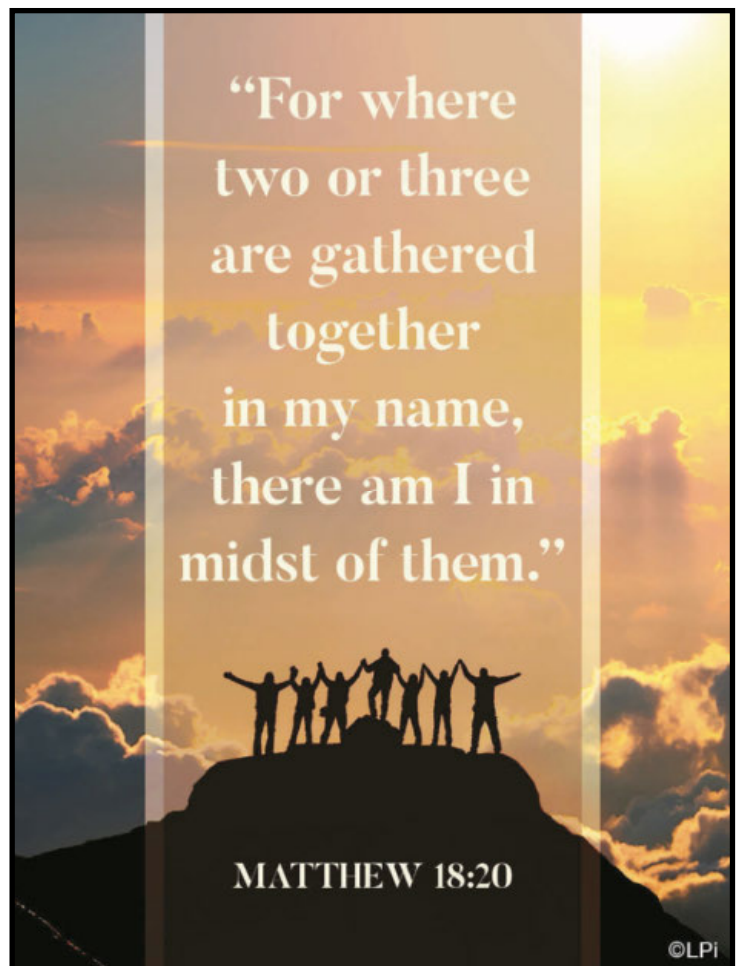
**ST. ANN'S LADIES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Tuesday, May 10 will be the "St. Ann's Spring Fling" at St. Michael Hall. The fun will begin after the 6:30 pm mass. Ladies, bring your mom, daughters, granddaughters, sisters, or best friend and enjoy an evening of fun, fantastic desserts, lots of door prizes, and our annual meeting and raffle ticket drawing will also be held. Remember, you can drop your tickets/money in the collection basket at mass or mail them to Denise Eilerman, 12 Lane St., Fort Loramie, OH 45845. Thank you in advance for your support!

## Ss. Peter & Paul



**COME JOIN US TODAY, May 1** after the 9:30 am mass in the church basement for donuts, coffee and juice. It's a great opportunity for parishioners to get together and chat after mass.

**SPP IMPROVEMENT FUND COLLECTION** is next weekend; please remember the needs of your parish.







# Summer Youth Program

## Grades 1 - 12

June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 1st



### Faith, Friends, Fellowship, & Fun

Totus Tuus (a Latin phrase meaning “totally yours”) was the motto of Pope St. John Paul II. It signifies our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through the hands of our Blessed Mother Mary.

The mission of Totus Tuus is to inspire in young people a true longing for holiness. Seminarians and college students from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati carry this mission to every young person and participant of Totus Tuus.

The youth see that these young adults are joyful and on fire with the Catholic faith, which encourages them to strive for the same thing in their lives.



### Grade School Program

Students entering grades 1-6

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-2:30pm @ St Michael Hall

Friday 9:00am-11:45am @ Fort Loramie Elementary Gym

Join us for a fun, faith-filled day with games, skits, songs, sacraments, class, lunch, & recess

(Bring a packed Lunch & morning snack)

Cost: \$ 35 includes T-Shirt

### Questions:

Contact: **937-295-2179**

Melissa Hoying

[melissah@nflregion.org](mailto:melissah@nflregion.org)

OR Lisa Monnin

[lisam@nflregion.org](mailto:lisam@nflregion.org)

OR Wendy Gerstner

[wendyg@nflregion.org](mailto:wendyg@nflregion.org)



### Register by:

**Thursday, June 16, 2022**

### Teen Program

Students entering grades 7-12

(graduated seniors may also attend)

Sunday-Thursday 7:00-9:00pm @ St Michael Hall

Join us for a week of engaging discussions, prayer opportunities, learning, games, and live changing witnesses of how to give yourself totally to God

Cost: \$ 25 includes T-Shirt



# Partners in FAITH™

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## Thoughtful Moments

### Talk about God

Children are naturally curious about God. Discuss your child's concept of Him. Does he see God as a loving parent or a harsh police officer, for example. Children are more likely to want to spend time with someone who is kind. Remind them that Jesus wants us to know God as our Father who loves and accepts each of us unconditionally.

### A family novena

Introduce your children to the power of the novena. Together choose an intention and spend the next nine days praying about it. You can pray the Rosary for nine days, recite the Divine Mercy chaplet, or even write a novena service of your own. Even better, find out if your parish has a novena service you can attend as a family.

*"And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart"*  
(Luke 2:51).



## Help children love the Mass

At each Catholic Mass, Jesus Christ becomes sacramentally present among us, feeding us with the fullness of love. Helping children know and love the Mass will help them experience His love throughout their lives.

**Prioritize.** A busy family can have competing activities throughout a weekend. Yet, going to church together sends a strong message to children that Mass is more important than any of them. Don't miss Mass on Sunday or Holy Days. If you know you'll be traveling for vacation, research nearby Catholic churches and Mass times beforehand.

**Prepare.** Discuss the Gospel before Mass and read Scripture together often. Help children perform a daily

examination of conscience and go to Confession regularly to ensure everyone eligible can receive Communion.

**Pray.** Praying as a family is one of the ways to activate the graces we receive through the Sacraments. Start with a decade of the Rosary or traditional prayers before meals or bedtime. Our sacramental life sanctifies our everyday life. **Sing.** Children (of all ages) can connect with the celebration of Mass through the hymns. See



who can sing the loudest.

**Celebrate!** The Sacraments are channels of God's life, love, and grace. Write a special family prayer you can pray together to thank God for His many gifts after Mass. Afterwards, celebrate with a special dessert or fun family activity.

## Why Do Catholics Do That?

The world's religions bear witness to the truth that God's children yearn for the One who created us. In turn, He draws us to the mysterious encounter known as prayer.

Prayer is the raising of our minds and hearts to God, or the petition of good things

## Why do Christians pray?



from Him that are in harmony with His will. Christian prayer is the personal and living relationship of the children of God with their Father, with His Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit. It's how we stay connected with the One who loves us most.



# Encourage children to embrace Mary's virtues

May is a month in which we honor our Blessed Mother in gratitude for leading us to her Son. She shows us how to follow Him by sharing the practice of virtues, such as:

**Humility.** Even when Mary learned she would be the mother of the Savior, she still considered herself a "lowly handmaid" (Luke 1:48). She surrendered to God's will. Children can practice humility by doing what they're asked willingly and quickly, and by waiting their turns patiently.

**Generosity.** After the Annunciation, Mary



hurried to Elizabeth's house knowing that her cousin would need help when St. John was born. Children can look for ways to help at home. They can also be merciful by letting go of grudges and choosing forgiveness instead.

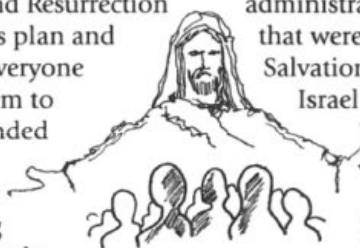
**Gratitude.** Mary's Magnificat is a prayer of praise, joy, and thanksgiving to God for blessing her and fulfilling His promises. Tell children to say "thank you" when someone does something nice for them. Encourage them to look for ways to share their gifts with others in need.

## Scripture LESSON

### Luke 24:46-53, Know Him, love like Him

The disciples' heads had to have been spinning. Jesus reminded them that His suffering, death and Resurrection had been part of God's plan and that they should tell everyone about it and invite them to repent. Then, He ascended and was taken from their sight.

As they stood staring at the heavens, two angels appeared to clarify matters for them. Jesus was enthroned in Heaven, but He had left them with a mission. They had to build up and maintain the Church and tell everyone the Good News. The blessings of



the New Covenant come through the preaching of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments that were entrusted to the Church. Salvation now extends beyond Israel to encompass all nations. Then other generations after them would encounter Christ and believe in Him.

#### What can a parent do?

Tell children about Jesus and how He wants us to live. Tell them His story, spend time with Him in prayer, and receive the Sacraments regularly. Then people will know we belong to Christ if we treat them like He did.

## Parent TALK

It is important to me that we eat together as a family but every night I had to call Tobin three or four times for dinner. The food would get cold and my temper hot while we waited for him to join us. Finally, I decided to try something new.



The next night I announced that I would ring a bell at 6:00pm each night when dinner was ready. Whoever wanted to eat was welcome. An hour later, dinner would be over and the kitchen would close until breakfast the next day.

The next night I rang the bell and everyone came ... except Tobin. We said grace and enjoyed a nice, hot meal.

An hour later, Tobin came down looking for supper, puzzled that I didn't call him again. I reminded him that dinner was at 6:00pm and he missed it. "But I'm hungry," he said. "Then you'll really enjoy breakfast. We're having pancakes," I replied calmly and walked away. He was never late again.

## Feasts & Celebrations

**May 1 – St. Joseph the Worker** (1st century). Entrusted with the care of the Blessed Mother and Jesus, Joseph was a humble carpenter who was dedicated to his family and obedient to God.

**May 13 – Our Lady of Fatima** (1917). The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children near Fatima, Portugal, and asked that they pray the Rosary for peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.

**May 19 – St. Celestine V** (1296). Born in Italy, Peter di Morrone was a

monk and hermit who founded the order of the Celestines as a branch of the Benedictine order. He was elected pope and accepted because the papacy had been vacant for two years. He resigned to return to his humble, pre-papal life but was imprisoned by his successor and died in prison.

**May 30 – St. Joan of Arc** (1431). Patron of France, St. Joan was inspired by God in a vision to lead the French to victory during the Hundred Year's War against England. She was captured and falsely accused of sorcery. She was canonized in 1920.



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**Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

Make an appointment with the pastor or deacon at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. The church building is not reserved before this meeting. The preparation program consists of meetings with the pastor, FOCCUS and a Pre-Cana workshop. If either party has previously been married, that marriage must be annulled before setting a date. Call Fr. Steve or Deacon Paul at the Parish Office at 937-295-2891.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**

Please notify the Parish Office of hospitalizations or home illnesses. The pastor will visit as soon as possible. In the case of an emergency, call both the Parish Office Center and the Parish House (rectory). Call Fr. Steve at (office) 937-295-2891 or 937-295-3001 (rectory).

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