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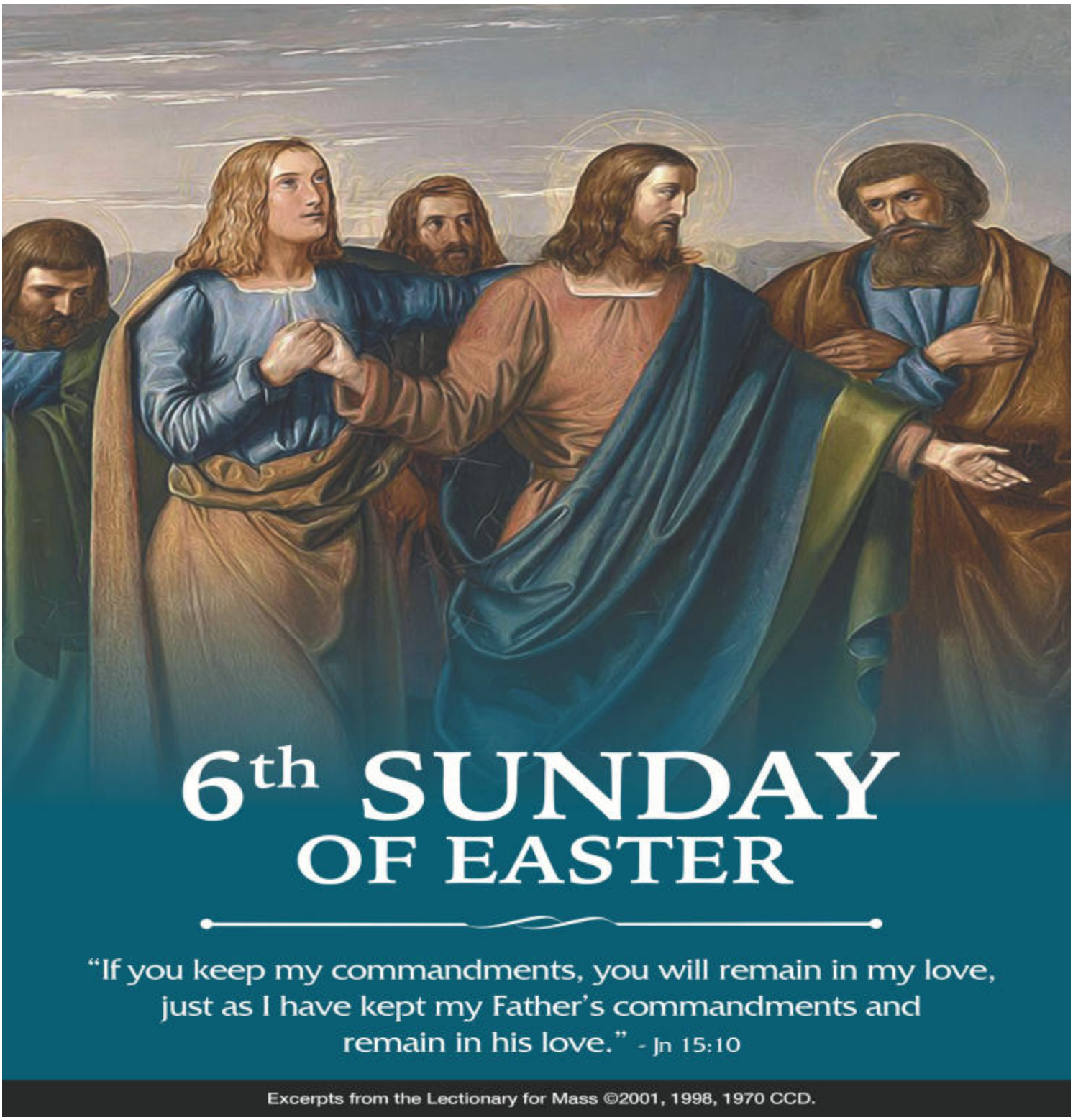

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." - Jn 15:10

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MASS INTENTIONS

05/08/21-Saturday-6th Sunday of Easter (Vigil)
3:30pm Sacrament of Penance
5:00pm Living & Deceased Mothers of the Parish
7:00pm Pauline Gasbarro by Rose Pandullo

05/09/21-Sunday-6th Sunday of Easter
9:00am Living & Deceased Mothers of the Parish
11:00am For The People

05/10/21-Monday-St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
8:00am John & Eleanor Miller by Barbara Jasper

05/11/21-Tuesday-Easter Weekday
8:00am Joe Urick by Wife

05/12/21-Wednesday-The Ascension of the Lord (Vigil)
7:00pm Joseph & Anna Flasick by Family

05/13/21-Thursday-The Ascension of the Lord
8:00am Delphine Bernazzoli by Family
7:00pm For the People

05/14/21-Friday-St. Mattias, Apostle
8:00am Jane Christopher by Evelyn McLaughlin

05/15/21-Saturday-7th Sunday of Easter (Vigil)
3:30pm Sacrament of Penance
5:00pm For The People
7:00pm Margaret Yanik by Morning Mass Group

05/16/21-Sunday-7th Sunday of Easter
9:00am Scott Faulk by Parents, Al & Doris Faulk
11:00am Alfreda David by John & Peggy Caruso
3:00pm First Communion Mass

CHAPEL CANDLE IN MEMORY OF SUSIE DAVID BY COUSIN, CYNTHIA.

WINE IN MEMORY OF GARY IEZZI BY PAUL & PEGGY MOSCO.

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Invite them to attend an Inquiry Class. Call Elaine Scherer at 724-216-3342 for details or any questions.

+++ FINANCIAL REPORT***
May 2, 2021

Offertory Collection	$	6,718.00
Loose Collection	$	164.00
Total	$	6,882.00
Online Offertory (4/16-4/22)	$	215.00
Cemetery Income	$	693.00

PARISH COMING EVENTS:
Monday, May 10
- Practice for First Holy Communion Candidates, Church, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 13
- Office Closed.

Sunday, May 16
- Mass for First Holy Communion, Church, 3:00 p.m.

OTHER COMING EVENTS:
Friday, May 14
- Drive-Up Lasagna Dinner, Our Lady of the Assumption, Coral Site, 3:00-7:00 p.m. or until 400 Dinners are sold. Lasagna with Meat Sauce, Roll, Salad, Dessert-$10. No Pre-Orders.

Saturday, May 15
- Outdoor Craft/Vendor Show, St. James, New Alexandria, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Chinese Auction Included, Mask Wearing and Social Distancing Will Be Observed.

READINGS-May 16, 2021
Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 (1st)
1 John 4:11-16 (2nd)
John 17:11b-19 (Gospel)
Seventh Sunday of Easter

MASSES AND SERVICES AVAILABLE ON TELEVISION AND THE INTERNET FOR THOSE THAT CANNOT ATTEND MASS: On television, the Greensburg Diocese is streaming Mass on Sunday mornings (Please check the diocesan website for times). The link will be available on the diocesan website. EWTN broadcasts Mass daily at 8:00 a.m. and noon , as well as 7:00 p.m. on weekdays. For those with internet access, daily Mass can be viewed at www.catholictv.org/masses. Daily Mass celebrated by Pope Francis can be viewed at www.youtube.com/user/vatican. Recitation of the Rosary, the Angelus prayer, and other prayers are also available at both of these links. Readings for Mass are available at www.usccb.org/bible/readings.

CLEARANCES: ATTENTION! EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS, CHOIR MEMBERS, CHILDREN'S LEADERS OF THE WORD, FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS, UHSERS, ANGELS OF COMPASSIONS, K OF C, CD OF A, LOVE & LIGHT, AND ANY OTHER VOLUNTEERS. It is once again time for many volunteers to renew their clearances. All of the clearances do not need to be redone. ***Needing redone are the Criminal, Child Abuse, and Affidavit reports.*** These 3 clearances must be redone every 5 years. If you need to redo your clearances, please call the office. If you're not sure that your clearances need to be redone, just call the office and we can answer that question for you. ***We are asking that you please do not call on Mondays*.** Thank you for your cooperation.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of Marcella Horchar, mother of Tom Horchar and the soul of Alvin Kitzmiller, husband of Eleanor Kitzmiller. May God grant them eternal life and peace.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend is the Catholic Communications Campaign. Half of the proceeds from this collection stays in the diocese to support local communication efforts. The other half is sent to USCCB to support national and international communication projects.

ASCENSION of the Lord

I VISITED A MONASTERY *and I walked past the kitchen. I saw a man frying chips. I asked him "Are you the friar?" He replied "no, I'm the chip monk…"*

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS
Heavenly Father,
from the beginning you have chosen to entrust
the human person to mothers in a special way.
We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers;
for their tenderness, care, and compassion,
for their intuition and encouragement,
for commitment and sacrifice.
Bless all mothers this day.
Keep, strengthen, and refresh them
in your loving care.
May they be blessed by our open-hearted
love and gratitude. Amen.

CEMETERY REMINDER: Due to limited staff, we ask that when you are decorating graves for the spring season, please take all garbage home with you. This will help maintain the beatification of our cemetery.

OFFERTORY: You may mail your offertory envelopes to the parish office or visit
www.saintsimonandjude.org
and click on the purple banner "Click for Parish Offertory" at the bottom of the home page to donate online. After clicking on this link, just follow the instructions to donate to our parish. We ask that you please write separate checks for second collection envelopes. You may write one check for all offertory envelopes. Thank you.

DLA: Thank you to all who have supported our DLA to date. Thus far, we have contributions from 194 families totaling $43,690.00. Our diocesan target is $38,384.00. We now are over our diocesan target. Everything we now collect over this amount will remain here in the parish for our use. We encourage everyone to participate in this important annual appeal. You may still participate by using the envelope that was provided in your mailing and drop it in the mail to the Diocese. You may also donate online by visiting www.dioceseofgreensburg.org and on the website, click the button "Donate to the Diocesan Lenten Appeal". If you have misplaced your pledge card or for some reason did not receive one in the mail, blank Lenten Appeal forms are available at the church entrances. You can fill out this form and put it in an envelope with your donation and return it to the parish office. Again, thank you!

MAY CROWNING: Due to COVID, there will be no formal May crowning. However, if you wish to honor Mary, you may bring flowers to her statue anytime during the month of May. There will be vases by her statue, which is located in the back of the church—2 with water for fresh flowers and 2 without water for silk flowers.

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER. Please remember to use social distancing and wear a mask.

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