FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 19, 2019

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
Our mission is to build up the Kingdom of God by offering ourselves with Jesus for the true good of every person.

EUCHARISTIC SELF-OFFERING PRAYER
I am all Yours, O most loving Jesus, through Mary, Your Mother.
**ST. FLORIAN OFFERTORY STEWARDSHIP:**

May 11-12: Adults: $4440.00; Loose: $353.00; Candles: $132.00;
Parish Endowment: $38.00; Easter: $150.00; Catholic Accent:
$5.00; St. Vincent de Paul: $61.00; Ascension: $ 10.00.
Total: $ 5,189.00.

God Bless you!

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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<td>Sun., May 19</td>
<td><strong>Fifth Sunday of Easter</strong></td>
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<td>+Ethel Tracy by Children &amp; Grandchildren</td>
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<td>Mon., May 20</td>
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<td>Tue., May 21</td>
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<td>5:00 PM</td>
<td>+Joseph Kapura by Marie Goulding</td>
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<td>Sun., May 26</td>
<td><strong>Sixth Sunday of Easter</strong></td>
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<td>9:00 AM</td>
<td>+Pauline Barnhart &amp; Richard C. by Willie &amp; Eileen Ranella &amp; Richard S. Barnhart</td>
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**Mass Intentions:** Any family member who is attending a Saturday/Sunday Mass with a Mass intention for a deceased family member or friend: you are invited to carry the gifts in the Offertory Procession. Please see an usher before Mass.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, May 18, 2019 ~ 5:00 PM**

Lector ................................................................. J. Lawrence
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... C. Kelly, J. Lesko, M. Ceroni
Altar Servers .................................................... J. & M. Labuda
Greeters ............................................................. C. Specht, M. Ludvik, C. Mizikar
Ushers .................................................. E. Carpenter, C. & D. Mizikar, K. Labuda

**Sunday, May 19, 2019 ~ 9:00 AM**

Lector ................................................................. T. Jackson
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... S. King, R. & B. Obusek
Altar Servers .................................................... J. & L. King
Greeters ............................................................. B. Mondock, N. Tracy, N. Logan
Ushers .................................................. Ron Mizikar, M. Bilk, S. Snively, P. Bitner

**Sunday, May 19, 2019 ~ 11:00 AM**

Lector ................................................................. M. D’Amico
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... Klimchock, Kovacina, Neiderhiser
Altar Servers .................................................... A. Kelly, Z. Koch
Greeters ............................................................. D. Seekeres, J. Burik
Ushers ............................................................. D. Seekeres, J. Mylant, E. Uhrin, J. Burik
Children’s Liturgy ........................................ M. Klimchock, M. Kelly

**Saturday, May 25, 2019 ~ 5:00 PM**

Lector ................................................................. A. Reese
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... J. Lesko, G. Kovacina
Altar Servers .................................................... A. & C. Reese
Greeters ............................................................. E. Carpenter, J.E, E. Kovalik
Ushers .................................................. E. Carpenter, A. Smail, T. D. Uhlaney

**Sunday, May 26, 2019 ~ 9:00 AM**

Lector ................................................................. J. Mizikar
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... R. & B. Obusek, T. Jackson
Altar Servers .................................................... G. & T. Sofranko
Greeters ............................................................. S. Jackson, B. Mondock, J. Mott
Ushers .................................................. Ron Mizikar, M. Bilk, G. & D. Vidakovich

**Sunday, May 26, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM**

Lector ................................................................. M. Sopko
Eucharistic Ministers ......................... W. Back, W. Bossart, D. Neiderhiser
Altar Servers .................................................... S. Etling, T. Dillon
Greeters ............................................................. D. Seekeres, J. Dillen
Ushers ............................................................. D. Seekeres, J. Burik, E. Uhrin, J. Mylant

**Readings for the week of May 19, 2019**

- Sunday: Acts 14:21
- Tuesday: Acts 14:19
- Wednesday: Acts 15:1
- Thursday: Acts 15:7
- Friday: John 13:31
- Saturday, May 18, 2019 ~ 5:00 PM
- Saturday, May 25, 2019 ~ 5:00 PM
- Sunday, May 26, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM

**Special Thanks to Mrs. Fran Kernicky for making a delicious sheet cake for our First Communion Party. It was GREAT and ALL enjoyed it!**
CATECHESIS, FAITH FORMATION AND EVANGELIZATION

Week to Week: May 19—26, 2019

Sunday—Adult Faith Sharing after 9 am Mass—Final Session until September. Final Children’s Liturgy for this school year. See you in September.

Wednesday—Book Club following the 8:00 am Mass. All are welcome. Evangelization Meeting — 10:15 am in Faith Formation Center

Children’s Liturgy of the Word
Our final session will be on May 19 during the 11:00 am Mass. Please consider volunteering for this special ministry that will resume in September. All new volunteers will be trained. Your help is so greatly needed and appreciated!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019

JUNE 24-28 FOR STUDENTS – KINDERGARTEN – GRADE 6

Volunteers with all clearances are needed for music, crafts, Bible stories, etc. Contact the Faith Formation Office if you are able to help. Our next VBS planning meeting is set for Sunday, May 19 following the 11:00 am Mass.

WE ARE ALSO PLANNING A “VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR SENIOR CITIZENS” FROM JUNE 17-21. WE ARE MAKING HISTORY BY ATTEMPTING TO PROVIDE A WEEK FOR SENIORS TO GATHER AND SHARE IN THE WONDER OF OUR FAITH. OUR FOCUS WILL BE ON THE “SACRAMENTS”. MORE INFORMATION TO COME!

REGISTRATION SUNDAY IS TODAY BUT YOU MAY REGISTER UP TO THE START OF THESE SPECIAL WEEKS FOR OUR “SENIORS” AND CHILDREN – PRE-SCHOOL 4 – GRADE 6. ALL ARE WELCOME. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH TO ATTEND EITHER OF THESE EVENTS.

Evangelization Committee: Special Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22 at 10:15 am in the Faith Formation Center. New members are always welcome to join!

Adult Education Opportunities

Adult Faith Sharing: Adult Faith Sharing ends today – Sunday, May 19 following the 9:00 am Mass. Sessions will resume in September

Book Club: Our Book Club will be reading a special book on Mary with the title: Rethinking Mary In the New Testament by Edward Sri. Cost of the book is $15.00 and may also be used at home. What a great way to celebrate the month of May! Group sessions will

PA CHILDLINE — If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop’s Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop’s Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 1221.

“Catholics Come Home”

“Catholics Come Home” discs are now available in the back of the church for those who would like to borrow and view past episodes. Each disc lasts for 90 minutes with three stories (each 30 minutes in length) of individuals who have “returned home” to the Catholic Church. Just return when finished! Great viewing for individuals or families.

Baccalaureate Mass

Calling All Graduates from High School and College! We would like to recognize your accomplishment on Sunday, June 2 at the 11:00 am Mass. Following Mass, donuts and juice will be served outside of church. To help with our plans for this event, please contact the Rectory or Faith Formation Office.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

A new practice has begun in our parish and ALL are welcome to join us as individuals pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet AFTER our 8:00 am morning Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays. The prayer takes no longer than 15-20 minutes and is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on God’s mercy and love for us.

Prayer Chain

Please Note: If you have a particular prayer intention, please contact the FAITH FORMATION CENTER at 724-423-5087 and your request will be forwarded to those who have agreed to take part in this special ministry. New members on our Parish Prayer Chain are always welcome to join!

Asa     Caitlyn      Natalie   Harry    Patty
Brenda   Ann        Joel       Amber     Brenda
Natalie  Caitlyn    Joan       Ryan      Kylee
Cindy    Kelly       Julie      Patty Ann  Ann
Stephen  Bob         Tim

For those in our Communion and Confirmation Classes

May we continue to remember these individuals in our daily prayers!
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Last Sunday the missionaries, Paul and Barnabas, confront negative experiences at Antioch on their very first mission. The visit ended with Paul and Barnabas being banished. The reading ended with “two shook the dust from their feet” in protest and went to Iconium. These disciples knew only how to be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. Today’s first reading is the conclusion of that first journey where Paul and Barnabas retrace their steps in Antioch in Syria which was their original starting point.

The Acts and John’s Gospel continue to center on teaching the elements of the “Good News.” Paul and Barnabas preach again and exhort the disciples to the practice Christianity which is like Jesus at the Last Supper proclaiming a new commandment.

The newly elected elders have a share in the structure and an institution locally. The structure resembles the Jerusalem church, but a clear deviation in the selection of elders who are not to be selected by the congregation on. They are to be appointed by the traveling Apostles (the new bishops). The newly elected elders have a share in the structure and priestly ministry of the new Church.

Paul and Barnabas are traveling in reverse order of their first journey. This journey lasted about four years. When they returned to Jerusalem, they reported their experiences and the opening of the “door of faith” to the Gentiles. This opening signifies the access to salvation that God had given to the Gentiles through the missionaries who are acting as emissaries of Jesus.

The theme of teaching pushes in the John’s scripture for today. The setting for this passage is at the Last Supper. Jesus has already predicted Judas’ betrayal. His teachings have always been based on Jewish scripture; however, here He gives one new commandment. It is not listed in the 613 Levitical commandments.

The opening verse refers to Judas’ having left the room. The passage continues with Jesus’ comments on His approaching glorification and how it also glorifies God the Father. This glorification happens immediately with Judas’ leaving to arrange the final plan of betrayal.

Addressing the Apostles as “My children” sets a tone of a departing patriarch speaking to his dependents. Jesus then announces the new commandment. It is new because it is rooted so much in the love commands of Jewish tradition (Leviticus 19:18) but in the self-offering love (agape) of Jesus. This distinguishing mark of the Christian community to love as Jesus has loved is heralded in the actual living of this commandment. (As a congregation gathered in worship, we sometimes sing a hymn with the phrase “and they’ll know we are Christians by our love”).

Throughout His public ministry, Jesus taught and lived this agape love. Paul and Barnabas travel out to the Gentiles with the love that Jesus initiated. The Acts continue to recount this love as the disciples evangelize with the “Good News” that Jesus has taught.
ST. FLORIAN EXTENDED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN pledge total stands at $725,959.97 and the amount collected as of May 1st is $706,020 which is $56,000 more than our original Campaign Goal! We are truly grateful to God and to all who have contributed to or prayed for the success of our Campaign, and to our Campaign Chairperson and co-leaders. Please continue to fulfill pledges, and to make extra gifts during the one-year extension granted by Bishop Malesic to help us pay off our loan as soon as possible. All new or extra gifts add to our total pledged and collected. A monthly Capital Campaign envelope will continue to be included in your packet until the extension ends on April 30, 2020.

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL (DLA) 2019:
Our DLA pledges and gifts now total $44,027, surpassing our Diocesan Target by $14,786 and our Total Goal by $4,786. THANK YOU SO MUCH! All gifts over our DLA goal will help to pay off our loan ahead of schedule in order to save on interest. One hundred seventy (170) households have now contributed which is 75% of our Participation Goal (225). To make a DLA gift or pledge, please use the DLA envelopes in the back of church or any envelope. Make checks out to “Diocese of Greensburg – St. Florian DLA.” Credits cards can also be used. To make an online DLA donation go to dioceseofgreensburg.org/HOPE.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING & UPDATE meeting will take place Monday (20th) at 7:00 pm in the church. This meeting is for both new volunteers and veteran extraordinary ministers, including those interested in taking Holy Communion to the homebound.

LOOKING AHEAD: Please note the dates and times for Liturgical Ministries Update & Training Sessions. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these ministries, please call the parish office or simply show up for the appropriate session(s). All sessions will be in the church.

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Also, the Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

BELATED, HEARTFELT THANKS to all of our parish staff and volunteers for the extra service given especially for Holy Week and the Easter Triduum. Also, my personal thanks to those who sent Easter greetings or prayers of support. The effects of your goodness is long-lasting, even eternal.

FREE FOLDING CHAIRS!
St. Florian Social Hall will be getting new chairs. The old ones are free for the taking after the Masses (5 pm, 9 am and 11 am) on Saturday, May 25th, and Sunday, May 26th. First come, first served.

FINDING THAT PERFECT GIFT FOR THAT HARD TO BUY PERSON Envelopes are now available in the back of church for individuals to use for any special occasion (Birthdays, Anniversaries, Weddings, Graduations, etc.) to honor an individual on their “special day”. (See picture at right) Donations may be made to support the work of St. Florian Church or St. Florian Pre-School. Donors will be contacted to obtain the address of the person being remembered so they may be aware of the gift given in their honor.
NEW MASS INTENTION POLICY

All Mass intentions must be in writing along with donation.

Requests must include:

Offered by:_________________________ Phone:_________________________

Intention for:___________________________________________________________

First Choice:________________________ Second Choice_____________________

Date requested: ___________________ Living _______ Deceased _______

Donation:_______________________________________________________________

All requests must be dropped into the offertory basket in their own envelope marked "Mass Intention" or mailed to or dropped off at the parish office. No phone requests please.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY