

# THE TRAVELER

*Our parish Family is a Catholic faith community serving Jesus Christ and His Church. Together, we reach out to the congregation and larger community through prayer, service, evangelization and fellowship. We welcome and invite all on our journey with Christ.*



## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

- SUN 5/09** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17
- MON 5/10** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a
- TUE 5/11** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11
- WED 5/12** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
- THR 5/13** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
- FRI 5/14** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17
- SAT 5/15** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28
- SUN 5/16** Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

God is love. These three simple words deserve a great deal of attention. They have the power to transform our relationship with God from something that is static and distant to one that is personal and real. We all know the power of love and how important it is to completing all of the human and divine circuits of our lives. But we do not often consider the awesome fact that it is given to us as a gift and is not simply part and parcel of the human package. God is the author of love and love itself. When we truly love another human being, it is really God being God in and through us. The love to which we are called and the love of which the Gospel speaks is a selfless love that seeks the wellbeing of not only our significant others but of all of our brothers and sisters. This love, which is of God, is a love that will endure all things and bring immeasurable joy when experienced. It is the most sincere form of friendship.



~~ Happy Mother's Day ~~

Last week we rejoiced with Jaden who made his First Holy Communion, which was followed by the crowing of Mary. It was nice to see so many children walk in procession offering flowers to Mary. This week we are celebrating and honoring all Mothers. Mother's Day is a perfect moment to thank our mothers for giving us life.

As St. Pope John Paul II so beautifully pointed out, part of the genius of woman is the indispensable role she plays in showing all of humanity the tremendous value of every human person. Our mothers have this role in a distinguished way. They give us life. But a mother's role doesn't stop there. We know they are meant to feed us, to love us, to raise us, to pass on the faith and lead us to Jesus, to teach us by their actions and words that we are so important that God died to save us and make us his friend. How desperately our world needs mothers and their witness to human life. What a task! What an amazing person a mother is!

So to mothers everywhere, we say: "Thank you, God Bless you, May your lives be filled with happiness today and every day."

And let us offer a special prayer for our mothers who have gone ahead of us that God will bring them into the joy of his kingdom.

Blessings on all Mothers,  
*Fr. Socorro*



Our Lady of Loretto Parish Community extends their prayers and heart-felt sympathy to the family of Virginia (Virg) Leads. Virg worked in our Parish office for many years, and along with her sister Florence always supported OLL where ever they were needed. May Virg rest in peace and joy with our Lord.

**Sixth Sunday of Easter:**

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you...You are my friends if you do what I command you." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you fulfill this commandment.



Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...



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| Sheila Alaska      | Bea MacDonald     |
| Minnie Armstrong   | Debbie MacDonald  |
| Patty Baumgardner  | James McDonald    |
| Art Bork           | Harlean McGrath   |
| Tom Borkowski      | Les & Carol Miner |
| Bob Brown          | Marilyn Mootsey   |
| George Cascos      | Art Nash          |
| John Dallacqua     | Suzanne Nattress  |
| Margaret David     | Mary Rayes        |
| Mike DeCapua       | Tim Simpson       |
| Andrew Fedor       | Angie/Rich Sloan  |
| Tony Ferro         | Robin Sunday      |
| Nikole Frederick   | Nelson/Pat Taylor |
| Eileen Graham      | Alice Torres      |
| Juan Hernandez     | Helen Walker      |
| Lisa Hernandez     | Debbie/Pat Weier  |
| Jim Kilmark        | Lynne Wendt       |
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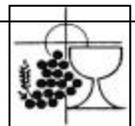
Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless otherwise notified. Please help us keep our prayer list current by informing us if a person's name should remain on the list by calling 313-534-9000.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN**

Alan Baumgardner, Coby Carpentier, Cole Frederick, Cooper Frederick, David Fry, Christopher Gazley, Jordan Hebner, Heather Ingalls, Christopher Larry, Christopher Laveirge, Eric Polson, Robert Previch & Michael Genza.

Lord, Hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their selfless acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen

**MASS INTENTIONS**



- Monday, May 10, 2021**  
8:30am + Angela Janes by Friends
- Tuesday, May 11**  
8:30am + Virginia Leads by OLL Parishioners
- Saturday, May 15**  
4:00pm + Mary Manut by August & Dorothy Cogliandro
- Sunday, February 14**  
10:00am Innocent Dalmedia by the Dalmeida Family  
Julienne Diogo by the Dalmeida Family  
Jacques Ahouannagbo by the Dalmeida Family  
Lucie & Pie Ahouannou by the Dalmeida Family

**STEWARDSHIP**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

From: Roman Catholic Diocese Boise

*"Mother's Day and similar holidays are celebrated in most countries. After all, what theme is more universal than the importance of motherhood? We Catholics prize that nurturing relationship so highly that we call our church, 'Holy Mother,' and we venerate Mary, the mother of Jesus, for her pivotal role in the life of the savior. Yet, Mother's Day can bring with it a plethora of emotion and memories. Any mother can attest to the difficulty and challenge of the task of parenting. And mothers come in all shapes and sizes. Some mothers are birth mothers, some are adoptive. Some mothers are the grandmas or aunts who raised us. Some mothers left us far too soon, and no matter when they leave, they always leave us orphans. Some mothers are the people we rebelled against; some mothers are the women we idolized. Most often, our mothers were probably both. It's a complex relationship, this parenting. As Christian stewards, many of us are mothers, but all of us are sons and daughters.*

*During May, we honor and remember not just our own moms, but Mary, the Mother of God. We see her as the great symbol of motherhood and as our role model. At her knee, Jesus learned*

*his prayers and the faith of his ancestors. At her hearth, Jesus grew in wisdom and grace and developed his sense of manhood and destiny.*

*But we all should ask Mary's intercession, that in our endeavors to be good stewards and raise good stewards, nurture in faith those entrusted to us, she might come to our assistance and guide us with understanding. And on Mother's Day, we ask Mary to bless all mothers, especially our own."*

Mothers are the first Christian stewards in a child's life. That responsibility makes us close partners with God, forming the faith life of a child. This is an awesome privilege and a great honor.

Happy Mother's Day and God Bless!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE**

**Happy Mother's Day to all moms!**

God so loved the world that he sent his only Son to suffer, die, and rise for us. So, with Jesus' death and resurrection we have new life! Jesus in today's gospel passage from John states "I have called you friends, because I have told you everything that I have heard from my Father." Jesus chooses us to love. He loved us first. Don't you value the friends that you have in your life, especially the bond and friendship of your mom? Today is Mother's Day! Pray for your mom, thanking God for her presence in your life. Mary is our spiritual mother and queen of the universe. Mary takes our prayers to Jesus. What a friend we have in Mary! So today have faith in Jesus. Accept his love and friendship and when you do, a special relationship will develop and change your life.

Our last Religious Education class of the school year was on Monday, May 3. The students shared a relaxed time together with games and pizza. We pray that each family remain safe and healthy over the summer. Please continue to pray for the students as they have more free time and travels ahead.

Many thanks to our devoted Religious Education staff who so generously gave of their faith, time and talents. Thank you, Debra Renauer, Mike Miville, Hannah Buttigieg, Emily Vanderlaar, and Amanda Miley!



*Welcome!*

Our Lady of Loretto faith community extends a warm welcome to our newly registered parishioner ~~~

Ms. Joan Schulz

May she always feel welcome and be blessed as she witnesses her faith at Our Lady of Loretto church.

*Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning to dance in the rain.*



**Collection Report: April 25, 2021**

Sunday Envelopes	\$4,209
Sunday Loose	368
Easter	100
Total	\$4,677
OLL Parish Weekly Goal	\$4,865
Mass Stipends	70
Candles	128
Utilities	65
Donations	240
St. Vincent de Paul	155
Total	\$658
Grand Total	\$5,335

**We Need You.**

It is so good to see more and more people coming to Mass to celebrate and pray as a faith community of Our Lady of Loretto. We appreciate all of you who have been volunteering through the weeks and months in our Liturgy. There is a signup sheet at the back entrance of the church for those who are Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Commentators.

Thanks to those who are assisting with mainstreaming so our members who are not able to get to church or are homebound can be enriched and participate in our

worshipping community.

Also, we are looking for volunteers to join the current members of the various Commissions. The Commissions are Worship, Stewardship, Christian Service and Education. Explanation of the working of these groups will be done at the Masses and we can meet with those who are interested. This is a good way to contribute to the vitality of church activities and a rich opportunity to get acquainted with parish members. Think about it.

Sr. Margretta



## OLL Health Ministry

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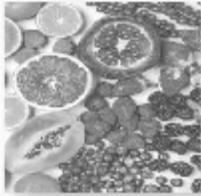
### What does nutrient-dense mean?

The Dietary Guidelines emphasize choosing nutrient-dense foods and beverages. They provide vitamins, minerals, and other components that support good health.

They're also notable for what they lack: added sugars, saturated fat, and sodium.

The way a food is prepared, whether at home, at a restaurant, or by a manufacturer, often makes a big difference in nutrient density. The following foods are nutrient-dense when prepared with little to no added sugar, saturated fat, and sodium:

- Vegetables
- Fruits
- Whole grains
- Seafood
- Eggs
- Beans
- Peas and lentils
- Unsalted nuts and seeds
- Fat-free and low-fat dairy products
- Lean meats and poultry



For maximum health benefits, make sure these foods are prepared in a way that makes them nutrient-dense. ♦

## Priestly Vocations

Before I can tell my life what I want to do with it, I must listen to my life telling me who I am.

—Parker J. Palmer, *Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation*



**Clean up/Fix up Day** at OLL is scheduled for **Sat., June 5th.** The church and grounds are a reflection on all of our parish family. Let's lend a hand or two to refresh the beautiful outdoor environment that we hold dear.

We will meet at **9am.** Bring along your work gloves and any tools you have that can assist you which could include a buddy—it's more fun to laugh together. A list of tasks to do will be available on the side door of the church. You can come and go as your schedule allows. We appreciate your helping hands.

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### MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening ..... 4:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 10:00am  
Mon. & Tues. .... 8:30 am

**CONFESSIONS:** Sat. 2:30 pm & by appt.

**BAPTISMS:** 2nd Sunday of the month. Family must be active registered parishioners. Class held as arranged.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements must be made in advance (6 months min.). At least one of the couples must be an active registered member of O.L.L.

**SICK & COMMUNION CALLS:** We are happy to visit the sick. Notify the Rectory.

**REGISTRATION:** All new members are asked to register in person.

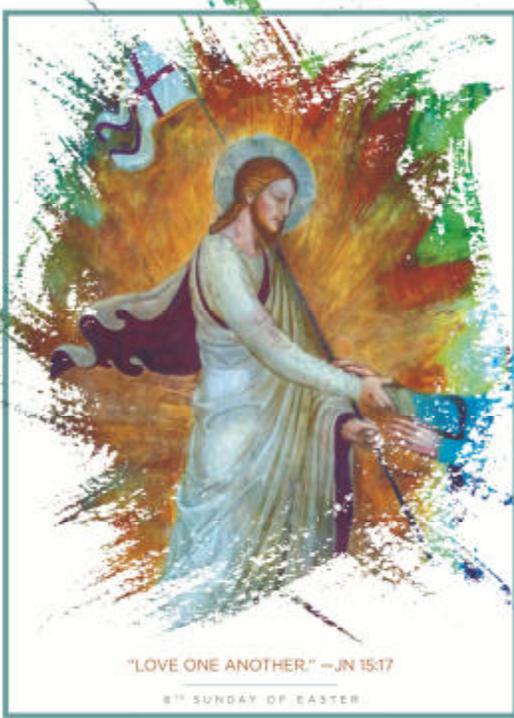
## Make Justice Your Aim: Redress the Wronged, Hear the Orphan's Pleas, Defend the Widow"

Isaiah 1:16-17 NAB

Crime has a far-reaching impact. It affects families, law enforcement, the wrongly accused, and certainly the victim. When discussing criminal Justice reforms, solutions should foster fairness and rehabilitative outcomes. The Catholic concept of restorative justice promotes policies that improve public safety, encourages accountability and healing, and contributes, when possible, to rehabilitation. MCC supports:

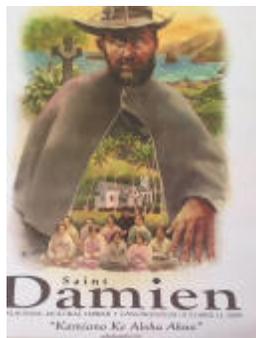
- ♦ Policies that respect crime victims, including provision of just compensation and treatment for their physical and emotional injuries.
- ♦ Policies that incentivize intensive probation programming to reduce recidivism.
- ♦ Adequate state funding to ensure accused indigent persons receive competent legal representation.
- ♦ Comprehensive reentry services to assist the formerly incarcerated to become productive members of society.
- ♦ Sentencing guidelines and parole practices that reflect an individual's potential threat to society.
- ♦ Elimination of life without parole sentencing for juveniles convicted as adults.

Restorative Justice



Thursday, May 13th Feast Day!  
Happy Mother's Day, Our Lady.

To be celebrated on Saturday, May 15th



Feast Day 5-10

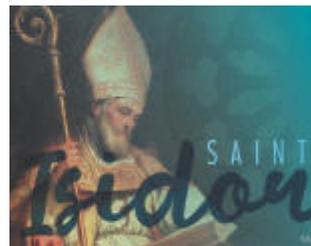


Sts. Nereus & Achilles  
Feast Day 5-12

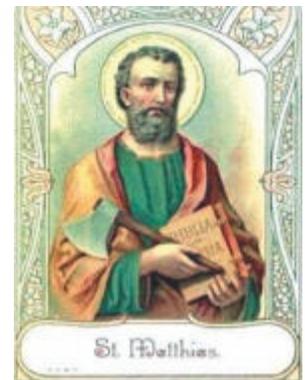
ALL Saints



Feast Day 5-12



Feast Day 5-15



Feast Day 5-14

OLL Fish Fry is a resounding success!

Although this past year has been difficult for everyone it was good to have a small sense of normalcy for the seven weeks of Lent. We would like to thank all who participated with this year's fish fry. It truly takes a team of people from those arriving early to those staying late to clean up the mess. Though this year we had to improvise and execute a different plan than normal it was a success and felt great to have the team back

together and having fun. So to all those that helped make this year's fish fry a success we **THANK YOU!**

That being said, it wouldn't have been a success without those driving through and enjoying one of our Lenten favorites, OLL Fish! Thank you to all that enjoyed it with us. We look forward to next year being able to enjoy some inside dining with a full menu and a lot of comradery.

John Hebner  
Jim Danko

A Thank You note from Fr. Socorro

First of all **A Sincere Thanks to John Hebner and Jim Danko** for heading the Lenten Fish Fry for 2021. If they had not planned on it, I would have not forced anyone into it, knowing of the situation. It was they who had the meetings and discussed with like-minded people and came up with a plan, and I had to just say go ahead if all are in agreement. And that's how it came about. **Thanks to all those who helped in one way or other.** It's the effort of the whole team.

According to our Bookkeeper, the Fish Fry of 2021 has brought in a **profit of \$17,204.70.** Kudos to all!

May the Lord continue to protect, guard and watch over us and our families.

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