Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 17, 2020

Readings for the Week of May 18th

Monday, May 18th Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4 Tuesday, May 19th Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11 Wednesday, May 20th Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15 Thursday, May 21st Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20 Friday, May 22nd Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23 Saturday, May 23rd Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23-28 Sunday, May 24th Acts 1:12-14; 1 Peter 4:13-16; John 17:1-11



Happy Birthday to the following members of our parish family: May 18 – Kim Byrd; May 19 – Tom Johnson; May 20 – Whitney Mullally, Brayton Ferguson, Jaren Ortmeier; May 21 – Lowene Hasemann, Matt Ostrand; May 22 – Robert Nesladek, Emily McGinn, Marlynn Hunke, Valery Neeson; May 23 – Gene Ruzicka; May 24 – Susan Hartmann

Church Contributions

Please remember to continue your contributions to the church during this time to help us with our expenses. Please put your contributions in the mail to: St. Charles Borromeo, 831 Locust Street, North Bend 68649 or dropped off at the office.

St. Leo's contributions can be mailed to: St. Leo, P.O. Box 188, Snyder, NE 68664 or mailed to St. Charles Borromeo. Thank you!

Daily Mass Online

You can view mass online at the following locations: wordonfire.org –Bishop Barron has daily mass at 7:15am Channel 22 (News Channel Nebraska) on cable has Fr. Joe Miksch from St. Isidore's at 8:10am every day.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." (1 PETER 3:17)

The old line says, "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

Prayer During an Epidemic

Lord Jesus, hear our pleas, our Good Shepherd and Divine Physician. We implore your mercy in the wake of an outbreak of serious illness and disease.

Guide our efforts to prevent contagion and make preparations to care for those most vulnerable. Assist all professionals and volunteers who work to eradicate the epidemic now spreading. May our actions be marked by your steadfast love and selfless service and never by panic or fear.

Bestow your comfort and healing to the sick, sustain and strengthen them by your grace. May they know your closeness as they carry the cross of illness.

And may all who have been called from this life come to worship you eternally with all the saints as you grant consolation and peace to their mourners. Amen.

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us. St. Joseph, Hope of the Sick, pray for us. St. Rocco, protector against epidemics, pray for us.

VOCATION BLURBS

"Whoever loves me will keep my word." Are you called to bring the word of Christ to his flock? Call Fr. Andrew Roza for more information at 402-558-3100 or email www.vocations@archomaha.org

Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Gospel is from St. John 14:15-21. In this discourse at the Last Supper, which was His last will and testament, our divine Lord promised His Church, through the Apostles, that the Holy Spirit would be with it until the end of time. The Spirit of truth will be directing it and effectively aiding it to preserve the faith, the doctrine, and the morals, which Christ taught His Apostles.

Looking back now over almost 2,000 years of the Church's history we can see how this promise has been fulfilled. There were heretics and schismatics who threatened the very continuance of the Church as God's faithful people on earth. There were crises and near catastrophes caused by the human weaknesses of its heads and its members, yet the Church survived and spread and continued to send saints to heaven because of the direct and active aid of the Holy Spirit.

In the midst of all these upheavals the Church of Christ has continued to flourish because it was directed and sustained by the Holy Spirit, who abides within it. How can we ever show enough gratitude to the three Divine Persons of the Blessed Trinity who planned so lovingly and so efficaciously for our safe journey to heaven? The Father sent His Son as man among us so that we men could become His brothers, and adopted sons of the Father. The Son suffered hardships, insults and misunderstandings during His temporary stay on earth, and ended like a crucified malefactor because of the sins of mankind. But He rose triumphantly from the dead and set up the Church as a society which would bring to men of all races, ages and colors the salvation and exaltation of mankind, which His life and death had won for us.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

At this time, our parish has raised \$11,662 toward our goal of \$12,863.04. St. Leo's parish has raised \$3,445 toward their goal of \$3,552. Thank you to everyone who has responded.

Catholic Communication Campaign

The Catholic Communication Campaign is Sunday, May 24th. This collection communicates the gospel through social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our archdiocese and support local needs, so please be generous.



Blessings Pantry is in need of the following items:

<u>Non-food items</u>: Medium sized boxes for packing food, feminine hygiene products,

baby wipes, laundry detergent, shampoo/conditioner, hand sanitizer, dish soap, hand soap, deodorant, and garbage bags.

<u>Food items</u>: chicken noodle soup, cream of mushroom soup, canned carrots, potatoes (fresh, canned, flakes), snacks (particularly easy for kids), eggs, bread, bisquick/ pancake mix, syrup, helpers (hamburger, tuna, chicken), ramen noodles, grape jelly, hamburger, chicken, hot dogs, frozen pizza, lunch meat, easy mac, ravioli, and spaghettios w/ meatballs. Hours: 1st & 3rd Monday 7-8p; every Tuesday 9-11a; & every Thursday 2-4p

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