

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY
MAY 20
4:00 PM
+JIMMY
CORDOVA
&
LINDACORDOV
SUNDAY
MAY 21
8:30 AM
SALLY
DONOVAN
11:00 AM
SALLY DONOVAN

TUESDAY
MAY 23
8:00 AM
+ FRANCES
WARD
WEDNESDAY
MAY 24
8:00 AM
+ ALLISON
CRIGGER
+ MICAH
THURSDAY
MAY 25
8:00 AM

RONNIE
WHITLOOK
FRIDAY MAY
26
8:00 AM
+ RENNIE
PITT 8TH
ANNIVERSA
SATURDAY
MAY 27
4:00 PM
+ FANNIE
BOUTRIES
SUNDAY MAY
28

8:30 AM
HENRY
JOHNSON
SPECIAL
11:00 AM
DELORES DUFF
BIRTHDAY

Eastern Shore
Medical Weight Loss
251-625-4030
Physician Supervised

Collection details:

5/14/2023—\$ 2475
Parish Project—\$ 15
Flowers—\$ 200
Total Deposit—\$ 2717

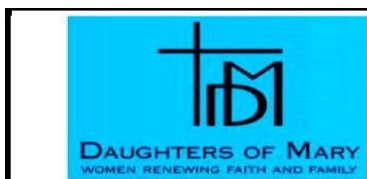


KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
AND LADIES
AUXILIARY
#8740



In the beginning
was the word...

Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy



Our Lady
of Lourdes
Parish Hall
Tuesday
at 6PM

Bulkheads • Boathouses • Dredging • Boatlifts

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 11 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. We have the stations of the Eucharist this Sunday @ Parish hall Conducted by the Daughters of Mary. Please come & know more about the power of Eucharist.

St Thomas Aquinas: "The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life." St Euphrasia: "To speak of the Blessed Sacrament is to speak of what is most sacred.

St Maximilian Kolbe: "If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion." St John Vianney: "I throw myself at the foot of the Tabernacle like a dog at the foot of his Master."

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday 21 Acts 1:12-14
1 Pt 4:13-16 Jn 17:1-11a
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Monday 22 Acts 19:1-8
Jn 16:29-33
Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Tuesday 23 Acts 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11a
Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Wednesday 24 Acts 20:28-38
Jn 17:11b-19
Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Thursday 25 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Jn 17:21
Thursday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Friday 26 Acts 25:13b-21
Jn 21:15-19
Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Saturday 27 Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
Jn 21:20-25
Saturday of the Seventh Week of Easter



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May 21 2023
Seventh
Sunday of
Easter -
Ascension

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION,
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS
SCHEDULES**

SATURDAY
3:15PM
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION
3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY
4:00 PM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY
8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
8:30AM- HOLY MASS
10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
11:00AM- HOLY MASS

REGULAR
WEEKDAYS
MONDAY-
COMMUNION
SERVICE TUESDAY–
FRIDAY
8:00 AM – HOLY
MASS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Priests retreat May 28-
June 2, we don't have
weekday masses during these
days but will have communion
service.
26 May 2023: we have the recitation of
the Holy Rosary @ 5:00pm and then Mass
and Potluck dinner after Mass. Come pray
and join the dinner.

Our Guest Priest Fr. Martin I, thanks everyone of
you for your prayers, personalized cards and gifts.
Please keep him in your continued prayers that soon
he will have his appointment.

**ENCYCLICAL LETTER FRATELLI TUTTI
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON FRATERNITY
AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP**

78. We can start from below and, case by case, act at the most concrete and local levels, and then expand to the farthest reaches of our countries and our world, with the same care and concern that the Samaritan showed for each of the

wounded man's injuries. Let us seek out others and embrace the world as it is, without fear of pain or a sense of inadequacy, because there we will discover all the goodness that God has planted in human hearts. Difficulties that seem overwhelming are opportunities for growth, not excuses for a glum resignation that can lead only to acquiescence. Yet let us not do this alone, as individuals. The Samaritan discovered an innkeeper who would care for the man; we too are called to unite as a family that is stronger than the sum of small individual members. For "the whole is greater than the part, but it is also greater than the sum of its parts".[60] Let us renounce the pettiness and resentment of useless in-fighting and constant confrontation.

Let us stop feeling sorry for ourselves and acknowledge our crimes, our apathy, our lies. Reparation and reconciliation will give us new life and set us all free from

Foot Note : Address to the Meeting for Religious Liberty with the Hispanic Community and Immigrant Groups, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States of America (26 September 2015): AAS 107 (2015), 1050-1051.

79. The Samaritan who stopped along the way departed without expecting any recognition or gratitude. His effort to assist another person gave him great satisfaction in life and before his God, and thus became a duty. All of us have a responsibility for the wounded, those of our own people and all the peoples of the earth. Let us care for the needs of every man and woman, young and old, with the same fraternal spirit of care and closeness that marked the Good Samaritan.

Foot Note : Address to Young People, Tokyo, Japan (25 November 2019): L'Osservatore Romano, 25-26 November 2019, 10.

80. Jesus told the parable of the Good Samaritan in answer to the question: Who is my neighbour? The word "neighbour", in the society of Jesus' time, usually meant those nearest us. It was felt that help should be given primarily to those of one's own group and race. For some

Jews of that time, Samaritans were looked down upon, considered impure. They were not among those to be helped. Jesus, himself a Jew, completely transforms this

approach. He asks us not to decide who is close enough to be our neighbour, but rather that we ourselves

Foot Note : In these considerations, I have been inspired by the thought of Paul Ricoeur, "Le socius et le prochain", in Histoire et Verité, ed. Le Seuil, Paris, 1967, 113-127.

81. Jesus asks us to be present to those in need of help, regardless of whether or not they belong to our social group. In this case, the Samaritan became a neighbour to the wounded Judean. By approaching and making himself present, he crossed all cultural and historical barriers. Jesus concludes the parable by saying: "Go and do likewise" (Lk 10:37). In other words, he challenges us to put aside all differences and, in the face of suffering, to draw near to others with no questions asked. I should no longer say that I have neighbours to help, but that I must myself be a neighbour to others.

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82. The parable, though, is troubling, for Jesus says that that the wounded man was Judean, while the one who stopped and helped him was a Samaritan. This detail is quite significant for our reflection on a love that includes everyone. The Samaritans lived in a region where pagan rites were practised.

For the Jews, this made them impure, detestable, dangerous. In fact, one ancient Jewish text referring to nations that were

hated, speaks of Samaria as "not even a people" (Sir 50:25); it also refers to "the foolish people that live in Shechem" (50:26).

Foot Note : Ibid., 209: AAS 105 (2013), 1107.

83. This explains why a Samaritan woman, when asked by Jesus for a drink, answered curtly: "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jn 4:9). The most offensive charge that those who sought to discredit Jesus could bring was that he was "possessed" and "a Samaritan" (Jn

8:48). So this encounter of mercy between a Samaritan and a Jew is highly provocative; it leaves no room for ideological manipulation and challenges us to expand our frontiers. It gives a universal dimension to our call to love, one that transcends all prejudices, all historical and cultural barriers, all petty interests.

Foot Note : Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' (24 May 2015), 129: AAS 107 (2015), 899.

84. Finally, I would note that in another passage of the Gospel Jesus says: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Mt 25:35). Jesus could speak those words because he had an open heart, sensitive to the difficulties of others. Saint Paul urges us to "rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep" (Rom 12:15). When our hearts do this, they are capable of identifying with others without worrying about where they were born or come from. In the process, we come to experience others as our "own flesh" (Is 58:7).

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel.

The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountain-top, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel.

Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10).

They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for;

recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the

House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit- Amen

PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, James M. O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Chuck Simmons, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr, Megan, Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson, Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough, Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe, Nicholas Balch, Jean Stanley, Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Michael Kraus

MASS OPENINGS

22 June 2023—Opening
24 June 2023—Opening
25 June 2023—Opening
27 June 2023—Opening
28 June 2023—Opening
29 June 2023—Opening
30 June 2023—Opening
1 July 2023—Opening
2 July 2023—Opening
4 July 2023—Opening
5 July 2023—Opening
6 June 2023—Opening