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Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10;
John 15:9-17

6:30 PM – Knights of Columbus Meeting

Monday May 6, 2024

Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a

1:00 PM - Al-Anon

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

1:00 PM – Jesus and the Eucharist – Parish Room

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15

Office Closed

Thursday, May 9, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23;
Mark 16:15-20

Friday, May 10, 2024

Sts. John of Avila, St Damien de Veuster

Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23

9:00 AM – Daily Mass – Rectory

†Jim Talaske by the Talaske Family

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

4:00 – 4:30 PM Reconciliation – St. Philip Neri

5:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri

†Larry and Mark Eichenberg
by Tom Eichenberg

Collection Report **April 27, 2024**

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes (40) \$2,770.00

Loose \$284.00

\$3,054.00

Wkly. Budget \$3,100.00

O/ (U) Budget (\$46.00)

YTD Budget \$136,400.00

YTD Collections \$126,187.59

(\$10,212.41)

Schedule of Ministers

St. Philip Neri

May 11, 2024, 5:00 PM

Eucharist: Barb Spindler

Eucharist: Bob Shepler

Eucharist: Jesse Becerra

Word: Sandy Fogue

Hospitality: Steve Leporowski

Hospitality: Richard Karns

Hospitality: Ed Suckow

Hospitality: Kay Suckow

Diocesan Eucharistic Procession

Celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart on Friday, June 7 by joining Bishop Walkowiak at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew for Mass followed by a diocesan Eucharistic Procession. All are invited to adore the Lord and proclaim our Eucharistic faith through Mass at 6 p.m. with the procession to follow.

Mother's Day Roses

The St. Philip Neri / St. Anne Parish Life Committee will be selling Right to Life Mother's Day Roses for individuals to take with them after Mass next weekend, May 11. The cost is \$2 each.

**Msgr. Victor Gallagher
Council 12668**



*Committed to living catholic values while
serving our parish community*

PASTY SALE



Another successful pasty sale was conducted by the Knights of Columbus of our parish on April 27. Approximately 300 beef and 300 chicken pasties were made along with beef and chicken gravy. The annual project would not be the success it was without the support of our parishioners and members of the community. Proceeds from the sale of pasties will be used to support the needs of our parish, Right to Life, Reed City Food Pantry, Coats for Kids and other charitable needs. There were extra pasties made. If you missed out, call Tom Eichenberg at 832-4910 to get yours before they're gone.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery Envelopes

Contribution envelopes for the Mount Olivet Cemetery are in your weekly contribution box or you may take one from the back of the church. The contributions made through these envelopes will go directly for the upkeep of the grounds and is the major source of funding for the cemetery.

The ability to continue to provide a beautiful and peaceful resting place for our deceased loved ones is dependent of making a donation. The envelopes may be put in the offertory collection basket, mailed, or dropped-off at the parish office.

Mount Olivet Cemetery

A big "Thank You" to all who showed up and helped with the spring clean up at the cemetery. Many hands made light work. The donation of your time and talent helped in insuring the beauty of Mount Olivet Cemetery.



Faith Formation News

Do you find that Scripture is so timely for our times? That the readings for Sunday or the daily reading addresses so many of the issues we face today in our world, our families and in our hearts? This weekend's readings I think speak boldly to the times we are living through right now. As I am writing this there is unrest, hatred, and violence on our university campuses. The police in many places have been called in to restore order.

The second reading and the Gospel reading this weekend talk about Love! Right! Do we need to hear about love or what. This kind of love that Jesus talks about is not what most of us think of when we use the word "love". The kind of love Jesus is talking about comes from a place of peace, of forgiveness, and hope. It is unconditional love.

The second reading from 1 Jn 4:7-10 the opening lines reads: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God." He calls us "Beloved." We are God's loved children. The last line reads: "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins." God loved us first. God chose us. God sent Jesus Christ to show just how much God loves us. Jesus gave his life for us so that we could have eternal life and the forgiveness of our sins. He is Risen! He is Lord! Happy Easter! Yes, indeed!

In the Gospel Jesus tells us how to love now that we know how God and Jesus love us. When I took time one year during Holy Week to reflect on the great commandment that Jesus gives at the last Supper. It really turned my Spirit around. Not that I am perfect at loving but much more aware of the way I love. "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." Did you hear it? Love one another as Jesus has loved us! Not love me (Jesus) as I have loved you but love one another as Jesus has loved us. Well, that makes it harder, doesn't it?

We as followers of Jesus, his disciples, members of the Church, baptized in the Holy Spirit, Confirmed in the Holy Spirit, forgiven through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and feasting on the very Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, we are called to love one another. Easy? No! But as we have been hearing the last few weeks from Jesus to "remain in him." To stay close to his Word, the Sacraments and the Body of Christ, a community striving to live out their faith.

This weekend I will be at a family wedding. I have started praying that my actions and words will be of love and peace. When the family all gets together there are many different personalities, struggles and ways of life. It can be a challenge for me to be with some of them. However, I believe our Risen Lord is calling me to put myself aside and to love each one of them as Jesus loves them! I will be in prayer for sure! How do we let that love of Jesus shine through us? In everyday life? In our world, in our country and in our families? Maybe you need to be in prayer as well? We can not let this strange time pull us, as followers of Jesus Christ, back into ourselves. It is a time to boldly proclaim our love for each other. To reflect the Love of Jesus Christ.

In Easter Joy, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation