

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 17,
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"I will ask the Father, and he will give you . . . the Spirit of truth."
— John 14:16-17

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalm — Psalm 66

Second Reading — 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel — John 14:15-21



Bettie Rooks, Steve Kennedy (Amy Etter Mills' friend), **Len Zamora** (Gail Clark's aunt), Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Eva Jean Davis, Frank/Linda Develle, James Doddridge, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Lindsay Harwood, Jodie Lencock, Steve Musil Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Kenny Skellie **5/17**; Betsy Carraway, Eugene Humphery, Kelly Kilcrease, James Lee, Jr., Charity Long, Glynn/Tonya Long, Joseph Perlick, Irene Rangel, Rita Reed, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigmenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, Wendy Williams **5/10**; John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, Teresa Kemp, John Laughlin, Helen Machost, Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith, Brenda Williams, Alexander Young **5/3**; William Gipson, Gabriel Rigby, Gwen Roberson, Terrance Ruhland, Bill Singletary, Barbe Trudeau, Roger/Vickie Venable and Family, **4/26**; **Homebound/Nursing Homes:** Rosemary Anderson, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious:** Brian Carroll, Dan Gallagher, Odel Medina, Sam Messina, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. **Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will appear for one month.**

PRAYERS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH FOR ALL DOCTORS, NURSES, AIDS, PT'S AND ALL THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES CARING FOR ALL WITH COVID-19!



Prayers for Safety for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks,

Michael P. Collins, Nathan Darnell, Ty Develle, Lee Greco, Erling Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, Nathan Waltman. You may place a picture of the individual on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

Budget Needed Weekly	\$6,000.00
Weekly Offertory	\$2,240.00
Online	\$737.00
NewLife/Neuva Vida	\$490.00
Online	\$.00

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May Month of: Our Mother Mary

DAILY READINGS:

Saturday, May 16 – *Armed Forces Day*

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 17 – **Sixth Sunday of Easter** –

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Month of May Online Rosary

6:00pm Monday-Saturday Sunday's at 3:00pm

Monday, May 18 – *St. John I*

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Tuesday, May 19 –

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 20 – *St. Bernadine of Siena*

Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

6:00pm Online Adoration & Rosary

Thursday, May 21 – *St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions*

Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday, May 22 – *St. Rita of Cascia*

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday, May 23 – *Sophie & Charlie Davis*

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 24 – **The Ascension of the Lord** –

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23;

Mt 28:16-20



Question of the Week:

In the second reading, Peter tells his readers that they should “always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope” (1 Peter 3:15). Can I explain to others, “gently and reverently, “ why I hope?”

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PATRIOTISM

Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and your government when it deserves it.

—*Mark Twain*

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

At this time of year, when flowers are blooming and daylight is lengthening and nature is full of life, it feels as though God’s creation has been reborn. During the Easter season we recall that we ourselves have been reborn in baptism. Today’s Gospel reminds us that Jesus dwells within us. Not only that, the Holy Spirit is with us, too. Therefore, when we look around, we can see the full flowering of the divine in ourselves, in each other, and in the whole world. Truly, let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Today’s reading anticipate the feast of Pentecost, which we will celebrate two weeks from now. Peter and John join Philip in Samaria to make sure that the Samaritans received the Holy Spirit, just as they had in Jerusalem. In the Gospel Jesus promises his disciples that they will receive the Holy Spirit, who will be another Advocate after his own return to the Father. Listening to today’s readings, let us be aware of the Holy Spirit’s influence in our lives.

LIGHT OF BELIEF

Every believer in this world must become a spark of light.

—*Pope Saint John XXIII*

Congratulations 2020 Graduates!



Please send us your 2020 graduates name, parents names, where graduating from and their future intentions.

We are very proud of all our graduates and wish them God’s continued blessings on their journeys.

SAINT RITA OF CASCIA (1381-1457) May 22

If you’re ever in Philadelphia on May 22, forget parking anywhere near Saint Rita’s shrine. Cars line streets and fill medians as throngs pack a candlelight vigil and six Masses, honoring this patroness of lost causes, hopeless situations, and—as her statue in countless churches built by twentieth-century immigrants testifies—difficult marriages, troubled homes, and alienated children. Wise people warn, be careful what you pray for. “Divine Savior,” Rita prayed, “let me suffer like you!” Obedient to parents who refused her wish to become a nun, Rita married a man who returned her devotion with twenty years of abuse. When enemies murdered him, Rita’s two sons swore revenge. Paintings depict her pointing the angry boys toward Christ crucified, whom she begged to restrain them. Within the year, both sons died. Alone now, Rita went to the convent but was refused. The nuns feared violence, since one of them was related to the murderer. Rita arranged peace between the families, made vows, and became much sought after as a counselor and intercessor for forty years on earth—and ever since in heaven.

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May Prayer Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis



Universal Evangelization: for Deacons –

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and to the poor, may be an invigorating sign to the whole Church.

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
Vaccine and Cure for the Coronavirus-19
and Peace in the World!**