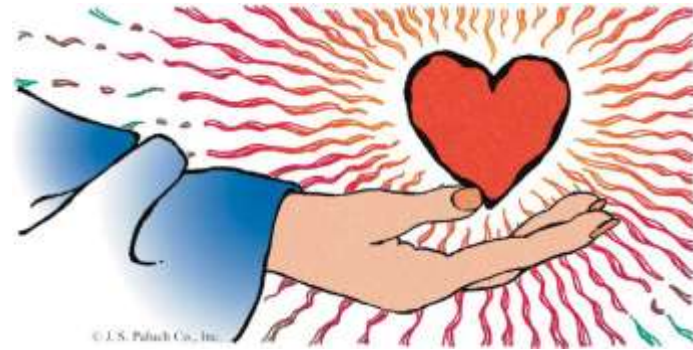


Fifth Sunday of Easter May 19, 2019

“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race.”
— Revelation 21:3



MISSIONARIES OF MERCY

Paul’s back! After last week’s “violent abuse,” opponents organized a lynch mob that beat Paul nearly to death. But call Paul the “energizing evangelist,” transforming deadly cruelty into life-giving zeal. Paul’s past courage should inspire our commitment; Revelation’s future “new heaven, new earth” should inspire our optimism. But Revelation’s present assurance, “Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race,” should challenge us to become “missionaries of mercy.” Because Pope Francis declared that the Church’s credibility is completely dependent on our showing unconditional mercy. Mercy, said Francis, makes the Church, the world, and everyone young again, reawakened to life’s noblest virtues. Fittingly, in today’s Gospel Jesus reinforces that theme: “This is how all will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas reported how God had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — God’s dwelling is with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	May 20 † Tessie, † Joseph and † Saviour Schembri
Tuesday 8:00 am	May 21 † Catherine Taormina
Wednesday 8:00 am 7:00 pm	May 22 Communal Service Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 8:00 am	May 23 † Tom Occhipinti
Friday 8:00 am	May 24 † Gwen Podesta
Saturday 8:00 am 4:30 pm	May 25 † Salvina Sally Youngue † Carmen Spiteri
Sunday 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	May 26 People of the Parish Italian Catholic Federation † Addie Kramer Flores De Mayo

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

Sunday Collection May 12, 2019

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 4,493.00
Over/Under	\$ 507.00
Archdiocesan Appeal	\$ 970.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the “memo” section of the check. This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**

SECOND COLLECTION

On May 25th and 26th the second collection will be for Catholic Communications Campaign. Please use the envelopes found in the pews.

Flores De Mayo

Please join us in celebrating the Flores De Mayo on Sunday May 26th at the 11:30 am Mass. Celebration starts with the Holy Rosary at the grotto site at 11:00 am followed by Mass in the Church at 11:30 am. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring flowers for the crowing of Mary. A reception will follow after the Mass in Cantwell Hall.

Thank you to the St. Elizabeth Maltese Society for their donation of \$200. from their recent casino trip.



The Parish office will be closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

2020 Mass Intentions Now Available!

Please follow the guidelines below when sending in your Mass requests.

Due to the large volume of Mass requests and in order to be fair to the needs of all our parishioners, the following is the Mass Book policy as set by Father Charito Suan, Pastor:

Initially, each parishioner can request up to

12 Masses per year. Only 4 of those Masses may be on weekends depending on availability.

We are no longer accepting individual Mass Intentions for the following days : **Ash Wednesday, Easter, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, All Souls, All Saints, Thanksgiving , Christmas Eve and Christmas. The intentions will be for the entire St. Elizabeth Community.**

Due to the volume of requests, **Masses cannot be reserved by phone or in person.** Requests must be submitted in writing.

Not all dates are available for Mass Intentions,so we ask that you be prepared with alternate dates and times. Wednesdays at 7:00 pm are available for multiple intentions. If your requested date is not available an alternate date will be chosen for you.

Once you receive your confirmation letter with your schedule of Masses, please make your check payable to St. Elizabeth Church. Please do not send payment with your request. Please allow time for processing. The monetary gift that has been suggested by our Archdiocese is \$10.00 per mass.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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