



Fifth Sunday of Easter

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St. Francis' Mission is:

To live by Faith, be known by Love, and be a voice of Hope in order to give ourselves in service and better the lives of others.

HYMNS

Gathering 543 "Sing A New Song"

Offertory 384 "The Servant Song"

Communion 460 "Eyes Has Not Seen"

Communion-2 198 "Hail, Holy Queen"

Sending 424 "Canticle of the Sun"

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Reading 1 = Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Responsorial Psalm = Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Reading 2 = 1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel = John 14:1-12

St. Ignatius of Loyola

(Prayer after Communion)

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my entire will, All I have and call my own. You have given all to me. To you, Lord, I return it. Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me. Amen

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

DATE	GREETERS	ACOLYTE	1 ST READING	2 ND READING/ INTERCESSION	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
May 14	Don Nile	Barb W	Ron	Jim H	Jim V
May 21	Jon L Florence	Jim V	Cheryl V	Fr. Martin	Ivy V
May 28	Cindy M Marian G	George	Deb F	Bill S	Anthony



*From The Desk, of
The Pastor*

In today's Gospel Reading Jesus promises his eternal presence will be with his disciples. However, 'to believe' involves committing the whole self to the care of God. If Jesus goes to prepare a dwelling place for them in his Father's house, there will be room for all of them.

So, just where are we headed then? It is the prayer of a faithful Christian trying to make sense of things. Do we let Christ guide us through life and point us to the ultimate victory that is ours in eternity? Our primary response to God's self-revelation should be one of faith, faith in the one who cares about us, about our well-being and needs, about our joys and sorrows. God has a place for us. These words have often been of great comfort when read during the funeral service, it being one of the choices for the Gospel Reading. One day we will be securely at home with God for all time. But here is even more joyful news: not only will we be in that home then, we are invited to live in that home now. As St. Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the Risen Jesus, who says to us - "I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." And this is the Good News of today.

Fr. Victor



"Fear not for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."
(Isaiah 41:10)



Let Us Pray for

A blessing and prayer tribute to all mothers

"Blessed be all mothers
Who have come into our lives
Whose kindness, care and loving
Remain with us to guide.

Your inspiration in us
Made us strive in every way
Specially to remember
Helping others makes our day.

Mothers, this little tribute
Flows directly from my heart
You are so loved and cherished
Invaluable, one and all, you are.

Susan Kramer

- ✚ Bill Hartwig, Parishioner. Prayers for Healing and Better Health
- ✚ Myles Rogalla, cousin of John and Leo in preparation for surgery. Prayers for Surgeon Guidance and Healing.
- ✚ Dawn Rubio, friend of James Hoffmann recovering from a stroke. Prayers for Healing and Thanks to her Caregivers.
- ✚ Joe Ursiti battling illness. Prayers for Healing and Speedy Recovery...
- ✚ Ryan Conely, John's Nephew for health issues. Prayers for Improved Health.
- ✚ Mark Talboom, suffering with additional major health issues. Prayers needed for Healing and a Return to Better Health.
- ✚ Rev. John Gill, friend of Mary Lee, suffering with cancer and radiation treatment. Prayers for Healing.
- ✚ Jeff Gajeski, 38 yr. old nephew of John O'Grady suffering with a brain tumor. Prayer for Speedy Recovery.
- ✚ Annie Gambino, friend of St Francis - cancer challenges and upcoming surgery/treatment. Prayer for Healing and Strength.
- ✚ D A and Dee dealing with health issues. Prayers for Healing.
- ✚ Birgit Wilhelm dealing with health issues. Prayers for Healing.
- ✚ Ivy Villafana recuperating. Prayers for Healing.
- ✚ Those dealing with unseen issues affecting the heart, mind and body such as grief, depression and anxiety.
- ✚ For the lonely, the dying, those who have entered God's Eternal Kingdom and those who are grieving them.

Establishment of Mother's Day Holiday

The modern holiday of Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother at St Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia. St Andrew's Methodist Church now holds the International Mother's Day Shrine. Her campaign to make "Mother's Day" a recognized holiday in the United States began in 1905, the year her mother, Ann Reeves Jarvis, died. Ann Jarvis had been a peace activist who cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the American Civil War, and created Mother's Day Work Clubs to address public health issues. Anna Jarvis wanted to honor her mother by continuing the work she started and to set aside a day to honor all mothers, because she believed that they were "the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world".

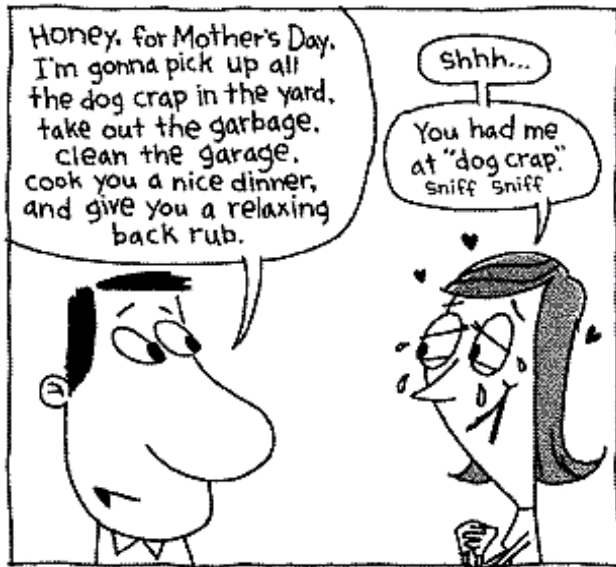
In 1908, the US Congress rejected a proposal to make Mother's Day an official holiday, joking that they would also have to proclaim a "Mother-in-law's Day". However, owing to the efforts of Anna Jarvis, by 1911 all US states observed[clarification needed] the holiday, with some of them officially recognizing Mother's Day as a local holiday, the first being West Virginia, Jarvis' home state, in 1910. In 1914, Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating Mother's Day, held on the second Sunday in May, as a national holiday to honor mothers.

Although Jarvis was successful in founding Mother's Day, she became resentful of the commercialization of the holiday. By the early 1920s, Hallmark Cards and other companies had started selling Mother's Day cards. Jarvis believed that the companies had misinterpreted and exploited the idea of Mother's Day, and that the emphasis of the holiday was on sentiment, not profit. As a result, she organized boycotts of Mother's Day, and threatened to issue lawsuits against the companies involved. Jarvis argued that people should appreciate and honor their mothers through handwritten letters expressing their love and gratitude, instead of buying gifts and pre-made cards. Jarvis protested at a candy makers' convention in Philadelphia in 1923, and at a meeting of American War Mothers in 1925. By this time, [carnations](#) had become associated with Mother's Day, and the selling of carnations by the American War Mothers to raise money angered Jarvis, who was arrested for [disturbing the peace](#).



What Makes My Belly Laugh!

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Real Life Love Scenes



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This Day is for YOU!

*For those who are Mothers, Grandmothers,
Given Motherly Love to a Child,*

This Day Is For You!

MOM, I LOVE YOU!

AGE 10: I love you, mom!

AGE 14: My mom is so annoying!

AGE 18: I wanna leave this house.

AGE 25: Mom, you were right..

AGE 30: Mom, forgive me?

AGE 50: I don't wanna lose my mom!

AGE 70: Mom, I love you so much...

A mother becomes a true grandmother the day she stops noticing the terrible things her children do, *because she is so enchanted with the wonderful things her grandchildren do.*

~Lois Wyse~



Upcoming Anniversaries and Birthdays:

Gerry Goldsborough Birthday 5/25

Donald McLean Birthday 5/27

George Resler Birthday 5/27

Aryn Zahnow Birthday 5/28

Al O'Donnell Birthday 5/30



LOOKING AHEAD

Check out the Calendar page for more details.

- Every Sunday in May we will have a Rosary at 9:30am
- Tuesday from 2-4pm Reiki from Florence Jean-Pierre. Contact her for appointment
- May 14 – Sunday – Mother's Day – Bring a Picture to Church
- May 17 – Tuesday – Council Meeting at 7:30pm
- May 19 – Friday – New Members Dinner at 6pm
- May 20 – Saturday – Armed Forces Day
- May 21 – Sunday – Memorial Mass for Jimmy Treston as requested by Barb Fichter

CHOIR PRACTICE IS NOW ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 6PM

Father Victor Ray

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MASS Each Sunday at 10:30am

Followed by Coffee and Fellowship