

# SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2015

## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 18	8:00am	† Bill VanNatta
Tuesday, May 19	8:00am	† Bob Klaas
Wednesday, May 20	8:00am	Living & Deceased Members of the David & Mary Jane Keyes Family
Thursday, May 21	8:00am	† Ruth Hentrich
	10:30am	† Harlan & Eileen Droeszler (Manor Care)
Friday, May 22	8:00am	For Eunice Banwarth
	11:00am	Special Intention (R.L.) (Park Place)
Saturday, May 23	8:00am	(TLM)
<b>WEEKEND LITURGIES</b>		
Saturday, May 23	4:00pm	† Special Intention (Mel)
Sunday, May 24	9:00am	Deceased Members of the Leo & Inez Hyng Family
	12 noon	Misa

This weekend the National Combined Collection is being conducted across the diocese. Information brochure explaining all of the individual collections and an envelope to make your donation are on the tables in back of church. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives of so many across this country.

"John Karsten would like to thank those who sent him birthday cards."

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26—1 Jn 4:11-16—Jn 17:11b-19.

**Monday:** St. John 1, Pope and Martyr

Acts 19:18—Jn 16:29-33.

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27—Jn 17:1-11a.

**Wednesday:** St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest

Acts 20:28-38—Jn 17:11b-19.

**Thursday:** St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & companions & martyrs

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11—Jn 17:20-26.

**Friday:** St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Acts 25:13b-21—Jn 21:15-19.

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31—Jn 21:20-25.

**Pentecost Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11—1 Cor 12:3b7,12-13—Jn 15:19-23.

Saturday, May 23 4:00 pm	Altar Servers	Sunday, May 24 9:00am
David Drefcinski		Noah Tashner
John Drefcinski		Gabe Tashner
Ben Drefcinski		RJ Schmitt
<b>Lector &amp; Leader of Prayer</b>		
Christine Del Priore		Lee Eggers
		Larry McGinley
Kent Scheuerell		Dee Woolf
<b>Sacristan:</b> Christine Del Priore		
<b>Music:</b> Kim & Youth		
<b>Rosary:</b> Barbara Stevenson		

## REFLECTION—May 17, 2015 - Ascension of Our Lord

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 John 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to defend your faith or clarify a question about your faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in your faith and share your witness with others.

**Private Reconciliation**—every day, one hour before each Mass & Thursdays after morning Mass until 9:30am.

**Eucharistic Adoration** on Thursdays beginning after 8am Mass and concluding with Rosary and Benediction at 8pm. Adoration will now be in the Chapel.

The Rosary is prayed ½ hour before Mass — 3:30 at the Saturday 4pm Mass—8:30 at the Sunday 9am Mass.



Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am. If no answer please leave your prayer.

**St. Mary's Rosary Group**—We are creating a mission rosary group. If you would be interested in joining this group and learn how to make rosaries, please contact Katie Melssen before the first meeting so we can order enough supplies. Email: [melssenkate@gmail.com](mailto:melssenkate@gmail.com) phone after 5:30pm (608) 723-2649. The first meeting will be on May 24, 2015 after 9 o'clock Mass in the hospitality room.



The Parish Office will be closed Thursday afternoon and Friday afternoon May 21 & 22 and Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th. We wish you a safe and happy holiday.

**Thanks to everyone** who donated items for the parish garage sale. We had a profit of \$757.50. I greatly appreciated the assistance of the following people: Jeanie Bussan, Renee Guler, Lila Byrnes, Sue Momot, Marie Claire, Retha Mulrooney, Margaret, David and Shane Drefcinski.

We will have another sale in September with our fall festival. Donations of items will be taken at any time. Please call Diane Drefcinski at 348-3937 if you have items to donate.

## Pray for our Candidates for Confirmation

The following individuals will be confirmed on May 20 at St. Rose in Lancaster. Remember to keep each of them in your prayers as they journey toward completing their Sacraments of Initiation.

Maria Busch, Mary Ann Klar, Vince Momot, Colten Brickler, José Hernandez Rodriguez, Juvenal Hernandez Rodriguez, Carmelo Rios, Leslie Real, Erik Santos Cano, Fredi Julián Santos, Cyrus Joseph Rezazadeh, María Ester Alonso.

## ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

May 10, 2015

Weekly Envelopes.....\$ 3,615 .00  
 Offertory.....\$ 423.00  
 Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$ 800.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS**—A special Mass for the deceased members of St. Mary's will be celebrated at Calvary Cemetery on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th at 8:00 a.m. A collection will be taken. All proceeds will go to restoration work in the cemetery. Please bring a chair so that you may sit on the pavement. In case of inclement weather Mass will be in the church. Father Faustino has asked that anyone attending dress appropriately for the weather, but keep in mind that this is a religious ceremony, so please dress appropriately.

**PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING CEMETERY RULES**

Glass containers are not to be placed on or at any gravesite. Urns and containers that are not a part of the monument, are not to be placed on the grass around the monuments or markers, or to be placed in such a manner that they are apt to fall on the grass and impede mowing. No metal stakes, fences or wire fasteners are to be put into the ground. It is preferred that there be no flower beds at the gravesite, but if there are, they must be trimmed and maintained by the family. If not, they will be removed. Perpetual Care of the Cemetery does not include the care of individual lots.

**Patron Saints For This Week**

**St. Bernardine of Siena, Feast Day is May 20**

Patron Saint of Communication  
Loving Lord, Saint Bernardine preached about Your mercy during a time when the Church was embattled by divisions. His preaching skills were so great and caused so many conversions, I ask him to intercede for speakers, advertisers, public relations and communications personnel, writers, publishers, and all in my church who employ the tools of persuasion. Jesus, You are the Word of God; teach us to use words to advance Your kingdom of love rather than to tear people down or to build fear. Help us to be Your voice of mercy, reconciling enemies and healing the wounded. Saint Bernardine, pray for us. Amen.

**Saint Cristobal Magallanes Jara, Feast Day is May 21**

He was born in 1869.....Died in 1927  
Saint Cristobal Magallanes Jara, also known as Christopher Magallanes is a martyr and saint venerated in the Catholic Church who was killed without trial on the way to say Mass during the Cristero War after the trumped up charge of inciting rebellion.

**St. Rita of Cascia, Feast Day is May 22**

Patron Saint of Impossible Causes  
She was born in 1381 Died in 1457  
Almighty Jesus, Saint Rita had a special devotion to the Passion, because she felt unspeakable awe at what You did on the cross. She shared in Your suffering beginning at age twelve when her parents married her to an abusive man, and so she has become the patron of impossible causes. I ask her to pray for all my most difficult, least hopeful situations, and to hold dear in her heart, with continuous prayers, all the people I know who are in harmful, unhealthy or abusive lives. Free us all, dear Lord, from the strongholds of fear and denial that keep us from discovering Your healing love. Saint Rita, pray for us. Amen

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**  
**Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant**  
**Diane Drefcinski 348-3937**  
**We invite you to consider these businesses and thank them for their support.**

The Homemade Cinnamon Roll sale is this Sunday after Mass. The Sale will be in the north entrance of church. Linda Schmidt's Farewell Reception will be in the Hospitality Room. We wish you the very best, Linda, as you go on your way.

**"Lighthouse Catholic Media presents .. CD Pick of the Week: Anger and Forgiveness by Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald**

Catholic psychotherapist Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald provides a spiritual and psychological prescription for overcoming the sinful anger that poisons the mind of Christ within, causing alienation and division. His practical wisdom shows that only by learning how to forgive can we hope to promote healing and understanding in our relationships and enjoy the blessings of a forgiving heart.

All CD's are just \$3! They make great wedding gifts or confirmation gifts, just put one inside your card!"

 Our weekly prayer intention for this week based upon the World Meeting of Families Event is for Unity of Families.

**Pastoral Council Column**

**The Kingdom Remains**

Today's First Reading begins by giving us a time-frame—the events take place during the days between Christ's ascension and Pentecost. We're at the same point in our liturgical year. On Thursday we celebrated His being taken up in glory, and next Sunday we will celebrate His sending of the Spirit upon the Church.

Jesus' prayer in the Gospel today also captures the mood of departure and the anticipation. He is telling us today how it will be when He is no longer in the world.

By His ascension, the Lord has established His throne in heaven, as we sing in today's Psalm. His kingdom is His Church, which continues His mission on earth.

Jesus fashioned His kingdom as a new Jerusalem, and a new house of David (see Psalm 122:4-5; Revelation 21:9-14). He entrusted this kingdom to His twelve apostles, who were to preside at the Eucharistic table, and to rule with Him over the restored twelve tribes of Israel (see Luke 22:29-30).

The twelve apostles symbolize the twelve tribes and hence the fulfillment of God's plan for Israel (see Galatians 6:16). That's why it is crucial to replace Judas—so that the Church in its fullness receives the Spirit at Pentecost.

Peter's leadership of the apostles is another key element of the Church as it is depicted today. Notice that Peter is unquestionably in control, interpreting the Scriptures, deciding a course of action, even defining the nature of the apostolic ministry.

No one has ever seen God, as we hear in today's Epistle. Yet, through the Church founded on His apostles, the witnesses to the resurrection, the world will come to know and believe in God's love, that He sent His Son to be our savior.

Through the Church, Jesus' pledge still comes to us—that if we love, God will remain with us in our trials and protects us from the evil one. By His word of truth He will help us grow in holiness, the perfection of love.

(Dr. Scott Hahn, This Sunday's Bible Reflections)