Seventh Sunday of Easter

MAY 29, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

Acts 7:55-60 First:

Second: Revelation 21:12-14, 16-17, 20

Gospel: John 17:20-26

FOCUS: Belief in Jesus transforms and unites us as beloved sons and daughters of the Father.

Jesus prays for believers, asking the Father that we may be brought to perfection as one. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we will be transformed. We can turn to Stephen, the first martyr, and the saints for courage as we turn our lives over to God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

In the first reading, Stephen is stoned to death after relaying a vision of Jesus at the right hand of God. In the second reading, John writes of the vision he



had; that Jesus, the Alpha and the Omega, will judge each according to their deeds. In the Gospel, Jesus prays that believers will be one, united to him and the Father.

MASS INTENTIONS

Joe Britto, Rev. Bill O'Brien 5 p.m.:

and John Pergolizzi

Michael Faso, Sr., Aida Seda, 9 a.m.:

Richard Tolliver and Jose M. Perez

11 a.m.: Gloria Mullarkey, Natalie Siano

and Anna Regino

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 15-22: Totaled \$ 4,671.93

Envelopes: \$1,944.00 - Online: \$2,727.93 THANK YOU

CALL TO JUSTICE

In response to the news of the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas,, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offered the following statement from its spokesperson, Chieko Noguchi, director of public affairs:

"There have been too many school shootings, too much killing of the innocent. Our Catholic faith calls us to pray for those who have died and to bind the wounds of others, and we join our prayers along with the community in Uvalde and Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller.

As we do so, each of us also needs to search our souls for ways that we can do more to understand this epidemic of evil and violence and implore our elected officials to help us take action."

CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest sympathies to Mary D'Orazio Pergolizzi upon the death of her husband, John. Please keep the family in your prayers.

RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

Alas, we actually have to talk about fall when summer hasn't even officially begun. But you know the harsh reality: September will be here before

we know it! If your child will be entering

first grade in the fall, he or she is also ready to begin our



religious education program. Or if your family has just relocated from another parish, this is also the time to register your children. Please contact Jessica Carpino, religious education coordinator, at 845-361-5816. She will schedule a convenient appointment to take care of registration, and then you can return your attention to summer!

AT THE SHRINE

A Morning of Prayer has been set for 9:15-11:15 a.m. this Wednesday, June 1, followed by Mass at 11:30 a.m.

The morning's focus, led by Sr. Peggy Murphy, is praying through the parables of Jesus. Coffee and cake will be available. The cost is \$20 per person.

To register, call Carol Bezak, Shrine director, at 845-343-1879 or email cbezak@carmelites.com



SUMMER HOURS

Beginning this Monday, Memorial Day, and continuing through Labor Day, the church office will be open 9 a.m-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and yes, closed Mondays.



FREEDOM ISN'T FREE

IN THE LOOP

In the church vestibules you will find short, neon orange forms on which to update your contact information. Emails change; landlines get replaced by cell phones – and cell phone numbers change, too. This impacts our ability to communicate with you!

So please take a moment to answer those few questions and drop the form in the collection box or return it to the office. If you prefer, you can update your information via our website (www.stpaulsbullville.org). Go to "About Us" in the menu bar and then to "Contact Us" in the drop-down.

Summer Outreach Week runs from
June 27-July 1, during which Capuchin Youth &
Family Ministries mobilizes middle- and highschool-age teens, adult volunteers and friars to
serve children, the elderly and infirmed, the poor
and the homeless. Participants can spend a day or two
or the whole week. Registration fee of \$50/day or
\$225/week includes meals and transportation to
worksites from St. Joachim's Church in Beacon.
Registration (https://bit.ly/CYFMSOW2022) deadline is
this Monday, May 30. Call (845) 718-0218 for
information.

If you are able, please remember our busy food pantry when you do your grocery shopping or are making a contribution to the church. The number of families served has been steadily increasing, with a notable jump since the beginning of this year. Thanks in large part to the assistance you provide, we have been able to meet that need. And know that our families are very grateful, too.

"Peace is the simplicity of the heart, serenity of mind, tranquility of soul, the bond of love."

Padre Pío a/k/a Pío of Pietrelcina

OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES

Three-year-old Reese: "Our Father, who does art in heaven, Harold is His name, Amen."

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

A wife invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the wife answered.

The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, five, and Ryan, three. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.

"If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' " Kevin turned to his younger brother and said.

"Ryan, you be Jesus!"

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