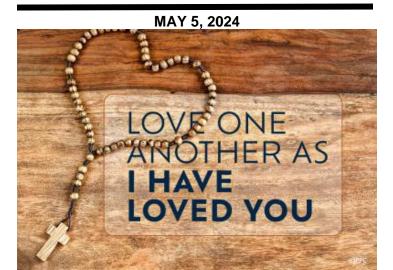
6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Second: 1 John 4:7-10 **Gospel:** John 15:9-17

FOCUS: Remain in my love.

This Easter season, as the paschal mystery continues to unfold before us, Jesus focuses our attention on love being at the heart of discipleship. Jesus' words and actions were always rooted in his profound love for us. As disciples, we grow closer to Jesus and his mission by sharing God's love with others. In God's love, he is revealed.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

In the first reading, Peter humbly speaks while the Holy Spirit falls upon those who are listening, resulting in more baptisms. In the second reading, John writes



of our call to love one another. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to remain in his love. He calls them friends, no longer slaves.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Christopher Hoban, Rosemarie Cerritto,

Nancy Wood and Joe Britto

10 a.m.: Steven Sanabria, Nicholas Sanabria,

Rosalina Rodriguez and Stephen Kuhn

LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. – 81 10 a.m. – 180

RELIGIOUS ED REREGISTRATION

Yes, we actually have to talk about fall when summer hasn't even officially begun. But you know the harsh reality:

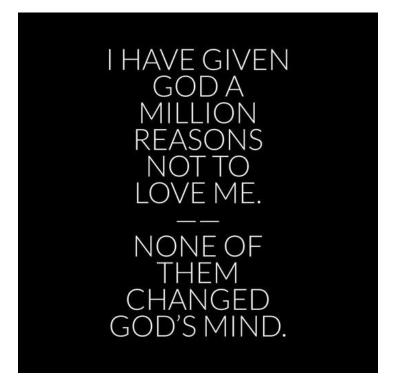
September will be here before we know it.



Generations of Faith

For children who have already been participating in our Religious Education program, note that **Reregistration** will take place between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on **May 21** and **22.** All you need do is come to Deacon John Hall that Tuesday or Wednesday evening.

For children who will be new to the program, registration will be by appointment. Call the Religious Education Office at 845-361-5816 and leave a message for Peg Hoblin.



ASCENSION THURSDAY

The **Ascension of the Lord**, also known as Ascension Thursday, marks Jesus' ascent into heaven



40 days after his Resurrection. It is a Holy Day of Obligation that this year falls on May 9, this Thursday. Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m.



By 2019, it had become apparent to Teresa Rodriguez, a hospice nurse in Colorado who was raised praying the rosary nightly with her entire family, that the spiritual needs of her memory-care patients were not being met. The Rosary Team evolved to fill that void.

Rosary Team volunteers visit nursing homes to pray the rosary with residents in a group setting. These volunteers offer companionship and spiritual support through their weekly visits. Residents, who are facing physical limitations and loss, often find a sense of renewed purpose as they fulfill God's call to pray.

Catholics were not the first to pray with beads. Men and women of many faiths and cultures use beads for this purpose. In fact, the word *bead* in English is actually derived from an Old English word *bede*, which means *prayer*.

And the prayer now of this Denver-based nonprofit is to fill nursing homes nationwide and worldwide with a dedicated Rosary Team.

Could those in Orange County be among them? Moved by an article she read, parishioner Joan Miller reached out to the folks in Denver for guidance and materials.

"This is low key and prayerful," she says of proposed local visits to pray the rosary "slowly and loudly" (as advised) with whomever is interested. A gradual growth of this team is envisioned.

If you're interested in learning more, contact Joan at joan.miller@msmc.edu or (845) 457-9171.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Regular Sunday Collection
April 21-28: \$ 5,259.01

Envelopes: \$ 2,371.00 – Online: \$ 2,888.01 THANK YOU!

CARDINAL'S 2024 APPEAL

Our parish goal is \$50,600, of which \$44,470 has been received/pledged as of April 30 from 112 families; \$6,130 to go! If you have not done so already, please prayerfully consider your gift, which can also be made online at www.cardinalsappeal.org.



IN THE LOOP

The deadline is this Friday, May 10, to let the office know if you will be celebrating either 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2024. Those couples will be recognized during our Masses the weekend of May 25 and 26. May 10 is also the deadline to register for the Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass that will be place on Sunday, June 2, at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Men and women of all ages are invited to "In the Beginning ... Coping with Life Alone." This one-day remote program via Zoom will take place from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, and is sponsored by Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley, a peer-led ministry that serves those grieving the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce or separation. For information or to register, which is required, please call Jim at 845-220-7883 or Denise at 845-325-3147.

Today, the first Sunday of the month, is also known as **Food Pantry Sunday.** In April, we served 96 people spread among 26 families, including many single seniors.

Needless to say, donations of **unexpired** and non-perishable foods are greatly appreciated. We are in particular need of pancake mix and syrup, tea, tuna, jelly, Chef Boyardee products, hearty soups, chicken stock,r pasta and sauce. Monetary donations are also welcome and can even be made on WeShare.

LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME JOB?

The Carmelite Friars are seeking an efficient, detail-oriented administrative assistant to work in the Carmelite Development Center. Duties include:

- Handling phone and email queries and requests.
- Providing general assistance to the director and assistant director, including maintenance of donor wills and estates.
- Coordinating the annual mailing.
- Drafting special letters and correspondence.
- Assisting in the donation processing.

Applicants should be computer literate with strong writing, editing and organizational skills. Knowledge of DonorPerfect software is a plus. The position is part-time, requiring 22 hours per week. Send resume to: mobrien@carmelites.com

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