# 5th Sunday of Easter



#### MAY 7, 2023 THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Acts 6:1-7 Second: 1 Peter 2:4-9 Gospel: John 14:1-12 FOCUS: Let us truly be the body of Christ by demonstrating the Father's love to others.

How can we walk alongside the way and the truth and the life? We can be Christ to each other. As the body of Christ, we do his works. We offer our time, talent or treasure to those in need. Let us ask Jesus how we can continue to build his kingdom on earth.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

In the Acts of the Apostles, the new role of deacon fills practical needs of the growing Church. The first Epistle of Peter calls us to be built together as living stones into a spiritual house. We are a royal priesthood



called into the light of Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus reassures his disciples that he goes to prepare a place for them. He promises that those who believe in him will do his works and greater ones.

### MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Nancy Wood, Frank Valenti, Clare Costello and Beverly Oboyski

10 a.m.: Steven Sanabria, Nicky Sanabria, Joe Britto and Al DeTulio

### LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

8 p.m.: 77 10 a.m.: 176

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED!

Bishop Dominick Lagonegro's homily during Confirmation Mass last Saturday referenced the Peanuts comic strip. As a pessimistic Charlie Brown questions the world, an optimistic and confident Linus assures him that he knows the world is a better place because he (meaning Linus) is in it.

And now, having received the gift of the Holy Spirit, Bishop Lagonegro reminds us that the world is a better place with our newly confirmed in it. Everyone has special gifts from God to share.

Perhaps one of Bishop Lagonegro's own gifts is his effervescent personality. He



quickly puts the teens at ease as he explains the significance of his headdress (or mitre) or why he cherishes the crucifix he wears, presented to him by Cardinal Cook, who is on the road to canonization. He is known for his sincere, one-on-one talks with the Confirmation candidates before Mass, as well as bantering with other family members. He was even overheard to say: "This is really a great group of kids that I got to meet!"

So to our newly confirmed: Begin opening your gifts. The world is waiting and watching.

Míchaela Andríkut......Catheríne Víctoría Crespo......María Devín Csanko.....Sebastían Alívía Dow.....Thérèse Aaron Faso.....Anthony Míchael Gurda......Ríchard Carter Hoblin.....James Jason Kanía.....Albertus Marco Langley......Mark Payton Malm.....Sebastían Áídan McQueen......Francís Samantha Messíng......Gemma Ava O'Flaherty.....Brigid Joví Roosa.....Joan Aíden Suchy.....Luígí Samantha Thompson....Catherine Jayden VonHassel......Isadore

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Regular Sunday Collection April 23-30: Totaled \$ 6,479.85 Envelopes: \$ 3,317.00 – Online: \$ 3,162.85 *THANK YOU!* 



## **ALTAR SERVERS SOUGHT**

If your child has received First Holy Communion, including those who will be receiving this sacrament next weekend, he or she is eligible to become an altar server.

A mandatory training session has been scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 4. Current altar servers, as well as those who also now want to serve their community through this important ministry, should plan to attend.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Andy and Alison Britto at oweson13@yahoo.com or brit20852000@yahoo.com.

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Ascension Thursday or the Ascension of the Lord, marks Jesus' ascent into heaven 40 days after his Resurrection. It is a Holy Day of Obligation that this

year falls on Thursday, May 18. Masses will be celebrated here at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

### **RELIGIOUS ED RE-REGISTRATION**

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.



For children who have

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already been participating in our Religious Education program, note that **Re-Registration** will take place between 6 and 7 p.m. on May 16 and 17. 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 in June. Stay tuned for further details.

## IN THE LOOP

St. Mary's & St. Andrew's Church in Ellenville is another local host of "Eucharistic Miracles of the World," the Vatican exhibit of miracles compiled by Blessed Carlo Acutis, and is doing so as part of the Eucharistic Revival.

Carlo was an Italian teen who enjoyed gaming, computer programming and soccer. He was also a devout Catholic whose compassion and love of Christ inspired him to spend four years cataloging Church-recognized Eucharistic Miracles worldwide. He died of leukemia at the age of 15, and now is on the path to sainthood.

The exhibit will be on display in the Parish Hall from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. daily through May 14, (with the exception of Tuesday, May 9, when it will close at 5 p.m.).

For more information, visit https://smsaparish.org or call 845-647-6080.

The deadline is Monday, May 15, to let the office know if you will be celebrating either 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2023. Those couples will be recognized during our Masses the weekend of May 27 and 28. That is also the deadline to register for the Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass that will be place on Sunday, June 4, at St. Patrick's Cathedral.



Did you know that you can download The Good Newsroom app either on the Apple App Store or on Google Play? It's free and an easy way to stay up to date on what's happening throughout the Archdiocese of New York - as more than 5,000 people already know.



Our **Food Pantry** doesn't stay stocked for long! Know that your donations of unexpired and non-perishable foods are greatly appreciated. Almost all our pantry staples are low at this time. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be made on WeShare. Thank you

