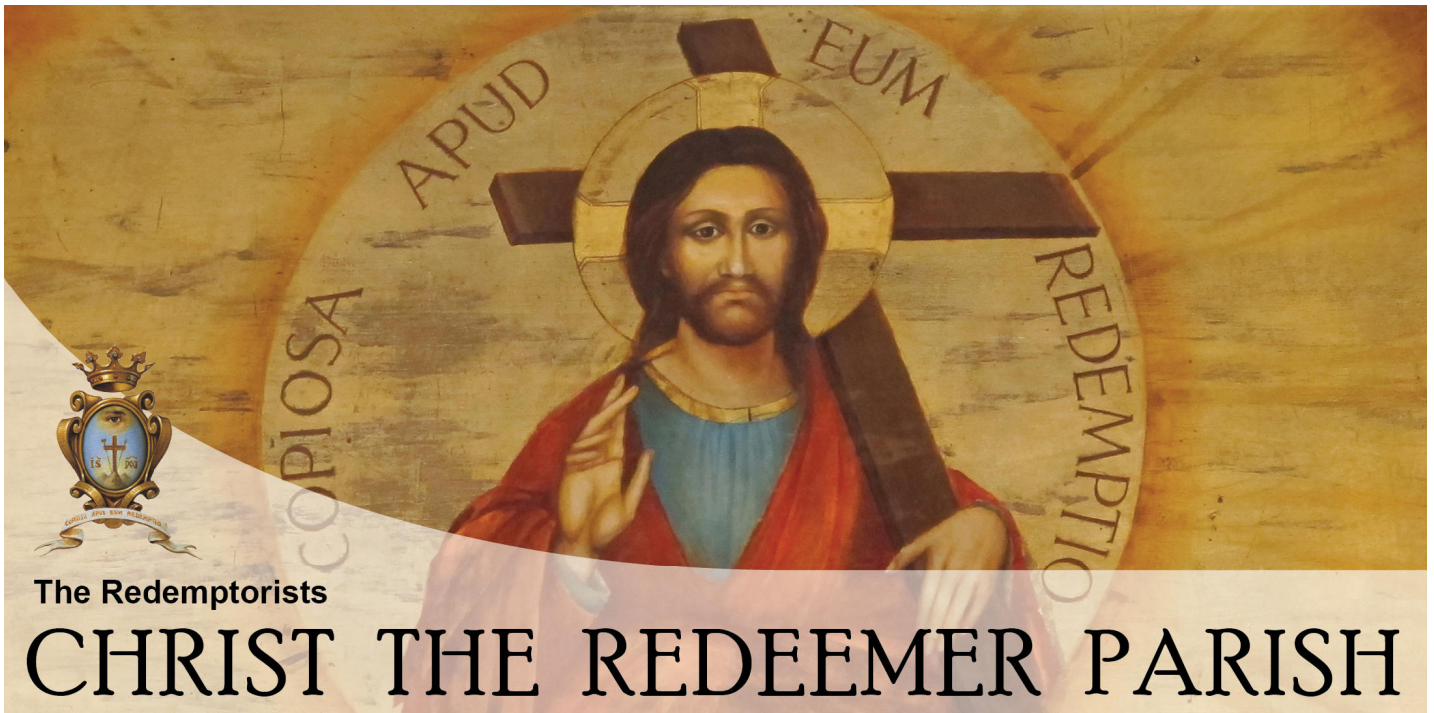


May 17, 2020

6th Sunday of Easter



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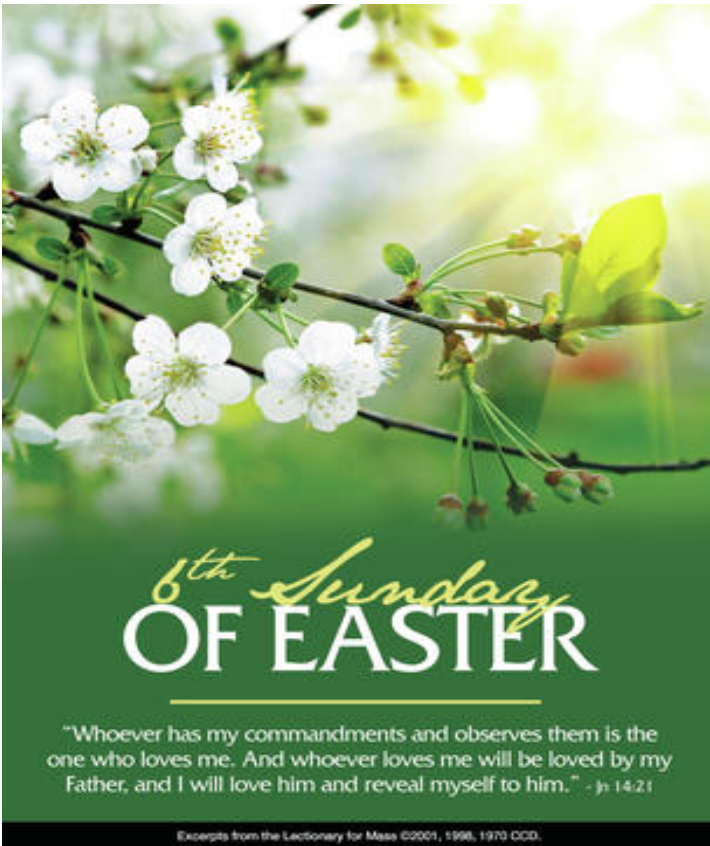
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"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him." - Jn 14:21

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Christ the King Worship Site
 Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 PM
Sacred Heart Worship Site
 Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 AM - Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)
Christ the King Worship Site
 Monday - Friday 6:30 AM
Sacred Heart Worship Site
 Wednesday & First Friday 6:30 - 7:00 PM
 Saturdays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 3:45 - 4:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM.
 Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 18 (Poniedziałek) - John I

CTK - 7:00AM †Daniel Fraser r/o Gary & Ann Straszewski

SH - 8:00AM †Teodora Gruszewski r/o Klara Konopka

SH - 11:00AM †Carol Barone r/o Lois & Greg Zwerko

Tuesday, May 19 (Wtorek)

CTK - 7:00AM Tony Krik r/o Ann & Maribeth

SH - 8:00AM †Teodora Gruszewski r/o Elizabeth Niedbala

Wednesday, May 20 (Środa) - Bernardine of Siena

CTK - 7:00AM †Chester Olejniczak r/o family

SH - 11:00AM †Aniela, Wladyslaw, Edward & Helen Korzeniowski r/o estate

SH - 6:00PM (E) God's Blessing for Christopher Rudzik r/o mom

Thursday, May 21 (Czwartek) - Ascension of the Lord

CTK - 7:00AM For the People of the Parish

SH - 8:00AM †Teodora Gruszewski r/o M/M Wleklak

SH - 11:00AM †Dolores Vinchur r/o family

CTK - 6:00PM †Chester Olejniczak r/o family

SH - 7:00PM (P) †Alek Dec r/o wife & family

Friday, May 22 (Piątek) - Rita of Cascia

CTK - 7:00AM †Chester Olejniczak r/o family

SH - 11:00AM Mass of Thanksgiving occasioned by the 21st Anniversary of Ordination of Fr. Stan

SH - 7:00PM †Maria & Jan Swieca r/o Ela & Taddeus Kolodziej

Saturday, May 23 (Sobota)

SH - 8:00AM †Monika Balon r/o Marta & Sylwester Jakubowski

SH - 11:00AM †Frances Belasarno r/o Lois & Greg Zwerko

SH - 5:00PM †Krzysztof Krassowski r/o Kornecki Family

7th Sunday of Easter, May 24 (Niedziela)

SH - 7:00AM †Jan & Henryka Baranski r/o siostra Krysia

CTK - 8:30AM †Randy Bartushak r/o Dolores & Tom Finlan

SH - 10:00AM For the People of the Parish

SH - 11:30AM †Living & Deceased Members of the Blessed Virgin Mary Society



"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you."

- Jn 14:15-17

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

We hope for many things: passing an exam, finding our true love, securing sustainable work, or surviving an illness. We often seek to have God be a part of what we hope for and desire, almost trying to convince Him that our agenda is what is ultimately important. While our particular hopes may appear to be what needs to be achieved in order for us to be happy, they really are not. Our lesser, more personal hopes can distract us from true hope.

When God became a human being, a powerful message was sent: all that is authentically human is found in the divine. As the human Jesus lived and died in order to show us that he truly is the universal Christ, we have to keep our sight focused on our eternal truth and destiny and who we truly are. We have to be careful when we allow our earthly concerns to distract us. True hope is found when we place our trust in Christ's promises and don't rely on our own strength. True hope focuses on striving toward the fulfillment of God's promises and not simply on achieving what we think we need in this life. Hope always travels with two friends — faith and love. In this trio of virtues, we find the very presence of God born in every human being. These are God's greatest gifts, and they lead us to the fullness of His presence.

As with faith and love, we cannot see hope with just our human eyes. We don't carry this virtue within us to use solely for our own personal agenda. Hope is not something that simply comes with the human package. As with faith and love, hope is a gift that is given to us to draw us closer to our eternal truth. Faith, hope, and love are signs that there is something far greater going on in us and something greater to persevere in obtaining. The true divine gift of hope is what will endure any hardship we encounter, especially those that will come from authentically living the Gospel. With all that is happening in our lives, in our church, and in our world, what is the reason for our hope? Ask God for the fortitude to see His eternal gift as the reason we get up in the morning and do the things we do.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Calculating Love

Have you ever Googled the word “love”? If you did, you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife’s. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn’t read this!

I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: “Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever.” Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

You don’t know what true love is? I think you do. Turn your eyes to that crucifix hanging in your church, home, or office. The answer was given over 2,000 years ago, and the image remains for the entire world to see.

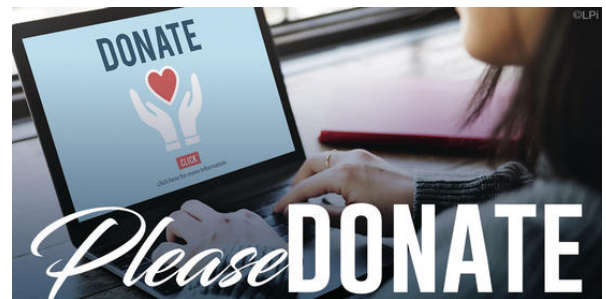
—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Give Online

Consider using ConnectNow Giving during this health crisis. Go to our website and use the “Quick Give” feature to give a one-time gift without creating a login, and you’ll see a list of our special funds from which you can choose to contribute. Or you can create a login and set up an recurring donation.

Pomimo kryzysu związanego z koronawirusem prosimy o wsparcie finansowe dla parafii. Zachęcamy do korzystania z zakładki Online Giving na stronie internetowej parafii. Transakcje czynione za pomocą Online Giving są bezpieczne. Dziękujemy za wsparcie i zrozumienie.



Donations in Support of our Parish

Mail-Ins	\$	5,168.00
Mothers Day	\$	294.00
On-line Giving	\$	3,014.00
Total	\$	8,477.00

Thank you for your generosity and support during this time of crisis. May God bless you. Fr. Stan

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

The old line says “if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.” Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don’t get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, “Why me? I did everything right!” Here’s the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

Download the Parish App...

Now is the perfect time to download the parish app to keep abreast of everything that’s going on during this crisis. To download:

iPhone Users Text: ParishApp1 to 555888
Android Users Text: ParishApp2 to 555888

To learn more visit our website.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. The Caritas Team collects food **every week** at the church. Desperately needed items: Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Cereal, Macaroni and Cheese, Dried Potato Mixes, Rice, Canned Meat-Ham, Tuna, Chicken, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said on **May 17th** at 10:00AM.

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **June 6th**.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **June 1st** in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.

The Knights of Columbus (KofC)

Saint Jude Council # 6573

Council Meetings and Social Gatherings: Held monthly on 1st and 3rd Tuesday, respectively at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center at Christ the Redeem-



er Parish, Manville N.J. Catholic men 18+ who are not fellow knights but may have an interest to join are invited to the social events.

CLOTHING DRIVE - June 13th (weather permitting). Clothing, textiles, stuffed animals, etc. can be dropped off at the St. John Neumann Center from 9AM to 12Noon.

We always have updates on our Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/>

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Becky Dinsmore
 Monday: Maximilian Czajka
 Tuesday: Kelly Baccarini
 Wednesday: Josephine Pschar
 Thursday: Roger & Diana Sieberg
 Friday: K.K.
 Saturday: Theresa Evans & John Strollo

Please visit our parish website:

www.ctrmanville.com

up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Deacon Tom will be presenting the reflections and next week Deacon Tom will be the presenter.

Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.

Ascension of the Lord

Question:

Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

Answer:

This is an interesting question! During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost — the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us. Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth!



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: *Edwina Andreyko, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Jean Batula, Jane Borowski, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill and Denise Davidson, Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Dorothy Dinsmore, Heather Drodz, Mary Evancho, Bernice Fatto, Dorothy Fedorczyk, Maureen Femiano, Kathryn, Madison & Michael Fisne, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Christopher Gregor, Dolores Hart, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Cheyenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Frank Mack, Jerry Mamola, Joe Matisak, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Benedict & Barbara Pankowski, Robert & John Parlier, Joseph Patero, Steven Pirello, Mary Poltarek, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Steve Quintana, Kathy Ravaioli, Robert Regnar, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Mary Rogalski, Marie Rogusky, Sylvia Rubito, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaughter, Charlotte Snow, Victoria Soika, Albert Stanski, Bonnie Tietjen, Michelle Tranter, David Urban, Frances Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Peggy White, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Michael Zamorsky, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina Zydalis.*

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

*SPC Christopher Elsen
Pvt. Christopher Foley
PFC Joshua Hussey
Major James A. Jablonski Jr.
Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF
Airman Michael Edward Kassick III
1st Lieutenant John Limyansky USAF
First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC
SR Jerry Lee Rogalski
Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.
PFC Steven Ubry
Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF*

Please let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

Sign Before the Gospel

Question:

I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

Answer:

Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do.

There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel.

Readings for the Week of May 17, 2020

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28
Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 [13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>.

Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.

Amen

