The Sixth Sunday Of Easter
Let the earth cry out to God with joy.

May 14, 2023
Psalm 47

Mass Schedule
Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 8:30AM, Saturday Evening 4:00PM
Sunday Morning 9:00AM, Weekday Holy Days 9:00AM & 6:00PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday Evening 3:00PM - 3:45PM
Thursday Morning 9:00AM - 10:00AM

Adoration
Thursday Morning 9:00AM concluding with
Benediction at 10:00AM
For weddings, contact the office six months in advance
Other Sacraments, contact the office
Religious Education, contact the office

Readings for the week of May 14
Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21
Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

The Wisdom of the Saints
“If disappointed, don’t say hard things. Only think a little, pray a little, and try to remember that God will bring about what is best in God’s own time.” St. Mary MacKillop

We as a family of faith encourage the full and active participation of all members in Worship of our God, by learning about and sharing our Catholic faith and by developing a loving community of care and concern for one another.
SUNDAY May 21, 9:00AM Mass
EMHC: Ginny & John Pawlik
Lector: Olivia & Rosalie Miller
Sacristan: Patty Schmidt
Collections: OPEN
May Church Linens - Juanita Kursevich
Counter(s), May 15 - Janice Kraft

SPRING MEDITATIONS
The rush of new life at springtime isn't random. The cherry trees start to grow and blossom as they begin their mission of producing cherries. The apple trees launch out on the long process of producing their apples. Each plant reaches up and out to fulfill its purpose, and all their individual purposes harmonize to give spring its unquerable, unquenchable beauty. This is the work of our loving Creator.

That same Creator gave us our purpose, too. We are created for happiness-everlasting happiness-and we find that happiness through living in communion with God. Of course, that communion with God looks different for each of us. It involves a unique combination of experiences, relationships, and virtues that bring us into a deeper intimacy with God. And that's why each of us has to learn how to give a personalized name to our purpose.

Maybe the phrase “living in communion with God” is enough for you; maybe it makes your heart ring and galvanizes your desires and your energies. Whatever the case, the search for purpose-for truly knowing why we exist, where we come from, and where we are going-is a fundamental human need. Purpose is necessary for our existential health, just as purpose is the melody at the heart of the beautiful symphony of spring.

Reflect - Maybe you have already found your calling in life and are energetically engaged in living it out. Maybe you are still seeking it. In either case, the conviction that your life truly has purpose, a meaning, needs to be frequently refreshed. We are made to find our happiness by living in communion with God. Yet each of us needs to discover this for ourselves and then our lives will be able to blossom.

(Spring Meditations by John Bartunek, LC, STHD)

Fr. Bogdan will be away May 15th through June 1st. During his absence there will be no weekday morning Masses, no Thursday Confessions, and no Thursday Adorations. Saturday and Sunday Masses will be held during this period at the same times. Saturday Confessions will be held directly before Mass as usual.

GOD’S SALVATION
LAW AND GRACE

Called to beatitude but wounded by sin, man stands in need of salvation from God. Divine help comes to him in Christ through the law that guides him and the grace that sustains him.

The New Law or the Law of the Gospel - Besides its precepts, the New Law also includes the evangelical counsels. The traditional distinction between God’s commandments and the evangelical counsels is drawn in relation to charity, the perfection of Christian life. The precepts are intended to remove whatever is incompatible with charity. The aim of the counsels is to remove whatever might hinder the development of charity, even if it is not contrary to it.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, Second Edition)

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Fiscal Year 2022/2023
- Offertory Budget: $132,800
- Weekly Offertory Budget: $2,554
- May 6/7: $3,463
- Online Giving: $610
- Difference: $1,519 More—Thank you!

2023 Returning God’s Gifts Goal: $9,211
Pledged: $8,248 Percent of Goal Pledged: 92%
Collected: $6,250 Percent of Goal Collected: 68%