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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — MAY 22, 2022



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” - Jn 14:27

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Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass

Sat: 4:00 p.m. (Livestream)

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m. (Vietnamese),
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass: Mon-Sat: 8:30 a.m.

Confession

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 pm and
7:00-7:30 pm

**Take time to visit the Blessed
Sacrament for quiet prayer.**

Church Hours: 7:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer: 8:05 a.m.

Exposition: 9:00 a.m. to noon with
the rosary and divine mercy chaplet.

Benediction / Angelus: 11:55 a.m.

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DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG
**CATHOLIC
MINISTRY**
Appeal

Catholic Ministry Appeal Numbers:

Appeal \$62,346.00

Pledge Amount \$77,822.00

Paid \$66,979.50

By 244 of our 641 Families

Together we share the joy of having made our pledge in support of the ministries funded by the appeal. EASTER JOY is expressed when we see the presence of Christ in the good works of charity. Your pledge to the Catholic Ministry Appeal makes all the difference.



SUMMER BEGINS AT WITH ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH PICNIC. A BIG THANKS TO ALL WHO PPEARED FOOD AND SHARED FELLOWSHIP. HAVE AN ENJOYABLE SUMMER.



PARISH GIVING

MAY 8, 2022

Sunday Offering \$ 8,170.00

Candle Money \$ 247.00

Total (Thank You!) \$ 8,417.00

Visit www.svdpfl.com for online giving.

Mass Attendance 697

4:00 p.m. 128 \$1203.00

7:30 a.m. 88 \$ 335.00

8:30 a.m. 133 \$1501.00

10:00 a.m. 237 \$1006.00

11:30 a.m. 111 \$ 856.00

Mail In \$1375.00

Misc. \$ 533.00

Needy Donations \$1361.00

Thank you for sharing your time with us.

God bless your sacrifices.

Follow the Mass on Facebook, live streaming on Sat. at 4:00 p.m.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Sanctuary Candle Intention for the week:

**Theresa Harris-healing
(Anita McMahon)**

Sunday

7:30am

8:30am

10:00am

11:30am

Monday

8:30am

Tuesday

8:30am

Wednesday

8:30am

Thursday

8:30am

Friday

8:30am

Saturday

8:30am

4:00pm

May 22, 2022

Robert Storey+ (Bernie Dickau)

Parishioners & Vera Como+ (Marge Harris)

Eva Mary Nessler Franks+ (Ed Nessler)

Ernesto Santaniello+ (Lucy, wife and family)

May 23, 2022

Jeanette Bastien+ (Mary Brady) and

Eric James-Birthday (Grandparents)

May 24, 2022

Patricia Adams+ (Sue & Dick Combetta) and
Arthur Landry (A Friend)

May 25, 2022

Alan Rosamilia+ (Joan Rosamilia) and
Thomas Augustine+ (Thomas family)

May 26, 2022

Rev. William Fickel SSS (Worhacz family) and
Asteria Legaspi+ (Dr. Rudy & Rose Dy)

May 27, 2022

Dorothy Bentley+ (Eileen Fitzgerald) and
Asteria Legaspi+ (Cecilia Sangalang)

May 28, 2022

James Patrick Sheils+ (Worhacz family) and
Shawn Reddick+ (Bobbi McQuiston)

Esther Parulan+ (Gloria)



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June 6, 2022

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Events?

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CARD IDEAS

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We have all these cards
at the Gift Shop &
Parish Office

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of May 22, 2022

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/
Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20 *Ascension:*
Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Lk 24:46-53

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/
Lk 24:46-53 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:*
Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/
Jn 17:20-26



**COME HOLY SPIRIT AND FILL THE
HEARTS OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN
CONFIRMED IN THE FAITH OF CHRIST.**

SPiRiT FM's 7th Annual Catholic Women's Conference

September 17, 2022

[https://www.myspiritfm.com/
womensconference](https://www.myspiritfm.com/womensconference).

Take time to reflect on how you are Courageously

Living the Gospel and acting upon what God has called you to do for the world, your community, your parish.

You will have the opportunity to attend Reconciliation, Adoration and to celebrate Mass. There will also be plenty of singing, praying, shopping and laughing! The Spirit FM Catholic Women's Conference is designed for Catholic women of all ages, including older teenagers. Women of all denominations are welcomed to attend. Tickets on Sale!

Responding to God Question: I can't explain it. I feel a nudge from God to something out of the ordinary. How do I respond?

Answer: You're in good company! Abraham was asked to leave all he knew and loved for a strange land, with only abstract divine assurance that such a sacrifice would be worth it. Plenty of prophets protested against God's call, whether it was claiming they were too young (Jeremiah) or running away entirely, only to end up in a whale's belly (Jonah). St. Joseph was asked to do something very strange. He was asked to believe — on the word of an angelic appearance in a dream — that his betrothed was pregnant not from another man, but by a miraculous intervention of God. Then he was called to marry her.

Author Flannery O'Connor once wrote, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you odd." Sometimes God's invitation might seem strange or challenging. It might require sacrifices we never expected to make. Our life might look different than we had always imagined. But as we all know, life throws its own curveballs, regardless of whether or not we're listening for God's will. Better, one would think, to be open to the promptings of God and to follow along the strange trails that they lead. We have the assurance that, eventually, we will find green pastures. © LPi



In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

In the month of May, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting 363 families, providing 13,980 pounds of food, \$4,057.70 for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

God's love is witnessed by the charity given through our care for others in need. Every gift is given to express the love God has shown to us in Jesus his Son. Jesus was incarnated of the virgin Mary and born in a manger. He came as food to nourish a hungry human family of his brothers and sisters. All of us.

Thank you for your support, the SVdP Society is made possible by your participation in serving this ministry.

Arts and Crafts is seeking new leadership for the group. We are looking for a crafter or two who would like to share your talent with others in our Parish and at the same time contribute to the fund raising mission of our church through our two annual Arts and Crafts shows. If interested, please contact Robin Emmons at 630-740-2730 and she will give you more details.

Rosary Makers meet on the first Wednesday of each month from 1:00—2:30 in the Media Room of the Education Building. They are taking off for the summer, but will resume monthly meetings on Wednesday, **September 7**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SLATE OF OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT—MARK BROSE

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RICHARD CORLETT (YR. 2) AND

RICH PERFIDIO (YR. 3)



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

Finance Corner

WORD OF APPRECIATION

Your gift helps our parish to pay Payroll and Taxes \$8735.16, Phone and Internet \$970.40, Office Supplies \$502.92, Repair Soffitt \$8400, Pest Control \$152, A/C Repair \$190, Maintenance \$180.84, Candles \$112, Books \$49.99, Electric \$5858.47, Liturgical Supplies \$191.67, Hosts \$199.39 and Needy \$168.79.

We will be having smaller fundraisers this year and your support of those will greatly help the parish.

Our parish is open seven days a week and serves many people in area with our prayers and outreach. To those who are homebound, keep us informed of your needs. Thank you and God Bless you!

Easter Family Connection

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence. St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us."

In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (shalom). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and wellbeing than anything else.

Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death. LPi



Management According to the Apostles

If you've ever worked in any kind of organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, I'm sure you have attended a conference or two. Whatever our expectations going in, I usually find these conferences expose me to communication and problem-solving styles that are different from my own, nudging me into a little unexpected self-discovery. And it's a great opportunity to meet new people and do something different.

Here's my idea for a leadership conference: The Management Style of the Apostles. Think about it, the only thing the Apostles had more abundantly than holiness was problems. Lots and lots of problems ... most of them of the human resources variety. It's no small feat, starting Christ's Church on earth. I wouldn't want to be project manager of that endeavor.

The Acts of the Apostles is, in some ways, a big book full of problems and ways to solve them. It's a blueprint for tackling interpersonal issues in the manner of a true steward, who encounters every problem starting from the same place: What would my Master want?

It's a question we should be asking ourselves every time we, too, encounter a problem — especially problems relating to other people. What is the truth in this situation, and how would God have me communicate it? How could I handle this in a way that is worthy of the name of my Master?

In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of everyday stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings, this Gospel's problem du jour. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining committed to the truth while helping newcomers find avenues to salvation.

Maybe I'm just saying it because it's my idea — but it sounds like a conference we could all use.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Jesus promises his disciples that the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. John 14:23-29

Background on the Gospel Reading

Read these words of the gospel as a final message from Jesus before his approaching betrayal. He wants to stay with his disciple-friends but he also needs to leave them. The meaning of the Christian's life is not shaped by Jesus' absence but by God's abiding presence; God's presence overcomes anxiety about God's absence; and the present holds in it the seeds of a fresh future shaped by love, not fear.

These verses also contain a glimpse of some of the other themes of the farewell discourse: Jesus' relationship with the Father and the disciples' relationship to Jesus connect the disciples to the Father as well. Jesus promises to send an Advocate or intercessor who will remind the disciples of everything that Jesus taught them and bring them peace.

Jesus is preparing his disciples in advance for his absence so that they will continue to believe in him and not feel all alone after his return to the Father. After the initial excitement of his Easter appearances, Jesus will remain with his followers in a very different way throughout the centuries.

As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace.

Parents help their children prepare for something, whether that consists of getting ready for school, preparing for an exam, or making preparations to go on vacation. In today's Gospel, Jesus prepares his disciples for his Passion, death, and Resurrection. He promises his Holy Spirit, gives them the gift of his peace, and tells them not to be troubled.

As a family, talk about the kinds of events that you have prepared for together; surgeries, funerals, vacations, and first days of school are some examples. Talk about why it is important to prepare for important events in our lives. Talk about how Jesus prepared his disciples for his Death and Resurrection and how he wanted them to be prepared for what would happen so that they would be able to believe.

Talk about how, as a family, you can prepare for Pentecost when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, our Advocate. When touring a place of interest that we are not familiar with, it is helpful to have a guide who can help us to get the most out of our tour. Jesus gives us his Holy Spirit to help us and guide us during our journey of life.



St. Vincent de Paul can meet your hall rental need with our spacious *Father Farrell Hall* for small or large events. Call the parish, or speak with Chief Mark Brose to reserve a date for your special occasion. We are happy to host you.



SUMMER PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY. It has not been easy to get work done during the pandemic. Our next project will be to paint the parking lines in the parking areas. We will do ongoing tree trimming. Interior work is needed in the rectory. Most of all we look forward to ongoing activities within the parish to strengthen our family bonds.