

May 9, 2021

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our "failures in love." In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love's author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

SUN 5/09 Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-

10/Jn 15:9-17

MON **5/10** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/

Jn 15:26—16:4a

TUE 5/11 Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/|n 16:5-11

WED 5/12 Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

THR 5/13 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 or Eph 4:1-13 or

4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

FRI **5/14** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/]n 15:9-17

SAT 5/15 Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

SUN 5/16 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or

Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2,

11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

Monday: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Wednesday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord [holy day in some U.S. dioceses];

Our Lady of Fatima

Friday: St. Matthias, Apostle

Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day

Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter;

World Communications Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

God is love. These three simple words deserve a great deal of attention. They have the power to transform our relationship with God from something that is static and distant to one that is personal and real. We all know the power of love and how important it is to completing all of the human and divine circuits of our lives. But we do not often consider the awesome fact that it is given to us as a gift and is not simply part and parcel of the human package. God is the author of love and love itself. When we truly love another human being, it is really God being God in and through us. The love to which we are called and the love of which the Gospel speaks is a selfless love that seeks the wellbeing of not only our significant others but of all of our brothers and sisters. This love, which is of God, is a love that will endure all things and bring immeasurable joy when experienced. It is the most sincere form of friendship.



SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. | Convent Chapel

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.
Sunday (Gospel Mass) 10:00 a.m.
Livestreaming available on our website,
Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass



"Somebody prayed for me, had me on their mind..."

Saturday, May 8, 2021

For: Ruth Kennedy, Arizona Moore, Shirley Collins, Gloria Parker and The People of the Parish

In Memory of: Harlean Banks, Elodie Gabriel, Darrell Gabriel and Bruce Gabriel

Sunday, May 9, 2021

In Memory of: Margarite Roth Sims, Virginia Richardson Sims, Pauline Williams, Ida Fields, Lou Williams, Catherine Hite, Aline Givens, Nellie Williams, Gloria Collins, Ruth Lewis, Albertha Collins, Margaret Haynes, Malvina Moton and Pauline Verrett For: Louisa R. Willis

Pray

Please remember in your prayers: The intentions of the Holy Father and for:
Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Patricia Adam, Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine,

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

How am I being called to sacrifice my own priorities to serve others?

Prayer Line 508.924.5792

Noon Prayer

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Bible Study

Thursdays | 6:00 p.m.

Rosary

First Monday of Month | 6:00 p.m.

- ALTAR SOCIETY: The Altar Society has a limited number of 2021 Personal Missals available. If interested in purchasing one, please contact the Church Office. Missals are \$5 each.
- ACACIA TREE: Memorialize your deceased loved one with a plaque on the Acacia Tree. The cost is \$50.
 Plaques are limited to 3 lines of 21 characters each. See an usher for application and submit both payment and application by dropping your donation into the collection basket, online or mailing to the Rectory.
- MASS RE-OBLIGATION: The obligation to attend Mass will be reinstated on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 6th. Our Parish will continue to observe the mandates of the City of New Orleans with regards to masks and social distancing. Please make every effort to return to the edifice for worship.
- CELEBRATE: Fr. Chuck will celebrate his 45th Anniversary of his ordination on this Saturday, May 8th. He will be honored, along with other sisters, brothers, deacons and priests, at a Jubliee Mass celebrated by the Archbishop on May 9th. Please offer a special intention that God will continue to give him the capability to serve. He will also celebrate his birthday on the same day! Thank you for your "YES" and "Happy Birthday to you!"
- ADORATION: As we celebrate the Year of the Eucharist, please join us in the edifice or on livestream for Adoration on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 beginning this Wednesday, March 10 through November 10. Join us this Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the edifice and virtually.



Our Parish wishes a Happy Mother's Day to all of the wonderful and loving Mothers. Enjoy your Day!

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