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Welcome! We hope you enjoy your time with us. Whether you are just visiting or looking for a parish home, it's great to have you with us. Whatever your life circumstances, wherever you have been or whatever has happened in your life, you are welcome here.

MAY 14, 2023 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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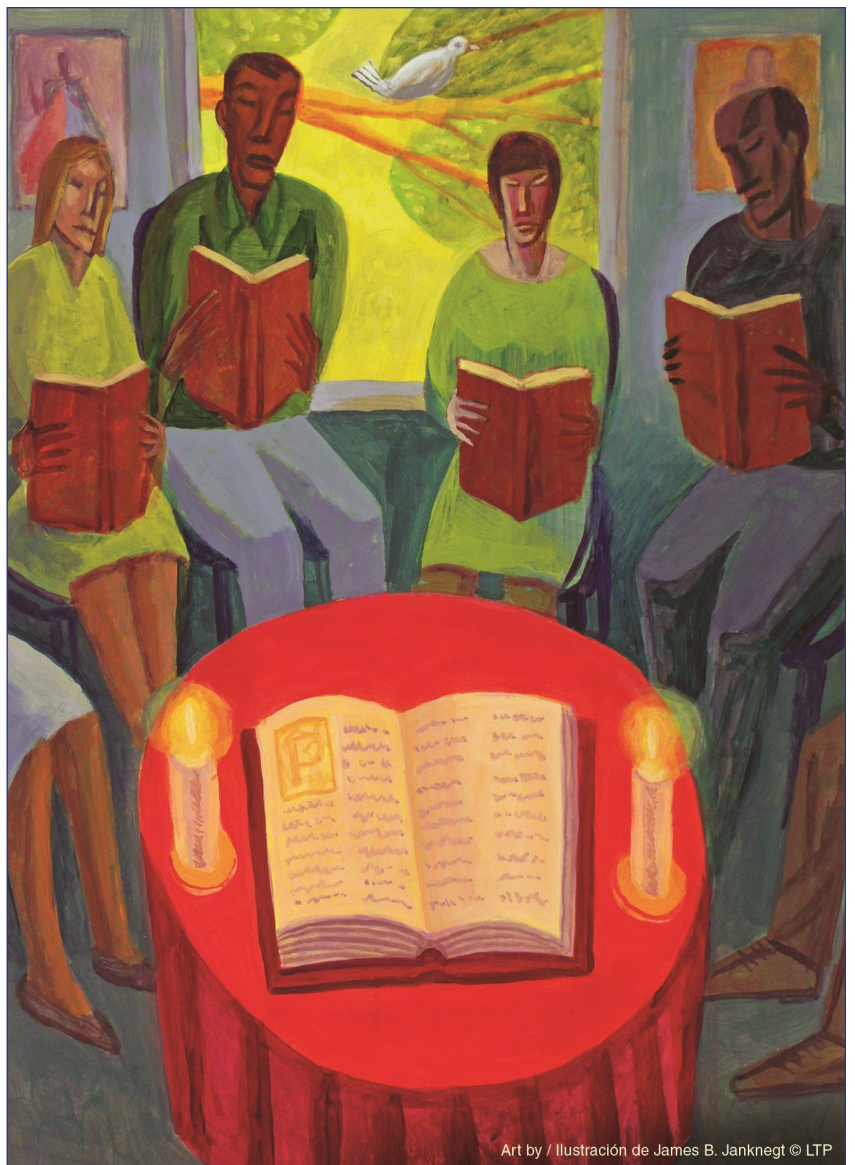
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Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 AM; Wednesday 9:30 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Happy Mother's Day! We give thanks today for our mothers and for all women who provide a mothering influence in our world.

Mother's Day Blessing Prayer

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you do for your Church. Bless our mothers who have known the joys and sorrows of life. Strengthen them as you did the holy women of old: Sara, Ruth, Rebecca, Anna and Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Bless our mothers today, in this lifetime, with all that is good. Bless them with joy, love and laughter. Let them find delight in their children and surround them with good friends. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The feast of Saint Pascal Baylon is Wednesday, May 17. You are welcome to join us to celebrate the life of our patron saint at the School Mass at 9:30 AM. Because of Saint Pascal's devotion to the Blessed Sacrament during his lifetime, we will have a short time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Mass. Here is more about St. Pascal Baylon from our parish website: "Saint Pascal Baylon was born May 24, 1540 on the Feast of Pentecost at Torre-Hermosa in northeastern Spain. He was the son of virtuous peasant farmers. In early childhood, Pascal began to display signs of exceptional devotion to the Holy Eucharist. While tending sheep as a youth, Pascal spent countless hours in meditation on the Blessed Sacrament. When he was twenty-four, he applied for admission as a lay brother to the Franciscan community of Loreto. He was accepted into the community and was given humble jobs including cook, gardener and porter. He carried these out faithfully, but what truly impressed his community was his dedication to the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. His joy in life was to pray before the tabernacle, often spending the night in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Pascal revealed the love of God through his many acts of kindness. To the poor and sick that came to the monastery, he showed himself to be patient, gentle and very generous in distributing supplies that were put at his disposal. Pascal died on the same feast on which he was born—the Feast of Pentecost—in 1592."

Would you like to travel to the Holy Land in September 2024? I am planning to lead a pilgrimage through Magi Travel company to the Holy Land of Israel from September 16-27, 2024. We will visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Bethany, Nazareth, Cana, Mount Carmel, Mount Tabor, the Dead Sea and Galilee. We will stay in four-star hotel accommodations and celebrate Mass daily. We will also be accompanied by a full-time expert guide. Pricing is \$3,995.00 plus airfare. Please talk to me or let me know via email or phone (john.mitchell@stpascals.org; 651.432.4955) if you are interested in going on this pilgrimage, and I will put you on a list of people who will be given the first opportunity to register.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for May 2023: *For church movements and groups.* We pray that church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Anointing or Pastoral Visit?

If you or someone you know would like to be anointed or have a pastoral visit please contact Barb Uschold Anderson at barb.ua@stpascals.org or 651.432.4959 and we'll set up a time.

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Faith in Action

Mother's Day Reflection

Happy Mother's Day to mothers of all kinds and to those who care in a motherly way for the children of others. May you be blessed for the love you have given to those entrusted to your care. Let us be mindful, however, of those for whom this is not a happy day. Mothers who have experienced the death of a child, women who are unable to conceive children, women whose children are in prison, and women experiencing a severed relationship with a child for whatever reason. We put our faith into action when we celebrate with joy and thanksgiving for our own mothers but also pray for strength for those for whom this day is bittersweet.

May Collection: Brittany's Place

During the month of May, items will be accepted in the parish donation closet for Brittany's Place, an emergency shelter in St. Paul for girls and young women who have experienced commercial sex trafficking or are at high risk for sexual exploitation. Personal care items, craft and activity supplies, and NEW twin sheets sets, blankets, and pillows are needed. Find a complete list on the Social Justice and Caring Committee page at stpascals.org.

Items will be collected through May 28. Thank you for your generosity.

Grocery Bags Needed

The Merrick Food Distribution at St. Pascal's and the Fishes and Loaves Food Shelf at Progressive Baptist have had a lot of visitors recently, so our supply of grocery bags is very low. Donations of paper, plastic, and reusable bags can be left in the donation closet.

Long May She Wave

The U.S. flag flying near the school playground is in need of replacement. The cost of a new flag will be approximately \$55. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of purchasing a new flag, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Flag Donation" and bring or mail it to the parish office or simply drop it into the collection at Sunday Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

The flowers, plants, and plant cards are here!

If you ordered plants and/or plant cards from the St. Pascal's Women's Club they will be available for pick up in Brioschi Hall before and after all Masses this weekend!

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

7th and 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip 2023

Many of the 7th and 8th graders, along with Ms. LeMay, Mr. Kelleher, and parents, spent an event-filled 4 days last week in our nation's capital. They visited the Smithsonian museums, the White House, Capitol Hill, Mount Vernon, Gettysburg, Holocaust Memorial Museum, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and so much more.

Also, thank you to everyone who helped the 7th and 8th graders in their fundraising efforts by supporting the Heggies Pizza sales and bake sales, as well as attending the Davanni's Pizza nights and Fish Fry! This is a trip they will remember for many years to come!

**Eucharistic Ministers:
Summer Schedule**

It is time for the next schedule to be done. Many thanks to those of you who feel comfortable continuing this ministry. If you opted out of the previous schedules, but now feel ready to be back serving, thank you for doing that. *We could use more ministers.* We need a total of eight ministers with Father John. If you would like to join this ministry, please contact Joann or the parish office. Please check your calendars for June, July, and August and let Joann know of your availability. She needs those dates by May 16. If you have questions or want more information you may contact Joann at joann.bertini@gmail.com or 651.735.2762.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Pascal's Celebration of Service, Commitment, and Generosity
Saturday, June 24 from 5:30-8:00 PM
FREE Dinner and Compassion Kit Making Event in Brioschi Hall!

Join us to celebrate the many ways our parish supports social justice efforts through contributions and advocacy. More details and registration information to come!

You are what you do, not what you say you'll do.
—Carl Gustav Jung

Friends & Family—We Have Twins Tickets Available!

The Twins vs. the Texas Rangers on Sunday, August 27 at 1:10 PM.

If you're a Twins fan or if you are looking for a fun way to spend an afternoon with some fellow St. Pascalites, we have a deal for you. As part of the parish's Friends & Family event, we were given a block of tickets for \$5.00 each. Don't wait—these tickets sell quickly!

All the money goes directly to St. Pascal's! If you would like to purchase some Twins tickets, email Mike Kelleher in the parish office at mike.kelleher@stpascals.org.

— FAITH FORMATION —

Faith Formation Registration for 2023-2024 Now Open

Wednesday evening faith formation is open to all children of St. Pascal's who attend public schools.

Forms are available on the parish website. Note that there are 3 forms to be completed:

1. FAMILY INFORMATION FORM (1 per family)
2. INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM (1 per child enrolling)
3. SOCIAL MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION PERMISSION (1 per child enrolling)

Registrations are due August 1! However, as we need to allocate appropriate space for each group, it is essential to have a clear picture of our faith formation numbers sooner rather than later. Fees will not be collected until after August 1.

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Registration now open for children in grade 2 and older)

Children in grade 2 and older during the 2023-2024 school year whose families belong to St. Pascal's are welcome to prepare for and celebrate 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist. Registration forms and more information are now available on the parish website. *Registrations are due by August 1.* For more information contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

— WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS —

Spring Serenade Brunch

Saturday, May 20 from 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

Don't miss our Spring Serenade Brunch for all men and women of the parish! It will be a fun morning/early afternoon with musical entertainment, Legacy Award tribute and door prizes. Our delectable brunch includes champagne chicken, honey ham, scrambled eggs, hashbrown potatoes, fresh fruit, pasta salad, dinner roll and dessert. Cost is \$20.00 per person. To RSVP, please pay after all Masses on 13/14 or call the parish office.

All reservations must be made by May 14.

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For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing), call 651.774.1585 and dial 1.

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Holidays as announced

St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

Phone 651.776.0092

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School Office Hours

Mon-Fri 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Parish Councils**Parish Pastoral Council**

Meetings 1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM

Ann Karner, Chair (akarner24@gmail.com)

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 5:30 PM

Mike Aeling, Chair

Sacramental Information**Reconciliation**

Saturday from 3:45-4:15 PM
or contact Fr. John in the parish office
Communal celebrations as announced

Baptism

One pre-baptismal session is required.
To register for a pre-baptismal session or to schedule a celebration, call the parish office.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired date.

Parish Prayer Line

8:00 - 10:00 AM 651.735.0004
Mary Butler-Levine

4:00 - 6:00 PM 651.342.8879
Pat Kackman

Parish Communication**Bulletin Notices**

Due 5:00 PM Monday
thea.munoz@stpascals.org

Mass Announcements

Due 12:00 PM Tuesday
keri.mader@stpascals.org

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St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church

Mass Times & Intentions

Readings

May 14, 2023

Tuesday, May 16

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, May 17

Feast of St. Pascal Baylon

9:30 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, May 18

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, May 19

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Saturday, May 20

4:30 PM + Fr. Mike Byron

Sunday, May 21

The Ascension of the Lord

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Donna Trumble

Use Your Smartphone to Make a Donation to St. Pascal's!

1. Scan this QR code with your phone.
2. Open the secure link and follow the prompts.
3. Thank you!



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

Next Sunday:

Ascension Sunday

Acts 1:1-11

Ps 47:2-3, 6-9

Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, May 14—Mother's Day

After Masses MCCL Flower Sale: Gathering Space

After Masses Women's Club Spring Plant Pickup: Brioschi Hall

Monday, May 15

6:30pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

6:30pm AFF Meeting: Zoom

Tuesday, May 16

2:00pm Beacon Team Meeting: Zoom

Wednesday, May 17—Feast of St. Pascal Baylon

8:45am Rosary: Church

9:30am School Mass: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball

Thursday, May 18

9:30am Visitation for Mary Martin Carrigan: Gather Space, Chapel

10:30am Funeral & Lunch for Mary Martin Carrigan: Church, BH

6:00pm Cub Scouts: Old Church

Friday, May 19

9:00am Women's Club Brunch Setup: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

Saturday, May 20

10:00am Women's Club Spring Serenade: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

After Mass Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

Sunday, May 21—Ascension of the Lord

After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

2:00pm Recital: Church

Monday, May 22

1:00pm Merrick Setup: Brioschi Hall

3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Flandrau lot

6:30pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, May 23

No scheduled events

Wednesday, May 24

8:45am Rosary: Church

9:30am School Mass: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball

Thursday, May 25

4:30pm Finance Council: Staff Lounge

Friday, May 26

7:30am Fun & Fitness Day (SPRCS): Campus

9:00am Pentecost Decorating

Saturday, May 27

No scheduled events

Sunday, May 28—Pentecost Sunday

No scheduled events

St. Pascal's Class of 1973:

You Are Wanted for a 50th Reunion!

Thursday, June 1 at 6:00 PM at the Crooked Pint (1734 Adolphus St. in Maplewood).

RSVP to mariejoseph651@msn.com, or call Ann Karschnia at 763.226.8425.

Produce Sharing Will Return Soon!

Attention gardeners: Don't forget to plant extra produce to share with your fellow parishioners again this year. Our excess produce table was very popular last fall, and we will bring it back as soon as we have some produce to share. For more information contact Julie Ludden at julianneludden@gmail.com.

Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

March 2023

Sunday Giving

Giving	\$ 51,871.34	YTD Giving	\$ 565,333.60
Budgeted	\$ <u>67,168.74</u>	YTD Budgeted	\$ <u>622,538.22</u>
+ / -	\$ -15,297.40	YTD + / -	\$ -57,204.62

Mortgage Reduction (as of 03.31.2023)

Loan Balance:	\$ 2,840,032.49
Principal:	\$ 12,497.65
Interest:	\$ <u>8,963.40</u>
Monthly Payment	\$ 21,461.05
YTD Collected Donations	\$ 212,869.38
YTD Payment:	\$ <u>201,149.45</u>
+ / -	\$ 11,719.93
Reserve Account Balance:	\$ 186,753.13

of payments from Reserve: 8

Thank you for your support!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Flow through Us

Generous God,
you pour your infinite love
upon the whole world.
Thank you for infusing every cell
of our bodies
and every seed of creation with your
Holy Spirit.

Open our eyes to recognize this gift
of love

flowing through our lives.

May your unbreakable bond of love
propel us to act with mercy,

kindness, and compassion
toward all those in need of your
unconditional grace.

Through Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Love Eternal

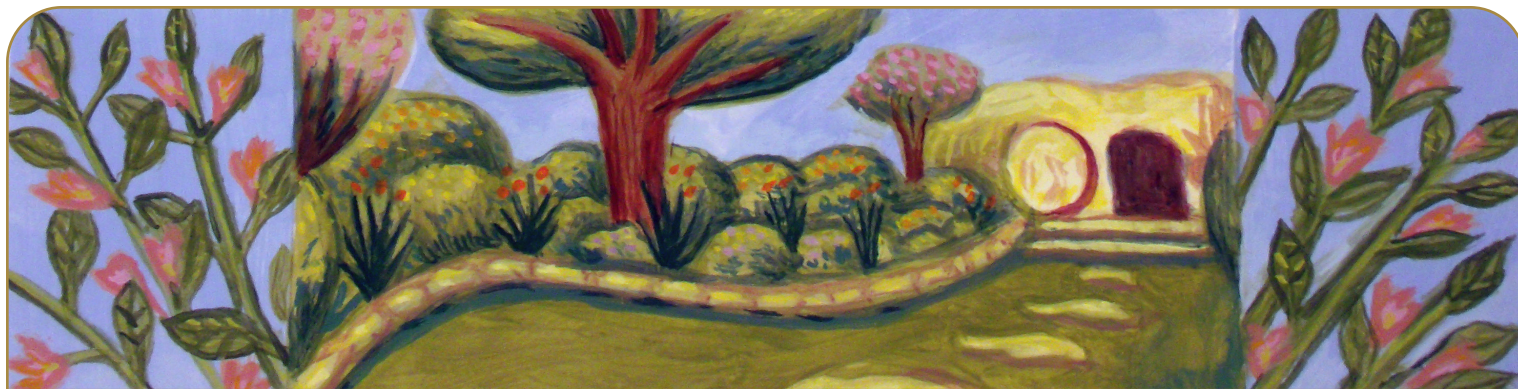


Today's readings: Acts 8:5–8, 14–17; Psalm 66:1–3, 4–5, 6–7, 16, 20; 1 Peter 3:15–18; John 14:15–21. The Gospel readings of the Easter season persistently invite us to remain close to the risen Christ in love. This love is born in trust that the Lord is with us for all time in the form of the Holy Spirit. He made that promise to the disciples in the upper room before he suffered and died. He repeated the promise before he ascended to heaven. And he makes that promise to us today.

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit entwine us in an unbreakable bond of love. Binding us together, this love makes us one in faith. This love creates and sustains life and glorifies the earth with beauty. This love inspires us to clothe

the naked, feed the hungry, and bring others to faith. This love reveals itself through a mother's gift of life, protection, care, and devotion. This love welcomes us into the world at our birth and draws us to the Father when we take our last breath. This love is with us and in us for every breath we take during our earthly life, in every relationship, in every twist and turn of our journey.

The invitation to love is always present. It courses through every cell of our body and sustains every breath we take. Our response to this great gift is to receive love with open hearts, allow it to guide our walk through life, and share it with others.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, May 15

Lydia's Example

Trailblazer Lydia sells high-end purple fabric, listens to Paul's witness with an open heart, and undergoes a conversion. She responds to Paul with Christian hospitality, inviting his companions and him to stay at her home. Lydia paves the way for women business leaders across all generations to live faithful and generous lives. *Today's readings: Acts 16:11–15; Psalm 149:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6a and 9b; John 15:26–16:4a.*

Tuesday, May 16

John 16

Chapter 16 of John's Gospel is proclaimed passage by passage this week. During the Last Supper, Jesus speaks at length to his disciples just before he is arrested, urgently trying to convey the depth of his love for them. Jesus promises his disciples that they will never be alone, that he will send an Advocate (the Holy Spirit) as protector and guide, and that they will be equipped to fulfill their mission. *Today's readings: Acts 16:22–34; Psalm 138:1–2ab, 2cde–3, 7c–8; John 16:5–11.*

Wednesday, May 17

Hallelujah!

As Pentecost draws near some of the psalms we pray begin with "Hallelujah!" These psalms from the end of the psalter give praise and glory to God with full heart and voice. Psalm 148 leads our prayer imagination through all the wonders of creation. Bring your Bible outside and read from it aloud. Appreciate the wonder of God's creation all around you. *Today's readings: Acts 17:15, 22–18:1; Psalm 148:1–2, 11–12, 13, 14; John 16:12–15.*

Thursday, May 18

Ascension of the Lord

Jesus' final words to his disciples before ascending to heaven are direct: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations."

Our mission is to draw others to a life of committed faith within the Church community. Jesus promises that he is with us in all that we do in service to his name. Take time in prayer to contemplate the truth that Jesus empowers us with as he accompanies us. *Today's readings: Acts 1:1–11; Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9 (6); Ephesians 1:17–23; Matthew 28:16–20.*

Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter

Faith Works

The reading from Acts provides a small detail about St. Paul's life as a missionary disciple. In the midst of his efforts to grow the Christian community, St. Paul continued to work as a tentmaker. Like all of us, he needed to earn a living to provide the basic necessities. This apostle exemplified the balance of work and faith in the life of a committed disciple. *Today's readings: Acts 18:1–8; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 16:16–20.*

Friday, May 19

Take Heart

Jesus continues to prepare his disciples for the shock of loss that is to come. In our lives, too, we face loss as we keep vigil with a dying loved one and watch older generations decline in body and mind. We know the time is coming when people we love will pass from earthly life to heaven. But when anticipated death arrives, shock and grief are still felt. Jesus promised his disciples that grief will be transformed to joy. Take heart, grief is a process. Jesus walks with us. *Today's readings: Acts 18:9–18; Psalm 47:2–3, 4–5, 6–7; John 16:20–23.*

Saturday, May 20

Ask and You Will Receive

Jesus adamantly encourages us to ask God for what we need and assures us that God hears our prayers. When it seems that our prayers go unanswered, remember that God holds the long view of our lives, giving us what we truly need. Have faith in the big picture. Know that God desires to be close to us and wills the best for us. *Today's readings: Acts 18:23–28; Psalm 47:2–3, 8–9, 10; John 16:23b–28.*

