

# The Seventh Sunday Of Easter

May 16, 2021

## Mass Intentions

May	17	8:00 AM	NO MASS
May	18	8:00 AM	NO MASS
May	19	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Siena Robinson
May	20	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Sister Catherine Giacobbe req. by Jerry & Karen Kupris
May	21	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Andrew Robinson
May	22	5:00 PM	Joan Mathews requested by John & Mary Blair
May	23	8:00 AM	Robert Kerstetter requested by Dave & Patty Suydam
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

## Liturgical Ministries May 22-23

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Mary Zimmerman	Dave Suydam
8:00 AM	Noah Jenkins	Pat Pray	Dominic Failor
10:30 AM	Nicole Wood	Rosanne Wheatley	Robinson Family Alexander Fordyce

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

May 23 Madeline Rogers, Pat Harshberger

May 30 Phyllis Krieger & Gabby Brandt

## Next Sunday's Readings

*Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures*

Acts 2: 1-11

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

## Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,511.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$6,157.00

**May God Bless you for your generous and responsible stewardship!!!**

## Church Calendar

### *Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>*

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

### *Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>*

No Mass

### *Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>*

No Mass

### *Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>*

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

### *Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>*

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM (Last Class)

**“I gave them My word, and  
the world hated them, because  
they do not belong to the world  
any more than I belong  
to the world.”**

### **From the Pastor’s Desk**

Last Thursday on the Feast of the Ascension, the Apostles were asked: “Why are you standing there looking at the sky?” Well, hello! The risen Jesus, who had once again walked among the Apostles, “was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.” Of course, the disciples would look up, to gaze once more upon the Son of God whom they loved. The Ascension



feast reminds us, however, that to look for Jesus is not to stand around looking up, but to engage with others in the world in which he remains present. Even as he sits “at the right hand of God,”

Jesus dwells among and within us. For God is not some distant figure, but One who desires to walk alongside us in the person of his Son, Jesus, and give us the gift of the Holy Spirit as our help and advocate. Even in times when we experience doubt, complacency, or simply feel distant from God, Jesus is at our side. Once we open our hearts to his presence, we cannot help but share the Good News of God’s love in our families, workplaces, and everyday encounters with others.

For anyone wishing to grow in their understanding of what evangelization looks like, the readings of the Easter Season offer as good a playbook as any. As we celebrate Easter and the Ascension, we may be tempted to see it as a kind of “farewell” for Jesus. But while on the surface, it may appear that Jesus “left” the Apostles, he promises to remain with them through the gift of the Holy Spirit. What does that mean for us? The Gospel sums it up, quoting Jesus’ words immediately before he was taken up to heaven: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” As Catholics, that is our obligation and mandate Christ left us. I read somewhere that “proclaim” goes beyond mere words and encompasses living out the Gospel by sharing God’s love. Jesus remains at our side, encouraging us to use the gifts God has given us to build up the Church.

Let us be reminded that we have an advocate in Jesus and the Holy Spirit. As you enter a challenging situation or even just a typical day, remember to ask Jesus to give you a “spirit of wisdom.”

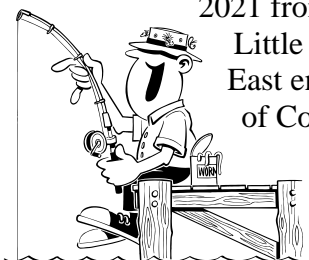
**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Dave/Shirley Jenkins, Charlotte Smith, Marietta McQuaid, Cecilia McGarvey, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

**Deacon Robinson’s Contact Information:** You may contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (717-602-6298) or through his email: [dcnrobin@ptd.net](mailto:dcnrobin@ptd.net).

**Online Bulletin:** [www.stbernardsnbpa.org](http://www.stbernardsnbpa.org)

**Prayer Group** meets each Wednesday morning at 8:30AM in church. If you have prayer intentions for your loved ones or family members, for sick co-workers or people in the community, please give them to Marie Dishman for prayer and spiritual support!

**Knights of Columbus Fishing Derby:** On June 5, 2021 from 10AM to 2PM, at the Little Buffalo State Park, at the East end of the lake, the Knights of Columbus will hold their annual fishing derby. The Knights will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and chips.



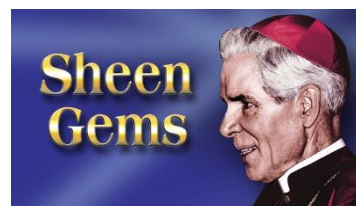
Families are asked to bring a dessert. The contest is for the longest fish in each age group, and there is no charge to participants. Contestants should bring their own fishing gear and bait. An adult must accompany all contestants. Lunch will be served at noon. **Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

**May is the Month of Mary:** The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pray] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (*Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1*).

**Quo Vadis Days** is a retreat for young Catholic men ages 15-25 to learn more about the Priesthood. The retreat will deepen your faith and help you better discern God's call in your life. Quo Vadis Days are scheduled June 27-July 1, 2021 at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. Registration is \$75 which the



parish will pay and there is no other cost to participants. For a registration form, please contact Father Sharman at 717-582-4113.



No one can understand Communism who does not believe in the devil. The Communists

believe in the devil. The Communists organized a so-called "patriotic" church. A few brain washed were to be in charge of the churches because they were loyal to the anti-God regime.

One of the first orders given by the Communists to them was that the prayer to Saint Michael be no longer said because it invoked the protection of St. Michael against "the wickedness and snares of the devil." As one Communist judge said: "We are those devils."

It is hard for many in the free world to believe that there are not only bad men, but evil men. Bad men steal, rape, ravage, and plunder. Evil men may not always do these things, but they seek to destroy goodness, virtue, morality, decency, truth, and honor. Bad men who steal admit honesty; evil men who do not steal, call dishonesty "honesty," totalitarianism "democracy," slavery "freedom." Evil men can be nice at table, polite with women, courteous in Washington, refined in London and calm in Geneva. But the principle which guides their every move is the maxim of Lenin: every lie, trickery, knavery and deceit must be used to. Communism is the final logic of the dehumanization of man."— Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

**Change in Morning Mass Schedule:** Morning Mass will not be celebrated on Monday or Tuesday, May 17/18<sup>th</sup>. Mass will be celebrated Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00AM.

**Just a Thought:** "Since then Christ's Ascension is our uplifting, and the hope of the body is raised, whither the glory of the Head has gone before, let us exult, dearly beloved, with worthy joy and delight in the loyal paying of thanks. For today not only are we confirmed as possessors of paradise but have also in Christ penetrated the heights of heaven. (Pope St. Leo I)