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MAY 9, 2021
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

WEEKDAY MASS: CHAPEL

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00AM
(ROSARY AFTER)

FIRST SATURDAY 8:00AM

ANointing of the Sick &
Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45 PM

SUNDAY: 7:15 - 7:45AM

9:45-10:15AM

(OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT)

ADORATION

TUESDAY: 8:00AM-6:00PM

FRIDAY: 8:30AM-9:30 AM
(DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

LAURA E. RHODE, SECRETARY

Gospel Reflection

Today's gospel is a continuation of last Sunday's parable of vine and the branches. After introducing this parable Jesus explains what happens in those who remain united to him.

Jesus always remains united with the love of his heavenly Father. He is faithful and "always does what pleases him" (Jn 8:29). His disciples can become a reflection of this union if they remain in His love and keep his commandments: "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." (Jn 14:23).

It is, in fact a call to Eucharist. It is a sacrament where this intimate relationship with the Lord is celebrated and realized: "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them". (Jn 6:56).

Jesus declares: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." There are many commandments but they are only clarifications of a single commandment, that which Jesus perfectly practiced: love others unconditionally. St. John says in his letter "Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen." (1 Jn 4:20). "For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Gal 5:14).

After the washing of the feet of his disciples Jesus said: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (Jn 13:34-35).

Love is often misunderstood by both the listener and the speaker. Everyone knows what love is but only a few people can explain and express their love. Our approach and attitude towards the expression of love makes the difference. For example: love towards elderly people is respect; love towards younger people is affection; love towards peer group is friendship and love towards products is likeness. But you can see selfishness in all these loves. Love without selfish motive is unconditional love. We don't see this unconditional love very much. Everyone just likes each other. According to Dr. Sternberg love is a mixture of passion, intimacy and commitment.

So, let us first cultivate an abiding and loving friendship with Jesus and then be persons for others.

Today's Readings

First Reading (*Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 (56B)*)

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm (*Psalm 98:1,2-3,3-4*)

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading (*1 John 4:7-10*)

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Gospel (*John 15:9-17*)

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

Catholic Sharing Appeal

In the pandemic year 2020 did you know that the Church provided \$742,000 in housing and utility assistance? Over 2 million pounds of food was distributed to the those in need. Over 200 infants were provided with basic care items. Over 400,000 people in South Mississippi were helped in one form or another through the Church and your generosity of prayer and financial support. Thank you! Please help us continue the work of Jesus by "Witnessing the Eucharist Within Us," and supporting this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal.

BUNCO

May 16th, 2021
12:30pm
Parish Hall



Frances Adams	
Michael & Toddy Arceneaux	Verna Mae Ladner
Nelsie & Johnny Banks	Larry Lind
Emilee Battaglia	Walter Lonnbourg
Marge Blaisdell	James Lovett
Gene Breazeale	Layla Mallett
Ida Brown	Woody Mauffray
Claud Burk & Linda Burke	Charles Meador
Garland Cuevas	Kathleen Micell
Michael Girdinia	Shannon & Carol Moragas
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen,	Barbara Moran
Tessa, Jo Ann, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo	Mary Louise & Sonny Moran
	Warren Moran
	Belinda & Kenny Morgan
	Shirley Morris
Margaret Cuevas	Patrick Murphy
Howard Edwards	Bernadine Necaise
Ivan Garza	Janet Necaise
Peggy Glynn	Tyrone & Faye Necaise
Christine Greenwood	Christopher Nugent
Merle Haas	Joy Patin
Jennie Hoda	Brooke Rolison
Amanda Jones	Tina Roundtree
Mary Kenney	Karrie Schultz
Donald Koenenn	Jerry Shavers
Shelly Koenenn	Mike Shubert
Barbara Ladner	Timothy Scott Steen
Shelia Ladner	Maura Strong
Willard & Cecile Ladner	Josie Thomas
Patsy Ladner	Denise Walker
	Shaylynn Whitfield

Welcome Back to Mass

Bishop Kihneman has lifted the exemption given from participating in the Holy Mass from Sunday, March 28, 2021. Please come back to the church on Sundays and days of obligation. You are also allowed to listen to our broadcasting FM 91.1 and receive Holy Communion at the entrance.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 8
4pm - Charles Haas †
Sunday, May 9
8:00am—Parishioners
10:30am— John & Nicole Necaise † Teddy & Shirley Morel † Joel & Peggy Cooley † All Deceased Family Members
Monday, May 10
8:00am— Arnold Ladner †
Tuesday, May 11
8:00am— Kim Young
Wednesday, May 12
8:00am - Bernard Brager
Thursday, May 13
8:00am – Souls of Purgatory
Friday— May 14
8:00am— Corinne Politi

Financial News

Insurance	\$42,034.01
Diocesan Support	\$23,058.96
School Supplement	\$23,536.83
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$140,879.28
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$229,509.08
Amount needed each Week	\$4,413.63
Last Sunday Collection	\$3990.67
Shortfall	\$422.96

Congratulations to the First Holy Communicants

Caleb Joseph Schwartz
&
Reese Rian Olsen

Annunciation Catholic Church

\$1,000.00 Raffle
Drawing will be held
Sunday June 6th
1st Place \$1,000.00
2nd Place \$250.00

Annunciation Catholic Church Barbeque
 June 6th, 2021
 After 10:30 Mass
Pickup at the Parish Hall
Dine in or Carry out
 Orders will be taken after each weekend Mass.
 Or you can stop by the office, during office hours.
 Plates will include a Leg Quarter, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Bread & Dessert.
 Plates are \$12.00

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS:

Amir Darwis	US Army National Guard
Drew Ladner	US Marine
Darrell Little	US Army
Devin Nelson	US Army
Brandan Witt	USAF
Evan Cameron	USAF
Dillon Lacoste	US Navy
Lance Cuevas	USAF

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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