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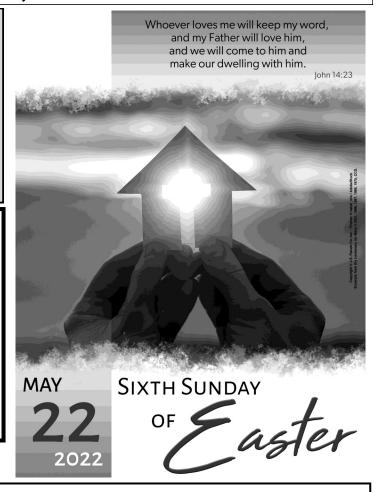
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RETURNING TO ORDINARY LIFE

Six weeks into our Easter rejoicing, the Church gives us readings today that start preparing us for a return to ordinary life. The Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel both dwell on proper daily behavior for followers of Jesus, while the reading from Revelation reminds us why we bother with laws at all. In Acts, leaders of the church meet to discuss which essential elements of the Mosaic Law converts must obey if they wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ. John's Gospel reflects back to the Last Supper discourse when Jesus himself emphasizes the importance of obeying God's commandments. Observing God's law, says Jesus, shows a desire to be intimate with the Lord. We follow rules not for their own sake, but to love God and neighbor better. This more excellent love brings us closer to Revelation's vision of paradise, gleaming with "the splendor of God." Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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A Humble God

The second reading from Revelation gives us a picture of the new Jerusalem as a sign of the power and majesty of God. Gleaming with precious stones, a massive high wall with twelve gates, it is illuminated not by the sun but by the glory of God. Yet the other two readings seem to describe a humble God who wishes "not to place on you any burden beyond . . . necessity" (Acts 15:28), and Jesus in the Gospel tells his disciples that "the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name . . . will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (John 14:26). This gentleness reminds me of an icon by the Russian monk Andrei Rublev that depicts the Trinity as three angels bowing in deference to each other. This humility may be what moved Jesus to say that "the Father is greater than I" (John 14:28). It is certainly a unique way of understanding God.

I used to think of free will as God's way of testing our worthiness for the kingdom of heaven. But it is more likely part of that same humility, God not being forced on us. While we are given ways to know God, especially through the scriptures and the witness of those who went before us in faith, God leaves us free to believe or not, to love God or not. When the Father sent his Son Jesus to show us his love, he sent us a tiny baby, born in a stable, not a mighty warrior leading an army. When Jesus rose from the dead on Easter, he appeared not in triumph to strike down Herod and those who had put him to death, but quietly to a handful of disciples who already believed in him.

So does this mean God leaves us on our own to get through life? No, God gives us the Holy Spirit to teach and remind us of all that Jesus said. That "reminding" is an important way the Spirit helps us today. You may have spent years in religion classes or the RCIA process. When you need an answer to life's questions, the Spirit may remind you of something you heard from a teacher or read in the scriptures. As you pray over that question, the Spirit may help you understand how the scripture applies to you. So the more you read the Bible, the more likely that the Spirit will have something of which to remind you.

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RECONCILIATION: See Mass Schedule or anytime by appt. **BAPTISM:** During weekend Masses by appt. Must be a registered member and attend baptismal preparation session.

MARRIAGE: At least six months prior notification to the pastor.

HOLY MASS: See Mass Schedule

Church Secretary: Kelly Paxton Maintenance: Tony Kellerman Parish Council President:

Sacred Heart: Cara Alongi 618-201-0699

Immaculate Conception: Jamie Schrader 618-318-3900

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SACRED HEART

Mass & Intentions

Saturday, May 21; Easter Weekday;

Saint Christopher Magallanes and Companions

4:00 - 4:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass Intention

Sponsors of CES

George Ciganovich by Jackie Williams

John Helmer by Adriane Pfeiffer

Mary Ellen Helmer by Henry & Margie Born

Sunday, May 22; SIX SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am Rosary

8:00 - 8:15 am Confessions

8:30 am Mass Intention

Raymond Sherman by Ron & Linda Sherman

John Alongi by VanVoorhis Family

Sponsors of CES

Monday, May 23:

7:00 am Prayer Service

Tuesday, May 24:

7:00 am Mass Intention

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Tom Moss by Betty & Brenda

Wednesday, May 25:

St. Bede, St. Gregory VII,

St. Mary Magdalenede Pazzi

5:30pm Mass Intention

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George Ciganovich by Joan & Isom

Thursday, May 26:

7:00 am Mass Intentions

St. Philip Neri

Sponsors of CES

Mary Ellen Helmer by Betty & Brenda

Friday, May 27:

Saint Augustine of Canterbury

7:00 am Mass Intention

Steve Dorsey by Kenny & Kathy

Saturday, May 28; Easter Weekday;

4:00 - 4:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass Intention

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Dorothy Prusacki by Kenny & Kathy

Juanita Ray by Harriet West

Sunday, May 29; THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00 am Rosary

8:00 - 8:15 am Confessions

8:30 am Mass Intention

John Alongi by The Family

Bruna Silvia Scarber by Terry Scarber

Cecil Daily by Betty & Brenda

Sponsors of CES

Parish Priest and Ministers of the care visit those who are homebound, nursing home residents and hospital patients. If you or someone you know would like a visit please contact the rectory 542-3423.

Sacred Heart Weekly Collections

Amounts will be in future bulletins **Thank You for your generosity!**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS Sacred Heart

Ushers for month of May

Saturday: Allen Reaves, Ryan Weatherford, Cara Alongi

Sunday: Tim Cobin, Steve Marek, Don Harsy

Saturday, May 28th - 5:00 pm

Altar Servers: Violet Searby & Maggie Kellerman

Lector: Evan Harsy & Tripp Pfeiffer

Extraordinary Ministers: Priest, Cyrilla Prusacki

Sunday, May 22nd - 8:30 am

Altar Servers: Landon & Logan Numi

Lector: Shonna Spencer

Extraordinary Ministers: Priest, Shonna Spencer

Weekly Happenings

Saturday, May 21

9 am - Noon - St. Joseph Thrift Store

9:30 am Pickleball at gym

Sunday, May 22

9am Mass at St. Bruno for 8th Grade Graduation

Monday, May 23

8:00 am - noon Quilting at Haffner Hall

9-11 am & 5-7 pm St. Joseph Thrift Store Drop off

6:00pm— Catholic Daughters Meeting

Tuesday, May 24

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Quilting at Haffner Hall

6:00pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 25

8:30 am Pickleball at gym

Thursday, May 26

9 am - 4 pm St. Joseph Thrift Store open

Choir Practice

Friday, May 27

Saturday, May 28

9 am - Noon - St. Joseph Thrift Store

9:30 am Pickleball at gvm

Sunday, May 29



Congratulations to St. Bruno's Class of 2022!

Isla Calderon, Miles Doerflein, Margo Dudek, Evan Harsy, Isaac Mayer, Olivia Poiter, & Callie Rushing.

Congratulations to all of our 2022 Graduates!

Congratulations on all your hard work to get to the next chapter in your life. May God bless you on your next adventure and may you always remember the love he has for you.

ST JOSEPH THRIFT STORE

Monday - May 23rd

9-11 am: Patty Reaves, Theresa Swain

5-7 pm: George and Darrie Thursday - May 26th

Store Workers: Don, Toni Haner, Renee Cobin, Sondra

K, Jo Ann Isom

Saturday - May 28th: Don, Doris Kern, Mary R., Linda

Elder, Nina R.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mass & Intentions

Sunday, May 22 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

10 am Mass Intention

David Tomaszewski by Bernard & Rita Winkeler Loraine Przygoda by Donna Piotrowski

Charles Kuberski Sponsors of CES

Monday, May 23: Easter Weekday

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Wednesday, May 25: Easter Weekday

St. Bede, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi

Thursday, May 26: Easter Weekday

St. Philip Neri

Friday, May 27: Easter Weekday St. Augustine of Canterbury

Saturday, May 28: Easter Weekday

Sunday, May 29 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

10 am Mass Intention

Roman Rojek by The Family Rose Marie Pestka by Barb Pokorny

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS Immaculate Conception

Ushers for the Month of May:

Chad Schrader & Dan Robinson

Sunday, May 22nd Lector: Addi Robinson

Sweet Treats: Jamie Schrader

Immaculate Conception

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Thanks for your generosity!

Confession at Immaculate Conception

Confessions will be heard in the flower room west of the altar either before mass or after mass. Please wait in the room for Fr. Carl. If he does not see you, please alert him that you are there for confession.

CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN UP!

Mowing season is here at Immaculate Conception Cemetery! Please remove anything that would impede mowing and anything you would like to keep. Thanks!



Fr. Joseph wishes to extend a sincere Thank you for all the wonderful Birthday wishes he received from Sacred Heart and Immaculate Conception Parishioners. He is truly grateful for your kindness.

THERE WILL BE LIMITED OFFICE HOURS FOR NEXT WEEK--(May 23rd - May 27th)
Please Call before coming by to make sure someone will be available.
Thanks.

Ouilt & Cash Raffle

Sacred Heart Quilters Annual Raffle (usually done during the Lenten Fish Fries) will be ongoing May through June 19th(Father's Day.) Drawing will be held on Monday, June 20th at Haffner Hall. Proceeds will go to Pro-Life Pregnancy Matters and other charitable works. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickers for \$5. Thank you for your support.

Pray for ...

ST BRUNO SCHOOL NEWS...

Glo Bingo - Saturday, June 4 at 7 pm at the Columbian Club Hall. Keep an eye out of St. Bruno School Facebook for when tickets go on sale!

Principal Position OpenPlease call the school office at 618-357-8276 if interested.

School Office Hours- for summer break will be Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9am-2pm unless otherwise posted.

Nursing Home: Lynn Finn, Connie Horst, Shirley Forys, Marie Dubravek, Rosalea Prusacki, Anna Roberts.

Sicke John Dale, Jim Getzie, Joan Kowalski, Terry Chastain, James Feger, Dorothy Alongi, Steve Porter, Rhonda Gilliam, Carl Giacomo, Matilda Harsy, Chris Kelley, Mary Iffert, Larry Hutson, Eileen Koenegstein, Leonard Rybacki, Paulette Jackson, David Martin, Bob Stewart, Linda Doerr, Helen Polcznski, Bill Baskin, Melissa Knoles, Terri Pasquino, Gary Pate, Steve Moss, Agnes George, Pam Pereira, Isabel Roade, Mr. & Mrs. Ken Clark, Diane Marks, Wayne Waligorski, Caroline Quinn, Wanda Wagner, Shirley Jean Zoller, Edna Bailey, Marian Whitson, Debbie Olinger, Ricky Farmer, Sam Hiller, Lindon Paxton, Cassie Chambers.

Names will remain in bulletin for 1 month.

<u>Military Personnels</u> Col. Aaron S. Cowley, SSgt. Jordan Keller, MGSgt (ret.) Thomas D. Sims, Sgt. Derek S. Sims, SCPO (SS/AW) John Kelley, SPC Mark Yanez, PV2 Jared Albers, Lt. Col. Carly Sims, Sgt. 1st. Cl. Caleb VanVoorhis, SSgt Tyler Jeffers, Lance Corporal Noah Mabry U.S.M.C, Lt. Col. Andrew Martin, USAF Airman E-1 Hunter Hill, Master Sergeant & Medical Intel. NCOIC Terry E. Chastain Jr., Nick Depyatic (Airforce), Garrison Alvis (Marines).