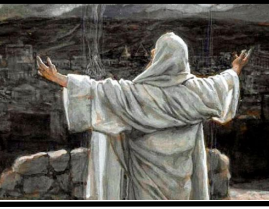




7th Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday, May 20 ~ Vigil/Seventh Sunday of Easter
5:30 PM Dave Barbuti, Janet Murphy
Sunday, May 21 ~ Seventh Sunday of Easter
9:30 AM James Edward Brentnall
Monday, May 22
9:00 AM
Wednesday, May 24
9:00 AM
Friday, May 26
9:00 AM The People of the Parish
Saturday, May 27 ~ Vigil/PENTECOST
5:30 PM Peggy Kennedy, Robert Wise
Sunday, May 28 ~ PENTECOST
9:30 AM Janet Murphy, Pashko Luke Shkreli

MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Saturday, May 27 ~ Vigil/PENTECOST
5:30 PM Joe Herschel
Sunday, May 28 ~ PENTECOST
9:30 AM John Drumm

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday, May 27 ~ Vigil/PENTECOST
5:30 PM Joe Herschel (a), Kim Grzybek (c)
Sunday, May 28 ~ PENTECOST
9:30 AM Jan Cornelius (a), Marie Barnett (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE
Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
Joseph Ruize (Navy) Pashko Shkreli (Army)
Carissa Tironi (Army) Nicholas Turner (Army)
Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES
Gina Lempka, Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL
Marion Andersen, Pat Arlotta, Bridget Auer,
Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke,
Barbara Ceriale, Brad Ceriale, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson,
Anna DiMare, Marie DiMare, Maria Elena DiMare,
Tina DiMare, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo,
Lenore Giansante, Margaret Hale, Brandon Hrinak, Mike
Hurd, Rosemary Osborn, Julie Oparski, Marianna Oparski,
Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Chris Strobl, Terry Waterson

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LOOKING AHEAD
Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment (9 AM start)
Tuesday, May 23
Knights of Columbus Chapter Meeting
Wednesday, May 24
OLA Women's Guild Meeting ~ 1:00 PM
Friday, June 2
First Friday Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ~ 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 3 & Sunday, June 4
LITURGICAL MINISTRY FAIR
& Light Refreshments
Parish Center Lower Level

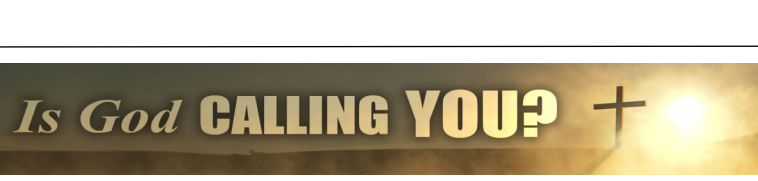


Kudos to members of the recently organized Women's Guild who spent many hours beautifying the gardens in the Marian Shrine. It is a wonderful location for photos (such as Confirmation & 1st Communion), or for just sitting quietly in the presence of the Blessed Mother. We are blessed to have this grotto in our midst!

THE WORD
Today's Scripture
7th Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:12-14
1 Peter 4:13-16
John 17:1-11a

About Prayer . . .
Lectio Divina ~ in Summary
Last week we looked at the four stages of *Lectio Divina*: reading, reflection, praying, and contemplation. These stages are not fixed rules of procedure but simply guidelines as to how the prayer normally develops. Its natural movement is towards greater simplicity, with less and less talking and more listening. Gradually the words of Scripture begin to dissolve, and the Word is revealed before the eyes of our heart. How much time should be given to each stage depends very much on whether it is used individually or in a group. If *Lectio Divina* is used for group prayer, obviously more structure is needed than for individual use. In group prayer, much will depend on the type of group. *Lectio Divina* may involve discussing the implications of the Word of God for daily life, but it cannot be reduced to this. The movement of the prayer is towards silence. If the group is comfortable with silence, more time could be spent resting in the Word.

The basic premise of *Lectio Divina* is that God's Word speaks to us today when we open ourselves to receiving it. The movements of reflecting, praying, and contemplating help us appreciate the rich levels of meaning found in a Scriptural verse that is as alive today as it has been through the centuries. The Word of God is alive and active and will transform each of us if we open ourselves to receive what God wants to give us.



Throughout the past several weekends we have been highlighting each of our liturgical ministries. All parishioners are invited to our **Liturgical Ministry Fair** after the Masses the weekend of **June 3rd** and **June 4th**. We hope that you will begin to consider if you feel God is calling you to serve in one of these ministries.

This week we're highlighting the LECTORS
Lectors proclaim the Word of God for all to hear to help those assembled to gain greater meaning from His teachings. In preparing for this ministry the Lector, too, becomes more attuned to the holy scriptures.

Mass Attendance/Collection
at Mass on May 13 & 14: **000**
Weekend's Collection: **\$0,000.00**

Lottery Tickets Needed!

We are asking all parishioners to please contribute new scratch-off Lottery Tickets for our large display that will be raffled off at the Chicken Barbecue this Summer. Place them in an envelope marked "Lottery" and put them in the Collection Box. We will sell chances to win at the Wurtsboro Founder's Day and other community venues, as well as after our Masses. Everyone's help to make it successful as a parish fundraiser is greatly appreciated!



"The Stone that the builder rejected has become the Cornerstone."
Matthew 21:42a

The Religious Education students, assisted by their Catechists, Chris Herschel and Ted Wall, created the pieces for this very special display in the sanctuary last weekend. It was a way in which they could become part of the scripture message and therefore better understand its meaning. In essence, they created an opportunity for parishioners to further experience *Lectio Visio* as introduced to OLA by the Arts Ministry.

SAVE THE DATE!
BEREAVEMENT GROUP REUNION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14th
1:30 to 3:00 PM