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Fifth Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day

Acts 6:1-7/Psalms 32/1 Peter 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

May 10th 2020



We rely on our phone or GPS to tell us where to go. The GPS device knows your exact location on earth. You tell it where you want to go. Then the GPS talks to you in a voice that tells you each street to turn on, and exactly where to drive. People trust the voice on the GPS.

Each of us has problems in this life, and we want to know "the way" out of these problems. We'd like a GPS to show us "the way" to move from debt to financial freedom, from addiction to freedom, from discord to unity, etc. We want directions for the way out. We ask: "How can we know the way" out of our situation?

We want a roadmap, but God has a better plan; He gives us directions in the form of a Person: Jesus, the Way. Jesus always knows our exact physical location on earth. Moreover, He knows exactly where we are spiritually, emotionally, and mentally. Finally, His plan for us is the perfect way to get to our destination! Our ultimate destination in this life is to spend eternity with God in heaven, and Jesus says: "No one comes to the Father except through Me". Jesus is the Way. Follow Him

Her name is Mary, the Blessed Virgin Mary, wife of St Joseph and mother of God, and we are so joyful to be in the month of May, Mary's month. This Sunday is not only Mother's Day (Happy Mother's Day to our beautiful mothers) but also this week on Wednesday 13th, is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. On May 13th, 1917, she appeared to the three shepherd children in a field outside of Fatima, Portugal, to bring peace to a world still gripped in the Great War. Mother's Day is in May because May is the month of the Blessed Mother. The best gift you can give your mother today is to pray a rosary for her, or even better, with her. In the Catholic faith tradition, we honour the mother of Jesus Christ, Mary. She is the protector of her son, Jesus. Mary is our spiritual mother, and protector. This month of May we are praying to her for guidance. We're blessed to have a mother who modelled the importance of faith through her life. We're grateful every day to be celebrating another Mother's Day with her.

A Mother's character has often been compared with that of God. And it is indeed true that it germinates a powerful bond of love between you and your mother. She is the first person in one's life who makes every experience a beautiful one. She helps us learn about life and teaches us how to make life a pleasant experience, in the initial stage of our life. Mothers are actually the people who play the most significant role in our life. No matter what, she will build her dreams only around yours. The relationship we share with our mother cannot actually be replaced by any other relationship of this entire world. She is the reservoir of unconditional love that makes us strong. She is the one who keeps us, showing the right path in life at every stage. So, it is our duty to make the experience at the end a beautiful one for her. Mother's Day is a great opportunity to tell your mother, the deepest feelings of your heart. It's a perfect time when you can show your love and gratitude to your lovely Mother. So, love her, honour her and respect her love!! Happy Mother's Day

PROJECT COMPASSION 2020

WE CAN STILL PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE ACROSS OUR WORLD

'Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things, with great love' (Saint Teresa of Calcutta)

Through your generosity during Project Compassion in 2020, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Mindful of all the needs here locally in our own community perhaps we can give 'something small with great love'.

'We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community'. (Dorothy Day)

<https://lent.caritas.org.au>

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

3 o'clock prayer - the hour of great mercy

Jesus said: Call upon my mercy on behalf of sinners; I desire their salvation. When you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith on behalf of some sinner, I will give that person the grace of conversion.

Let us pray: O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fount of Mercy for us, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in You.

THE SICK

As we journey with our Risen Lord through this difficult time let us remember in our prayers our family, parishioners and all those who are sick. May the mercy and healing power of God touch and give them strength and heal them.



RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for the recently deceased in our parish community. Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Lyn Matthews' mother, Mary Roberson, and Tony Colosimo.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Margarita Adecer, Manong Lapinig, Pedro Lapinig, Ruth Tarn Pike, Elwood Zimmerman, Heather Grimmett, Alona Oppus, Cornella (Malaque) Galleros, Rosario Malague, Mike Aggenbach.

*May all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*

Just a Note to those parishioners who may be in the process of rebuilding their homes following the recent bushfires, Blue Ridge Hardwoods, Eden are still selling timber to the public.

WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter
Acts 14:5-18/Psalms 114/John 14:21-26

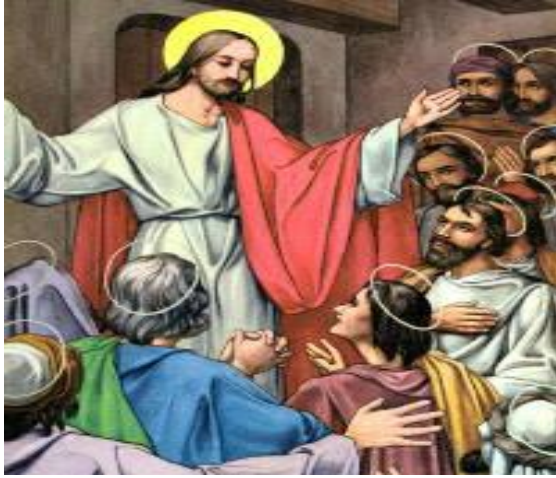
Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter Sts. Nereus, Achilleus, Pancras
Acts 14:19-28/Psalms 144/John 14:27-31a

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter Our Lady of Fatima
Acts 15:1-6/Psalms 121/John 15:1-8

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter St. Matthias
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Psalms 112/John 15:9-17

Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter
Acts 15:22-31/Psalm 99/John 15:18-21

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Psalm 65/John 14:15-21



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The gospel readings for the Sundays just before the feast of Pentecost are all taken from Jesus' last discourse in the Gospel of John. In them, Jesus prepares his followers for his death and resurrection and his ultimate exaltation.

This Sunday Jesus says that it is through his death that he goes to God. However, it is as he is raised up in crucifixion that he is exalted. The author of the epistle declares him 'chosen and precious in the sight of God' but it is as the stone that was rejected that he is so honoured. If we ever wonder how the exaltation of Jesus will effect us, we have Jesus' own words of explanation. He promises to go ahead of us and make arrangements for us to share in his exaltation in the house of the one he calls Father. All we need do is follow him.

Today's readings suggest that the exaltation of Jesus is most dramatically manifested in the character of the community of those called by his name. It is revealed in the way Christians settle their differences so that all parties are treated fairly. Jesus is the cornerstone upon which this community is built, and the community mirrors his influence in its life. Christians also participate in the exaltation of Jesus by spreading the good news to others. In Acts we see how the witness of life and the preaching of the word of God increased the number of believers.

REFLECTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

'Nice guys finish last.' 'Look out for Number One.' 'Be the "me" generation.' Have you ever heard these sayings? What kind of lifestyle do they promote? Why do you think they became popular? Can a person really live an active Christian lifestyle without opposing this philosophy of life? Why or why not?

What do you think are the most important things in life? What does society, the mainstream culture in our country, say are the most important things in life? What does Jesus say are the most important things in life? How does all that relate to service?

The sandal is a symbol of service. How and why do you think a sandal symbolises service?

COVID19


We invite you to explore the latest edition of LITed (Liturgy Brisbane) which looks ahead to what the Church may look like after Coronavirus, and reflects upon how we may have learned to see differently. to view at <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/>

COVID-19 Crisis Appeal

Vinnies is launching a COVID-19 Crisis Appeal to raise funds for the additional need we are already seeing due to Covid-19. The COVID-19 Crisis Appeal is replacing the Winter Appeal and is launching ahead of the traditional Winter Appeal start date of 1 May.

This new crisis, this terrible pandemic, nothing our modern community has experienced, will increase the need for the work of Vinnies in serving the poor and needy. Already within Australia, we have witnessed an exponential demand from vulnerable people needing help to find food, as a result of Covid-19 panic buying in the major supermarkets.

Due to the restrictions we're operating within, it will not be possible to do an appeal through parishes in the traditional manner. Please can you [enctodonateonlinewww.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal](https://www.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal) or by calling 13 18 12

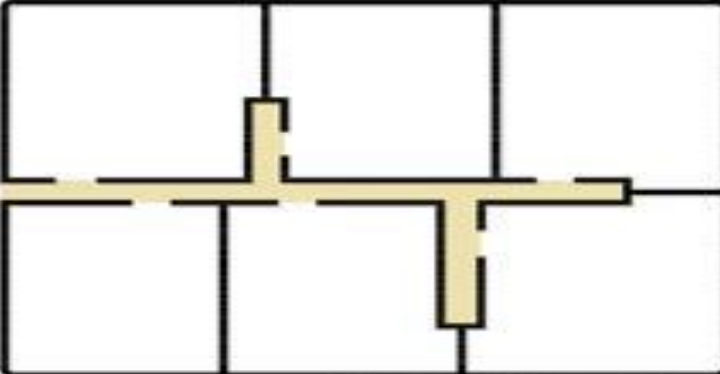


Jesus is the way

to the Father

5th Sunday of Easter, Year A



Jesus tells us that there are many rooms in His Father's house and that He has prepared a place for each of us. Fill each room with drawings of your family and friends.




Draw an arrow next to the words below which describe the Way, the Truth and the Life that Jesus wants us to follow.


→ **LOVE**
PEACE
GREED
FORGIVENESS
CONFLICT
JUSTICE
SELFISHNESS
COMPASSION
HONESTY
HATRED

Can you decipher what Jesus is saying?

come


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THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

DICATED BY JESUS TO ST. FAUSTINA, SEPT. 14TH, 1935

BEGIN WITH THE SIGN OF THE CROSS
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OUR FATHER xi
Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.


HAIL MARY xi
Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED xi
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.


ON EACH OF THE 5 "OUR FATHER BEADS" SAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER: →
Eternal Father I Offer you The Body And Blood, Soul And Divinity Of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, In Atonement For Our Sins And Those Of The Whole World.

ON EACH OF THE 50 "HAIL MARY BEADS" SAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER: →
For The Sake Of His Sorrowful Passion, Have Mercy On Us And On The Whole World.

FINAL PRAYER (REPEAT X3)
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have Mercy On Us And On The Whole World.



Jesus I Trust In You!



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JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

We are filled with God's spirit

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Try to find these words:

- apostles
- Aramaic
- faith
- Greek
- life
- message
- Philip
- rooms
- seven
- Spirit
- truth
- way

CROSSWORD

We are filled with God's spirit

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- Across:
- 1: Jesus said 'I am the ____, the truth, and the life'
 - 5: a house is made of many of these
 - 9: belief
 - 10: Father, Son and Holy _____
 - 11: between six and eight
 - 12: the disciples known as the twelve
- Down:
- 2: the common language spoken by Jesus
 - 3: something that is true
 - 4: the opposite of death
 - 6: information that is passed on to someone else
 - 7: this man wanted Jesus to show them the Father
 - 8: someone or something from Greece

