



**A reminder: Fr. Leo prays for all Mass intentions everyday while doing his own MASS.**

**Saturday, May 16, 2020**  
**Mass Intentions**

† Rose Brino  
† For all who have passed away due to the Corona Virus  
**Sunday, March 17, 2020 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Mass Intentions**

Prayers for the homeless

† Rodolfo and Carmella Zodda

† Ann Lischak

† Edward Migliaccio – 1 Year Anniversary

Prayers for the Resurreccion de Jesus prayer group

**Monday, May 18, 2020-St. John I, Pope & Martyr**

For medical workers, nurses and doctors

For firefighters, police and first responders

**Tuesday, May 19, 2020**

† For our deceased parishioners

**Wednesday, May 20, 2020-St. Bernardine of Siena,**

**Priest**

† Albert Farraye

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

**Thursday, May 21, 2020**

† Anna Antonia Gonell

*Special blessings to Robert and Joyce Schaublin as they celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary*

**Friday, May 22, 2020 – St. Rita of Cascia, Religious**

Healing for all those diagnosed with the Corona Virus

**Saturday, May 23, 2020**

† Rose Brino

**Sunday, March 24, 2020 – Ascension of the Lord**

† Maria Bedart – 1 year Mass

† Sr. Patricia Flynn

† Sr. Miriam Patrice Kane

† Deacon Owen (John David) Grimes

† Araceli Danilewicz

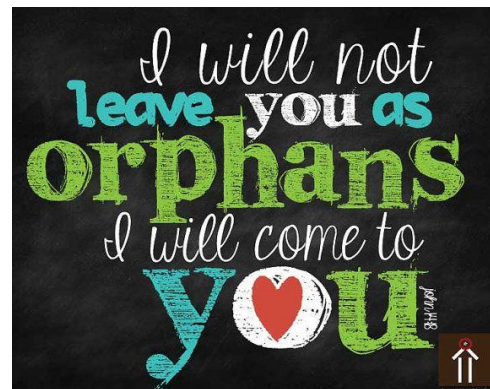
Prayers for the Matrimonio Feliz prayer group



*Thank You*



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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**MAY 17, 2020**

**“Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear... For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that is the will of God, than for doing evil...for Christ suffered that he might lead you to God.”**

*From the first Letter of Saint Peter*

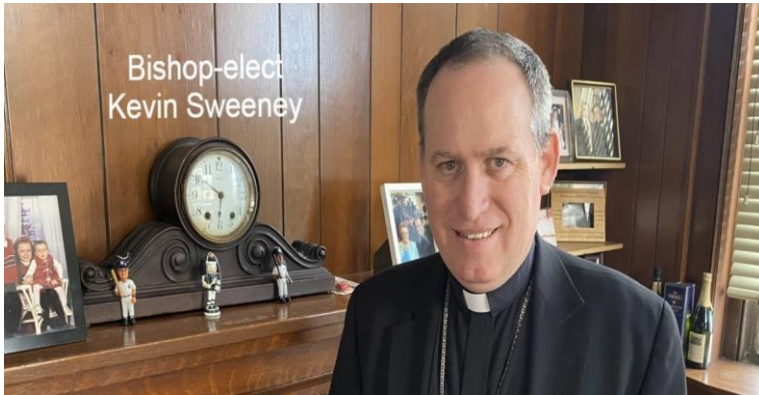
How wonderful if you would take the time or make the opportunity to read the entire letter of Saint Peter. He spent his time, helping the first and persecuted Christians to remain strong in their faith.

Are you ready to answer questions people might pose, because you are a believer? There are so many people hungry for the truth and for the Lord, and you might be the instrument He uses to bring them back, or even to meet Him for the first time.

The reason others approach you is because they find something special in you, they want what you have. If you are not sure how to respond, suggest a bible study or faith sharing group – and join one yourself. In this way all can grow together in faith as we walk the journey together. As someone told me today, they heard a voice saying ‘I am waiting for you.’

**HIS WORD TODAY**  
by Rev. William J. Reilly

# A Very Special Announcement from the Diocese Of Paterson



The ordination and installation date for our new Bishop, Rev. Kevin Sweeney will take place on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. His Eminence Joseph W. Cardinal Tobin, C.S.R., Metropolitan Archbishop of Newark, will ordain the Eighth Bishop of Paterson. Co-celebrant Bishops will be the Most Rev. Nicholas A. DiMarzio, Bishop of Brooklyn and the Most Rev. Arthur Serratelli of Paterson. Because of the Pandemic the ceremony will be live streamed on the Diocese of Paterson's website.



## Online Giving

Please consider Online Giving. Visit our parish website at [www.stgerardmajella.org](http://www.stgerardmajella.org) for more information or to sign up. This will allow you to:

- Set up your own contributions
- Change your contribution at any time
- Your donation is automatic and safe
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For more information call Gloria at the Rectory 973-595-8446.



## A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

“If you love me, you will **keep** my commandments.

And I will **ask** the Father, and he will give you another **Advocate** to be **with you always**, the **Spirit of truth**, whom the world cannot accept, because it **neither sees** nor knows him.

But you **know** him, because he **remains** with you, and will be in you.

I will **not leave** you orphans; I will **come** to you. In a little while the world will **no longer** see me, but **you** will see me, because **I live and you will live**. On **that** day you will **realize** that **I am in** my Father and **you are in me** and **I in you**.

Whoever **has** my commandments and **observes** them is the **one who loves me**.

And whoever **loves me** will be loved by my **Father**, and I will **love him** and **reveal** myself to him.”



Bible Readings

### THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5/17/2020-Sunday-1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

5/18/2020-Monday-Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a




5/19/2020-Tuesday-Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

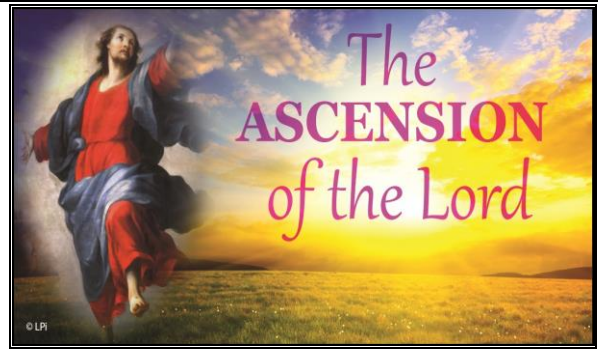
5/20/2020-Wednesday-Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

5/21/2020-Thursday-Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

5/22/2020-Friday-Acts 18-9-18; Jn 16:20-23

5/23/2020-Saturday-Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> San burns in loving memory of <b>Sapio &amp; Pascale Deceased</b>	<i>Flowers</i> are given in loving memory of <b>Rose Brino</b>	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of <b>Salvatore Cannata</b>



## SUNDAY, MAY 24<sup>th</sup>

The Ascension of Jesus is the physical departure of Christ from Earth into the presence of God in Heaven. In the Christian tradition, reflected in the major Christian creeds and confessional statements, God exalted Jesus after his death, raising Him as first of the dead, and taking Him to Heaven, where Jesus took his seat at the right hand of God.



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### Deceased Parishioners:

Please keep in your prayers those of our parishioners, family or friends who have entered into eternal rest. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the eternal light shine upon them. We specially pray for **Dawn Antonucci, Irene Sciro and Albert Farraye.**

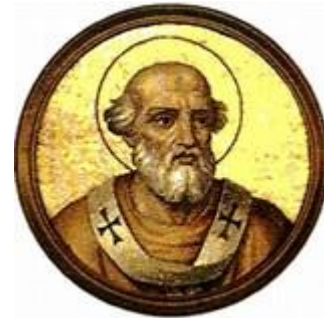


## OFFERTORY GIFTS



When our Church reopens, if you are having a Mass for a loved one, please let the Usher know so you or a member of your family can present the Offertory gifts to the Priest.

## SAINT JOHN 1, POPE & MARTYR Feast Day: May 18th



## MASS INTENTIONS

Although the Rectory is presently closed, we are still accepting Mass intentions for loved ones. The phones are being monitored from home, so please call 973-595-8446 at least one week before the requested date.