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Readings for the Week of May 18, 2020

- Sunday:** Acts 1: 12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a
- Monday:** Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16: 29-33
- Tuesday:** Acts 20: 17-27; Jn 17: 1-11a
- Wednesday:** Acts 20: 28-38; Jn 17: 11b-19
- Thursday:** Acts 22: 30; 23:6-11; Jn 17: 20-26
- Friday:** Acts 25: 13b-21; Jn 21: 15-19
- Saturday:** Acts 28: 16-20, 30-31; Jn 21: 20-25
- Sunday:** Acts 2: 1-11; 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20: 19-23

Parish Support

Offering by Mail \$ 1546.00

Last Year's Offertory Collection

5Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

ōI have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me, and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me, and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you.

Mass Intentions

This Weekend

Saturday May 23	RIP	Blicharz & Ponck Family By: Deacon John & Jane
Sunday May 24	RIP	Lois & Jerry Frohock By: Charlie & Betsy
Daily Masses		
Monday May 25		Memorial Day
Tuesday May 26		St. Philip Neri
Wednesday May 27	RIP	Michael Shaughnessy By: James & Ryan Jones & Sean Doyle
Thursday May 28		
Friday May 29		

Next Weekend

Saturday May 30	RIP	Dermot Daley By: Phyllis Daley
Pentecost Sunday May 31	RIP	Moe Kelly (death rem.) By: Brian Kelly

Thank You to all those mailed their offertory envelopes. Please continue to support our church in this uncertain time.

Please note:

Regular online and phone office hours are open from Monday ó Thursday from 11:00-4:00 PM to answer the phones and receive emails. Please dial 802-463-3128 for emergencies.

Today (5/22/2020) Gov. Phil Scott announced that churches may resume services at 25 percent seating capacity.

This is good news, but news that must be tempered with prudence. A church re-opening planning committee comprised of parishioners, medical professionals, pastors, and diocesan leadership has been meeting over the last several weeks to prepare church re-opening protocols. Our churches will open for the celebration of Mass and the other sacraments once protocols are finalized and implemented and we are confident that our parishes are prepared to safely open according to the CDC and Vermont Department of Health guidelines.

At this point, Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne has set that date as Monday, June 1. He expects to confirm this date with an announcement within the next week.

Bishop Coyne

"Exercise your ordinary imagination, picturing the Savior to yourself in his sacred humanity as if he were beside you just as we are wont to think of our friends, and imagine that we see or hear them at our side. But when the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar is there, then this Presence is no longer imaginary, but most real; and the sacred species are but a veil from behind which the present Savior beholds and considers us, although we cannot see him as he is." (St. Francis de Sales)



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Bodner, Ellah Williams, Fred Waryas, Maybelle Long, Joseph Mitchell,
Heather Rodger, Patricia Jones, Frances Hackett, Colleen Paquet, David
Robarge, Kathy Mcarthy, Tom Burns, Mary Lou Fogg, Jim Nyberg, Cheryl
Elyse Garrett, Ed Atkins, Conner Glover. **Please contact the rectory (463-
3128) if you wish Father Maria Lazar to make a sick call or bring
Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**

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Or our website:

stcharles.vermontcatholic.org

If you would like to get the bulletin via email, please email
the parish Office at stcharlesrectory@comcast.net, and we
will add you to the email list.

If anyone is in need of last sacraments, please call the parish
office, anytime night or day 802-463-3128.

Until further notice **ALL CCD classes are cancelled**, please
check the Diocese website for remote learning.

Guidelines and Safety measures from the CDC, about the COVID-19 Virus

[https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-
ncov/prepare/prevention.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html)

St. Charles church will resume offering Holy
Mass for people with limited number of people.
As of now daily mass will begin on Monday, June
1st at 9 am and the weekend masses; Saturday at
4 pm. and Sunday at 9 am. Please look out for
more information.

At this point we are looking for volunteers to help
and set up things as needed once we re-open the
church for public services. Please contact the
Rectory office.

**The Mass book is available now. If you would like
a mass said for a loved one, please contact the
parish office by phone call or by email. Thank
you!**

John17:1-11a

Jesus prays for his disciples.

Today's reading is a prayer, which appears at the
conclusion of Jesus' Last Supper discourse. At the end of
the prayer, Jesus is arrested in the garden. The prayer
might be read as Jesus' final commendation of himself to
the Father. In the prayer, Jesus also expresses care and
concern for his disciples.

Jesus' prayer reaffirms the complete union between
Jesus and the Father. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus
has been presented as the Word, who pre-existed with
the Father and was sent to do the Father's work on earth.
In this prayer we learn that Jesus' life and ministry have
been directed toward one purpose, revealing the Father.
When this work is accomplished, Jesus is to return to the
Father to be glorified. Regardless of what happens to
Jesus, in John's Gospel, Jesus and the Father are in
charge. Even in the description of Jesus' death, Jesus
does not simply die but instead hands over his spirit.

In today's Gospel we also note the distinction found in
John's Gospel between the world and the disciples. The
disciples are in the world, but they are separate from it
because they have been given to Jesus. They are chosen
from the world to be in service to the world for its
salvation. This salvation has been accomplished in Jesus
because Jesus has revealed the Father to the world, but
the disciples will be sent by Jesus to make both the
Father and Jesus known to the world. Jesus' prayer is for
the disciples' work in the world.

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USCCB Prayer for healing and protection from COVID-19

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the
Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask
you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in
Cana. Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and
world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of
your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of
healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable
and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this
time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one
another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of
Jesus to our land and to our hearts. We come to you with
confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle
of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us
always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.