

ST AGNES PARISH

May 9, 2021 – 6th Sunday of Easter

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" - JOHN 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

We speak of our Sunday obligation to attend Mass, and it is an obligation because of the worship that we owe to God: "Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day" (Exod. 20:8). But we don't go to Mass only because we have to; we go out of love. We return the love that our Lord offers to us in his saving death and resurrection. We come to hear God's Word and to receive the incomparable gift of the Eucharist, which no secular activity could ever match. We come not to be entertained, but to rejoice in the salvation that Jesus won for us by giving his life on the cross and taking it up again on the first Easter. We come to Mass because we need to be one with God, and there is no better way to draw near to him than in the sacred liturgy of the Mass. Without the celebration of the Eucharist and the Lord's Day, we would be aimless and adrift, buffeted by the attractions and the perils of our world. But when we do attend Mass with all the faithful, we know we are rooted in Christ and anchored in the safe harbor of his Church.

Bishop Folda

Pentecost Sunday, May 22 & 23. Wear something **RED**

Pope Francis' Intentions for May Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers

St. Agnes Stewardship 5/2

Adult \$730.00

Plate \$80.00

Roof Loan \$1000.00

Total \$1810.00

Reminder:

Feast of the Ascension is celebrated next Sunday, NOT Thursday

If anyone has something to share that should be included in the bulletin, please contact Lois, 874-2144, 701-238-4380, lois_ewertz@hotmail.com

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERHOOD

Lord God, we thank you, the Source of Life, for all those who have welcomed and nurtured our lives. In particular, we thank you for our mothers, who with trust in you and self-sacrifice beyond description, have made it possible for us to live and praise you today. Give them the reward of their labors.

Today, Lord, we also pray for mothers who are afraid of being mothers. We pray especially for those carrying a child within them, but afraid to bring that child to birth. Look with favor on these, your daughters, and give them trust and strength. Enable them to give themselves to their children, as you give yourself to us, and to experience the joys of motherhood. Enable us to do our part to encourage them and provide for their needs. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

On May 10 at 9:00 A.M., we'll be starting a **10 part series on the Divine Mercy** based on the book, In the Second Greatest Story Ever Told written and narrated by Fr. Michael Gaitly. We'll watch a 30 minute video each time with about 45 minutes of discussion. You don't have to commit to every session; just come when you can. There is NO homework and treats and coffee will be served. Come join us!! Karen Groth

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon 5/10 OLP NO Mass

Tue 5/11 OLP **NO Mass**

Wed. 5/12 OLP 9:00am +Wm Shahane

Thur 5/13 OLP 9:00am +Hubert Honl

Fri 5/14 OLP 9:00am +Msgr Wm Dubois

Sat 5/15 OLP 5:00pm +Rev Walter Laut

Sun 5/16 OLP 10:30am Elijah Kubischta

St. Agnes 8:30am For the People

Confessions: OLP Sat. 4:00-4:30

Holy Hour Sunday's 3:00-4:00pm

OLP STEWARDSHIP 5/2

Adult \$2668.00

Plate \$59.00

Votive \$6.00

St. Ann's \$40.00

TOTAL \$2773.00

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