

SAINT JAMES' CATHOLIC CHURCH

Bulletin
for the week of
May 17, 2020



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Daily Masses
Monday thru Friday
7:30 a.m.
Saturday
8:00 a.m.
*All daily Masses are in
the Rectory*

Schedule of Masses
Sunday Obligation
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m. (Español)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m. (Español)
6:00 p.m. (Español)

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament**
7:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday
In the Rectory Chapel
Benediction
8:00 p.m.

**Acompañe a Jesús
Sacramentado en
oración,
de lunes a viernes de
7:00 a 8:00 de la noche
en la Capilla de la
Rectoría.**

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Closed on
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<http://stjamesmr.org/>

****Bulletin Deadline****
Wednesday Noon
Pre-approved by
the Pastor



Gospel

John 14:15-21

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.”

Pope asks us to add 2 prayers to end of Rosary in month of May

Pope Francis is encouraging the faithful to rediscover the “family” aspect of the Rosary.

Pope Francis has written a short note to the faithful for the month of May 2020, offering the text of two prayers to pray at the end of the Rosary. “I myself will pray [them] in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you,” he said.

The first prayer is the one the Holy Father offered on March 11, his entrustment of Italy and the world to Our Lady.

The second prayer offers specific petitions linked to the end of the pandemic.

To find our more please visit:

<https://aleteia.org/2020/04/25/pope-asks-us-to-add-these-2-prayers-to-end-of-rosary-in-month-of-may/>

Suspicious Emails and IT Reminder

We have received calls and emails about fraudulent emails being received by people from a spam account using Archbishop Gregory’s or other priests’ names. Please note that the archbishop will not communicate a need for assistance in this way. At this point we are unable to stop these emails as these fraudulent email accounts are outside of the ADW domain. Please be diligent in not responding to suspicious emails. Pastors and parish staff are asked to communicate this as well to parishioners.

Additionally, please keep IT Security in your minds. Pay special attention to suspicious emails. The Archdiocese is seeing an increase in spam and scams. The US Attorney General is warning us about these coronavirus scams: Individuals and businesses selling fake cures for COVID-19 online and engaging in other forms of fraud; Phishing emails from entities posing as the World Health Organization, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other health organizations; Malicious websites and apps that appear to share Coronavirus-related information to gain and lock access to your devices until payment is received; Seeking donations fraudulently for illegitimate or non-existent charitable organizations; Medical providers obtaining patient information for COVID-19 testing and then using that information to fraudulently bill for other tests and procedures

Please Help the Little Sisters of the Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor need support as they provide care for the elderly at their Jeanne Jugan Residence during these challenging times. Since the Little Sisters are unable to go to the local parishes and collect donations for the needs of their Residents, please consider donating any of the following items and have them delivered to:

Jeanne Jugan Residence
4200 Harewood Road, NE
Washington, D.C. 20017
202-269-1831

Donations can be delivered at the main entrance.

Most needed items:

- Disposable gloves
- Disposable head covers and shoe covers
- Isolation gowns
- Disposable masks
- Laundry detergent
- Disinfectant wipes and spray
- Nutri-grain fruit bars, fig newtons
- Individual servings of applesauce
- Frito lay variety chips
- Nabisco variety pack cookies, mini cookie treats
- Individual serving box juices
- Bottles of Juice (apple, cranberry, lemonade, cranapple, etc)

A Letter from Fr. Pablo Bonello

My Sunday Mass (I)

Many times I find this question on the websites: “What are you going to do when the quarantine is over?” Of course, we will do many things that before were at hand and the pandemic helped us to appreciate such as exercises, sports, gatherings, outdoor life, parks, lakes, sports, beaches! and so on.

And God? And the Eucharist? What Sunday Mass? We were given the grace of feeling and seeing how important worship is for us! Yes, we pray at home, and we will keep this practice –so many times neglected. But the Liturgy of the Church is essential.

What am I going to do, when everything is (almost) over? I WILL ATTEND MASS. Rather, I WILL EXERCISE MY PRIESTHOOD AT MASS. I am not going to be a spectator. I will exercise the priesthood God gave me with Baptism. I will offer the sacrifice, with the ministerial priest and through his hands, because if there is no priest there is not Eucharistic sacrifice, either.

I will offer the sufferings of Christ, just as He did on the Cross. With Jesus I will offer my own sacrifices, just as He did on Mount Calvary. With the sacrifice of Jesus, I will offer my own sacrifice as well, as Jesus DID, on that Good Friday as well. Yes, Jesus offered my own sacrifices as well; that’s why I am able to come to God.

How is this possible? When He was crucified, He saw all the sacrifices of human beings: sacrifices that were offered in the past, in the present and in the future.

With His Divine Science, He saw all sacrifices. In His eternity, He saw my days, as well. With His human knowledge, He also saw them as well, for His Intelligence was illumined with the beatific Science of heaven; and with the Science infused by the Three Persons in His human intelligence.

We should be aware of this great Mystery: Jesus saw our own sacrifices on the Cross. I come to Mass, and Jesus had seen that in His eternity. Every Sunday, or every day. How do I offer my sacrifice? Does it come from a sincere heart? Then, Jesus blesses it, accepts it and incorporated it to His sacrifice on the Cross. When I come to Mass my own sacrifice takes place on time, but existed before time in Him. When I come to Mass, my own sacrifice is joined to the sacrificed of Christ. It is what Jesus did on Mount Calvary.

Thus we can understand why the Church tells us that we must not be passive, whenever the Mystery of Christ is celebrated. We are to add our prayers, our joys, our sorrows, our dreams, our fears, our entire lives.

We can understand why Jesus took bread and wine for the sacrament of His sacrifice: bread and wine are fruit of the earth and work of human hands: we are there. The bread and wine, talk about me, again, about my joys and sorrows, about my daily work, about my mission, my education of children, my charity, my patience and virtues, all that can be offered to God.

We can understand why we bring them in procession: because we are brought to God at that point.

We can understand why our whole life becomes “Christian” because it has been elevated, transformed, and added to Jesus and His Cross.

This is a point that should be meditated, explained, described, studied, and above all, put into practice. It will be the theme of these letters: at Mass I offer to God the sacrifice of Jesus; at Mass I offer my own sacrifice as well through Jesus, with Him and in Him.

Have a blessed week! Hopefully, Masses will be back! We keep praying!

God bless you all!

Fr Pablo Bonello IVE
Pastor

