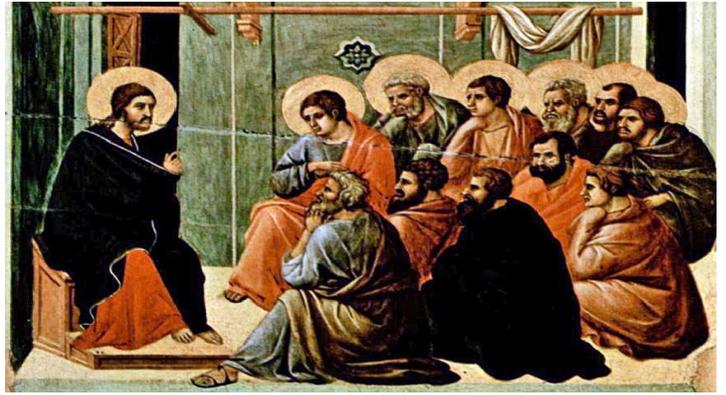


Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Date	Intentions	Requested by
5/02 11:00	Bob & Keri Allen	
5/05 12:00	Special Intention	
Latin		
5/06 12:00	Mary Ann Massey +	Ellen Nolan
5/07 9:00	Bob & Keri Allen	
5/09 11:00	Donna Barry	Carmen Allen



LEARN FROM THE FIRST ONES

The story of the early Church that we hear from the Acts of the Apostles during the Easter season is instructive and inspiring. We learn how the community grew in their understanding for what it means to remain close to Jesus in the most challenging of situations. They lived in word and deed as Christ had taught and bore the fruit of their faith in their daily decisions, in small ways and in dramatic moments. Faced with Saul who had persecuted Christians and who presented himself as a disciple, Barnabas risked believing Saul's testimony. Through Barnabas, the community accepted Saul, with increasing numbers of people being led to belief in Christ as a result. We too are called to live in word and deed, taking to heart Christ's command to love one another, even when it is challenging to do so. We may find inspiration in the way the early believers drew consolation from the Holy Spirit, finding wisdom and strength to keep the commandments and do what pleases God.

Our Lady of the Mountains—Offertory (Weekend of April 25, 2021)

Offertory—\$1,533 Attendance—57

Please consider making your offertory donations on-line. Visit our website:
<https://olmhighlands.com/online-giving>
for more details.

Our Lady of the Mountains Guidelines and Precautions during the Covid-19 Pandemic

We are taking the following precautions to keep everyone safe at Mass.

1. The obligation to attend Mass is still lifted.
2. Sanitizing hands is encouraged upon entering and leaving. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrances.
3. The wearing of masks is highly encouraged. Masks are available at the entrances.
4. All physical contact between congregants is suspended such as hand-holding at the Our Father and the Sign of Peace.
5. The priest sanitizes his hand between households during the distribution of Holy Communion.
6. Distribution of the Precious Blood is suspended.

Second Collections for the Month of May

May 13 Ascension of Jesus
May 16 International/National
Combined Collection

Father's Column

The Feast of St. Joseph the Workman:

The Dignity of Human Labor

The nature of evil is the corruption of the good. In other words, people do not choose evil for the sake of evil, but rather for one reason or another they corrupt what is good. For instance, one can absolutize a part of something and make it the whole. Such is the fundamental error of Communism, which says man is defined by his labor. One may be tempted to react against the error in the opposite extreme, saying labor is valueless. The truth, however is somewhere in between.

The Church's response to the Communist conception of labor came in 1955 when Pope Pius XII instituted the feast of Saint Joseph the Workman to be observed on May 1 to contest Communism's May Day. This feast is a reminder of the inherent goodness of human labor, sanctified as it was Christ and His foster-father, St. Joseph.

Following is from the Acts of Pope Pius XII: "In order that the dignity of human labor and the principles which underlie it might penetrate more deeply into souls, Pius XII has instituted the feast of St. Joseph the Workman, as an example and a protection for all associations of workers. For from this example, those who follow the worker's calling ought to learn how and in what spirit they should discharge their duties, so that, obeying the first law of God, they might likewise subdue the earth and attain to economic prosperity, and at the same time reap the rewards of eternal life. Nor will the prudent guardian of the Family of Nazareth fail to shield with his protection, and from heaven bless the homes of those

who, like him, are artisans and workmen. Most aptly has the Supreme Pontiff ordered this feast to be celebrated on the first of May, a day which the workers have adopted as their own; from henceforth let it be hoped that this day, dedicated to St. Joseph the Workman, will, as time goes on, not sharpen hatred and inflame strife, but with each recurring year, invite everyone to strive more and more for those things which are still lacking to civil peace, and indeed that it may stimulate the public authorities to use their abilities in effecting whatever right order demands of human fellowship."

**BECOME MORE INVOLVED
AT OUR LADY OF THE
MOUNTAINS!**

Lector Men's Club

Usher Flowers

Fellowship Brunch

Please call the office for more details!

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for April

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Saint of the Week

On one side, I saw the Lord calling me; on the other the world offering me its seducing charms and pleasures. How often did I embrace and reject; willed and not willed the same thing! But in the end Jesus Christ triumphed in me.

~St. Hilary of Aries, (401-449), Bishop, Patron Saint of Lawyers Feast Day May 5.

Please pray for our parishioners and their relatives and friends:

Nancy McGowan, Carolyn Neupauer, Alsia Sutton & Family, Christine Walker, Laura Sanders, Mary Catherine Cann, Griffin Harper

Also for those in our book of prayer intentions, and those for whom there is no one to pray.

Please pray for all the men and women serving the United States in the military.

Please pray for the souls of our beloved deceased.

James Urbanski, Pat Pittari, Clara Lewicki, Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga, Scott Peek, Sr., Stewart Austin, and Ron Simmons, Harry Vaughn