



Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 1, 2016

Jesus said to His disciples: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you." ~Jn. 14:26



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday April 30

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Patricia May

Sunday May 1

8:30am-† Isabel Maria Quiñones
10:00am- † Ann & Charles Urwin
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday May 2

8:00am- † Jennie DeSimone
12:05pm- † Saverio Micillo

Tuesday May 3

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Wednesday May 4

8:00am- ~ For Joshua Emmanuel's Health
12:05pm- † Bryan Graves ~7th Anniversary~

Thursday May 5

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Friday May 6

8:00am- † Rosario Vitiello & Luigi Segreto
12:05pm- † Grace Frulio

Saturday May 7

8:00am- † Adelle Pendergrass Simpson
5:00pm- † Patricia May

Sunday May 8

8:30am-† Sann, Zappone, Gagliardi & Zarelli Families
10:00am- † Ann & Charles Urwin
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered by:
Offered by: George & Gus

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Dorothy Lucero

Offered by: Annette Esposito
By: daughter, Theresa Contardo

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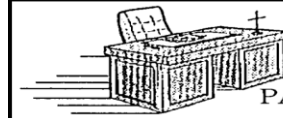
By: O.L. Mt. Carmel School Families
Offered by: Linda Graves

Offered by:
Offered by:

Offered by: Frulio Family
Offered by: Frulio Family

By: daughter, Cinderella Wonszewitz
Offered by: Friends from the diner

Offered By: Sue, Pat, Maria & Dominick
Offered by: Dorothy Lucero



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Traditionally, May is a month in which we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. We should honor Mary as the true disciple that she was and seek to emulate her discipleship in Christ.

Mary was a woman of prayer. Mary was a teenager, probably no more than 14 or 15 years of age, when she received the call of God that changed her life and the changed the course of human history. Remarkable! A young teenager had a sufficiently profound relationship with God that she could hear the call of God to her, wrestle with that call, and respond to that call with a total gift of self. How is our life of prayer? Do we listen to God especially when God asks from us something that is difficult for us to accept? Do we wrestle with what God asks of us? Do we finally give our full assent to what God asks of us knowing, as Mary knew, that God wills only the good for us and God's people?

Mary was a woman of faithfulness. It could not have been easy to be the mother of Jesus. Mary was a devout Jew whose son was in conflict with the leadership of the Jewish people. Mary was a mother whose son was the object of praise and vilification, acclaim and derision. Mary witnessed the arrest, torture and execution of her son. Through it all, Mary persevered in faithfulness to her son and to her God. When we face difficulties, challenges and struggles, do we pray to Mary to help us persevere in faith as she did? Do we pray to Mary to keep us in faithfulness to the way of her Son?

Mary was a woman of great generosity. We see that generosity in her "Yes" to God, in her faithfulness to her Son and to her God, and in her perseverance in faith. She gave all of herself to God. Do we dare pray to Mary this month for the grace to give of ourselves more and more to God? Do we dare pray to Mary to intercede for us with her Son that he might draw us more deeply into his life by our faithfulness to him and to the way he showed us?

May Mary help us grow in our discipleship in her Son, Jesus Christ!

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine
Tabernacle Candle
Memorial Candle



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~ † **Ann & Charles Urwin**
Offered by: **Dorothy Lucero**

Liturgical Minster's Schedule MAY 2016

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Linda Graves & Tom Ventrudo (carry Gospel Book)
E. M.: Linford Smith, Nancy Velez & Peg Ventrudo

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Ceferino Albarracin & Delmeter Carey (carry Gospel Book) Sub: Ceferino Albarracin
E.M.: Diane Carbonaro, Delmeter Carey & Cinderella Wonszewitz Sub: Linda Torres

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Victoria Garay (carry Gospel Book) Sub: Alexis Crowdell
E.M.: Valerie Cappucci, Dianne Murphy & Thelma Washington Sub: Crescencia Pascua

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles: 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

Next Sun: 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles: 7:55-60
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
John 17: 20-26



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDARS –

Monday – **May 2nd – 5 p.m.–8 p.m. – Distribution of Food for Families in Need.** Volunteers needed at 4 p.m.
Sunday – **May 8th – 1 p.m. – Día de las Madres** – Mother's Day – Dances, Music and Food – Flowers will be sold after all the Masses that weekend.

DORNEY PARK DAY-TRIP - We are planning on a bus trip to Dorney Park this summer. The trip will cost \$50.00 for the bus and entrance fee for each person 3 years of age or older. There are two possible dates – Saturday, August 6th, and Monday, August 8th. You must register in the parish office before June 2nd and leave a deposit of \$10.00. The deposit will only be refunded if we do not get 45 persons for one of the trips, or the park cannot accept our group on a given day. If we do not get 45 reservations, we will cancel that trip and refund your deposit. Treat yourselves!

BIBLE STUDY – Colin Vautrinot will be offering his popular bible study course from 10 am to 12 pm on the following Saturdays: May 14, May 28, June 4, and June 25. Please join us!

CARDINAL'S APPEAL – THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT! – It is wonderful that we have reached our goal in donations and pledges. Thank you!! To meet our goal in terms of actual contributions, we will need persons to be faithful to the pledges they have made. The Campaign will send monthly reminders to those who have made a pledge. If you need to pay in cash, simply bring your monthly reminder card and your cash to the parish office. We will send a check. If you haven't made a gift or pledge, there are envelopes in the vestibule of the church. The church will receive a percentage of all the funds that we raise beyond our goal of \$25,500. *Thank you!*

HAVE YOU RESERVED YOUR TABLE?! – On Sunday, May 22nd, we will offer persons in the parish, and outside the parish, the opportunity to sell hand-crafted items. The sale will be in our school gym from **9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** If you want to reserve a table, please visit the parish office. Each table requires a \$10 donation. Please spread the word of this even to friends or family members wanting to rent a table and sell their treasures – hand-made or not!

HAP 2016 – Our summer program for youth, Higher Achievement Program (HAP) is accepting applications for students who are entering the 2nd through the 6th grade next year. This year the program will emphasize increasing the daily physical activity of the participants. The program will be from July 5th through August 5th from 11:30am. to 3:00pm. Please register in the parish office. We expect to have an academic enrichment program in the morning.

PAPAL EXHORTATION on MARRIAGE – Pope Francis has issued an exhortation on married life and the pastoral response of the Church to those who are married and those living in relationships not blessed by the Church. Courtesy of Fr. James Martin, S.J., we will highlight significant portions of the Pope's work:

Divorced and remarried Catholics need to be more fully integrated into the church. How? By looking at the specifics of their situation, by remembering "mitigating factors," by counseling them in the "internal forum," (that is, in private conversations between the priest and person or couple), and by respecting that the final decision about the degree of participation in the church is left to a person's conscience (305, 300). (The reception of Communion is not spelled out here, but that is a traditional aspect of "participation" in church life.) Divorced and remarried couples should be made to feel part of the church. "They are not excommunicated and should not be treated as such, since they remain part" of the church (243). Fr. James Martin, S.J. via *America Magazine*.

50/50 RAFFLE EVERY MONTH! – If you receive parish envelopes, you know that we have a 50/50 raffle at the end of every month. Parishioners with envelopes simply put \$5 in the 50/50 envelope, put it in the collection and hope that they win! In March, the winner won \$162.00! If you don't receive parish envelopes (please consider registering for them!!), there are 50/50 envelopes in the vestibule. Put your name and telephone number on the envelope, enclose \$5, and put it in the collection by the last Sunday of the month. Good luck!

WEEKLY OFFERING: April 24th: \$4498. Thank you for your generosity!

THE SWEETNESS OF OUR LADY - We are in need today of the sweetness of Our Lady to understand the things that Jesus asks of us. It is not an easy list to put into practice: love your enemies, do good, give without hoping for anything in return, to him who strikes you offer the other cheek, to him who takes your cloak offer your tunic as well. These are heavy demands. But all of them were lived by Our Lady in her own way. - Homily, *Domus Sanctae Marthae*, Feast of the Holy Name of Mary.

Reflection: *Mary lived in poverty under the oppressive government of the Roman Empire. She constantly had opportunities to put love into practice, both in the grind of her daily life as a woman of poverty and when enduring the demands of the government. Ask Mary to teach you the way of Jesus. Ask her to help you learn to think and act with mercy.*