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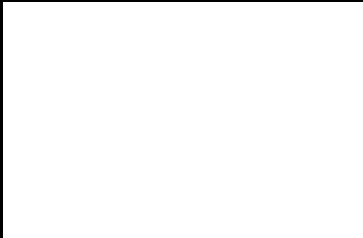
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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sunday, May 10th, 2020



Readings for the 5th Sunday of Easter

PERMANENT DEACON

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• **1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7**
Since the number of faithful was growing, seven men were proposed as ministers to help in the work of the Church. The Apostles prayed over them and imposed hands on them.

PASTORAL MINISTER

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• **2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9**
Jesus is the cornerstone of the Church. The people of God are living stones. We are a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to proclaim Jesus' good works.

PARISH CATECHIST

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• **Gospel: John 14:1-12**
Jesus assures his Apostles that he is the way, the truth, and the life. The Father lives in him and he is in the Father. Whoever has faith in Jesus will do the works of God.

PARISH SECRETARY

Pam Blackwell

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At this time be assured that my prayers and those of Bishop Fabbro are with you all at this trying time. Even though we cannot be together to celebrate Mass in public, I'm still celebrating Mass privately for you, and the daily intentions found here.

Fr. Don

Tuesday, May 12th

- Mary Ellen Heidel - The Heidel family
- Frank Loftus - Jim & Pat McLaughlin

Wednesday, May 13th

- Mary Horvat - Toni Horvat
- In Thanksgiving - Tony & Bridget Nother

Thursday, May 14th

- Cecilia O'Malley - Peggy, Elliott & Jocelin
- Pauline Goff - Jim & Dianne Kehoe

Friday, May 15th

- Hasenbenebi Hafle - Mehari Ghebru
- Giovanni Parente - Leo & Rose Marie Carter

This past Wednesday, the Finance Council met and discussed how we are doing financially through the restrictions from Covid 19. Please know that we are in good shape – our expenses are being kept to a minimum and bills are being paid. They want to thank those parishioners that continue to bring in and mail their Offertory envelopes; those that have made donations through Canada Helps; those that have signed up for pre-authorized donations; or made donations through e-transfers. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

We also want you to know that with the Covid 19 restrictions, outside yard work on the church property also has restrictions. The only outside maintenance that we are allowed to do is to cut the grass for health and safety reasons.

Unfortunately, we are unable to do any other yard maintenance or any beautification such as work on the Marian Gardens.

Our Parish Picnic, that was scheduled for late June, has also had to be cancelled.

Fr. Don, Nives and Pam continue to be in the Parish Office during the week, although the office is closed. If you are in need of some help, or just someone to talk with, please do not hesitate to give us a call.



Tree Talk;

Trees, like all plants, form the starting point of the food chain.

My brothers and sisters,

We just celebrated Catholic Education Week and this year's theme was **"Igniting Hope"**. This title comes from St. Paul's letter to the Romans, and in it he writes, *"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."* (Rom 15:13). God's hope is very different from the hope of the world, it is a hope that rests in the truth that Christ has died, Christ has risen and we are witnesses.

St. Jude's and Jean Vanier are not only schools in our parish boundaries, but they are a part of our parish family, and help us at St. John the Divine to grow into the mystical body of Christ.

The principals, teachers and support staff help to ensure that the message of Christ's hope echoes in the hallways, classrooms and on the playground. They are helping our students to not only be a Church of the future, but a Church of today, filled with the hope that is powered by the Holy Spirit. Catholic Education affords me the opportunity to visit our students and share the Good News of the Gospel, as I am welcomed in this Catholic Environment.

Please take some time this week to pray for our schools, our principals, teachers and support staff, as well as our students, that they may continue to grow in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the staff and our parishioners, we want to thank our school family for being a beacon of hope.

Fr. Don

Garage Sale 2020 Postponed – With the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, we are unable to have our annual garage sale this year. The proceeds this year were to go toward our Operating Expenses to help cover some of the deficit in revenues we have experienced so far this year. If possible, we would appreciate you holding on to your treasures.

However, the PLANT area has Tomato seedlings to sell for \$1.00 a plant while quantities last. Contact Colleen Kelly at 519-657-0528 to purchase the plants. If you have seedlings that you want to donate to Colleen's, she would be happy to handle the sale.