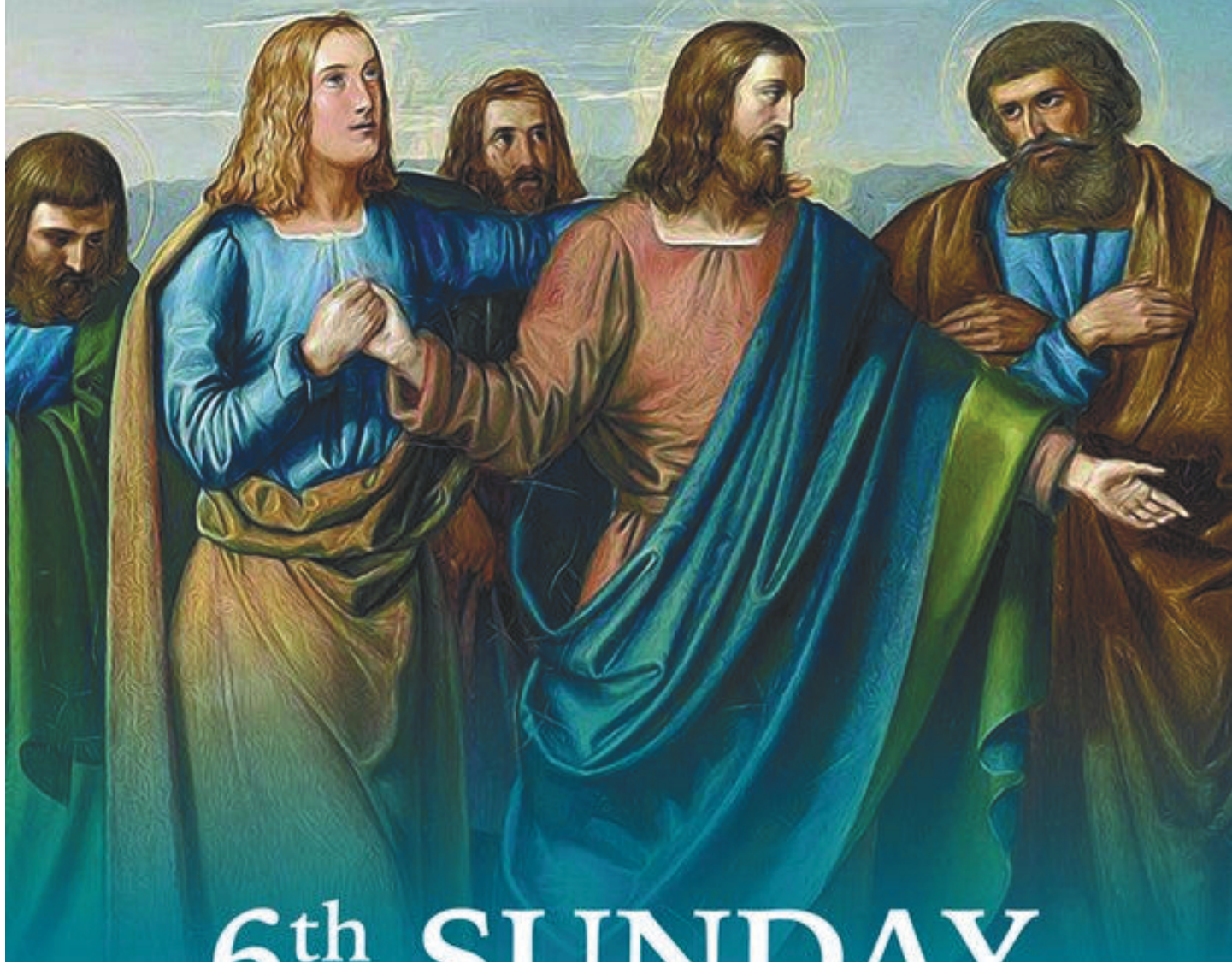


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**Sunday, May 9, 2021**



## 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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“If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and  
remain in his love.” - Jn 15:10

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>May 10</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	+ <b>Alma Robinson</b> Req. by Theresa O'Bey + <b>Joe &amp; Domenica Consani</b> Req. by Graziano Canini
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>May 12</b>	<b>12 Noon</b>	+ <b>Luella Plante</b> Req. by Mary Allsteadt + <b>Gussie Salvaggio</b> Req. by Family
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	+ <b>Joe &amp; Domenica Cansani</b> Req. Graziano Canini
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	+ <b>Bruno Borin</b> Req. by Helen & Joe Marcucci + <b>Cecelia Boglarsky</b> Req. by Family
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>May 15</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	+ <b>Joe &amp; Domenica Consani</b> Req. by Graziano Canini
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>May 16</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	+ <b>Amelia Forest</b> Req. by Marie DiDomezio + <b>Olimpia DeToma</b> Req. by Enza's Friends at Acorn Farm + <b>Albert Pfeiffer</b> Req. Carmen & John Meconi + <b>Kenneth Meister</b> Req. by Carmen & John Meconi
		<b>11:00am</b>	+ <b>Lois Studt</b> Req. by Roseann Romanczuk + <b>Dr. Kelli Lambert</b> Req. by Family



## In Sympathy

*Heavenly Father,  
welcome Home those whom you  
have called from this world,  
especially:*

**Carol Ivey and  
Sarah Schneider**

*and all the souls of our faithful.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*

**HAPPY**  
**Mother's Day**



## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Steve Anderson	Carter Fox	Irene Melady	Kim Quinn
Sean Armstrong	Betty Gable	Tony Micallef	Debbie Robarge
Vincent Barry	Deb Gorski	Selena Montez	Bill & Rose Rodriguez
Kelly Beaudry	Ellen Howell	Debbie Moore	Florence & Ed Rysztak
Joan Bischoff	Mike Ienna	Leo Mysiewicz	Emma Scaramella
Jerry Borycz	Evangeline Kabacinski	Margaret Newman	Sean Schaefer
Florence Bozek	John Kaminsky	Diane Novotny	Tom Shafer
Boyington Family	Susan Kelly	Bernice Nowak	Jack & Nancy Shea
Angela Bunio	Marion Kiras	Lauren Nunn	Dianne Shekell
Cathy Burdis	Joan Klein	Maureen Oakford	Natalie Tanana
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Jannisse Chesney	John Kolar	Keith Pares	George & Jackie Tindall
Carol Cline	Lucy Kollar	Eddie Brian Parker	Grace Topolweski
Jack Cyrul	John Krokosky	Patrick Patton	Roberta Troher
Eileen Durham	Patricia Lickman	Jim & GERALYN Pawlaczyk	Doris Urbanski
Mandi Duvall	Nancy & Jeff Leonhard	Damian Pietszak	Cathy West
Faith Falzon	Barbara Martin	Deb Pietszak	Walter Wrone
Ashley Aaron Farkas	Donald Masternak	Kathryn Piotrowski	Nicole Zapinski
Janet Fleis	Dennis & Kathy McCann	Sandy Popek	Henry Zajac
Mike Fusco	Joanne Meister	Annette Puczkowski	Joseph Zasa

If there are any names that can be removed from our Prayer List, please let us know by calling **734-425-4421**.

## OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

**CPT Joey Saunders**, U.S. Marines; **Joseph David Onadia**, U.S. Navy; **PVT Marcus Rodriguez**, U.S. Army

## Parish Mission Statement

The Parish of St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, inspired by Mary's "Yes" and led by the Holy Spirit, strives to be a faith-filled community, joyfully welcoming all to witness and to celebrate the Gospel.

## COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC at ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

On May 15th, University Pharmacy will be offering the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine at St. Thomas the Apostle Church with follow-up second dose appointments on June 12th. Come get your COVID vaccine with us at no out of pocket cost to you!

**When:** First dose appointments May 15th 10am-4pm. Second dose appointments June 12th 10am to 4pm.

**Where:** St. Thomas the Apostle Church located at 31530 Beechwood Ave., Garden City

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**Who to contact with questions:** Maria Young, RPH: [info@myuniversitypharmacy.com](mailto:info@myuniversitypharmacy.com)

### NOTES FROM PAUL

In this weeks Gospel (Jn 15:9-17), Jesus says, "As the Father loves me, so I also love you.... this is my commandment: love one another as I love you." That is a lot of "love" to unpack. A few weeks back someone asked me about this commandment. They were worried that they were too angry to "love one another" and were afraid they were not able to live the way we are called to live. I suggested they talk to Fr. Shafique about their moral concerns, but I will give you my two cents too. As a father of three young kids, I can say that I love them when they bring me flowers, when they are just sitting quiet, and just after they "accidentally" smash something that I have owned longer than I have known their mother because they were fighting. In the first two cases, it is easy to smile happily while I love them. In the third, I may be angry for a time, but under that anger I still love them. That never goes away.

So if that is the way The Father loves Jesus, and how Jesus loves us, I would think this is the kind of love Jesus is calling us too. It is alright to be angry at times, but remember that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ, and try to nurture that underlying love. It might not come as natural as it does between a parent and their children, but that does not mean that we can not find it. So love people when they give you gifts, love them when they are peaceful, but also look for the way to love them when they do wrong. This is how we know that we are becoming more like our Lord.

Peace be with you,  
Paul Zbytowski  
Pastoral Associate  
Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

### CONFIRMATION 2021



## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### FIRST READING:

"In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." (Acts 10:34-35)

### PSALM:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98) Or Alleluia.

### SECOND READING:

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. (1 Jn 4:7)

### GOSPEL:

"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." (Jn 15:12-13)

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### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day  
Monday: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest  
Wednesday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr  
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord [holy day in some U.S. dioceses]  
Our Lady of Fatima  
Friday: St. Matthias, Apostle  
Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day  
Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter  
World Communications Day

"I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life."

Abraham Lincoln

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From the first hour to the last, Jesus' life is enfolded in the nearness of his Mother.

-Romano Guardini

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## REFLECT

### FIRST READING

In the home of the Gentile-believer, Cornelius, Peter revealed one of the most significant insights from the early Church: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality." Where do you see this message of unity needed today?

### SECOND READING

John saw love at the very core of God's divine identity. In fact, for John, "God is love." For this reason, believers are called to love one another. How do you keep this virtue paramount in your life?

### GOSPEL READING

During his farewell discourse, Jesus refers to his disciples as his "friends." How often do you think of Jesus as your "friend?"

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05/02/21	192	\$ 8,481	\$ 10,000	\$ (1,519)
04/25/21	198	\$ 7,392	\$ 10,000	\$ (2,609)
04/18/21	208	\$ 9,161	\$ 10,000	\$ (839)
04/11/21	209	\$ 8,081	\$ 10,000	\$ (1,920)
Fiscal Year		Actual	Budget	Variance
FY 20-21		\$ 418,644	\$ 411,812	\$ 6,832
FY 19-20		\$ 410,439	\$ 482,240	\$ (71,801)

### CSA 2020 Update

Total Pledges	Pledges Paid in full	Pledges with Balance	Total Balance Outstanding
322	312	10	\$1,157
Total Pledged: \$134,920			
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<b>CSA 2020 closes in five days on May 14th</b>			



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It was a JOY to welcome into the family of God:

**EZRA TOMAS ALAVA**

Child of Allison & Victor Alava on Sunday, May 2, 2021.  
Godparents are Justin Alava and Ashley Wood.

(correction)

### SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

*You know what that means! So have weeds!*

We're looking for help with the flower beds around our Church. If you can spare a little time that is good for your won schedule and would like to help keep our grounds beautiful, please contact Shannon at 734-425-4421 ext. 20. Thank you!

### MAY PARISH EVENTS!



This **Sunday, May 9th** after the 11am Mass we will be holding our annual **May Crowning**. Weather permitting, we will gather around the outside statue of Mary. A decade of the rosary will be recited. We will also offer flowers to Mary at this event. This is also **Mother's Day** and **First Communion Day**. We

will be handing out *free carnations for all mothers at each mass.*

On **Saturday, May 29th** at 4pm instead of the normal pre-mass Rosary, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Ministry will host a Marian Procession around our property. The Rosary will be recited along with songs and flowers will be offered to Mary inside the church. Mass will then begin at 4:30pm.

### Come and Pray the Rosary with us!

Wednesday Evenings at 7pm in the church. Bring your family. Invite a friend! Next Rosary will be held **Wednesday, May 12th**

### Eucharistic Exposition

Wednesdays 12:30—3:00pm

### BLOOD DRIVE!

When: **Wednesday, May 19, 2021**

Time: **9:00am - 3:00pm**

Where: **8200 N Wayne Road, Social Hall**

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### PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

*Loving God, We come before you in our time of need. We lay before you our concerns and fears over the spread of the coronavirus. We know that you are mightier than all our fears and that the name of Jesus is the name above all other names. We ask, in the name of Jesus, that you stop the spread of the coronavirus. In your mercy, heal those who are sick and lead those who have died into your heavenly kingdom. We ask this in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.*



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### Office Hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 9am-4pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 9am-12 Noon

Friday: Closed

Please call the office  
to make other arrangements

### Mass Schedule

<b>MON, THURS &amp; FRI</b>	8:30 am
<b>WED</b>	12:00 Noon
<b>SAT</b>	4:30 pm
<b>SUN</b>	9:00 am 11:00 am

### Confession

Saturdays: 3:30pm

### Baptisms

Please call our Parish Office during regular business hours. Parish membership and preparation class required.

### Marriage

Arrangements must be made by registered parishioner at least six months in advance to allow sufficient time for instructions and preparation.

### Anointing of Sick and Ministry to Homebound

Our pastor is available to visit upon request.

### RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church. Please call the office.

Hearing Devices are available. Please see our music director in the choir area.

**Bulletin Articles due by 9 am on Monday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.**

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## Readings for the week of May 9, 2021

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/  
Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13  
or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 /1 Jn  
4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

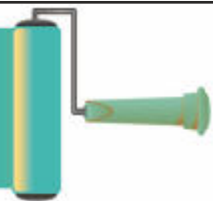
## MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto thee O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To thee do we come. Before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

## ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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