



May 9, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Mother's Day!!

This is a day that usually brings families together. We may ask Mom what does she want or want to do. One year my Mom said that she wanted to go fishing. And so we did.

In the month of May, we consider Mary, our heavenly mother also. She brought the family of faith together. "All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus." Acts 1:14

Mary is a great model of prayer. We see her in the Gospels contemplating what was happening in Jesus' life. She is there with Him and He with her. I make that point of things going both ways. God is always with us. It is we that can be overwhelmed by life and not be aware of His closeness to us and the trial we may be facing. That calls us to consider the ways that He is with us. The Rosary is one of the ways that we do that. We know that Jesus took on flesh, the nativity, of the Joyful mysteries. So that God is with us in concrete ways that we can recall His life here on earth. In the Glorious mysteries the Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles and for us in the sacrament of Confirmation.

Have you considered putting in a Marian garden? What is a Virgin Mary Garden? If you haven't heard of a Mary-themed garden, you might ask what it is. The tradition of naming flowers after the Virgin Mary began centuries ago. During the Middle Ages missionaries in Europe began to unite plants named after Mary in "Mary Gardens." Later, gardeners in America picked up the tradition. Creating a Mary Garden of your own isn't difficult. If you want to know how to create a Mary Garden, here are some ideas to help get you started. Traditionally a gardener uses a statue of the Virgin Mary as the focal point, then groups Mary garden plants around it. However, if you don't want to use a statue, you don't have to. Instead, use some tall Mary garden plants as the focal point. Lilies or roses work well for this. When creating a Mary Garden it isn't necessary to dedicate a large space to it. Even a small corner will do nicely. You may, however, have a hard time selecting among the many wonderful plants associated with Mary and the saints. In fact, there are so many that it would be impossible to list them all here, much less include them all in your garden. Generally, the plants represent some aspect of Mary's clothing, home, or person. Some symbolize aspects of spiritual life. For example, according to legend, the Angel Gabriel was holding a lily when he told Mary that she was to be the mother of Jesus, thus the flowers signify purity and grace. Roses also symbolize Mary as the Queen of Heaven. Other legends about Mary provide additional floral associations. It is said that as Mary cried at the foot of the cross, her tears turned to flowers called Mary's Tears, or Lily of the Valley. Mary garden flowers may also include those that use the name "Mary" or some version of it in their common names or meaning. The following plants would be examples of this and appropriate for inclusion in this garden (you may even have many of them growing already): Marigold means Mary's gold, Clematis is called Virgin's Bower, Lavender is known as Mary's Drying Plant, Lady's mantle goes by Mary's Mantle, Columbine is sometimes called Our Lady's Shoes, & Daisy has an alternative common name of Mary's Star. So as we can see there are many ways to live out our devotion to Mary in the wonderful month of May.

God's blessings to all of our mothers!

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM

Sundays ~ 8 AM & 10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM

First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM
& Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass
Benediction at 4:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of May 2, 2021

Sat. May 8	5:00 PM	For all Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family
Sun. May 9	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Rose & LaVerne Schaller
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue. May 11	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Marcella (Judy) Prengel
wed. May 12	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Andrew & Marie Lobenstein
	6:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of John Gedel Jr.
Thu. May 13	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jeri Delgado
Fri. May 14	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Carl, Marion & John Modrich
Sat. May 15	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Art Vinopal
Sun. May 16	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Henry Janecek
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Bernadine Seitz, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Bob Penzkover, Patrick Moore, and Marty.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson and Ethan Jasinski.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Him, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Tim Curran who passed away recently. May perpetual light shine upon him.

We at St. Patrick's are fortunate to have a place to come to pray in private before our statue of St. Peregrine, the patron of cancer patients. We welcome everyone to stop to say a prayer for someone with a serious illness as well as ask Our Lord through St. Peregrine to find a cure for this dreaded disease that affects so many people. There is literature about St. Peregrine's life and medals that are blessed along with prayer cards available for anyone to pick up. These are located on the shelf under the candle stand at the front of church next to the St. Peregrine statue.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

May 15 Joel Swanson & Bridget Kelly

**Stewardship Corner ~ May 1st & 2nd, 2021
(525 Registered Families)**

	WKLY BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$12,868.42	NO
On-Line Giving		REPORT
Children's Envelopes	15.67	AVAILABLE
Loose Offering	688.68	
Total Weekly Offering:	\$13,572.77	

Budget Contingency Fund	\$
Year-to-date* budget requirement	\$624,347.42
Year-to-date amount contributed	

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to current date

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday	May 12	Religious Ed Classes
Thursday	May 13	8:30 AM PCCW Meeting
		2:00 PM Rosary Makers—RH

If you are planning on putting decorations and/or plants on graves at St. Patrick's or Holy Rosary Cemetery, PLEASE follow the rules posted on the signs by the entries to the cemeteries. It is important that these rules be followed. Items in the path of the mowers can lead to damage to our mowers and your items as well as possible injury to our volunteers who do the mowing. If you would like a copy of the rules for the cemeteries, please call the rectory office.

Attention Ladies! The PCCW will be meeting on Thursday, May 13th at 8:30 AM in Reardon Hall. All ladies are invited to attend.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, May 18th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Rummage Sale Items Wanted: If you are doing your spring cleaning and have some items that you would like to donate to our summer rummage sale, please save them for us. We will be collecting items on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6—8 PM. You may bring your items to the rectory garage at those times. Please do not bring clothes as we will not be accepting them for this sale. Also, if you have larger items or furniture, please give Therese Gunther a call (847-6744) before bringing it to make sure that we will be able to use them. The rummage sale will be mid to late summer.

Growing our Ministries ~ As we move towards comfortably and safely growing our Mass attendance, we would also like to grow the participation in our ministries. The liturgy committee is asking for everyone to prayerfully consider sharing their time and talent in the following important Mass ministry areas: lectors, servers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters and musicians. We are extremely grateful for those parishioners who helped us in the past and those who continued to serve in these areas during the global health emergency. We will continue to ask for their service going forward, but as we grow in attendance, it will be important to share the responsibilities. Please consider how you would like to serve our parish family and call Cassandra Thayer at the rectory 608-747-2681. Thank you so much.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 8th & 9th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie
Servers: Christian Brow
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling
Usher: Bill Powers
Cleaning: The Ryan Family

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Bridget Gunther
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary
Usher: Matthew Gunther
Cleaning: The Gunther Family

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Paul Curran
Servers:
Musicians: Ann Benz, Sharon Kelly
Usher: Jon Field
Cleaning:

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 15th & 16th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Howard Boppart
Servers:
Musicians: Ann Benz, Cassandra Thayer
Usher: Eli Boppart
Cleaning: The Boppart Family

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Larry Moore
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary
Usher:
Cleaning: The Moore & Bailey Families

Sunday, 10:00 AM

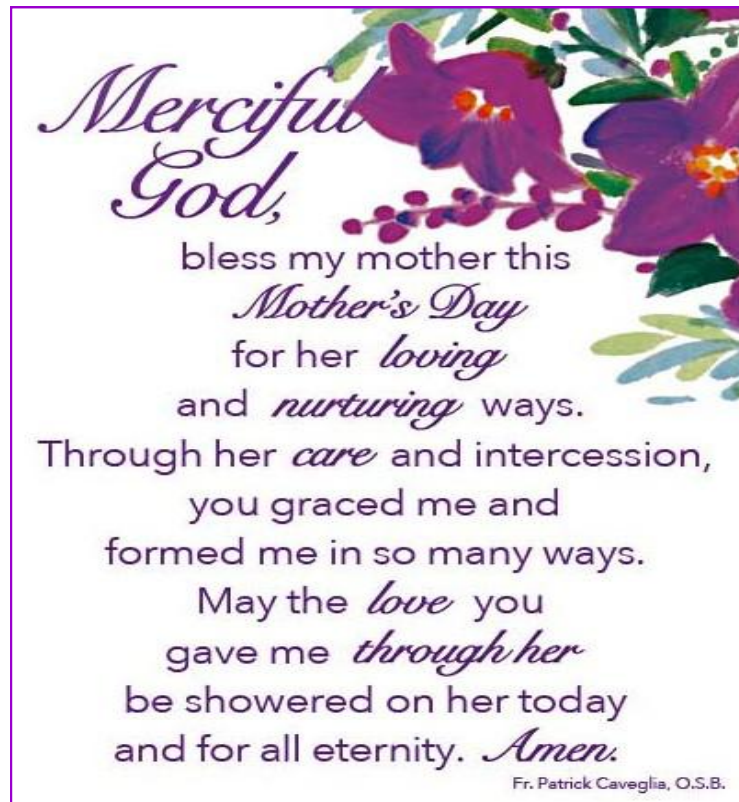
Lector: Lisa Pouillie
Servers:
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Carla & Jacob Brunner
Usher: Clinton Pouillie
Cleaning: The Pouillie Family

Heroic Men Website ~ Check out the Heroic Men website at <https://heroicmen.com/>. It is a 100% free Catholic streaming platform designed especially for men who want to discover (or re-discover) the truth, beauty and goodness of the Catholic faith. Offering more than 100 feature-length films, TV shows, documentaries and short films, Heroic Men seeks to source the best Catholic media available and bring it all to you, all in one place.

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*As spring arrives and the temperatures rise, remember to support and pray for those who grow our food and fulfill God's command to "till the earth and keep it."*

**Prayer to St. Isidore ~ Patron Saint of Farmers**

Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread and wine, are brought and offered to God by the priest. Then, in the Consecration, Christ Himself, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread and wine. And in what was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value and beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can. Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, and offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The more often we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good Saint Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may someday reap the reward of good works with you in heaven. Amen.



**FORMED** PICK OF THE WEEK  
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**WATCH** **FATIMA GEMS**  
Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.

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**DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**—The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or [intakeagent@diolc.org](mailto:intakeagent@diolc.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: [diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting](https://diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting). **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or [tbrown@diolc.org](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org).



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