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MAY 01, 2022 - THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY

Catholic Tradition has the custom of honoring the Blessed Virgin throughout the month of May. We recognize the Blessed Mother as someone who gives us the supreme example of service to the Lord and his people; particularly through her Unwavering faithfulness to God. We pray that through her powerful intercession the Lord will bestow many blessings on his people. - Fr. Des



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

During the current year of Sunday Readings, the Gospel Readings are normally taken from the Gospel of St. Luke. However, the Gospels for the Easter Season are taken from St. John. These Gospel extracts deal with the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus. Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem, but have returned to Galilee and are engaging in their prior occupation of fishermen. Simon Peter is identified as their leader and we are told that their efforts at fishing were unsuccessful. Jesus calls to them from the shore as they are returning despondent and instructs them to put out their nets. Although they do not recognize him, they do as he asks, and are rewarded with an abundance of fish. Simon Peter, impetuous as always, jumps from the boat upon realizing that the figure on the shore is Jesus, and wades to shore.

Jesus greets them with an invitation to eat a meal of bread and fish for breakfast. This meal has echoes of the Miracle of the Loaves and the Fish and also of how Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist. Jesus breaks the reluctance of the disciples to talk by asking St. Peter if he knows who he is. The question is asked three times, corresponding to the three times that St. Peter had denied the Lord. St. Peter responds by asserting his love for Jesus. This declaration of St. Peter prompts the Lord to commission him three times. He is to "Feed the Lambs Tend the Sheep Feed the Sheep ". If he is to follow Jesus, he is to prepare to die for him. The service of those set over the community as leaders is to be modeled on that of Jesus the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for his sheep. We the followers of Jesus are asked to do the same. We will be enabled to do so, when and if we take the message of Jesus to heart.

We continue to receive good news with regard to the pandemic. It appears that we are moving to a situation of living with the virus. The situation with regard to Ukraine continues to deteriorate. World peace is being threatened like no other time since the Cuban missile crisis in 1962. Russia's action is a violation of the Ukrainian peoples right to choose their own destiny and their troops have committed terrible atrocities, despite condemnation by the world community who appear powerless to prevent them. Faith communities must continue to storm heaven for the Holy Spirit to guide leaders to seek the path of peace and reconciliation. Please keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers at this time. President Putin asserts that he is a person of faith, so we must assume that he too is open to conversion.

"Feed my Lambs : Feed my Sheep." John 21:15 -17.

- Fr. Des.



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 into
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.

PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

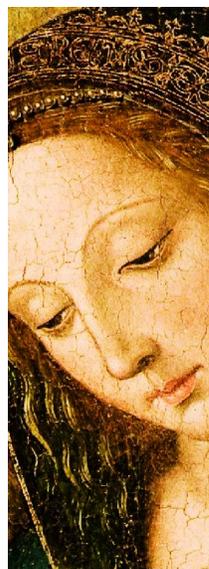


Lord, make me an
instrument of your **peace**;
where there is hatred,
let me sow **love**;
where there is injury, **pardon**;
where there is doubt, **faith**;
where there is despair, **hope**;
where there is darkness, **light**;
and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master,
grant that I may not
so much seek
to be consoled, as to **console**;
to be understood, as to **understand**;
to be loved, as to **love**;
for it is in giving that we **receive**,
it is in pardoning that we are **pardoned**,
and it is in dying that we are
born to eternal life.

Amen.

*While this prayer has always
been attributed to St. Francis,
the author is actually unknown.
The prayer does wonderfully
represent the spirit of St. Francis
and the Franciscan Orders.*



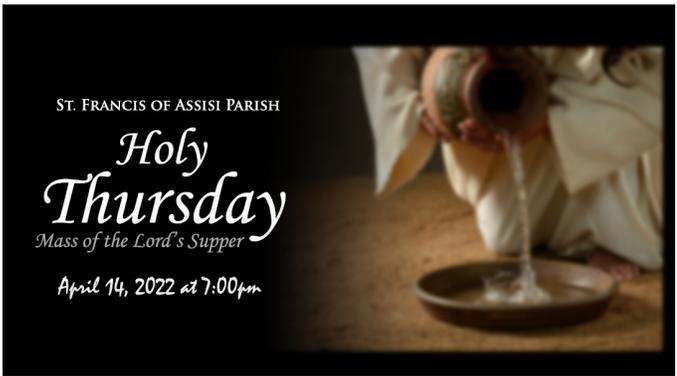
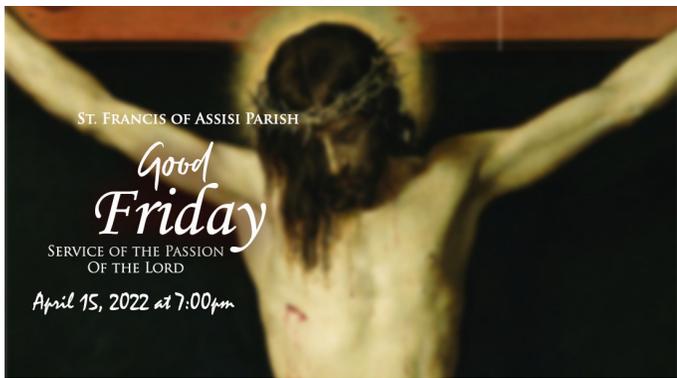
The Memorare Prayer

Remember, O most gracious Virgin
Mary, that never was it known
that anyone who fled to your
protection, implored your help
or sought your intercession
was left unaided.

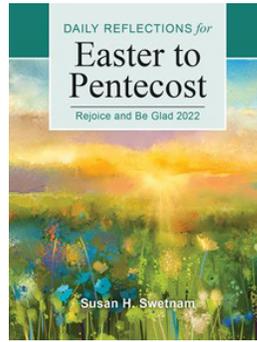
Inspired with this confidence,
I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins,
my Mother. To you I come, before
you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
but in your mercy
hear and answer me.
Amen.

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 ON OUR **YouTube** CHANNEL AT
<https://bit.ly/37XEfK3>



Taize and Stations of the Cross streamed during Lent are also available on our YouTube site.



REJOICE AND BE GLAD: DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR EASTER 2022

We have **sold out** of all copies of this booklet. As we have done before, we also offer this alternative for you to purchase a booklet on your own:

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Daily Reflections for Easter to Pentecost 2022
<https://smile.amazon.com/Rejoice-Be-Glad-Reflections-Pentecost/dp/0814664903/>

Little Book for the Easter Season (PB: \$2.00/e-book: \$0.99)
<https://littlebooks.org/seasonal-books/easter-season>

Blessings upon Blessings -



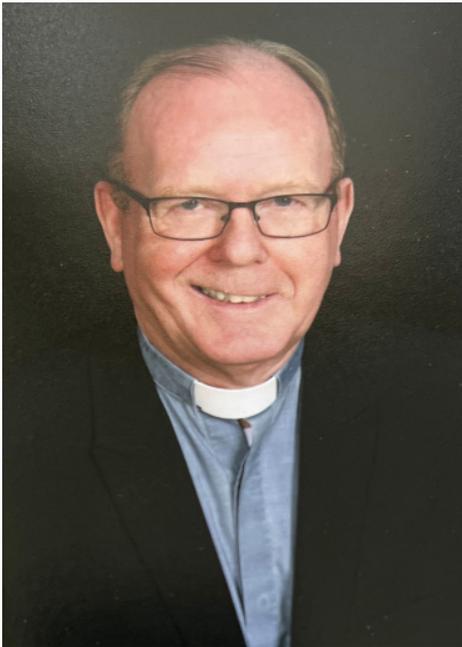
Thank you for food donations! The generosity of the St. Francis Parish Community and the St. Francis Elementary School shone through during this Lenten season! Thank you to all parishioners, students, and parents who donated food and who helped carry the donations to the curbside for pickup! The Central Downtown Food Basket is extremely grateful for the all the goods, including personal items, that were donated.

If you'd like to contribute directly to CDFB, please use this url:
<https://www.cdfb.org/support>

Mathew 25:35... for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...

WEEKLY READINGS

- Sun: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]
- Mon: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tue: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Wed: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thu: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Fri: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Sat: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sun: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30



SAVE THE DATE

**June 5th
Farewell Fr. Des
Mass and Reception**

Sunday June 5th at the 9:30 am Mass followed by a reception in the parking lot. This will be an opportunity for the children of our School and members of the Parish to bid a fond farewell to our Pastor of the last 6 years.

More Information to follow.

*Farewell Committee Team
Ivan Hrga, Emer McKenna, Beth White, JD Warrick and Bob Reid*



2022 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Election will be held May 28 & 29th at all Masses.

The Parish Pastoral Council is an elected body of parishioners each bringing different gifts to the table to help support our parish. The Parish Pastoral Council assists the pastor in serving the parish community by exploring the needs of the parish and responding appropriately. This is accomplished through prayer, listening and dialogue. The council currently has five positions up for election this year. If you are interested in sharing your heart, ideas, knowledge and insights with our community please consider running.

How to apply:

You can download a PDF application at: <https://stfrancisparish.com/PPC/apply2022.pdf> or pick up a paper copy in the church. Emailed submissions must be submitted by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20, 2022. Paper applications must be mailed to the Parish Council Election Committee in a sealed envelope post marked no later than May 14, 2022. A photo (head shot) of each person applying must be emailed to ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com.

How to vote:

The Election will be held the weekend of May 28/29 after each mass. You must be a registered parishioner for at least one year in order to be eligible to vote.

Election Results:

Results of the election will be certified at the June Parish Pastoral Council meeting and posted on the parish website/Facebook page. The newly elected members will take their seat at the July Parish Pastoral Council meeting.

If you have any questions, please email ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
April 30– May 1, 2022

Gathering:

Halle, Halle, Halle

Tony Alonso, Gabe Huck, John L. Bell

REFRAIN

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah!
Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!_____

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Halle, hallelujah!

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Halle, hallelujah!

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Hallelujah, hallelujah! **(Refrain)**

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Gloria:

Mass of Remembrance

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will._____
Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. **(Refrain)**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. **(Refrain)**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. **(Refrain)**

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Psalms: Psalm 30: "I Will Praise You..."

Paul Inwood

I will praise you, God, you have res-cued me, I will praise you, God, for your mer-cy.
I will praise you, God, you have res-cued me: I will praise you, God.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Marty Haugen



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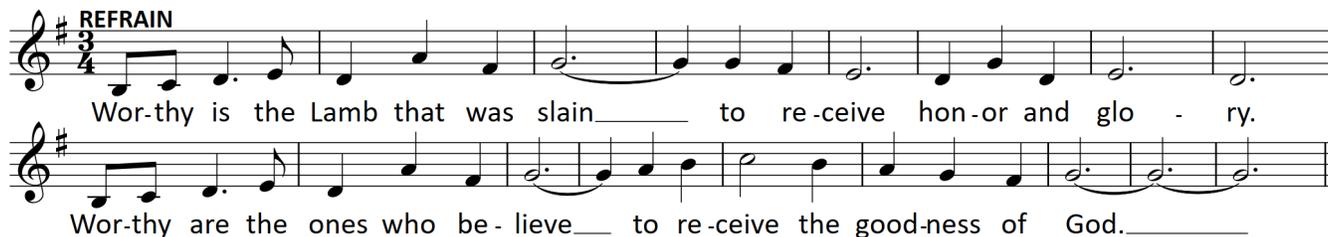
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

AMEN+

Preparation of Gifts:

Worthy is the Lamb

Ricky Manalo, CSP



Worthy are you, O Paschal Lamb. Wisdom and strength belong now to you.

You laid down your life and died upon the cross: we've become a people of hope. **(to Refrain)**

Worthy are you, O Bread of Life. Salvation and joy belong now to us.

By conquering death and rising to new life, we've become a people of praise. **(to Refrain)**

Worthy are you, O Risen Christ. Wonders and signs, revealing your might.

Your power and glory shine upon our lives: we've become your light for the world. **(to Refrain)**

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Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Mass of Remembrance

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Communion:

In the Breaking of the Bread

Michael Ward

In the walking on the road, we saw him. In the telling of our hopes, we saw him.
In the burning of our hearts, we saw the Lord.
At the meal he took the bread and then he blessed it, broke it, offered it.
In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

We set out to find his friends to tell them. We went to Jerusalem to tell them;
And with joy we told them, "We have seen the Lord!"
And as we were speaking, there he stood among us, blessed us, said to us,
"Now my peace I leave with you." We saw him!
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

But then we became afraid without him. In the darkened room we stayed without him,
waiting for the one he said that he would send.
Then the Spirit of the Lord came down upon us, filling us, changing us,
Giving us the strength to say: We saw him!
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

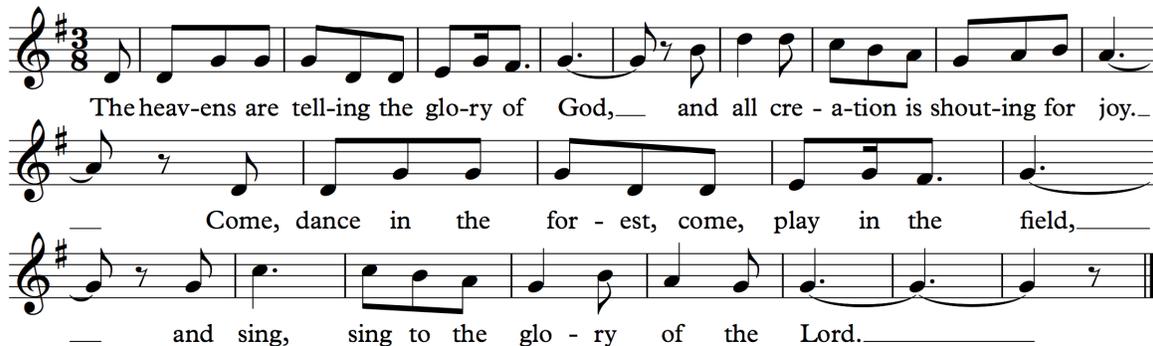
We ran out into the street to tell them, everyone that we could meet, to tell them,
"God has raised him up and we have seen the Lord!" We took bread as he had done and then we blessed it, broke it,
offered it. In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!
Suddenly our eyes were opened, there within our midst was Jesus, and we knew he was alive!
In the breaking of the bread, he is here with us again. And we know he is alive!
Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia!

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Sending Forth:

Canticle of the Sun

Marty Haugen



The heav-ens are tell-ing the glo-ry of God, and all cre - a-tion is shout-ing for joy...
Come, dance in the for - est, come, play in the field,
and sing, sing to the glo - ry of the Lord.

Praise for the sun, the bringer of day, he carries the light of the Lord in his rays;
The moon and the stars who light up the way unto your throne. **(Refrain)**

Praise for the rain that waters our fields, and blesses our crops so all the earth yields;
From death unto life her myst'ry revealed springs forth in joy. **(Refrain)**

Praise for the earth who makes life to grow, the creatures you made to let your life show;
The flowers and trees that help us to know the heart of love. **(Refrain)**

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