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MAY 08, 2022 - THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY



"Sub Tuum Praesidium" is an ancient prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the oldest known version of which is found on an Egyptian papyrus from the 3rd century. This translation is from the Latin.

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed One. Amen.

<http://www.preces-latinae.org/thesaurus/BVM/SubTuum.html>





FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Because of the Gospel image of Christ as Shepherd, or indeed the Good Shepherd, the 4th Sunday of Easter is celebrated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life. This year marks the 59th year of that observance. We have all received a vocation through baptism — we have been called and chosen to bring Christ to one another. Nonetheless we recognize that there is a continuing need for people to dedicate themselves to the Lord as priests and religious. The celebration of the Eucharist is dependent on having sufficient priests to ensure its continued celebration. The reasons for the reduction in the numbers of young people coming forward for entry to preparatory programs for both Priesthood and the Religious Life are many and varied. However, we believe that the Lord is still issuing this call. The current younger generation is extremely generous in their response to need in our world and we believe that many are still hearing the call of the Lord. The best way we can support them is through prayer and encouragement. We believe that the "Lord of the Harvest" is still calling laborers to his harvest. Our prayer should always be that Lord will continue to empower many to do so.

Today we also celebrate Mother's Day. The initiative for this holiday came from a lady called Anna Jarvis, who was from Missouri. After the death of her mother in the early 1900's she came to the realization that mothers do not get the recognition they deserve while alive. She therefore started a campaign to have a special day each year designated as Mother's Day. She was adamant that the day be designated in the singular of mother as she wanted all mothers to be honored individually within their families. Following a number of local celebrations, Anna petitioned the US Congress for a national celebration and, in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson declared that the Second Sunday of May would henceforth be celebrated as Mother's Day. We wish all mothers and those who play a mother's role a very Happy and Blessed day. Catholic tradition honors the Blessed Mother during the month of May. We pray for God's Blessing on all mothers through her intercession.

We continue to receive good news about the progress and severity of the pandemic. For this, we should give thanks to God and to the many people whose critical input have helped bring us to this time. The situation in Ukraine remains critical. The loss of life, the displacement of large numbers of people, the destruction of property, particularly apartment buildings and individual homes, remains horrendous. Please continue to pray for peace and reconciliation. Pope Francis and other religious leaders have condemned this war in the strongest terms possible. The Peace Prayer, composed in harmony with the spirituality of St. Francis, provides much material for reflection and prayer. This prayer was written in France in 1915 during World War I. The sentiments of the prayer encapsulates our hopes for the cessation of hostilities, dialogue between Russia and Ukraine; thereby facilitating the promotion of a just and lasting peace among all nations and peoples.

"Do you love me? Tend my sheep." John 21:16

- 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.*



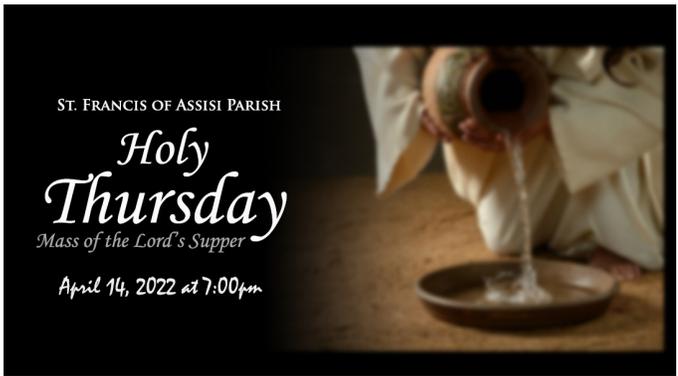
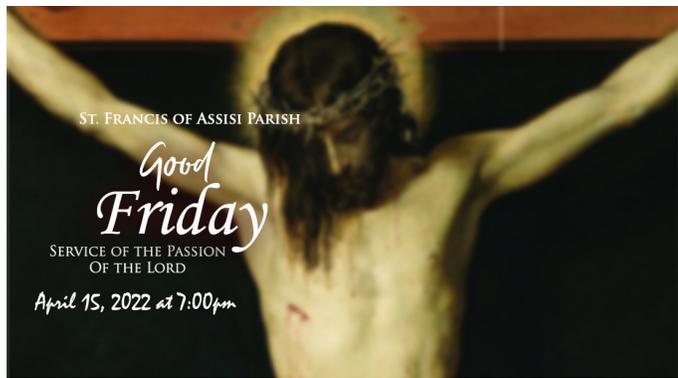
The Memorare Prayer

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.

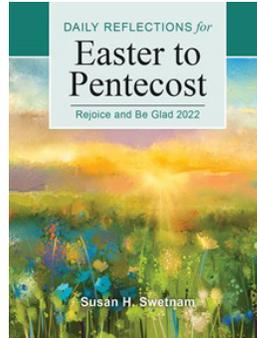
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Sacred Pascal Triduum
 ON OUR **YouTube** CHANNEL AT
<https://bit.ly/37XEfK3>



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

WEEKLY READINGS

- Sun: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30
- Mon: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
- Tue: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
- Wed: Acts 12:24-13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
- Thu: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
- Fri: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
- Sat: Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
- Sun: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



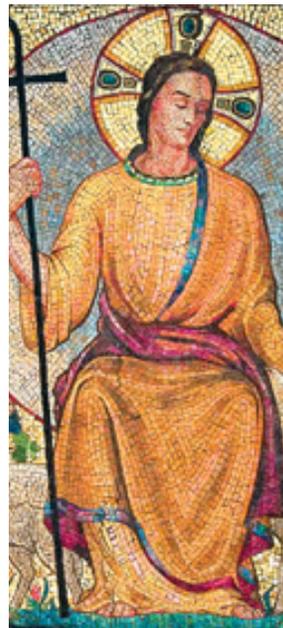
REJOICE AND BE GLAD: DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR EASTER 2022

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:

- Rejoice and Be Glad (PB: \$1.99/Kindle: \$.99)**
Daily Reflections for Easter to Pentecost 2022
<https://smile.amazon.com/Rejoice-Be-Glad-Reflections-Pentecost/dp/0814664903/>
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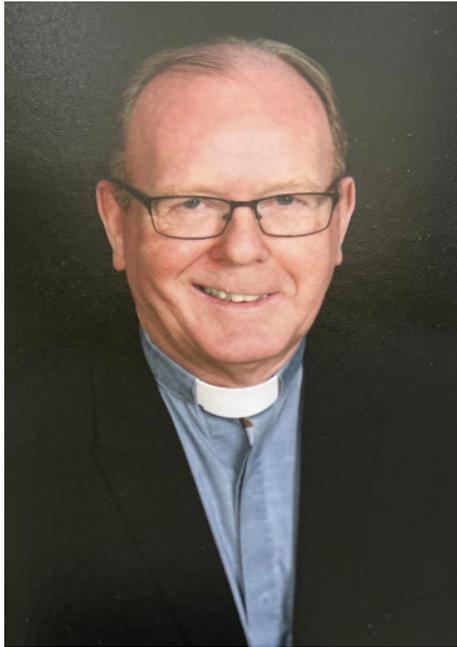


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World Day of Prayer for Vocations

World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 08, 2022 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. **2022 marks the 59th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.**



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 and assists the pastor in serving the parish community. 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 head shot of each person applying must be emailed to ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com. You must be 16 years older and a registered parishioner for at least one year in order to be eligible to apply.

How to vote: The Election will be held the weekend of May 28/29 after each mass. You must be 16 years older and 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

Quarterly Report to Parish: January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022

OPERATIONAL INCOME

Offertory Collections	\$ 119,940.00
Sacramental Service	\$ 5,738.00
Assistance to the Needy	\$ 6,334.00
Building Fund	\$ 7,952.00
Covenant of Sharing	\$ 6,850.00
Donations & Unrestricted Gifts	\$ 626.00
Parish Programs	\$ 950.00
Parish Fundraising Activities	\$ 130.00
Religious Education	\$ 655.00
Other Receipts	\$ 792.00
Total Operational Income	\$ 149,967.00

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

Salaries, Wages and Related Expenses	\$ 84,203.00
Assistance to the Needy	\$ 490.00
Parish Programs	\$ 400.00
School Tuition Assistance	\$ -
Parish Fundraising	\$ -
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 22,095.00
Parish Center - Office	\$ 7,284.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 13,373.00
Property & Liability Insurance/Assessments	\$ 19,978.00
Religious Education	\$ 637.00
Other Expenses:	
Church Utilities	\$ 12,400.00
Church Supplies	\$ 2,627.00
Parish Center Utilities	\$ 8,392.00
Rectory Utilities	\$ 1,673.00
Friary Utilities	\$ 1,223.00
Total Operational Expenses	\$ 174,775.00
Net Income/(Loss) from Operations	\$ (24,808.00)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

All financial questions are welcome and may be submitted to the Parish Finance Council at financecouncil@stfrancisparish.com

This report is also available on our website at <https://bit.ly/3MApqjj>

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
May 7-8, 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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Psalm: Psalm 100: "We are God's people"

Greg Walton

We are God's peo - ple, we are God's peo - ple,
we are God's peo - ple: the sheep of God's flock.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Marty Haugen

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APOSTLE'S CREED

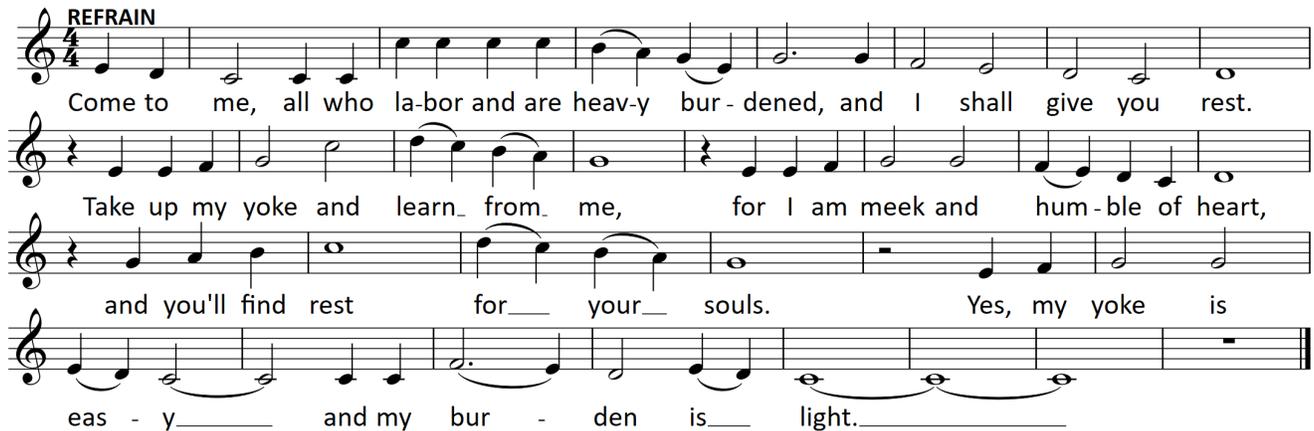
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from 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:

Come to Me

Gregory Norbet

REFRAIN



Come to me, all who la-bor and are heav-y bur - dened, and I shall give you rest.
Take up my yoke and learn from me, for I am meek and hum - ble of heart,
and you'll find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is
eas - y and my bur - den is light.

You God are my shepherd, I shall never be in need,
Fresh and green are the meadows where you give me rest. **(to Refrain)**

Beside peaceful waters you restore my true self;
There you lead me to walk in the path of new life **(to Refrain)**

Should I be surrounded by the shadows of death,
I will not fear, for you are steadfast in your love. **(to Refrain)**

Before my deep hunger you spread out your feast.
My skin you anoint with the richest of oil. **(to Refrain)**

Pursue me, O God, with your fathomless love.
In your tent let me dwell all the days of my life. **(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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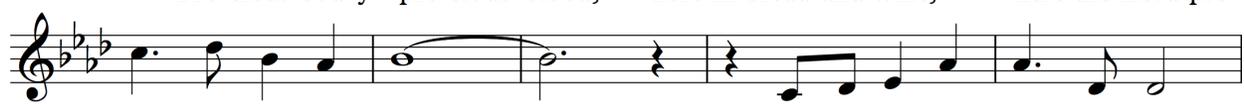
Communion:

The Supper of the Lord

Laurence Rosania



Pre-cious bod-y pre-cious blood, here in bread and wine; here the Lord pre



pares the feast di - vine. Bread of love is bro - ken now,



cup of life is poured: come, share the sup - per of the Lord.



1. This is the bread of God _____ com - ing down from heav'n,
2. "I am the liv - ing spring _____ of e - ter - nal life;
3. "I am the bread of heav'n _____ giv - ing life to you;
4. "All those who feed on me _____ have their life in me,
5. All praise to you, O Christ, _____ pres - ent in this feast,



1. giv - ing life to us, _____ to all the world. _____
2. you that drink from me shall not thirst a - gain. _____
3. you that eat this bread _____ shall nev - er die." _____
4. as I have my life in the liv - ing God. _____
5. in this bread we share in one life, one Lord. _____

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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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