



May 2, 2021
5th Sunday of Easter

We've Only Just Begun

My age and older probably remembers this song sung by "The Carpenters" back in the 70's. It was a hit song, and its message was one that was positive and supported couples married, and persons in strong friendships to remain "together" forever.

This weekend our parish will celebrate nine young members of our parish family who will celebrate receiving two more sacraments. As we have seen in our entire diocese with the "restored order" for sacraments now promulgated; we will first confirm them after the homily and then offer them their first reception of Holy Communion. This mass will be live streamed at 2:00 pm on Sunday, May 2nd.

I bring the song up because in the past with our formation and sacramental preparation and celebrations when many of our junior high youth would say, "I'm done" when they received their Confirmation. Even some parents, if it were their last child receiving sacraments would say the same. The true message we have offered to these wonderful young people is more like "You've only just begun". Now you are a full member of the Catholic faith and with the grace of the sacraments of Initiation (and Reconciliation) God is now calling you to stand tall, and filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, go make a difference as you live your life, for the rest of your life, as a true intentional disciple, who loves the Lord and desires to serve the Lord, and follow Him forever.

We want to thank the parents who first said YES, at their child's baptism to hand on the faith to them in word, and example. Today's joy and accomplishments has so much to do by your example and nurturing the faith in your son/daughter. Thanks also to the sponsors, that are handpicked by the student, which hopefully & obviously says something about the witness of faith they are showing the confirmandi. Continue to support and encourage them all the days of their life as a disciple of Jesus.

As a member of the parish, by our prayers, lived faith, and example, we also have a part in this special day for those we honor and celebrate today. We are their parish family who they have watched live our sacramental life and have hungered to

receive Jesus in the eucharist as they have watched us come forward to be fed Jesus body and blood. Thanks for being a witness of your love for the Lord.

Maximillian "St. Andrew", Jack "St. Sebastian, Julia "St. Julie Billiard", Jacob "St. Jude", Tinley "St. Mother Teresa", Noah "St. Luke", Hannah "St. Therese of Lisieux", Anthony "St. Nicholas", and Taylor "St. Mother Teresa" we are so proud of you and congratulate you on coming to this part of your journey of the Catholic Faith. We hope you see this important day as a continuance of your sacramental life that now filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and fed by Christ, you can go forth and fully live your Catholic faith as one of God's greatest disciples.

Next year continue to join our parish activities and especially our Wednesday night Youth activities for our 4th – 6th grade youth. The gifts of the Holy Spirit were given to you with God's great hope and trust in you that you will "Go Make a Difference" by living as a true follower. We believe in you....

Never feel you're "done".... for those thoughts are exactly what the Devil wants you to think.....but rather every day wake up with gratitude to God and say, "I've only just begun" I'm one of God's chosen servants.... "I come to Serve." Blessings on Your Journey from Jennifer and Frances in our Formation Ministry, from our Deacons and staff, and from Angie your catechist along with all our PSR faculty. Again, we are proud of YOU !!!

Peace -

Fr. Chuck

SCRIPTURE READINGS: May 2nd – May 9th :

Sunday:	ACTS 9:26-31	1JN 3:18-24
		JN 15:1-8
Monday:	1COR 15:1-8	JN 14:6-14
Tuesday:	ACTS 14:19-28	JN 14:27-31A
Wednesday:	ACTS 15:1-6	JN 15:1-8
Thursday:	ACTS 15:7-21	JN 15:9-11
Friday:	ACTS 15:22-31	JN 15:12-17
Saturday:	ACTS 16:1-10	JN 15:18-21
Sunday:	ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48	
	1JN 4:7-10	JN 15:9-17

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

Parishioners - Megan Lee, Gary Dumonceaux, Shirley Crawford, Rene Runions, Ray Roland, Lynn F. Leach, JoAnn Camille, Betty Rowden, JoAnn Barber, Glen Butcher, Mary Rodgers, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy, Carolyn Carmichael, Bill White, Lenna DeGroot, Sherry Frachey



Patty Bartlett, mother of Jeannette Waters
Ron Bortmess, husband of Diane Bortmess
Kelsie Riedle, niece of David & Tess Riedle
Robert Goin, father of Vicki Walker
Harry Buck, brother of Teri Dambacher
Yvonne Butcher, mother of Barrie Blough
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
Button Pemberton, friend of Guerrettaz family
Teresa Cieciora, friend of Guerrettaz family
Aliana Marecki, friend of Guerrettaz family
Rick Perez, friend of Mary Jo & Jerry Jasinski
Brigham Lanweir, friend of the Zucco family
Megan Mahoney, friend of the Zucco family
Rachel Copp, sister of Mary Beth McClintock
John Naffziger, nephew of Michele Naffziger
Special Intentions of Andy Mihelich
Sarah Thatcher, granddaughter of Elaine Hundley
Lary Garrett, father of Carrie Zucco
Jennie Harling, sister of Leanne Collings
Sabrina & Baby Rice, niece of Les & Beth Auxier
Diane McClelland, sister of Roberta Vanover
Jodi Finzel, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
Lee Cook, brother of Sue Bozarth
James Michael Geist, nephew of Sue Roth
Kevin Joyce, friend of Steve & Pat Jones
Ed Derringer, friend of Mary & Hartzel Bruno
Val "Butch" Decatoire – uncle of Mike Spainhour
Mark Spainhour – brother of Mike Spainhour
Bob Aplington – brother of Beth Yong
Angie Hamilton, friend of Kelly Conlon
Dyke Foster, brother-in-law to Sue & Leroy Bozarth
Judy Conway, friend of Maggie Patterson
Judy Judd, aunt of Vince Guerrettaz
Patrick O'Connor, nephew of Ginger Rentschler
Francis Lynam, son-in-law of Helen & Tom Crusen

Happenings this week!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Saturday, May 1st :

9:00a-4:00p Eucharistic Adoration
3:15-4:00 p Reconciliation
4:30 p Mass (Int: Virginia Bartletti†)

Sunday, May 2nd :

8:00 a Mass (Int: Leach family)
10:30 a Mass (Int: for the Parish)
2:00p 1st Communion/Confirmation
5-6:30 p Youth Group

Monday, May 3rd :

Sts. Philip and James

6:45-7:15 a Reconciliation
7:30 a Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling families)
9:00 a Counting Team #1

Tuesday, May 4th :

6:45-7:15 a Reconciliation
7:30 a Mass (Int: Bill† & Gwen Berutti)
7:00 p Pastoral Council

Wednesday, May 5th :

7:30 a Communion Service
6:30 p PSR

Thursday, May 6th :

6:45-7:15 a Reconciliation
7:30 a Mass (Int: George Ginter†)

Friday, May 7th :

6:45-7:15 a Reconciliation
7:30 a Mass (Int: Bill Sinkus†)

Saturday, May 8th :

3:15-4:00 p Reconciliation
4:30 p Mass (Int: Robert Denton†)

Sunday, May 9th :

8:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
10:30 a Mass (Int: Past & Present Priests)

Volunteers for the week of May 3rd :

Church Duster: Laurie McWard
May Recycling Volunteer: Jan Pietras
May Food Volunteer: Mary Fox

Advertiser of the Week:

Knights of Columbus
St. Jude Council 9640
Charity – Unity – Service - Fraternity
Thank you for supporting our charitable work!

**Parish Sacrificial Giving
Fiscal Year 7/1/202-6/30/2021**

Collections (58)	\$ 3,765.00	\$219,440.00
EFT-Collections (28)	\$ 2,590.00	\$ 54,235.00
Dev. Fund (2)	\$ 38.00	\$ 10,539.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (4)	\$ 215.00	\$ 6,290.00
Poor Fund	\$ 31.00	\$ 3,090.07
Children's Offering(0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Cath. Home Missions(25)	\$ 707.00	\$ 803.00
EFT-Cath. Home Miss(2)	\$ 32.00	\$ 102.00
Holy Land (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,124.00
EFT-Holy Land (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 92.00
Seminarians (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,446.00
EFT-Seminarians (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 92.00
Total this week:	\$ 7,398.00	
Total given FY2021	\$337,090.38	

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

May 2 – 2:00 p.m. – First Communion/Confirmation
 May 2 – 5-6:30 p.m. – Propelled Youth Group
 May 4 – 7:00pm - Pastoral Council mtg.
 May 5 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR
 May 11 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
 May 12 – 1:00 p.m. – Ladies Tea/Bunco Group
 May 12 – 6:30 p.m. – Final PSR and Mass
 May 13 – 7:00pm – Building & Grounds mtg
 May 15 – noon-3:00 p.m. – Sew-n-Sews
 May 18 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus mtg.
 May 19 – 6:00 p.m. – Mother/Daughter Dinner
 May 20 – 7:00 p.m. Finance Council mtg
 May 23 – 5-6:30 p.m. – Propelled Youth Group
 May 31 – Office Closed – Memorial Day

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, May 8th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Tom

Lectors: Auxier, Walker

Server: Riedle

Hospitality: Egizio, M & J Sponsler, Tomashavich

Sunday, May 9th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Ray

Lectors: Blumhorst, Nelson

Server: Brown

Hospitality: K & G Park, Vogt, Yong

Sunday, May 9th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Kohlrus

Lectors: Kerley, Woehrmann

Server: Woehrmann

Hospitality: A & V Powell, Roark

Pre-Jordan Class.



Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. If you plan to attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@dio.org.

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Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

and liaison between the Diocese and anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.

(217) 321-1155

St. Jude Women's Tea/Bunco



St. Jude's Women's Tea/Bunco Group will meet Wednesday, May 12th at 1:00 p.m. All women of the parish are invited. **Bring a friend!**

All are welcome to join the

St. Jude's sew-n-sews group,

Saturday May 15th at noon! (The date

was changed due to Mother's Day weekend) Bring a project, enjoy some

snacks and good company! Hope to see you and bring a friend!



Help Support Little Flower School

Do you value a Catholic education? Fundraising accounts for 40% of the cost to educate the children at Little Flower School, a great local school that children of St. Jude Parish attend. Tickets are currently on sale for the largest fundraiser of the year, the Heritage Days Summerfest Mega Raffle. Tickets are \$50 each. Drawing is June 6, 2021 at 4:00p.m. Need NOT be present to win. Only 2500 tickets are sold.

1st prize - \$25,000

2nd-5th prizes - \$2500 each

6th-10th prizes - \$1000 each

11th – 20th prizes - \$1000 each

To purchase a ticket contact parishioner Kristi Stice at 815-520-2016 or email her at krististice@gmail.com.

You can also purchase the ticket online with a credit card at the following web address, but please follow up with an e-mail to Kristi so that a numbered paper ticket can be filled out to go in the drawing! Website is <https://one.bidpal.net/heritagedaysraffle2021>. Thank you for your support of Little Flower School!

Youth Ministry News

PSR and Youth Group

Propelled

Our first official Youth Group meeting was Sunday, April 25th. We roasted hotdogs and made smores for dinner, had some quiet Bible study, and then talked about what it means to make an Impact on others and ways that we can do that! We are excited to share that 16 teens attended!

Our next meeting is THIS SUNDAY, May 2 from 5-6:30. We will not be having dinner, but we will have drinks and snacks available. If your teen is still interested be sure to get Jennifer their registration form and remember that the cost is FREE.



End of PSR



On May 12 we are having a party to celebrate our year! The KC will be grilling hotdogs for us, Frances and I will make up some Mac N

Cheese, and we will have some chips and ice cream treats for each child! Along with dinner, we will recognize our children that have received sacraments this year, and we will show our appreciation for all the hard work our catechists and volunteers have done for us!

PSR Registration!



Pre-Registration is complete, but we know there are still many families looking to register! Please mail or bring your form and NON-REFUNDABLE \$25 deposit to the office. These forms

are available in the Parish Hall, were mailed home, Jennifer can email them to you, or you can download them from the Google site if you have access (only registered PSR families have that access).

Reminder: the full tuition amount and registration forms are all due NO LATER THAN June 1!

VBS: Rocky Railway!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 18-Thursday, July 22 because we are excited to announce that we will in fact be hosting VBS this year! There are lots of details to finalize due to Covid so VBS will probably look different from past years, but I think we can all agree- having an altered version is better than no version! If you have volunteered in the past and would like to help again this year, please let Jennifer Frericks know! We hope to have more information to send home on the last day of PSR so stay tuned!



Attention Seniors 2021

If you are graduating this year, we want to know what your plans for next year are! Please contact Jennifer letting her know what school you are attending in the fall or if you have other plans like the military, please let us know what branch! Contact Jennifer Frericks at jfrericks@stjude.dio.org.



Learning about Saints!



The first grade had a fun night learning about the Saints. Each child, remote and in-person, had their own saint coloring sheet to share as their teacher talked about each

saint! Then because the most important saint is Mary, they laid roses at the base of her statue and crowned her head with a wreath of flowers in honor of May Crowning!



Confirmation and First Communion

Please keep these children in your continued prayers as they receive their First Communion and are confirmed Sunday at 2pm!

Noah Bears
Tinley Bialas
Jacob Eichholz
Jack Kerley
Max McKenzie

Hannah Nieders
Anthony Perry
Julia Trello
Taylor Uptmor



Mother- Daughter Dinner

May 19, 2021
6:00pm

*Please join us for a night
of dinner, music, and
wine as we listen to a
guest speaker share her
experience as a mother
and also as woman of
faith!*

*We ask each family to
bring a dessert to
share.*

*Please RSVP by
Monday, May 17 to
Jennifer or Barb at
217-653-8078!*





**Church of St. Jude
Father @ Son Celebration
June 12, 2021
6:00pm
Parish Pavilion**



To honor all our Fathers, we will host a Cookout Celebration for all Dads, Grand-Dads, Sons, and Grandsons on Saturday, June 12, 2021 beginning at 6:00 pm out at our Pavilion (Parish Center if raining). Our Parish will supply all food and dinnerware, and soda/bottle water. We will ask that you bring any alcoholic beverages in coolers that you would like.

That night the St. Louis Cardinals will be in Chicago to take on the Chicago Cubs at 6:30 pm. We will have a big screen T.V. for our enjoyment to watch this great rivalry continue. Bring lawn chairs to if you wish. To make your reservation by June 10, call the office 498-9791.

WEAR YOUR BLUE, or WEAR YOUR RED, & GO CRAZY

