

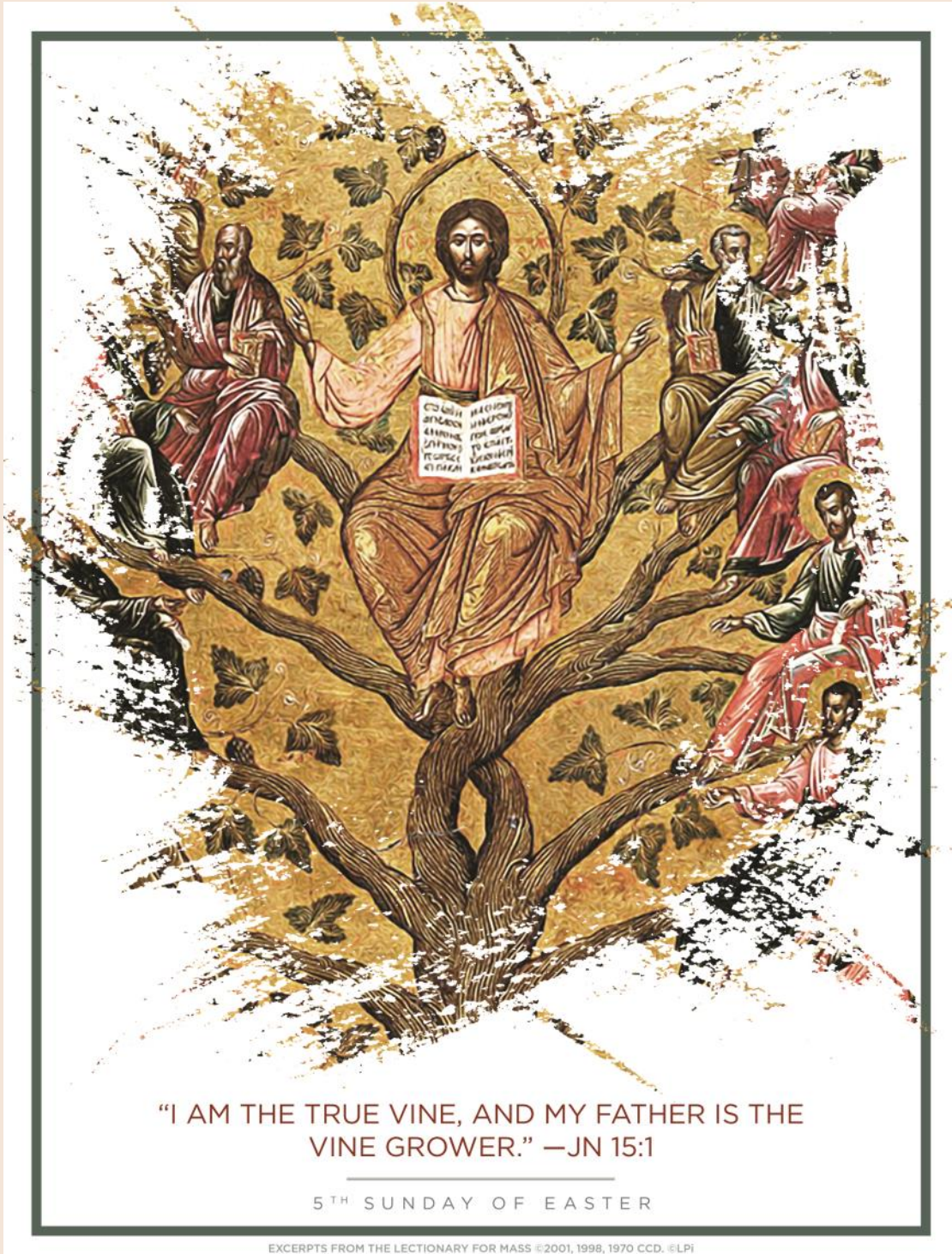
May 2, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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*Worship Aid and Bulletin*

## Worship Aid for Sunday, May 2 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Covenant Prayer: Father, you have called us to be a People of the Covenant. You sent your only begotten Son to be our Savior so that we might praise You, proclaim your Word, encounter You in the sacraments, welcome each other, share our faith, bring our sacrifices and be strengthened for your service.

We pray that we might be a source of compassion toward the poor, justice for the oppressed, peace for the troubled, healing for the wounded, and wisdom for the searching.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that we might live the mystery of your love and fulfill the covenant we celebrate in the Eucharist. Father, we ask this Jesus' name. Amen

### SING A NEW SONG

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be sung from  
moun-tains high. Sing a new song un - to the Lord, sing-ing

Verses

al - le - lu - ia. 1. Shout with glad-ness! Dance for joy!

### Introductory Rites

Opening Prayer

Penitential Rite

Gloria

REFRAIN

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

To Verses

### Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial: Psalm 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32**



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1. I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD. The lowly shall eat their fill; they who seek the LORD shall praise him: "May your hearts live forever!"

2. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of the nations shall bow down before him.

3. To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; before him shall bend all who go down into the dust.

4. And to him my soul shall live; my descendants shall serve him. Let the coming generation be told of the LORD that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice he has shown.

**Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24**

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Owen Alstott



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**Gospel: John 15:1-8**

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



# Homily

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
 the Father almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all things visible and invisible.  
 I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the Only Begotten Son of God,  
 born of the Father before all ages.  
 God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
 through him all things were made.  
 For us men and for our salvation  
 he came down from heaven,  
 and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
 and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
 he suffered death and was buried,  
 and rose again on the third day  
 in accordance with the Scriptures.  
 He ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory  
 to judge the living and the dead  
 and his kingdom will have no end.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.  
 I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
 I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Universal Prayer

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

#### **Instrumental: Vine and Branches** (*Trevor Thompson*)

*The offertory baskets will not be passed, instead we ask that you give your offering on your way in or on your way out in the contactless drop boxes in the vestibule.*

Preface Dialogue  
 Preface Acclamation

### HOLY

*Belmont Mass  
 Christopher Walker*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and  
 earth are full of your glory. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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### Memorial Acclamation

#### WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH

*Belmont Mass  
 Christopher Walker*

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your  
 Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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## The Great Amen

### AMEN

Christopher Walker

Musical notation for 'The Great Amen' in G major, 4/4 time. The first line is for the Priest and the second line is for All. The lyrics are: ...for ev - er and ev - er. A - men, a - men.

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### Communion Rite

## The Lord's Prayer

### LAMB OF GOD

Belmont Mass  
Christopher Walker

## Lamb of God

Musical notation for 'Lamb of God' in G major, 4/4 time. The first line is for Cantor or All and the second line is for (All). The lyrics are: Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. grant us peace, grant us peace.

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### BY OUR LOVE

Tom Kendzia

## Communion:

Musical notation for 'By Our Love' in G major, 2/4 time. The first line is for the Refrain. The lyrics are: By our love, by our love, they will know we are Chris-tians by our love. Not by words, but how we live, yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our love.



### An Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

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

### Concluding Rite

## Blessing

## Dismissal

## Sending Forth: **They'll Know We are Christians** (Instrumental)

*Please be patient as you leave and avoid crowding the aisles by using all church exits. Thank you for worshipping with us today, and we are praying for you and your family!*

# May 2, 2021 The Fifth Sunday of Easter



## Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil**—4:30 p.m.

**Sunday**— 8:00 a.m. in the church; 10:45 a.m. In church or in your car *live-streamed at 10:45 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube*

## Weekday Mass

Mon—8 a.m. Eucharistic Service (in the church)

Tues-Sat—8 a.m. (in the church)

*live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube*

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**JGS offers Sunday Mass and Weekday Masses via livestream, either on our Facebook Page or on our Youtube page. Don't miss out. Like us on Facebook or join our YouTube Channel.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

If you are like me, you asked yourself, “How can this be May already??!!” For the Church, the month of May is filled with so many wonderful celebrations during this Easter Season: on-going infant Baptisms, First Eucharists for our young children, Confirmation for our teens and the beginning of the wedding season for several engaged couples – just for “starters!” It really is a wonderful time of the year on many levels for our local community and for the broader Church. To all of these reminders of God working in our midst, we can simply say: Praise God! May I also take this opportunity to sincerely thank all those who gave for our Easter Collection. It is both a blessing and a reminder: a blessing for your generosity but also a reminder that the needs are on-going, especially with the demands of a large, physical plant. So, my deepest appreciation to responding to my request to give to our annual Easter collection. I also want to take the opportunity for all those who have made a pledge/donation to the 2021 Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal supports many excellent outreach and ministerial needs within our archdiocesan family, the Archdiocese of Washington. Without your support, all these good works simply could not continue. As of this writing, Jesus the Good Shepherd has reached 79% of its goal. This is excellent and, once again, I sincerely thank all who have given. However, we are still about \$21,000 short of our goal given to us by the Archdiocese. Kindly see in the bulletin the information on the Annual Appeal and how to give. On behalf of the outreach ministries and ministries that benefit from your generosity, I sincerely and truly thank you. May God, who is not outdone in generosity, bless you many times over for your thoughtfulness and generosity.



Let us pray. *Jesus, our True Vine, without You, we wither and fall. Nourish us with your Body, the Eucharist. Trim away the parts of us so that we may be joyful, fruitful people, who are united forever with you, who live and reign with God, the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.*

May the Lord continue to shower all of us with His blessings this Easter Season!

Father Mike

## Weekend Mass Intentions for May 1-2, 2021

4:30 PM Vigil	For the repose of the soul of Helen Ponton at the request of the Scott family; for the repose of the soul of Jack Boertlein at the request of the Boertlein family
8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Fritz Wagner at the request of David and Gail Walsh
10:45 AM	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

## Mass Intentions for May 3-May 8, 2021

Mon	5/3	8 AM	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tues	5/4	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Gloria Petrucci, daughter of Angie Miller and sister of Gina Jowers, at the request of her family
Wed	5/5	8 AM	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thurs	5/6	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Eileen Cassella, mother of Elizabeth Lynsky, on the 5th anniversary of her death
Fri	5/7	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Rosa Chin Dao at the request of her family
Sat	5/8	8 AM	Blessings for Jeana Rudolph

## Ministry Schedule

Mass	Eucharistic Support	Lector	Greeter	Sanitizing Volunteer
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**Dear Liturgical Ministers: please continue to sign up on MSP**  
**Contact Sheryl Fischer in the church office at [receptionist@ccjgs.org](mailto:receptionist@ccjgs.org)**

### New to JGS?

**NEW MEMBERS**—Are you new to Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community? WELCOME! The registration form for JGS is available on the JGS website by clicking here: [ccjgs.org](http://ccjgs.org) and scrolling down. We would like to welcome you in person. You and your family are invited to our next New Member gathering is Sunday, June 13, 2021 in the Pavilion following the 9:45 Mass. Masks required.



**JGS PARISH SPRING CLEAN-UP** - Next Saturday, May 8 is the JGS Spring Clean-up Day. There are many tasks to accomplish and so few volunteers. Please make an effort to donate a few hours next Saturday to make the outside of our church look beautiful! This is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your family and

friends. There are plenty of tasks for all ages. We will meet at the Pavilion at 8:00 AM and work until noon. Donuts and coffee will be provided in the morning. Bring your work gloves, hand tools, paint brush, wheel barrow, or whatever else might assist you on Saturday.

**MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA** - Envelopes are due by Tuesday, May 4th and may be deposited in the Church mail slot.

Mother's Day is **Sunday, May 9<sup>TH</sup>** and what a wonderful way to remember your mother, living or deceased, by enrolling her in our Mother's Day Novena of Masses.



Masses will be celebrated for all mothers enrolled in the 9 day novena, **May 11th-19th**. Cards are available in the atrium. Suggested offering: \$10 per name. Please remember to turn in your envelope with the name[s] you wish enrolled, marking whether the person is living or deceased. Please write as clearly as possible.

**A different set of names will be read at daily Mass for 9 days. Beginning on Tuesday, May 4—Sat, May 16, continuing at the Vigil Mass on May 16, and then finishing the 9 days on Tues-Wed, May 20-21.**

**REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR CURBSIDE DINNER SAT, MAY 1 FROM 5:30-6:30 P.M.**

The Community Curbside dinner may be picked up from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Saturday. Dinners had to be ordered in advance.



**CELEBRATING SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: JUNE 27, 2021 JUBILARIAN MASS**—Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary?

Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass. This year's Mass will be held Sunday, June 27 at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Matthew. Seating is limited to allow for social distancing and the Mass will be live-streamed. To receive a signed Jubilarian anniversary certificate or to register to attend the Mass, please contact the parish office before May 7, 2021 at 410-257-3810 or [secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org).

If you haven't already, please:

- sign up for Flocknote, by clicking the logo
- sign up for [Formed.org](http://Formed.org)
- like us on Facebook



**UPDATE ON THE 2021 ANNUAL APPEAL.** We show our love of God by our love of neighbor. The Annual Appeal goes to support many charitable and ministerial needs of our neighbors throughout the Archdiocese of Washington. Every year, every parish is assigned a goal by the Archdiocese of Washington. As of this writing, we have achieved 79% of our goal. This is very good news and we thank all those who have made a pledge or outright donation. But we need every household to participate in order to make our goal. We are still about \$21,000 short of our goal. We hope to reach our goal by the end of May. During Lent, we had the priest who is the Catholic Chaplain at the Catholic Student Center at the University of Maryland, College Park celebrate a weekend Mass with us. The Archdiocese has two full time priests assigned at the UMD to minister to the thousands of young adult Catholics there. They do a fantastic job! The Catholic Student Center is supported by the Annual Appeal. Just prior to Easter, we received a beautiful letter from one of the young adults at the UMD. It was in response to a personal donation which Fr. Mike made to support Catholic ministry at the UMD:

*Dear Fr. King,  
 My name is Miles Bigley. I am a junior student from the Catholic Student Center and UMD.  
 I am writing simply to say thank you for your generous gift to our Annual Appeal which supports programs here at the Catholic Student Center. Even in our virtual world right now, we are able to keep our ministry alive and thriving, keeping our current students engaged as well as reaching out to new students. We also want to let you know that we are praying for you and your intentions here. If you have a special request, please reach out to us, and we can add that to our list of intentions. Email [catholicterps@catholicterps.org](mailto:catholicterps@catholicterps.org) or call 301-864-6223 and leave a message. Thanks again and please continue to pray for us.*

*Have a blessed Lent.  
 Miles Bigley*

Thank you for your kind support of the 2021 Annual Appeal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at [appeal.adw.org](http://appeal.adw.org). To give now, use the QR code or go to [give.adw.org](http://give.adw.org). #ADWAPPEAL.



**HELP NEEDED FOR THE 10:45 A.M. PAVILION MASS:** During the pandemic, many in our community are taking advantage of the outdoor/social-distanced Mass at the Pavilion for the 10:45 a.m. Mass. We are in need of 2 additional volunteers every Sunday to assist with simple set-up and especially parking. Directions and guidance will be provided. We need extra help in order for this Mass to continue through the summer, provided the weather is good [in inclement weather, of course, the Mass will have to be moved into the church]. If you attend the 10:45 a.m. Mass on a regular basis, your "giving back" to make this Mass continue would be gratefully appreciated. Please contact the parish office [[secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org)] and kindly leave your contact information. Thank you!



Casey Esser, Tammy Genelin, and the children and youth of our parish would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our dedicated Faith Formation Volunteers this year. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to plant the seeds of faith, and thank you for adapting to so many changes. We appreciate you!

**Volunteers for Children's Faith Formation, A.C.T., Confirmation, CFF Advisory Board**

Cathy Ball	Joanie Horstkamp	Laurie Otero
Marilyn Balogh	Chris Johnson	Kerri Pasquale
Sarah Bento	Jim Kennedy	Alicia Richwine
Jan Coker	Teresa Kinee	Christie Ruel
Christine Concannon	Mark Kohl	Chrissy Sambrook
Amie Cox	Lisa Lane	Gabby Schmidt
Kate Dammeyer	Sean Lane	Jennifer Seekford
Allison Ervin	David LaRosa	Abby Spence
Stephanie Garbarczuk	Erin Lawrence	George Spence
Brian Genelin	Andy Macyko	Laurie Spence
Tammy Genelin	Susan Macyko	Laura Thompson
Maggie Gorman	Sara McQuighan	Christeda Warner
Jen Haddon	Geoff Morgan	Denny Wayson
Laura Handle	Michelle Mudd	Rose Weller
Sarah Harrington	Ellen Neill	Danielle Williams
Carrie Holaus	Jack Neill	



Congratulations to the following children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 1st:

**Madison Beach  
Gianna Costa  
Luke Garifo  
Aiden Heine  
Lilia Pasquale  
Joy Richwine  
Charles Taylor**



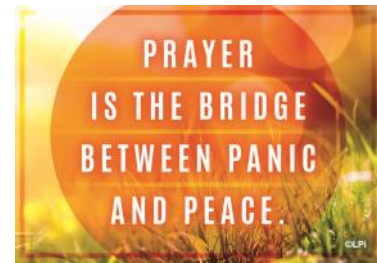
*Due the pandemic, children will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at various Masses through out May and June.*

**Lets pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to bless them now and always.**

**Virtue of Spirituality**



Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty. Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome. My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen.



**Readings for the week of May 2, 2021**

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8  
Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14  
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a  
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8  
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11  
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17  
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21  
Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17  
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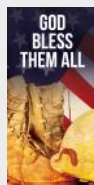


**REMEMBER in your prayers**  
*The sick:* Riley Bodenhorn, Anita Stuck, Ed Brophy; Greg Bodenhorn; Linda Patterson; John Albright; Ralph Smola; Anthony Wyvill; John Hepp; Artie Mills; Marian DeBruyn, Tammy Pierce, Jay Roque, James Richardson, Sr., Steve Collins; Verna Jurewicz; Christopher Crandall; Louis Johnson; Doreen Dardzinski; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Mary Ann Harlan; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Frank Santora; Sue Baczynski; Anne Brophy; Duke Dusseau; Buddy Curtis; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill.

Friends/relatives in need of prayer and for those who have died contact the church office monthly to include them in our bulletin.

**PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY**

*Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; Michael Hardy; LT. Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Lanson Weeks; Captain Robert Patterson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer; Mathew Cullens; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Michael Henry Thayer; Gerald Cullens; Noah Pirner; Scott Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Joseph Masoero; Christopher Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder; Brennan McConnell; Ian Torr; Michael Metler; Joey Wyvill*



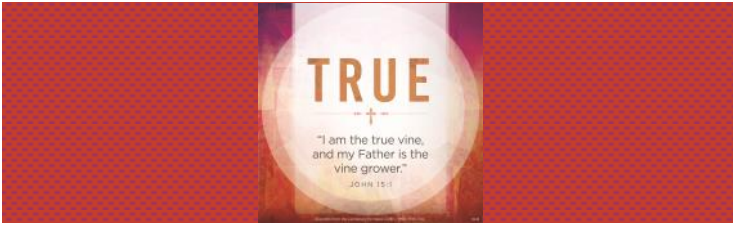
Please contact the church office to have a name added to this list.

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**



Anyone familiar with gardening knows that proper and timely pruning is essential. The health of the plant depends upon it. An unpruned tree can quickly produce suckers that zap many of the essential nutrients from its body. Pruning requires patience and vision. Studies reveal that plants often respond defensively to being pruned, displaying reactions that are similar to hurt or discomfort. Pruning is not easy but necessary. A hard lesson for us to learn is that we also need to be pruned. We become far healthier when we allow God to stretch, refine, and form us into the best version of ourselves. The fruit that then comes from our vines will be more abundant, nutritious, and robust. Left to our own devices we can easily find ourselves running amuck and spiraling out of control. Without a proper vision and trust in the Master Pruner, we will never find the contentment we desperately desire. Nor will the work of the Gospel stand a chance of succeeding. ©LPI





**NEW PROJECTION SCREEN IN CENTRE:** A few weeks ago, a new state-of-the-art projection screen was installed in the Centre. This has allowed better clarity for the projection of our live-streamed Masses from the church. This expense was made possible through the generosity of parishioners. Our technology needs at Jesus the Good Shepherd continue to increase. We are now looking at a quality projector on a proper mounting device in order to project not only live-stream Masses but also for the use of power-point presentations, etc. If you would like to make a donation, large or small, for this purpose, please keep this in mind in your future offertory donations. Thank you so much for your consideration of this request.



**"THEY WILL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE."**

Over the past year, Covid has offered some unique challenges and opportunities for the Church. One aspect of the Church's ministry that has grown considerably is our digital presence. Our JGS staff has worked hard to keep live masses available and our social media platforms updated. We are grateful for the opportunity to reach so many through the digital world.

As a staff at JGS, we have taken a digital pledge to continue serving the community through these venues, but have taken the pledge a step further to include all of our personal social media accounts as well.

Why? We recognize that our identity with Christ is reflected in every aspect of our lives whether on-line or in person, Bringing Christ to others in everything we do, wherever we are, is the challenge we have set before us in 2021. The early Christians did this well. People marveled at their capacity to love. They brought the love of Christ everywhere, in everything they did. What a great reminder and challenge, as we live out our pledge as a community to Love Thy Neighbor.

In 2021, we invite all of our community members to join us in the digital pledge. Together, we will spread the love, joy, peace and hope of Christ both in person and in the digital world. We will be a light for others through our words and actions, revealing who we are and "whose we are". And "they will know we are Christians by our Love".



**COVID-19 UPDATE**

Because we love our neighbor, JGS has overflow seating in the Centre.

Even though our max capacity is 500, given the shape of the venue, and the pews, we could not safely increase our capacity beyond 125 while keeping 6-ft distances.

Overflow seating is available in the Centre. We have a large screen with sound. We thank those parishioners who use overflow.

If current conditions concern you, please remember that you can participate in Mass by listening on your car radio at both 8:00am and 10:45am on Sunday mornings and receive Holy Communion outside.

Contact Laura Cleary at 410-257-3810 ([secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org)) for Mass Cards/ Intentions; Sponsor Certificates (for Sacraments) or to place bulletin announcements. *Deadline for bulletin items is Thursday at noon, 10 days before the weekend you want your article to appear. Thank you!*



**Cardinal Hickey Academy**  
**Considering a Catholic education for your child?**

Our regional school, Cardinal Hickey Academy, offers diverse course offerings and high standards to children in grades pre-k through 8th grade.

Even during this 2020-2021 school year, CHA offers in-person classes. Call: 301-812-0404 or [cardinalhickeyacademy.org](http://cardinalhickeyacademy.org).

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**8 A.M. DAILY MASS GOERS:** Your cooperation is appreciated when arriving and exiting daily Mass, especially when Cardinal Hickey Academy is in session. The arrival time for students at Cardinal Hickey Academy begins at 8 a.m. Kindly be respectful in [1] using the ONE lane directly in front of church as you enter and [2] please respect the *orange safety cones* by not driving around them or even over them. When leaving the parking lot, please follow the directional arrows and please not drive in the opposite direction. Thank you!

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**RCIA** – We welcome adults interested in becoming Catholic into our RCIA program. Please contact the church office at 410-257-3810 x1000, 1001 or 1003.

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