



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

† - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

Sunday, May 12

The Ascension of the Lord

- 9:00 a.m. †Margaret Cormier, by her children Helen and Ray.
For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
- 10:30 a.m. †Rosa Maria Bevacqua.
†Leo Desmarteau.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Tuesday, May 14

Feast of St. Matthias

- 9:00 a.m. ~

Wednesday, May 15

- 9:00 a.m. †For the souls in purgatory.

Thursday, May 16

- 9:00 a.m. †Carl Lindsay by his son, Dave.

Friday, May 17

- 9:00 a.m. †Margaret Vice as requested by Peter.

Saturday, May 18

- 4:30p.m. Dr. Pierre & Mrs. Antoinette Prud'homme, by their children.
†Ida Serrao by her OGH work colleagues.

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
- 10:30 a.m. †Leona Laporte by Donna Slaney.
†Sam Bousada by Sheila McGlynn.
†Orlando Torres by the family.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Raechael McIntyre, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Alice Hilchie, Lily Harmon.

Seventh Sunday of Easter -- May 12, 2024

That, seated at the right hand of His Father in heaven, the Lord will share His wisdom with those discerning their vocation and open their eyes and hearts in faithfulness, we pray to the Lord.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For the formation of religious and seminarians ~ We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
(Year B)**

First Reading: Acts 1.1-11
Second Reading: Ephesians 1.17-23
Gospel: Mark 16.15-20



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, May 18

- 4:30 p.m. Marisa Fusaro

Sunday, May 19

- 9:00 a.m. Paulette Michel
- 10:30 a.m. Peter Landry

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, May 18

- 4:30 p.m. ~

Sunday, May 19

- 9:00 a.m. Edward Salazar
- 10:30 a.m. Peter Landry, Miguel Planas (Choir)

MOTHERS DAY MESSAGE

Mothers Day is on Sunday May 12th. This Mothers Day, let us remind ourselves of the love and support we have received from our maternal guardians. Remember too, that the mother of God intercedes for us in our daily lives. Remember to spend time with your physical and spiritual mother this day.

MOTHERS DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

12 May 2024, Your Knights of Columbus will be serving a Pancake Breakfast:

- When:** 12 May following the 9am and 10:30am Masses
- Where:** In the Parish hall (downstairs)
- What:** pancakes, eggs, sausage, hashbrowns and drinks
- Who:** Everyone is welcome (bring a friend)
- Why:** To help raise funds for Parish activities and charities.
- Cost:** FREE for all Mothers
- \$10.00 per adult**
- \$5.00 for children under 10 *or those kids-at-heart over 75***

Roses for Life

The Knights will be collecting for the Roses for Life campaign over the next few weekends. The Ontario Roses for Life program is an effective way to raise money to support pro-life organizations or activities.

Please help this program which provides much needed funding to education and awareness programs. Every life matters - from conception to a natural death. Please give your support.

SPECIAL COLLECTION	COLLECTION DATE
Diocesan & Missionary Works	February 18, 2024
Share Lent	March 17, 2024
Holy Land	March 29, 2024
Vocations Works	April 21, 2024
Pastoral Works of the Holy Father	May 5, 2024
Needs of the Canadian Church	September 29, 2024
Evangelization of the Nations	October 20, 2024
Missions – Diocese of Hearst-Moosonee	November 10, 2024

ROSARY MAKERS MEET IN MAY!

Not busy on Tuesdays 14 & 28 May??
Come out and learn to make ROSARIES :)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
... from 9:30am to 12 noon in the Parish Conference Room.
This beautiful craft is easy to master, fun and rewarding.

See you in May!

FR. RICHARD ROHR'S THOUGHTS ON PRACTICING SABBATH

For many practicing Jews and Christians, Sabbath rest is an essential practice to “tend the fire within.” Biblical scholar Renita J. Weems recalls the Sabbath of her childhood:

Once upon a time Sunday was a special day, a holy day, a day different from the other six days of the week.... This was a time when [Black] people like those I grew up with still believed that it was enough to spend six days a week trying to eke out a living, ... fretting over the future, despairing over whether life would ever get better for [us]. Six days of worrying were enough. The Sabbath was the Lord’s Day, a momentary cease-fire in our ongoing struggle to survive and an opportunity to surrender ourselves to the rest only God offered. Come Sunday, we set aside our worries about the mundane and renewed our love affair with eternity....

Our working-class hearts were ultimately fixed on one thing alone. Sunday held out to us the promise that we might enter our tiny rough-hewn sanctuary and find sanctity and blessing from a week of loss and indignities. Remembering the Sabbath where I grew up involved delighting oneself for a full twenty-four hours, ultimately in good company, with fine clothes and choice meals. The Sabbath allowed us to mend our tattered lives and restore dignity to our souls. We rested by removing ourselves from the mundane sphere of secular toil and giving ourselves over fully to the divine dimension, where in God’s presence one found “rest” (paradoxically) not in stillness and in repose but in more labor—a different kind of labor, however. We sang, waded, cried, shouted, and when we felt led to do so, danced as a way of restoring dignity to our bodies as well. We used our bodies to help celebrate God’s gift of the Sabbath. For the Sabbath meant more than withdrawal from labor and activity. It meant to consciously enter into a realm of tranquility and praise. After a week of the body toiling away in inane work and the spirit being assaulted with insult and loss, Sunday was set aside to recultivate the soul’s appreciation for beauty, truth, love, and eternity.

Weems acknowledges that Sabbath is difficult to maintain, but can be a healing balm if practiced:

The Lord’s Day allows us to bring our souls, our emotions, our senses, our vision, and even our bodies back to God so that God might remember our tattered, broken selves and put our priorities back in order. The Sabbath makes sure we have the time to do what’s really important and be with those we really care about.

I miss the Sabbath of my childhood. I miss believing in the holiness of time. I miss believing there was a day when time stood still. There’s virtually little in this culture, and hardly anything in my adult comings and goings, to serve as a timely reminder of how precious time really is, to remind me of sacred moments.