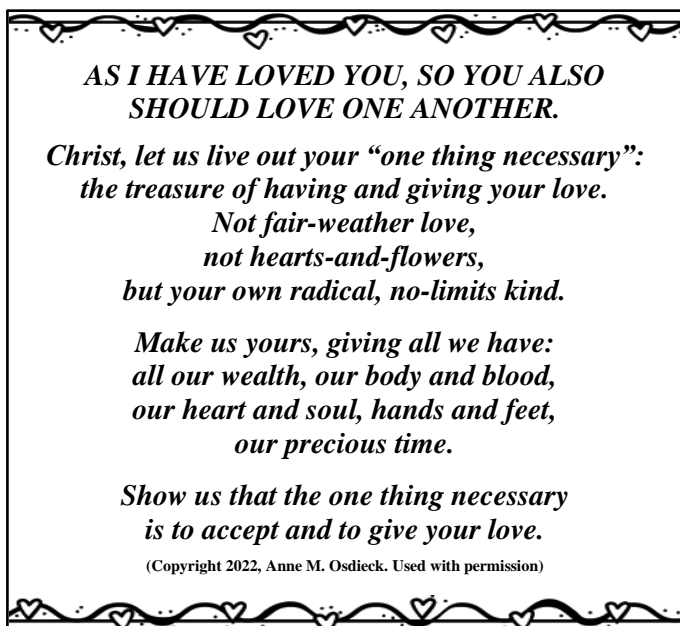


## May 15 – Fifth Sunday of Easter



### God’s Reign in Heaven and on Earth

The trumpeters in the center of the huge Sistine Chapel wall fresco declare the new reign of God, the coming of the new Jerusalem, which was sent from heaven from God most high. This new heaven and earth is the civilization of love brought about by Christ’s passion, death, and resurrection.

It’s not an abstract ideal or some faraway lost city. Rather, it is a city that now exists in heaven around the throne of the Lamb and also grows by means of the Church as God’s kingdom on earth.

Just as Paul and Barnabas appointed elders and the Church took on a stable, hierarchical structure, we are reminded of the historical growth of this city of love—God’s Church on earth. From the beginning it was founded on faith. The apostles prayed, fasted, and commended these elders to the Lord. It was their common faith in Christ that was the foundation of this new kingdom of God.

The glory of this kingdom isn’t in church buildings or organizations, but it’s the glory that Jesus mentions in today’s Gospel. “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him” (John 13:31). It’s the glory that comes from Jesus’ faithful love toward the Father and his disciples, leading him to be enthroned on the cross and rule as the Lamb that was slain yet still stands. It is the new commandment of love that is their glory. Thus, the bride that is the Church will be great to the degree that it loves like Jesus, its husband and King. (Fr. Mark Haydu)

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

May 15 – Alvin and Mildred Simon  
May 22 – Jim and Geneva Tunny  
May 29 – Sherry Hawk

### MASS INTENTIONS

May 14 – Allie and Anna Walke  
May 15 – Ken & Janet Harlemert  
50th Wedding Anniversary  
May 21 – Thelma Grossman  
May 22 – Bob, Jean, and Doug White

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### Saturday – May 21 at 4:00 PM

*Lector:* Jack Ferkinhoff  
*Gifts:* Mike and Cathy Wagner  
*Eucharist Minister:* Judy Steuri

#### Sunday – May 22 at 10:00 AM

*Lectors:* Graduates  
*Gifts:* Graduates  
*Eucharist Minister:* Vicki Wagner

#### Saturday – May 28 at 4:00 PM

*Lector:* Terry Harmeyer  
*Gifts:* Mark and Rosie Lunsford  
*Eucharist Minister:* Roseann Wirth

#### Sunday – May 29 at 10:00 AM

*Lectors:* Amanda Schutte, Jane Pictor  
*Gifts:* Ken and Janice Fry  
*Eucharist Minister:* Leslie Hicks

### PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2535.00
Children’s Envelopes	\$ 16.25
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 405.00</u>
Total Collection	\$2956.25
Capital Improvement	\$141.00
Cemetery	\$40.00
In Memory of Gene Simon	\$100.00
Rummage Sale	\$3957.65

<b>MONTHLY REPORT - APRIL</b>	
<b>Electronic Giving for April</b>	<b>\$2,205.00</b>
<b>Total Sunday &amp; Holy Day Collections (7/1/21 - 4/30/22)</b>	<b>\$160,964.60</b>
<b>Amount Required to Meet Budget (7/1/21 – 4/30/22)</b>	<b>\$150,075.00</b>

**DONUTS AND COFFEE** – Donuts and coffee are TODAY in the parish hall!

**PICK POCKETERS** – Jackson and Knox Parker, Aleyah and Myla Shadday, and Makenna Volz collected **\$156.89** for our capital improvement fund! You did great! Thank you.

**THANK YOU** – We say “thank you” to Scott Simon, who donated the two beautiful hanging geranium plants that were won by Amelia Wolter and Dolly Stirn. This was a fitting way to recognize all our mothers of the parish.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** – Abby Wagner and Bailey Wilder will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, June 11, 1:30 PM, at St. Maurice Church.

**MEETINGS** – The Faith Formation Committee will meet Wednesday, May 18, 4:30 PM.  
Parish Council will meet Thursday, May 19, 6:30 PM.

**CATECHISTS** – The catechists for Preschool through Grade 5 will meet on Wednesday, May 18, 7:00 PM, for their year-end meeting.

**AT HOME WITH CHRIST** – The home we long for and belong to is where Christ is. That home is Christ’s kingdom, which exists both within us and among us.

While awaiting our heavenly home, we pray: Most High God, be our shelter from the storm and our dwelling place. May we always be at home with you in the eternal household you have prepared for those who love you. And may Christ always find a pleasant home in and among us. As you have welcomed us into your family, give us the compassion to welcome others into our own homes and lives, knowing that as we do it unto the least of these, we do it unto Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** – You are invited to the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination Celebration of Fr. John A. Meyer on Sunday, May 22, at 10:00 AM, in St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Greensburg. There will be an open reception in the hall from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

**MAY GREETERS FOR 4:00 PM MASS**

May 14 – Ken Harmeyer, Brian Horan  
May 21 – Steve and Julie Gilland  
May 28 – Ken Hellmich, Joe Wagner

**MAY GREETERS FOR 10:00 AM MASS**

May 15 – Paul and Arlene Gehl  
May 22 – Tom and John Muckerheide  
May 29 – Kevin Tunny, Volunteer

**SUMMER RELIGION** – Summer religion classes will be held on June 6, 7, and 8, 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM. First Communion class will attend all five evenings.

**FIRST COMMUNION** – Our First Communion children will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, June 12, at the 10:00 AM Mass.

**WE’RE BETTER TOGETHER** – (*Parishioner’s Reflection*) We are all brothers and sisters in Christ. We are all individually under the umbrella of Christ’s love. “TOGETHER” gives us a family, an accountability, a shield to protect from the devil’s works and the belonging of a part of something larger, living for him but also feeling that love and support from our other earthly family back together!





**HELP IN GOD’S LOVE** – We would like to think that once we turn our lives over to Christ, everything will run smoothly. When such is not the case, we might question whether our faith is strong enough or what we are doing wrong. The fact is, we live in a broken world, and sufferings come upon all people.

In the words of 14<sup>th</sup>-century mystic Julian of Norwich: “If there is anywhere on earth a lover of God who is always kept safe, I know nothing of it, for it was not shown to me. But this was shown: that in falling and rising again we are always kept in that same precious love.”

We might take comfort in the fact that our struggles are not so different from those experienced seven centuries ago. We are “normal” after all! But the greatest assurance is that no matter what we face in life, Jesus walks with us, the Holy Spirit strengthens us, and “we are always kept in God’s precious love.”

**THE LORD’S LAUGHTER** – “They begin the Evening News with ‘Good Evening,’ then proceed to tell you why it isn’t.” (Winston Churchill)

# May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
RE Classes with Breakfast 8:30 AM  Mass for Third Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM  Baptisms 11:00 AM			Religious Education Classes with Mass and May Crowning 7:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon  50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ken and Janet Harlemert  Rummage Sale 8:00 – 6:00	Rummage Sale 8:00 – Noon  Mass 4:00 PM  Blood Pressure Checks
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
Mass for Fourth Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM  Blood Pressure Checks  			Religious Education Classes Awards Night 6:45 PM		  Feast of Our Lady of Fatima	Mass 4:00 PM
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
Mass for Fifth Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM  Baptism 11:00 AM			Faith Formation Meeting 4:30 PM  Catechist Meeting 7:00 PM		Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM	Mass 4:00 PM
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
Mass for Sixth Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM  <b>GRADUATION MASS</b>						Mass 4:00 PM  Collection for St. Maurice Cemetery
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Mass for the Ascension of the Lord 10:00 AM  Collection for St. Maurice Cemetery	<i>Memorial Day</i>  				<b>THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH</b>  <b>For faith-filled young people:</b> We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.	