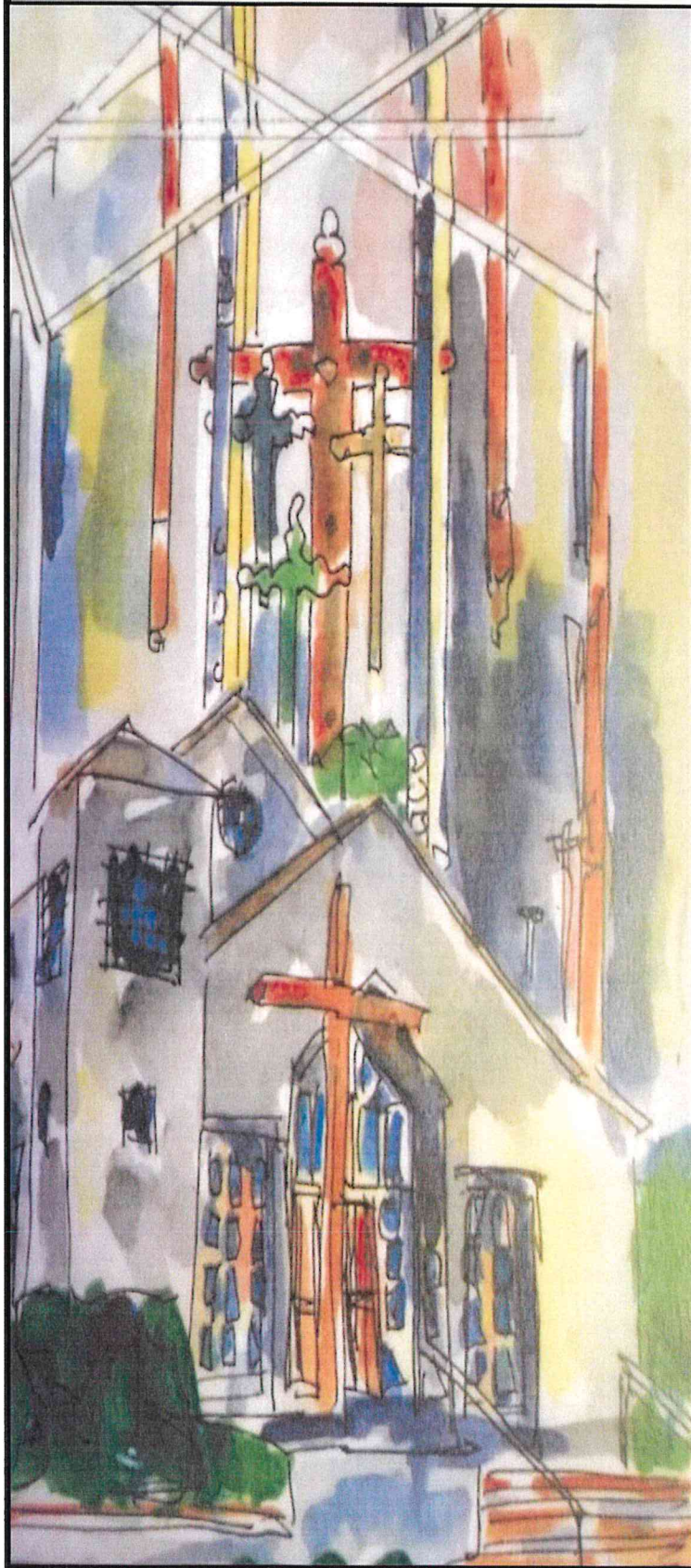


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## Sacrament of Eucharist

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

#### Weekday Mass

Monday: 5:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays: 8:30 A.M.

#### Holy Day Mass

Vigil: 4:00 P.M. Day: 8:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 P.M. — 4:00 P.M., or by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Sister Hilda Sandoval, 2 months in advance.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Office, 6 months in advance.

May 10, 2026

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

The people of Samaria come to worship the Lord and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is this same Spirit that leads us into the truth. In the body, Jesus was put to death; in the spirit, he was raised to life. We are called to this same glory.

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Mass Intentions

MAY 11-17, 2026

Readings

Mon 11 5:30 P.M. †Jerome & Hannah  
Desmond

Tue 12 8:30 A.M. †Bertha Smathers

Wed 13 8:30 A.M. †Arlene Ryan

Thu 14 8:30 A.M. †Lydia Hildalgo

Fri 15 8:30 A.M. †Manuel Trigueros

Sat 16 4:30 P.M. †Christina Abdel

Sun 17 8:30 A.M. †Marlon Villa

11 A.M. People of St. Peter

Mon 11 Reading *Acts* 16:11-15  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalms* 149:1b-6a,9b  
Gospel *John* 15:26 – 16:4a  
*Saint Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs*  
*Saint Pancras, Martyr*

Tue 12 Reading *Acts* 16:22-34  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 138:1-3,7c-8  
Gospel *John* 16:5-11  
*Our Lady of Fatima*

Wed 13 Reading *Acts* 17:15,22 – 18:1  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 148:1-2,11-14  
Gospel *John* 16:12-15  
**SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE**

Thu 14 Reading *Acts* 1:15-17,20-26  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 113:1-8  
Gospel *John* 15:9-17  
*Saint Isidore (USA)*

Fri 15 Reading *Acts* 18:9-18  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 47:2-7  
Gospel *John* 16:20-23

Sat 16 Reading *Acts* 18:23-28  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 47:2-3,8-10  
Gospel *John* 16:23b-28  
**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Sun 17 Reading I *Acts* 1:1-11  
Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 47:2-3,6-9  
Reading II *Ephesians* 1:17-23  
Gospel *Matthew* 28:16-20

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or at the Parish Office, Monday – Friday,  
9A.M. – 5 P.M.

# May 10, 2026 Sixth Sunday of Easter



On this sixth Sunday of Easter, our readings remind us of both the importance of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the truth that love of God is shown through concrete actions — this is precisely why the stewardship way of life is so necessary.

In our first reading from Acts, we hear that the Samaritans had accepted the word of God, yet something was still missing. Peter and John came to them and prayed that they might receive the Holy Spirit, “for it had not yet fallen upon any of them.” Only after they laid hands on them did they receive the fullness of what God desired to give.

We, too, have received the Holy Spirit — first at Baptism and more fully at Confirmation. The gifts and guidance of the Holy Spirit are essential for living the stewardship way of life. As we draw closer to Pentecost, this is a fitting time to examine our relationship with the Holy Spirit. Do we rely on Him? Do we turn to Him for strength, wisdom, and direction in our daily lives?

Our second reading reinforces this call. “Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts.” Christ must be more than a part of our lives — He must be at the center of them. As His disciples, we are called to surrender every aspect of our lives to Him — our time, our talent, and our treasure.

The stewardship way of life gives us a concrete way to live this out. It allows us to “prove” our love, in a sense, because love is not merely sentiment. “Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me,” Jesus tells us.

True love requires courage, humility, and trust. It requires that we lean on the Holy Spirit to help us make Christ the Lord of our lives each day.

But the reward is beyond anything this world can offer. “Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us fully embrace the stewardship way of life, so that we may truly sanctify Christ as Lord in our hearts.

## **Second Collection for May 17, 2026 — Catholic Communication Campaign**

The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) is the U.S. bishops' initiative for responding to the national and local communication needs of the Church. The collection is unique in that proceeds are split equally between each participating diocese and the national office, which provides grants for domestic and international projects that evangelize through the media.

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## *Mother's Day Prayer*

*Loving God, you wrap your arms around your people and show your everlasting love in the same way a mother loves her children. We are grateful for the love you have taught us through the mothers in our lives: our own mother who brought us into this world, the mothers of friends who have welcomed us into their homes and families, our grandmothers who took time for us.*

*Bless all the mothers of this world today.*

*Bless our Mothers that are not with us.*

*May they know the fullness of love they have shared and be blessed every day of their lives. Amen*

### WHEN IT FEELS LIKE MY PRAYERS DON'T DO ANYTHING

By Fr. Mike Schmitz

**Q: I've been told that I can pray to God, and that he hears my prayers and answers them. I've been frustrated though, because it seems like it doesn't do anything. Am I missing something?**

**A:** This is a great question, not only because it reveals that you are aware of God's desire that we turn to him in our need but also because you are acting on this and actively reaching out to him. All prayer is "good prayer."

And yet, what are we looking for in our prayer? And who exactly is it that we are approaching when we pray? These two questions might seem superfluous, but they are essential in order to understand why it is that we become upset when God doesn't give us what we want.

First, it is important to remember that our prayers do not "change" God. God is perfect and does not change. Of course, this raises the question: Then why ask God for anything at all? The short answer

is that God is good and always wills our good. At the same time, God wants to include you in his plan of bringing his blessings to the world. When we pray, not only are we spending time with our Father and coming to know his heart more intimately, but praying increases our desire for his will to be done and allows us to actively participate in his mission to bring his grace to this world.

Prayer is the honor that God extends to us. He allows us to be his coworkers in his plan of salvation. Yet it can feel like we aren't heard when we ask God for help. And we can be sorely tempted to complain. What do we do with that?

It is in these moments that I am so grateful to the Lord for the Catechism of the Catholic Church, because the Catechism asks this exact question. Here is the answer: "In the first place, we ought to be astonished by this fact: when we praise God or give him thanks for his benefits in general, we are not particularly concerned whether or not our prayer is acceptable to him."

Have you ever noticed this in yourself? When we are thanking or praising God, we can tend to nonchalantly throw out casual prayers of gratitude. This isn't "wrong," but it could reveal a certain attitude towards God that is not really troubled about whether God hears our prayers or doesn't care if we've thanked or praised him properly.

But when we ask for something, our attitude changes dramatically! We make sure that we get on our knees, we fold our hands in what we think is just the right way, we word our prayers in a way that we imagine God will hear the best. Am I the only one who might do this? Probably not. Because it is in those moments that we desperately want something that we treat God seriously.

But do I treat God with that same level of seriousness when I thank him? If I don't, then this reveals something to me about me. It reveals the image that I have of God. God might simply be an afterthought when I'm in times of comfort and is only necessary for my needs. This is what the Catechism goes on to say: "What is the image of God that motivates our prayer: an instrument to be used? or the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ?"

What is my image of God? Is he only there to bail me out of trouble? Is God the "divine genie" to whom I turn when I'm desperate? And when I turn to him, who do I think he is? Is he just there to be my 24-hour therapist/ATM? Or is God ... God? Is he the God he has revealed himself to be? Does he get to be the Good Father whom we trust? Or does God only get my attention if he gives me what I want?

Maybe there is a little bit of Veruca Salt in every one of us (the spoiled girl in "Willy Wonka" who demanded "I want an Oompa-Lumpa NOW, Daddy!"). But God is our Father. And he is good. Because of that, he can say "no" and we can still trust him. Because he is Father, he can say "no" because he knows what we need better than we do. And because he is good, we can trust him because he wants what we need more than we do.











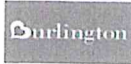

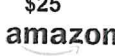









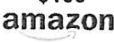






Ultimately, we trust God's answer even when it is difficult, because he knows us better and loves us better than we know and love ourselves.

## Gift Card Calendar Raffle 2026

Drawings take place through May 31.

*Good luck everyone!*

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Sunday Collection | May 3, 2026

Offertory \$5,010.77  
 Archdiocese Annual Appeal \$2,152.00

2026 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

2026 Assessment: \$65,022.00  
 Collected: \$10,743.00 Balance: \$54,279.00

2025 Annual Appeal Balance

Thank you for your continued support to reach our 2025 Annual Appeal goal. We were 12,000 short. With your help, we have received \$1,470 for AAA2025, and have a balance of \$10,530.

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 Religious Education Fund \$47.38  
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 5:30 P.M. Evening Mass  
 Tue 12 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass  
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
 3:45 P.M. Religious Education Class  
 3:45 P.M. Confirmation Class  
 7:00 P.M. OCIA Class  
 Wed 13 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass  
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
 3:00 P.M. Religious Education Class  
 3:00 P.M. Confirmation Class  
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 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice  
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 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
 Sat 16 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
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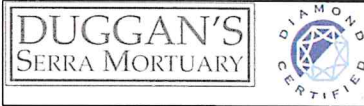


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