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Good News!

May 10, 2015
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17

It's not often we're caught in our prejudices. My moment of reckoning came with the birth of my second daughter. My hospital roommate was a teenager giving birth to her third child. My husband and I were having trouble making ends meet, and even with insurance we'd still have hospital bills.

I resented the free care my roommate was receiving. Why can't you be more responsible? I thought. Because of people like you, my hospital bills are higher.

Reflecting back, I'm ashamed of my attitude. I held the unconscious assumption that I had a "right" to this fine hospital because I was working, could pay bills, and had insurance. Would I deny my roommate's child the level of care I wanted for my own?

The early Church wrestled with that type of question. Could Gentiles be admitted to the Christian community? They were considered unclean, and any Jew who touched or ate with them would be made unclean.

In the encounter with Cornelius, Peter comes to realize that there is no clean or unclean when it comes to people. God shows no partiality. The Holy Spirit makes a convincing argument to the believers by falling on the Gentiles even before they're baptized.

We often decide, consciously or subconsciously, who is worthy of our care or God's. But Jesus commanded us to love one another and to dwell in love, because God is love.

It's our prejudice that gets in the way.
MARY KATHARINE DEELEY
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dear Padre

May 10, 2015
Should lectors read historical notes with the readings?

My parish lectors have started reading historical notes before each of the first two readings. I was taught that the readings are supposed to speak to us in the here and now. What is correct?

When I enter a large discount store and see a greeter who can give me direction, I feel more secure. A little bit of information saves me a lot of time and walking.

The Preamble of the General Introduction to the *Lectionary from the Sacred Congregation for the Sacraments and Divine Worship* allows brief introductions before the readings (chapter II, paragraph 15). A brief commentary can put the readings into historical context and connect them with present-day situations. They can help us understand better what the Lord was trying to communicate in the first place and what we need to perceive today.

Of course, if your lectors are putting ideology or personal opinion into it, the purpose of the introduction is defeated. Therefore, if you feel someone is pushing a personal agenda, talk about it privately with your pastor.

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Sunday, May 17th 4-6 in CCD Hall
RETREAT FORMATION/ POLICY AND PROCEDURES
Training by Wendy Eggert from the Victoria diocese youth office. This training is **REQUIRED** for all adults whom chaperone any Scouting camp out, overnight retreats (Teen Acts) or church sponsored fieldtrip that includes staying the night. *THIS TRAINING is in addition to the "Safe Environment Training for Volunteers".

Monday, May 18th 6:00pm-8:00 in CCD hall
Safe Environment training for NEW volunteers
This training is **REQUIRED** for any adults whom would like to volunteer to work with children in the St. Joseph's sponsored Boy Scout groups, CCD, and Vacation Bible School.
Contact Marilyn Pope, mpope@tisd.net or 361-652-1545 to register for these trainings.

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Mass Schedule for May 16th & 17th

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat: Savannah & Dylan Chavez

Sun. 7:30 Natalie Koehl, Maddie Nuñez

Sun: 9:00 Bailey & Carson Kolb

CANTOR: Chryseis Baker

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat: Dale Zuck

Sun. 7:30: Kathy Davis

Sun. 9:00: John & Donna DeBault, Angie Easley

LECTORS

Sat: Elida Zuck

Sun. 7:30: Kolodziejczyk

Sun: Ashley Roessler

USHERS

Sat: Maraggia Brothers, Pat Miori, Volunteer

Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek

Sun. 9:00: Stephen Griffin, Mark Kolb, John Weitz

GREETERS/GIFT BEARERS

Sat: Brandon & Candace Kubecka

Sun: Patrick & Maureen Andel

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue – Bob Richter (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter

Wed – (SI) By: Bernard & Kathleen Deckert

Thurs – Will Wearden (†) By: Frank & Gloria Wearden

Fri – Leona Richter (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter

Sat. Deceased Members of Rios Family (†) Mary Sanchez

Sun, 7:30 a.m. – James Zak (†) By: David & Norma John

Sun, 9:00 a.m. – Ryan Filpot (†) By: Danny & Lori Witte

May 10, 2015

Sixth Sunday of Easter
REGULAR MASS TIMES

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

or by Appointment

Daily Masses

Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.

CHURCH REPORT

May 3rd

Weekly Envelopes	\$1,069.00
Loose	\$2,418.00
Total	\$3,487.00



Vacation Bible School

Our VBS students this year will be conquering challenges with God's mighty power as if they were hiking Mt. Everest. VBS will be **June 7th - 11th in the evenings from 6:00-8:30 p.m.** Registration forms are available on our website. Registration cost is \$10. Call 361-550-7529 Brandy or Lindsey Bowers 361-212-3388

Mass Intention Symbols

- † - In honor of deceased
- ♥ - Anniversary/Marriage
- ♪ - Birthday/Thanksgiving
- SI - Special Intentions

Monday

May 11
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:11-15
Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday

May 12
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:22-34
Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

May 13
Easter Weekday
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

May 14
St. Matthias, Apostle
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26
Jn 15:9-17

Friday

May 15
Easter Weekday
Acts 18:9-18
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

May 16
Easter Weekday
Acts 18:23-28
Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday

May 17
Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1:1-11
Eph 1:17-23 or
Eph 4:1-13 or
4:1-7, 11-13
Mk 16:15-20
or
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26
1 Jn 4:11-16
Jn 17:11b-19

Senior Mass & Breakfast Date Change

The Senior Mass & Christian Mothers Senior Breakfast have been changed from May 31st to May 17th. Seniors: Please wear your cap & gown and meet at the CCD hall before mass so you can join in the entrance procession. (If you are a St. Joseph Church graduating Senior and did not receive your invitation, please contact Melinda Massey @ 652-6554 or mminga52@gmail.com to be added to the Sr. Breakfast invitation list)

Important CCD Information

Deadline for CCD Registration has passed. In order to prepare we need to order books & get teachers. Late registration after May 17th will incur a late fee making registration \$35 per child. NO Registration will be accepted the first day of class.

Upcoming Events Calendar

May 11th – Scholarship Deadline for St. Joseph & CDA scholarship applications (St. Joseph's application is available on our website)

May 13th – Finance Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Meeting Room

May 13th – Altar Society Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

May 17th – 9:00 a.m. Mass for St. Joseph Graduating Seniors

May 17th – Senior Breakfast for graduating high school seniors –sponsored by Christian Mothers

May 18th - Safe Environment training- 6 p.m. for all new volunteers for CCD, VBS & any other youth activities for the church

St. Joseph Picnic is Sept. 13th and 126 days away! – If you would like to donate an item for the Live or Silent Auctions or toys for the Game Room you may drop them by the office. If you would like a new placemat ad you may contact Kali Ellison. Letters will be going out in July to last year's ad holders. Picnic chairmen are: John & Kim Weitz (920-5577/550-9225), BJ & Kali Ellison (550-1589)

Amor Meus Spirituality Center invites you to our Guided One-Day Silent Retreat May 16, 2015 "The Spirituality of Brokenness" Sister Brigid Marie Clarke, CCVI 9:30 am - 3:30 pm at Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N.E. Water Street. For more information contact Sr. Emilie Eilers at 361-575-7111.

Courtney Charbula

Julie Janke

Kathy Prukop

Lexi Schroller

Grace Bowers

Dailyn Repka

Adam Ulbricht

Kali Ellison

Stephen & Diane Griffin

Karys Howard

Clayton & Lindsay Fernandez

Emily Koch

♪ Happy Birthday 🎵 & ♥ Happy Anniversary ♥

Please remember our "Moms" of the Victoria Gabriel Project and all the Moms out there carrying "the gift of LIFE" in your prayers and petitions this Mother's Day Weekend!

Instill in them that they are a gift of LIFE from Christ and so is the precious child they are carrying!! Victoria Gabriel Project is now a 501 (c)(3) and continues to flourish with Christ leading the way! The Victoria Gabriel Project is established in 8 counties in the Victoria Diocese as well as other Christian communities. We have been blessed with volunteers & donations from all who believe in the gift of LIFE!

We feel he is wanting us to one day open a home here in Victoria. With his help, your support & donations, we feel this will be reality one day soon! For information contact Barbara McCain Williams (361) 649-1612 or email barbaramccain85@yahoo.com. Or at P. O. Box 345, Victoria, TX 77902