



Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 2020

“I will ask the Father, and he will give you ...
the Spirit of truth.”
— *John 14:16-17*

THE REASON FOR OUR HOPE

“What is the reason for your hope?” Imagine somebody coming up to you and asking you that question. Not “What are you hoping for?” or “What are you hoping to do?” No, this isn’t about our desires for possessions or aspirations for life, it’s “Why do you hope?” Peter today tells us that we ought to be ready to give an answer to this question. Truth be told, few of us spend much time thinking about why we hope. Luckily, the scriptures today give us our answers. We hope because Christ suffered for us, in order that we might come to God. We hope because we know that, in the Spirit, God grants us another Advocate through Christ to remain with us always. No matter what we might hope for, whatever we might hope to do, we must always first know and proclaim the reason for our hope: the presence of God in Christ, with us through the power of the Spirit.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There is a geography to the liturgy of baptism that distills the journey of faith. Each part of the liturgy is assigned to a distinct part of the church building. Baptism, whether of infants carried to church by their parents or of adults following the paschal candle into a darkened church at Easter, starts at the door. First, a threshold must be crossed and a new community of meaning and memory encountered for the first time. Then, the celebration moves to the place for God’s Word. Next, as the litany of the saints is sung, there is a procession to the font. Finally, the movement is to the table, the altar of the Eucharist. There, newly baptized adults are brought to the sacred meal, or the parents of infants are blessed and reminded that their child will one day share fully in the table’s banquet.

Many Catholic churches honor this geography by placing the font near the door, or at least small vessels with water. The doorway of our church is a place of memory, and a passageway to a new way of living.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

May 10th
Budget \$2100
Actual \$1140
Bldg. \$200
Short \$760

Special Collection

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May 24th

Church Staff

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Mass Intentions

May 17th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

May 18th: For our First Responders
By Ron Szewczyk

May 23rd: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

May 24th: 65th Wedding Anniversary
of Ken & Joyce Franckowiak

Liturgical Ministers

May 24, 2020

Lectors — Eleanor Michie

Gift Bearers —

Eucharistic Ministers —

Sacristans — Don and Christine Carlson

Altar Linens — Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Ushers — Men of the Parish

TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17).

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66)

Second Reading — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18) *or 1 Peter 4:13-16*.

Gospel — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21) *or Jn 17:1-11a*.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joe Bobak, Joyce Franckowiak,
Ethel Huffman, MaryAnn Maness, Jean Stevens

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin
Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower,
Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and
Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore,
Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

LIGHT OF BELIEF

Every believer in this world
must become a spark of light.

—Pope Saint John XXIII

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. John I

Wednesday: St. Bernardine of Siena

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord

(unless transferred to Sunday);

St. Christopher Magallanes and

Companions

Friday: St. Rita of Cascia

PATRIOTISM

Patriotism is supporting your country
all the time, and your government when it
deserves it.

—Mark Twain

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;

Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23;
Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise
Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Friday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Saturday: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension)
Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am

Wednesday: 11:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 11:30 am

Vigil on Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

Coming Events

Office will be closed Tuesday.

The office will be closed Monday May 25th for
Memorial Day holiday.

Last information that we have is that Confirma-
tion is June 21st. First Communion will be some-
time in August.

Have you checked out St Andrew’s
Facebook page:

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Church**

Web Site:

saintandrewcatholicchurch.org