

5.19.2019

WELCOME!

Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

"Be faithful in little things."
-Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

SUNDAY MASS

8:00 am and 10:30 am

CONFESSION

before, between, and after Sunday Masses
or by appointment: call Fr. Jim

DAILY MASS

Wednesdays at 8:30 am at
Steinway Piano Gallery on Hwy 31
Thursdays at 8:30 am at
Women's Health Center off Hwy 31

*Parishioners can still sign up to have a Daily Mass in their home
via the church website.*

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or anyone you know
would like to receive weekly communion.

STEWARDSHIP: GIFT OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE

Contact these parishioners if you are interested in
assisting in the following ways:

Altar Servers: Theresa West at (228) 209-4935;

Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers:

Joan Dryden at (251) 680-5541;

Coffee Social: Zannyha Wright at (334) 405-3631

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Tithe Collection: \$2,059.00

Building Fund: \$327

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

5/19 5/26: Building Fund

SUMMER APOLOGETICS SERIES

We are pleased to be able to present "Be Prepared," a video series recorded by Pat Arensberg of the Archdiocese. These will be held between the Masses at 9:15 am. Some of the topics are: "What is the Truth," "The Problem of Evil," "Is Jesus Just a Myth?," just to name a few. Come join us to Be Prepared!

SET UP/TAKEDOWN TEAM

If you are able to help on a regular basis, please consider joining our Facilities Team, who help set up and/or break down of our facility. Entire families can (and do) help with this necessary ministry. See the sign-up sheet at the entrance tables called "How Can I Help."

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"On To Pentecost," a continuation of our Lenten adult faith formation, continues! This week, we viewed Episode 7, "The Spirit of Adoption." Next week, we will watch Episode 7, "The Fruits of the Holy Spirit." It's not too late; series guides are available at the entrance tables. *Want to view in your own?* Visit FrancisXSeelos.formed.com and search for Wild Goose.

FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to our First Communicates! Today is their big day during the 10:30 am Mass. Please join us at the reception following Mass in celebration of their reception of this sacrament. What a gift!

UPCOMING EVENTS

FOUNDING MEMBERS PHOTOS

MAY 19 @ 9-10:15a, 11a-12p

Today is the last session for May. June 9th will be the next opportunity. Get yours today, before the summer starts.

PARISH FIRST COMMUNION

MAY 19 @ 10:30 AM

All are welcome to the reception following Mass.

ARCHMOB ORDINATION

JUNE 1 @ 10:00 AM

Ordination of Priests and Deacons for the Archdiocese of Mobile at the Cathedral.

ASCENSION SUNDAY

JUNE 2

BE PREPARED SERIES

JUNE 2 @ 9:15 AM

Apologetics Series between the Masses. Topic - What is the Truth. See announcement for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

What a great first year!

Planning for the 2019-2020 year is already beginning. Please pre-register your children by completing and returning forms at the entrance tables. Anticipated start date is September 8th.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will continue each Sunday throughout the summer.

Middle/High School Youth and Confirmation Candidates: see the note about Vacation Bible School. You (and your energy) are needed!

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

Sessions continue today! Walk-ins are welcome. Photos will be taken in the room behind the kitchen. Please bring your completed form with your family's name; purchase of additional photos is not required. Today is the last session for May. June 9th will be the next opportunity. Get yours today, before the summer starts.

SAVE THE DATE: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019

Our parish's first ever Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 8th! Volunteers are needed, especially those who have completed the Child Protection Training. **If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at the main entrance.**

All are welcome to volunteer their gifts:

- Decoration
- Music
- Snack Prep
- Facility Set Up
- Crafts
- Games
- Storytelling
- Small Groups, etc!

Teens, you and your gifts are needed too!



FAMILY CONNECTION FOR THE 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Is love the first word your family members use to describe their interactions? Love is difficult. Jesus' sacrifice for us is an example of this. Yet because of love, the glory of God is fully revealed in Jesus. God's glory is revealed in us when we act as the Body of Christ, as individuals and as a community. In the love we have for one another—difficult, challenging, sacrificial love—we find Jesus.

Choose one or two occasions when your family was together during the week. Describe the family's interactions from an outsider's perspective. When is it less difficult to show love to family members? When is it more difficult? When love is difficult, what do we do?

Jesus didn't just tell us to love one another. He showed us how to love one another. In what ways did Jesus show us how to love? (in his acts of healing and forgiving; at the Last Supper as he washed his disciples' feet; in the gift of the Eucharist; through his death on the Cross)

Pray together this Act of Love: O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.

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PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Blessed Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the Child Jesus as your Son, you rescued Him from the danger of death. Defend the Church, the household of God, purchased by the Blood of Christ.

Guardian of the Holy Family, be with us in our trials. May your prayers obtain for us the strength to flee from error and wrestle with the powers of corruption so that in life, we may grow in holiness and in death, rejoice in the crown of victory. Amen.



Saint Rita of Cascia

Italian wife, widow, and mother before becoming an Augustinian nun. Known for her austerity, prayerfulness, and charity. Had a wound on her forehead associated with Christ's passion. Patron of difficult marriages, impossible causes, infertility, and parenthood. Feast Day on May 22.

DAILY READINGS | MAY 20 – MAY 26

May 20: Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter | ACTS 14:5-18 / PS 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 / JN 14:21-26
May 21: Tuesday of Fifth Week of Easter | ACTS 14:19-28 / PS 145:10-11, 12-13AB, 21 / JN 14:27-31A
May 22: Wed. of the Fifth Week of Easter (St. Rita of Cascia) | ACTS 15:1-6 / PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5 / JN 15:1-8
May 23: Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter | ACTS 15:7-21 / PS 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 10 / JN 15:9-11
May 24: Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter | ACTS 15:22-31 / PS 57:8-9, 10 AND 12 / JN 15:12-17
May 25: Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter (St. Bede) | ACTS 16:1-10 / PS 100:1B-2, 3, 5 / JN 15:18-21
May 26: Fifth Sunday of Easter | ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29 / PS 67:2-3,5,6,8 / REV 21:10-14, 22-23 / JN 14:23-29

May 19, 2019 || Fifth Sunday Of Easter
ACTS 14:21-27 / PS 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 / REV 21:1-5A / JN 13:31-33A, 34-35

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

*"I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
love one another as I have loved you.."*

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