

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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MAY 14 – SATURDAY

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Vigil Readings: See Sunday

4:00 PM – Fr. Jim (English) – Joan Fahey

6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

MAY 15 – SUNDAY

Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

9:00 AM- Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Pat (English) – Fr. Joe Robinson

12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

MAY 16 – MONDAY

Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

7:30 AM – Fr. Pat (English) – Carly Boers Brown

MAY 17 – TUESDAY

Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

MAY 18 – WEDNESDAY

Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

7:30 AM –Fr. Rudy (English) – Janet Aug

MAY 19 – THURSDAY

Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

MAY 20 - FRIDAY

Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

7:30 AM – Fr. Jim (English) – Fr. Powers

MAY 21 – SATURDAY

Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

Vigil Readings: See Sunday

4:00 PM – Fr. Pat (English) – Intention of Sr. Ann

6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

MAY 22 – SUNDAY

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

9:00 AM- Fr. Jim (Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Jim (English) – Mary Barlage

12:30 PM – Fr. Jim (Spanish)

Ministry Schedule: May 21-22

Lectors:

4:00 PM – R. Welz

11:00 AM – K. Gillespie

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

4:00 PM – K. Fahey/M. Sonenschein

H. Wessler/D. Weiss

11:00 AM – L. Washam/L. Finke

Servers:

4:00 PM K. Fahey/Z. Nintrup

11:00 AM L. Finke

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Sunday offering Goal to-date: \$384,000

Offerings received to-date: \$378,425

Amount needed to catch up: \$5,575

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. **If you would like to use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering**, please call 513-541-1563.

4 GRAND CLUB

Congratulations to Lou Knolle, Henry & Pat Wessler, and Tom & Deanna Herbert. They are the winners of the Week 37 drawing and each won \$25.

Happy Birthday

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Kevin Robb (16), Josephine Hartman (16), Mary McMahan (17), Samantha Weitz (17), Kathleen Schlesinger (18), Sam Moore (20), Kenny Gohs (20), Bobbie Brockman (21), Sr. Ann Gorman (21), Timothy Gillespie (21), Mary Tasset (21), Joan Windholtz (22), David Hahn (22).

FR. JIM'S DESK: Life in Abundance: Comedian George Carlin had a comedy routine about "Stuff." It is about all the things and possessions that we collect and hold onto so dearly. Here are some things he said about stuff: "The whole meaning of life is trying to find a place for our stuff. That's what your house is – a place to put all your stuff. Your house is just really a pile of stuff with a cover on it. It is a place to keep all your stuff while you go out and get more stuff. You then have to buy a bigger house because you have run out of room for all your stuff, and you have to have more space for more stuff." I wonder if we keep collecting stuff because we feel it is a way to have life and have it in abundance. There is danger in this kind of thinking because the stuff that we collect doesn't last. It is temporary. It breaks and wears out. The life that things give us is only temporary. We can't buy happiness and we can easily become possessed by our possessions.

Only God can give us life in abundance or fill us completely with life. Needless to say, this is not about the acquisition of more stuff, possessions things, money, or gadgets. It is about receiving and sharing God's unconditional love and living with the virtues of the Holy Spirit and building relationships on these eternal qualities. It is about living in deep relationship with the risen Lord and choosing to live with God's grace, holiness, life and love. Jesus suffered, died and rose for all of us. Thus, he came so that we may have his life and have it in abundance. His love is everlasting and his mercy endures forever. "The risen Lord is our Shepherd; there is nothing more that we shall want. Only goodness and kindness will follow us all the days of our lives." How good it is and how life-giving it is to be part of the flock of the risen Good Shepherd and to be alive with his new commandment of love!

Moms: We salute you and give God praise and glory for you as we celebrated Mother's Day last Sunday. We hope your day and time spent with your family was as joyful and beautiful as the bright sunny Sunday that greeted all of us last week. Thanks for giving witness to the risen Lord's endless love. May you be blessed with life and love now and always.

BEACONS OF LIGHT: We are now two months away from officially becoming a Parish Family with St. Leo (Fairmont), St. Joseph (downtown), Little Flower (Mt. Airy), and Holy Family (Price Hill). Father Rodolfo Coaquira-Hilaje, MCCJ, will be Pastor of our family. Father Rudy has served our Hispanic community since they joined with St. Boniface in November 2019, so we are already familiar with him. Two other Comboni priests will work as Parochial Vicars (assistant pastors) with Father Rudy. Although retired by July 1, Father Jim will continue to be a familiar face for Sunday masses or as needed. Over the next few weeks, we will study the format we can expect as the Pastoral Planning Pathway gets underway. The entire formation of each Family is expected to take place over the next five years.

In **Phase I: Leadership**, we will focus on the six principles of Beacons of Light relating to leadership:

Eucharist: Hire or promote from within a director of worship who will be appointed to the Family Leadership Team.

Church: Begin building a faith community through common prayer, social time among parishioners, and gatherings of leaders.

Leadership: Form a unified Family Pastoral Council, Family Leadership Team, and staff, each rooted in prayer, and supported by healthy teamwork.

Stewardship: The pastor and staff participate in stewardship formation. Identify a staff "point person" and form a parishioner-based Stewardship Core Team.

Evangelization: Hire or promote from within a Director of Evangelization who will be appointed to the Family Leadership Team.

Love in Action: Build a parishioner-based Love in Action Transitional Team; get to know each other and understand what activities are already being done.