MAY 20 -SATURDAY

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Vigil Readings: see Sunday

**4:00 PM – Fr. Jim** *English* – Intention of

Connie and Ed Nuxoll

6:00 PM - Fr. Luca Spanish

MAY 21 – SUNDAY (Ascension of the Lord)

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

9:00 AM – Fr. Luca Spanish

11:00 AM - Fr. Pat English - Intention of

Sr. Carol Ann Brockmeyer

12:30 PM - Fr. Luca Spanish

MAY 22-MONDAY

Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

7:30 AM - Fr. Pat English - Joan Fahey

MAY 23 - TUESDAY

Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

7:00 PM - Fr. Luca Spanish

MAY 24 – WEDNESDAY

Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

7:30 AM - Fr. Luca English - Intention of

The Parishioners

**MAY 25 – THURSDAY** 

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

7:00 PM - Fr. Luca Spanish

MAY 26-FRIDAY

Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

7:30 AM - Fr. Pat English - Intention of

The Parishioners

**MAY 27 – SATURDAY** 

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

Vigil Readings: Gn 11:1-9;

Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

4:00 PM - Fr. Jim English - Ken Horn

6:00 PM - Fr. Luca Spanish

MAY 28 – SUNDAY (Feast of Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

9:00 AM - Fr. Luca Spanish

11:00 AM – Fr. Pat English – Intention of

The Parishioners

12:30 PM – Fr. Luca Spanish

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# English Mass Ministry Schedule: May 27-28

**Lectors: 4:00 PM** – S. Heidemann **11:00** AM – S. Drury

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** 

**4:00 PM** – K. Fahey/D. Mercer/M. Sonenschein

Volunteer

**11:00 AM** – K. Gillespie

**Servers: 4:00 PM** – K. Fahey/M. Sonenschein

11:00 AM – L. Finke

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Fox

11:00 AM: N/A

#### FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Sunday's Collection: \$6,449 Offerings received to-date: \$316,558 Amount needed to catch up: \$75,442 Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. *Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering*. To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563.

## FOUR GRAND CLUB:

Congratulations to Nola Tolle, Paul Wostenberg, and Mark Crosby. They are the week 38 winners and each won \$25.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Connie and Ed Nuxoll, longtime St. Boniface parishioners, who are celebrating 50 years of marriage this month. Happy anniversary!

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS

WEEK: Joan Windholtz (22), David Hahn (22), Robert Sunderman (23), Rose Wolterman (24), Reba Hennessey (24), Joseph Ruter (24), Tony Chesher (26), Jacob Staubach (26), Richard Holzer (27), Janice Mulvaney (27), Donna Lipps (27), Carolina Munoz-Padilla (27), Ralph Dickman (28), Diana Hahn (28), Carolina Morales-Munoz (28).

### **REFLECTIONS BY FATHER RUDY:**

We have all lost someone whom we've loved through death, and initially, we are left with no words to help us through our grief. That person, that life--someone who has meant everything to us, who helped guide our path, was a role model for our life, and whose presence brought comfort, smiles, inspiration, and moved us beyond ourselves in such a way that we have become better people for having known them. Gone... In these moments of great loss, how do we eventually move forward? I would venture to say, in time, we try to live our lives by emulating theirs, with a hope of honoring their memory and the deep and abiding relationship we shared. We might have doubts of how to do this, but we know in our hearts we are armed with their love.

It is the Seventh Sunday of Easter, The Ascension of our Lord, and forty days have passed since Jesus walked with his disciples after his resurrection. For the apostles, it has been a challenging time in assuaging their grief and attempting to understand Christ's continued presence in their lives after his crucifixion. Everything was so unalterably different. Can you imagine their questions, doubts, fears, conversations about the future, and, undoubtedly, their great hope that somehow, they could return to the days gone by? What was to happen, and what now was their role amid these great uncertainties?

Yet Jesus, in all his grace and glory, provided an answer for them and for all humankind. Jesus gave himself to his disciples (and to us all) in a *new* way; thus, rather than walking beside them in the flesh, he was now *dwelling in each one of them*, along with the saving power of the Holy Spirit. He was bound to each of them in an intimate way, so they could move out of their fears to become one with him with great joy.

Today we celebrate this Great Commission, and *our mission* to actively contribute to the kingdom of God by our love, service to others, and dedication to his life, by following his teachings and his directive to proclaim his word to the entire world. The sting of death, now transformed, allows us to recognize, understand, and find solace in his final words in the last chapter of Matthew: "And behold, I am with you always until the end of the age." In human terms, just like losing a treasured loved one, we carry on his

legacy and appreciate all that it means and has meant to our lives.

"God will put someone in your path today who doesn't necessarily need you...but who desperately needs Christ in you." (Father Mike Schmitz)

# PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION: Interested in taking a more active role in our Parish? Council's role is to advise Father Rudy in his role as Pastor and to monitor and approve the Parish budget. Eligible nominees must be at least18 years of age, a practicing Catholic, and an active member of our Parish. If interested in running, please submit a profile including full name, number of years as a St. Boniface parishioner, reason for declaring yourself as a candidate and how your experience/background would contribute to the Council and the Parish. Please include a picture. Submissions will be accepted through June 10 and should be submitted using the Parish email: parish@stbonifaceschool.net. Please put Parish Council Election in the subject line. If you do not have access to email, please drop

your paper submission at the Parish office.

HUNGER WALK: Just a reminder that next Monday, May 29 at 9 a.m. is the annual Hunger Walk. Our food pantry will once again take part. If you are interested in walking, please register at: <a href="https://secure3.convio.net/fsfb/site/TR/Events/HungerWalk2023?fr\_id=1470&pg=teamlist">https://secure3.convio.net/fsfb/site/TR/Events/HungerWalk2023?fr\_id=1470&pg=teamlist</a>. Search for "Shepherds of St. Boniface." If you are unable to walk, but would like to donate, please go to: <a href="https://secure3.convio.net/fsfb/site/TR?pg=team&fr\_id=1470&team\_id=13341">https://secure3.convio.net/fsfb/site/TR?pg=team&fr\_id=1470&team\_id=13341</a>. All of the money raised for our team, *The Shepherds of St. Boniface*, will go directly into our account at the FreeStore Foodbank. Thank you for your support.

**RUMMAGE SALE:** It's not too late to bring gently used items for our rummage sale on June 10. We are also looking for volunteers to set up on June 9 and be present on the day of the sale. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular business hours. For more information, please e-mail Jenn Stroud at jenn.marie39@yahoo.com.