

Acts 14:21-27, Revelation 21:1 -5a, John 13:31-33a, 34-35

FOCUS: Love one another as I have loved you.

While not a liturgical celebration, certainly Mother's Day is marked throughout North America by much happiness and joy. It is reminiscent of the happiness and joy celebrated throughout the entire Easter season. While our readings reflect on the words of Jesus, "love one another as I have loved you," our minds are easily focused on our mothers, living or deceased.

Mothers, by and large, echo the message of the Gospel: "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jesus, certainly, knew the love of his Mother. She was an example to Him, and is one to us, of what it means to be a mother. Our own mothers, I hope and pray, have been and continue to be examples of faith and hope, even in times of trial and distress. Our Blessed Mother experienced not only the joys of motherhood but the ultimate sorrow of witnessing the death of her child—her beloved son.

The joys of our lives, at times, are tempered by sorrow. Some people have been able to find God through personal suffering or, like Paul and Barnabas, even while imprisoned. Even though they had great success as they "had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles," it is important to note that they had many sufferings in their lives—Paul was eventually martyred for his faith. Whatever the pain or sorrow, we can experience the wonder of God's salvation.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is speaking on the night before he died of the fact that he would be glorified. Such a tremendous gift of eternal life was purchased for us by so great a price! As we proclaimed at Easter: "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it!" That message is the same today! Jesus is risen!

He is here among us and continues to be the way to the Father for he will make all things new and assist us in our journey to eternal life.

Mothers, please have a very special day today. Remember your children. Pray for them. Help them to become good people. Guide them along the straight way.

Children, young and old, remember your mothers—living or deceased. Pray for them and show your love for them. Be examples to them of the faith and love that you have in Jesus.

As for all of us, may we remember the kindness and graciousness of God. May we celebrate His glory and the life that we live because of him and truly love one another as He loves us. May God bless you all!

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The Book Club meets on the 1st Monday of each month

May: *House of Gold* by MacFarlane

July: *The Seven Story Mountain* by Thomas Merton

SCRIPTURE FOR WEEK OF 9 May

Mon - Acts 14: 5-18, John 14: 21-26; Blessed Damien Joseph

Tue - Acts 14: 19-28, John 14: 27-31a

Wed - Acts 15:1-6, John 15:1-8; Saint Nereus and Achilleus, Saint Pancras

Thurs - Acts 15:7-21, John 15: 9-11

Fri - Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26, John 15: 9-17; Saint Matthias

Sat - Acts 16:1-10, John 15:18-21, Saint Isidore

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Sat 8 May 0900

Sat 8 May 1715, Parishioners of MHT

Sun 9 May 0900, Andrew Stanley, Sr.

Sun 9 May 1100, Joseph Beairsto

Mon 10 May 1205, Cecelia McInerney

Tue 11 May 1205, Saturnina Amora

Wed 12 May 1205, John Tkacik

Thurs 13 May 1205

Fri 14 May 1205, Duane Mullinix

Sat 15 May 0900 (There will be no Mass @ 0900)

Sat 16 May 1715

Attendance and Offering Last Weekend:

Attendance 572 Offering \$2,127.02

The Designated Offering: 15-16 May will be for Saint Patrick's.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR May 15-16

1715 Cadet/ J. Bayes / Betros

0900 Cadet / D. Siry / Weliver

1100 Cadet/ Cadet/ Tiger/ Wardynski/ M. Vetter/ Welch/ J. Vetter

USHERS FOR May 15-16

1715

0900

1100

ALTAR SERVERS May 15-16

1715

0900

1100

LECTORS FOR May 15-16

1715 Lisa Gossart / Will Suchan

0900 Charles Feher / Janice Tapay

1100 K of C

I have a question. Whom do I call?

Pastoral Coordinator Kate Hayden, 938-8760

Chaplain's Assistant SPC Alexander, 938-3721

Director Rel-Ed Kay Heppes, 938-8761

Faith Formation, Rel. Education of Children & Adults, RCIA.

Wedding Coordinator Lorraine Finn, 938-2784

Wedding information, scheduling, paperwork, Pre-Cana/Engaged Encounter information.

Director of Music Meredith Baker, 938-3544

Adult, Children's and Cadet Choir, Wedding Music, Liturgical Music.

Pastor Fr. Joseph Deponai, 938-3721

Reconciliation, Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Pastoral and Sacramental Concerns.

Cadet Issues Fr. Edson Wood, 938-2784; Father Paul Hurley, 938-2784

RECONCILIATION, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION:

Wednesday 1820 –1930 at MHT Chapel

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

GOD'S TYM (Total Youth Ministries)POC: Michelle Kelley @ 424-3609

9 May No meeting

16 May 5:30-8pm Final Picnic and Mass at Long Pond. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs provided. Join us for fun, games and good food. Presentation of crosses to seniors.

Dates to Remember

8 May -- 1200, Celebration of First Communion.

16 May -- Baptism class following 1100 Mass. Please call Miss Kay @ 938-8761 to schedule attendance.POC:

Ms. Kay Heppes @ 938-8761

MCCW

Wednesday, May 12th -7:30 @ MHT Rectory - Board Meeting and Elections for New Board
(incoming board members invited!)

Wednesday, May 19th - Mary Program and Board Installation @ 7:00 MHT followed by Silent
Auction (bring item to auction - used or new, serious or "white elephant")

**Congratulations to all the children who received First Holy Communion on
Saturday and Special Thanks to the Catechists who helped prepare them.**

John Darrington Allen	Mary Glen
Zachary Allen	Tereasa Gogolowski
Noraima Aponte	Todd Gogolowski
Jared Balcavage	Amanda Jones
Matthew Baumeister	Luke McGowan
Jacob Bunch	John Morton
Chance Buning	Molly Pultz
Lucy Chavez	James Putko
Nathan Chavez	Pamela Ross
Xavier Chavez	Durante Verzola
Jonathan Corbett	Jack Weafer
Hannah Corrow	Andrew Weliver
Arthur Case Coughlin	Keegan West
Jennifer Coughlin	Janie White
Samuel DeLeon	Kyle Wolfe
Michael Garrett	Anthony Woodside

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - Attention Married Couples

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all? Give yourselves time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities and a chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you. If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Nanuet, NY and June 11 - 13 at Mt. Alvernia in Wappingers Falls, NY. To register or for more information, call: 718-707-1050, 914-378-5464, 845-635-8566 or 212-371-1000x3190

Confirmation Class Service Project

Please support one of the service projects of the MHT 2004 Confirmation Class. This project is in support of the Newburgh ministry. Please donate personal hygiene items (toothpaste, shaving cream, etc.) that will be collected *in a box in the back of the church*. *Point of contact for this project is Marie Naessens at 446-4973.*

Parish Appreciation Celebration

One of our most important missions here at Most Holy Trinity Parish is to build community where Christ is recognized and witnessed. Your participation in the life of our parish is helping to make that happen.

Our parish appreciation celebration will be held Sunday, May 16 from 1600-1800. We would like to extend an invite to all parishioners and their families. A catered buffet dinner will be provided, we hope that this event will be held outside in the parking lot of MHT, in case of rain we will move to the Cloister room. Bring your lawn chairs or anything comfortable for sitting and eating.

This is an opportunity for us as your priests to express our gratitude for all that you do. We also look at this event as an ideal opportunity for parishioners to come together in a social environment, and this again serves as an instrument to continue to build community. We certainly realize that you carry out your particular ministry in order to serve Christ, to do your part to help our parish and not because you want to be recognized or appreciated. But we have a need to thank you and to show our appreciation for working with us to carry out the mission of the Gospel and of our parish.

We ask that you make every effort to join us for this event and ask that you look at it as we do, another opportunity for all of us to make our parish better, stronger, and closer.

Please RSVP either by email to yk0178@usma.edu or by phone no later than 10 May, 2004.

The POC for this event will be Kate Hayden at 938-8760

Thank you,

Father Jerry Deponai; Father Edson Wood, and Father Paul Hurley

Food For the Needy:

Support MCCW's food ministry to St. Patricks Soup Kitchen in Newburgh. Please call Carole 446-2154 or Pam Lemanski 446-7244 for information or if you can help. Next month's meal is breakfast breads/muffins. Thanks for your help!