



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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Dominica IV Post Pascha

James 1:17-21; John 16: 5-14

10 May A.D. 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter

usccb.org/bible/readings

Surréxit Dóminus vere, Allelúia!

I pray that all of you are persevering in keeping the Lord's Day holy at home each week as a family by, for example, watching Mass live and making a spiritual Communion, prayers for which are included in the bulletin each week.

As all of us are praying for a quick return to normal, including our worship at Mass, one curve we don't want to see flatten is your support. Please keep your parish in mind and continue to mail in your financial contributions.

I am edified by your love for the Lord and His portion of the mystical Body here at SFDS by your prayers, notes and financial gifts.

Happy Easter Season and, again, thank you for remaining devoted and prayerful parishioners from afar as we look forward to a swift return to regular parish life.

- Fr Cusick

A Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I desire to possess Thee within my soul. Since I am unable now to receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee as being already there, and unite myself wholly to Thee; never permit me to be separated from Thee.

A SHORTER ACT

I believe that Thou, O Jesus, art in the Most Holy Sacrament! I love Thee and desire Thee! Come into my heart. I embrace Thee; oh, never leave me!

Prayer for the Week

O God, of Whom it cometh that the minds of thy faithful people be all of one will, grant unto the same thy people that they may love the thing which Thou commandest, and desire that which Thou dost promise, that so, amid the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord ...

Sanctuary Lamp in Honor or Memory of Your Loved One A \$25 contribution dedicates the lamp to the memory or intentions of a family member or loved one and helps defray the cost of altar and votive candles.

Sunday Sermon: "I Go to the Father"

"At that time, Jesus said unto His disciples: I go My way to Him That sent Me, and none of you asketh Me: Whither goest Thou? ..." - John 16, 5-14

"The Comforter then, or Advocate (for both form the interpretation of the Greek word, *paraclete*), had become necessary on Christ's departure: and therefore He had not spoken of Him at the beginning, when He was with them, because His own presence was their comfort; but on the eve of His own departure it behooved Him to speak of His coming, by whom it would be brought about that with love shed abroad in their hearts they would preach the word of God with all boldness; and with Him inwardly bearing witness with them of Christ, they also should bear witness, and feel it to be no cause of stumbling when their Jewish enemies put them out of the synagogues, and slew them, with the thought that they were doing God service; because the charity bears all things, (1 Corinthians 13:7) which was to be shed abroad in their hearts by the gift of the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5) In this, therefore, is the whole meaning to be found, that He was to make them His martyrs, that is, His witnesses through the Holy Spirit; so that by His effectual working within them, they would endure the hardships of all kinds of persecution, and, set aglow at that divine fire, lose none of their warmth in the love of preaching. These things, therefore, He says, have I told you, that, when their time shall come, you may remember that I told you of them (John 16:4)."

- St Augustine

Stewardship

- **\$7K down payment church/hall oil tanks: \$1,333***
- **Offertory envelopes: \$474** ("First Offering" envelope intended to defray this expense.)
- **Oyster fest virtual fundraiser: \$2870.00***

To designate a gift please place your check or cash in a plain envelope labeled with your offertory number or your name, the amount enclosed, and which expense you are designating. If using a check, please also include your offertory number and the designated expense in the memo line. Thank you. (*Total changed this week)

2020 Jubilarian Mass

Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass, held Sunday, June 28, 2020, at 2pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For more information or to register for the Mass, please contact the parish office. **The deadline to register is this Friday, May 15.**

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**Regular Monthly Bill and
Offertory Comparison
Numbers Coming Soon**

- Assessments
 - Health Care
 - Property Ins/Cath Standard
 - Fuel oil
 - Wifi Hotspot
 - Internet/Phones
 - Electric streetlight
 - Elect/AC Hall
 - Elect/AC Church
 - Elect/AC Rectory
 - Security System
 - Payroll
 - Payroll Taxes
 - Retirement ADW Matching
 - Pension/Life Ins
 - Priest Food
 - Pastor Retreat
 - ADW Priest Convocation
 - Misc. Parish/Rectory Exp
 - Bank Fees
 - Water Bill
 - Expense Total**
 - Offertory Total**
- Thank you for your generous support!*

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Betsy Behne, Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Linda Javor-ski, Ray Stublarec, Miles & Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church at Easter or to be confirmed next Spring will be offered at the rectory on Wednesday evenings from 4:30-5:45 and from 7:30-8:45 pm.

Classes are also offered in partnership with Sacred Heart Parish in LaPlata every Tuesday from 7-8:30 pm.

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence through the Church in our lives. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are welcome to enroll children for classes at the hall on Sundays at 10 am. Email Donna at markboat55@yahoo.com.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before enrolling children.

The Holy Sweeper Rotation is Currently on Hold



Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. The more Holy Sweepers in the rotation, the more time between each assignment.

If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please email Caitlin Sanders at braun.cait@gmail.com.

UPCOMING:

May 17: Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Mass Intentions and Schedule this Week

Sunday	10 May NP *	<i>Pro pópulo</i> †Catherine Landers	Fifth Sunday of Easter Dominica IV Post Pascha Ss Philip and James the Less
Monday	11 May NP	Intns Joan Dobson	Ss Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla, Pancratius
Tuesday	12 May NP	Intns James Dobson	
Wednesday	13 May 6:00 pm NP	Adoration Reparation to Hearts of Jesus & Mary	S Robert Bellarmine
Thursday	14 May NP	Intns Fr Woo	S Boniface
Friday	15 May NP	Intns Fr Woo	S John Baptist de la Salle
Saturday	16 May NP	Intns Fr Woo	S Ubaldus
Sunday	17 May NP	<i>Pro pópulo</i> †Patrick Landers	Sixth Sunday of Easter Dominica V Post Pascha



**** Mass in English *No public Mass until further notice - per indication of Archbishop Gregory**

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

- Sunday...** 9:00am ** Traditional Latin 11:00am
- Weekday Masses in Latin:** See schedule in bulletin.
- Saturday...** 9:00am and Vigil of Sunday 5:30pm**
- Holy Day Masses:** 8:00am , 6:00pm** and, 7:00pm
- Confessions** offered prior to all weekend Masses
- Baptisms and Marriages:** By appointment 6 months in advance.
- Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. **New Parishioners: Welcome!** Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it to Father or drop it in the collection basket.