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May 15, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

We are a loving, supportive, and vibrant Catholic community committed to being a welcoming parish family by spreading the Love of Jesus Christ throughout our community and into the world.



THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
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Saturday May 14

Confession Available at 4:00 pm

Mass 5:00 pm Theresa Sarnelli

Sunday May 15

Mass 8:30 am **H** Danny Cusimano

Mass 10:30 am **H** Shawna Wimer

Monday May 16

Mass 9:30 am **H** Emma Heathershaw

Tuesday May 17

NO MASS and the Office is closed

Wednesday May 18

NO MASS THIS WEEK

Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm

Thursday May 19

NO MASS or ADORATION THIS WEEK

Friday May 20

Mass 9:30 am + Ken Shannon

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING AND

SORROW: Please pray for Theresa Sarnelli, Ed Sherman, Missy Lyons, Greg Molley, Virgie Davis, Shana Widmer, Emma Heathershaw, Danny Cusimano and all those who are sick or who need healing. Also pray for Frank Guccione and all those who have died recently and for those who have asked for our prayers.

A TIME FOR JOY AND

CELEBRATION: We pray for all those who are celebrating a special occasion this week. Happy Birthday to Leon Turner, Tatum Rice, and Gregory Macias.

COUNTY WIDE PRAYER TEAM:

We are on day 28 of 50 Days of Prayer. Guidebook is in vestibule.



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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER AKUTI

THE COMPASSION THAT HEALS

A journalist, after watching Mother Teresa caring for a man with gangrene, remarked to her: 'I wouldn't do that for a million dollars.' Mother Teresa replied: 'Neither would I... but I do it for love of God.'

Selfishness keeps us shut in, builds barriers, even walls, between us and others. What frees us is caring for one another, being friends, being sisters and brothers to one another, being good neighbours. Once a doctor, who has shared some of the deepest moments in the lives of many patients, says that people facing death don't think about the degrees they've earned, the positions they've held, or how much wealth they've amassed. What really matters at the end is whom you have loved and who has loved you.

Love asks the best from us, and brings out the best in us. Being loved gives us a surprising energy and courage. Love makes us fruitful, productive, strong and constant in doing good. In general: 'Love is the flame that warms our soul, energises our spirit and supplies passion to our lives. It's our connection to God and to one another.'

Practicing love has the power to heal ourselves and others. To love is to heal, both those who receive and those who give it. To decide to love is to be fully open to life. It is *choice* which is demonstrated in good actions, not just empty feeling. When we choose to be loving, caring, healing, helping, and forgiving persons, we grow towards what our life is meant to be. There's really no other way. So Jesus insists, very strongly: 'Love one another, as I have loved you.' Amen.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CATHOLIC CHARITIES' Today, your generous gift to the 2022 Annual Appeal enables Catholic Charities of Oregon to continue to offer access to life saving services to those in greatest need in our community. All the funds raised will directly help the most vulnerable in our community.

QUILT RAFFLE: Between now and Fathers Day on June 19th we are selling tickets for the two beautiful quilts in the vestibule. The money raised will provide scholarships for St. Aloysius School in Uganda. Buy your tickets and put them in the jar for the one you want to win – one is Queen size and one is King size. Good Luck to all and thank you for your support.

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE: Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called Children of God." In this time of great worry, we fervently pray that Your Holy Spirit sustain all the people of Ukraine to be vigilant and dedicated to peace and justice. Grant their leaders wisdom and prudence. O God, our Father, in the days to come, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded, and accept the souls of the faithful departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom. We ask also that the Most Holy Mother of God extend her blessed mantle of protection over our Ukraine. Amen.

CONFIRMATION: You are invited to attend the special Confirmation Mass at Sacred Heart this Wednesday, May 18th at 6:00pm. Archbishop Emeritus Vlazny will be officiating. Please pray for the students who will be receiving the Holy Spirit!

THIS THURSDAY: There will be no Mass or Adoration this week. Father Akuti will be at the Archdiocesan Presbyterial Council Meeting in Milwaukee Oregon.