

May 16, 2021

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Collection May 9, 2021

Collection \$ 787.00 Home Missions \$ 86.00

Attendance 37

May 23, 2021 Ministers

Lector: Donna Hathaway Commentator: Gaby Stanley

<u>Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass</u> as you enter the sanctuary.

Readings for May 16, 2021

Reading 1: Acts 2:1-11

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

<u>Information about St. Edward</u>- Daily readings, the bulletin, and other information can be found on our webpage at: https://stedwardpulaski.org

<u>Donations-</u>, please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301 if you are not attending Mass.

<u>Mass Live-Stream-</u> Mass is still live-streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 at http://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchwytheville

<u>Prayer List</u>- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, John Balconi, Tom Williams, Joan Jennings, Sharon Dalton, Jerry Dalton, Lynn Canty, Stacy Lewis, Cyndy Lennertz, Linda Taylor Sonner, Brenda Lessard, Rohith Ashok, Christine Scarpinato, and Father Bernie. (Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

<u>New Schedules</u>- New schedules for Lector and Commentator were sent out on e-mail. If you did not receive the new schedule, please contact Stan Stanley.

<u>Lectors Meeting</u>-All Lectors will meet next Sunday, May 23, 2021, after Mass

<u>Covid-19 Updates</u>- from the Office of Preparation/Diocese of Richmond: In our churches, social distancing and masks are still expected. Capacity remains limited by the social distancing parameters. As new Commonwealth of Virginia guidelines come available, we will share them with you in a timely manner.

Happy May Birthdays!

Chad Owen May 6
Ginny Ash May 11
Mariah Taylor May 19
Kathy Smith May 26
Norma Klima May 27

Happy May Anniversaries

Rebecca & Walt Harriman May 1
Rick & Jennifer Grubb May 6
Carla & Kenneth Martin May 11
Lisa & Guenter Schlottmann May 19
Chad & Leigh Ann Owen May 20

"Taken from the Weekly *Guide for Daily Prayer* of Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site:www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html. Used with Permission."

Daily Prayer This Week

This week, let us be a Church between Ascension and Pentecost - sensing Jesus has gone before us and longing for the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The invitation for us is to pray to the Father this week, as Jesus did. We pray through the desires churning around in our hearts. Getting in touch with those desires will bring us closer to preparation for celebrating Pentecost. Naming what we long for, will place us with Jesus, praying to the Father for help.

Of course, it can be tender and quite personal, speaking to our Father with a Jesus-given intimacy. And, what makes it concrete, real, and a prayer from the heart of each of us, is that we are letting all of this interact with the real things in our everyday life.

It may come easily, spontaneously, as I'm getting dressed or in any of the "background times" of my day. But, it may be difficult for me to know how to address the Father. Perhaps my father-memories aren't warm and tender. All we have to do is relax and try it. We will meet a Father who loves us and longs for us to be relaxed and speak heart-to-heart. It can start with a dialogue with myself, e.g., where I ask myself questions and then answer myself.

What am I feeling? What fears can I name? What anxieties, worries come to me as I try to get in touch with what's going on right now? Who comes to my mind? Who is struggling? With whom am I in conflict? Am I frustrated? Tired? Feeling taken for granted? Where am I 'cutting corners,' or cheating or lying to myself or others? What's missing? What am I hungry for? What am I dreaming about? What is giving me joy?

The desires that flow from my answers to these questions shape our daily prayer this week. We find that we have plenty to talk with the Father about and ask for. Perhaps we can pray:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle within them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be re-created and join you in renewing the face of the earth.