



May 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Collection April 25, 2021

Collection	\$ 995.00
Attendance	46

May 9, 2021 Ministers

Lector: John Balconi
 Commentator: Dan Grubb

**Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass
 as you enter the sanctuary.**

Readings for May 9, 2021

Reading 1: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
 Reading 2: I John 4:7-10
 Gospel: John 15:9-17

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

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

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

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

New Schedules- New schedules for Lector and Commentator will be coming out soon. Anyone wishing to be deleted or added to the list, please contact Stan Stanley by May 15, 2021.

Lawn Care- anyone who would like to help take care of the church lawn this season, please contact Stan Stanley.

Happy May Birthdays!

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

Happy May Anniversary

<i>Rebecca & Walt Harriman</i>	<i>May 1</i>
<i>Rick & Jennifer Grubb</i>	<i>May 6</i>
<i>Carla & Kenneth Martin</i>	<i>May 11</i>
<i>Lisa & Guenter Schlottman</i>	<i>May 19</i>
<i>Chad & Leigh Ann Owen</i>	<i>May 20</i>

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"Good night, Jesus. Thank you for today. Let me put everything aside tonight. I know you will be with me all day tomorrow."

Daily Prayer This Week

We can hold the words of Jesus in our hearts all week. As we do, we will discover their attractiveness and invitation. We will also encounter resistance in ourselves and in others.

It takes practice to stay focused in the background of our daily life. We all have years of habit to overcome. However, we can practice letting this consoling message of Jesus find a place in our conscious awareness at various points in our day, whether it is in the shower, while getting dressed, or simply whenever we are on our way from one place to another. Sometimes it will take a conscious effort to let these thoughts replace the thoughts that are there already. In the background of our day is where our worries reside. It's where we carry anxiety and stress. Sometimes it is where we carry on imaginary conversations with others or "replay" past conversations. Often a song or piece of music just replays over and over.

This is a great week to get in touch with our deepening desires and to let my conversations with Jesus grow in friendship. The easiest way to do this is to simply say simple ordinary things -- the very way I would say them to a close friend. Some examples might offer words that will inspire our own conversation with the Lord who loves us.

"Jesus, every time I hear you say I don't have to let my heart be troubled, I pause. I sense you are pointing to the 'troubles' I'm working through today. You're asking me to let go of them, aren't you? I'd like to, Jesus, but some of this is big stuff. It scares me. I know some of what I need to do, but I put it off. I know what I'm avoiding. It helps to focus on your love for me this week. I guess what I really need to ask you for today is that you let me trust you more completely. It is really nice these days to feel that you are so close to me, and that I'm not alone today."

"I haven't been very connected to you, Jesus. This conversation is difficult because it reminds me of the embarrassing stuff I keep doing - even though right now I'm ashamed to talk about it with you in your presence. Please forgive me. Some of this I want to bring to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so that I can be re-connected with you again. I need a 'turning point,' Jesus. Thank you for being there."