

# May 1, 2022 3rd Sunday of Easter

## **Collection April 24, 2022**

Collection\$737.00Flowers10.00Catholic Virginian10.00Attendance37

### May 8, 2022

Lector: Charlotte Phillips Commentator: Debbie Grubb

Ushers: Owens family

## Readings for May 8, 2022

Reading 1: Acts 13:14, 43-52 Reading 2: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

Gospel: John 10:27-30

<u>Information about St. Edwards</u>- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, 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>Prayer List</u> - Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, , Joan Jennings, Jody Riffey, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Mikey Malloy, Richard Richardson, Carol Canty, Sharon Dalton, Ruth Malinowski, and Father Bernie.

<u>Flooring for the hall</u>-The new floor was started this week and they are making excellent progress. Exciting to see the transformation. Should be finished fairly soon.

<u>Thank you Father Brian</u>- Thanks to Father Brian Rafferty for switching with Father Boat this week for the Mission Coop. We appreciate you being here with us to celebrate Mass.

## **May Birthdays**

Chad OwenMay 6Ginny AshMay 11Mariah TaylorMay 19Kathy SmithMay 26Norma KlimaMay 27



# **May Anniversaries**

Rebecca & Walt Harriman
Rick & Jennifer Grube
Carla & Kenneth Martin
Lisa & Guenter Schlottmann
Chad & Leigh Ann Owen
May 1
May 1
May 1
May 1
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 can be a very good week to grow in a sense of and practice with the notion of being a "contemplative in the midst of action." We have almost a whole week of gospels about Jesus' gift of himself to us as the "Bread of Life." This gives us the opportunity to let that mystery be in the background of our consciousness every day this week, as we go about our everyday tasks. What makes it "contemplative" is that we will be asking for graces each morning, and we will let our desires and our activity interact.

We can begin reflecting upon how often we "work for food that perishes." The pay-off, the success, the accomplishment, the reward we receive for what we do is often quite passing and unsatisfying. It would be important to be able to sense anything that appears to be food that doesn't last and name it as such this week. The real food, the life-giving nourishment that our Lord offers us is himself.

If we can't celebrate the Eucharist daily this week, we can simply open our hearts and desire to receive our Lord, so that he remains in us and we remain in him. We can practice consciously choosing union with Jesus, our Risen Lord and only Savior, and experiencing how that would affect the choices we need to make throughout our day.

If we begin each day, asking for the grace of this union, and renew that desire at brief moments we have at various times in the day, our focus and attention begin to change. We will experience a peace and a gifted lack of hunger and thirst for so many of the things that draw us away from him, from loving, from mercy, from consciousness on those in need.

If the background focus of each day this week is to desire to be fed by a closeness with Jesus, it doesn't matter how busy I am, or how many conflicts I have to face, or what suffering I or my loved ones must endure. His flesh and blood are real food and drink because they are the real sacrifice that takes away the power of sin and death itself. United with his surrender to the Father, we are set free from whatever can take away the life he gained for us. For this gift, for this faith, we can give thanks for every night, as we review our union with our Lord each night.