

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 26, 2019



SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019

5:30 P.M. Gertrudis Tindoc
Andreas & Alexandra Goebel
Kathy Weckler
Eileen McPartland
John McPartland
Mary Luciani

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019

7:30 A.M. Parishioners
Gertrudis Tindoc
Rocco Florio
Edward & Doris Bacigalupo

10:00 A.M. Joe Perini
Roy & Shirley Parian
Frank & Dorothy Orofino
Rocco Tarulli

12:00 Noon Concetta "Tina" Pecorelli
Elaine Arendas
Intentions of Jojie Aguilar

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2019

8:00 A.M. Willis Armstrong
Vivencio Umiten

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019

8:00 A.M. Joseph & Gea Giavannone

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019

9:00 A.M. Raquel Salvato
7:30 P.M. Intentions of Joe Skorubski

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2019

8:00 A.M. Catherine & Salvatore Saltamach

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

5:30 P.M. Vincent "Jim" Spina
Mary Luciani
Claudia Arnoldi Folsom

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

7:30 A.M. Parishioners
Tillie & Arthur Bullett
Marie & William Moran
Mary Capella

10:00 A.M. Ramuel Pascua
Bernard Harrsch

12 NOON Elaine Arendas
Frank Mancuso

Pray daily for our servicemen and women serving their country.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mary Carton Jacob Hicks Estella Soto
Ava Rae Nebbia Matthew Polifonte William Pannone
Gary Ragusa Alex Haines Evelyn Means
George Link Michael Soojian Valentina Manuele
Susan Nichols-Boggio Kevin Kerrigan Ryder Sasso

Mike Tidaback Robert Moreno Jordan Soroko
Dorothea King Jerome Foray Sister Annette
Manuel Esguerra Frank Michaelson Norberto Marin
Robert Nebbia Christopher Berry Ann Cervino
Sharon Acquaire Noah Lorencovitz Jessica Skorubski
Florence Grim Anton Grim George Macagnone
Alex Coronel Alice Roslund Kathleen Kiley
Bernie Shushan Jean'na Wojik Post Jojie Aguilar
DECEASED: Our Deceased Loved Ones

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday, May 19, 2019 – \$6,136.00
Thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him" John 14.23

Jesus is giving his powerful farewell address to his apostles, and he has just assured them, among other things, that they will see him again because he will reveal himself to those who love him. Then Jude asks him why he intends to reveal himself only to them and not to everyone. The disciple was hoping for a great public manifestation of Jesus, one that would change the course of history and that would be, in his opinion, more effective for the salvation of the world. In fact, the apostles thought of Jesus as the long-awaited prophet of the last days who would reveal himself to everyone as the King of Israel. Putting himself at the head of the people of God, he would establish at once and for all time the Kingdom of the Lord.

Instead, Jesus explains that he will not reveal himself in an external and spectacular way. His will be a simple but extraordinary "coming" of the Trinity into the hearts of the faithful, wherever there is faith and love. With this answer, Jesus indicates how he will remain in the midst of his own followers after his death, and he explains how it will be possible to establish a relationship with him.

"Whoever loves me will keep my word ". What are the words that the Christian is called to keep? In John's Gospel, "my word" is often synonymous with "my commandment." The Christian, therefore, is called to keep Jesus' commandments. But these should not be viewed as a list of laws. They should be understood as being summed up in what Jesus illustrated by washing his disciples' feet: the commandment of mutual love. God commands all Christians to love one another to the point of giving of themselves completely, as Jesus taught and did.



THE MAY CROWNING

The Catholic practice of assigning a special devotion to each month goes back to the early 16th century. In the late 18th century the May devotion to Mary arose among Jesuits in Rome. In the early years of the 19th century, it quickly spread throughout the Western Church, and, by the time of Pope Pius IX's declaration of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in 1854, it had become universal.

May crowning's in honor of Mary soon became popular in America. Many parishes still invite their First Communicants to help honor the role that the Blessed Virgin played in our salvation through her *fiat*—her joyous “Yes” to the will of God. Last Sunday, here at St. Francis, our children placed a beautiful crown of flowers on Blessed Virgin Mary's head during the 10 am Mass. This hymn dates back as far as the 13th Century. Did sing it when you were a child? Maybe you could teach it to a child this month in honor of our spiritual Mother:

Queen of the May

Bring flowers of the rarest
From garden and woodland
And hillside and vale
Our full hearts are swelling
Our Glad voices telling
The praise of the loveliest
Rose of the vale
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May!

Courtesy of Regina Catholic



**Thank you
to those
who made
the
ultimate
sacrifice,
and the
families
who live
with their
loss**

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our parish collected \$1,209. Our contributions, combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world, will help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection it is not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the “How to Give” link.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

June 8th Parish Pilgrimage to Pennsylvania
June 8th Clothing Drive 9AM – 2PM

DIAPER DROP

St. Francis Council K of C will hold a “Diaper Drop” at St. Francis parish to collect diapers, wipes, baby food and formula. We plan on giving these items to The Lighthouse, a pregnancy care center, located in Wayne, NJ.

We will collect items 12th) until Father's Day weekend (June 16th).

We would like St. Francis parish to be the surrogate fathers to children saved from abortion.

Drop off will be in the church narthex. Any questions, call Frank La Sala, FDD-PGK at 973-839-8399.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, The heart of God who so loved us that He became one of us, lived with us, and died for us, although we were sinners. How worthy is God to be loved by us in return!

We will be having our monthly overnight Adoration beginning at 7 PM , Friday, May 31st through Saturday June 1st at 10: 30 AM. This will be followed at 11 AM with our First Saturday Mass, as we continue our novena to Our Lady of Fatima. The Patriotic Rosary, which is being said for the needs of our country, will begin at the conclusion of Mass. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Won't you join us?

One or many adorers can sign up for any given time. Please include your name & phone number (noting home or cell) so that we can contact you to confirm your time and give you the entry code.

For the safety of the adorers, NO ONE will be permitted entry who has not signed up and been given the code. Please do not attempt entry before 9 AM if you have not signed up for Adoration. The Church will be open at 9 AM for those who wish to make an unplanned visit.

Many thanks to those who have joined us in this ministry and a warm welcome to all who would like to join us!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE JUST MARRIED AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

**Frank Invernon
&
Kimberly Jones**

Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 2:00 PM



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 14 FIRST COMMUNICANTS
MAY 18, 2019**

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE –
SATURDAY JUNE 8, 2019**

Our spiritual director and guide will be Fr. Greg.

Departure: St. Francis 8:15 am

Transportation: Deluxe motor coach with A/C and rest room on board

Return: St. Francis 7:30 pm

Lunch: bring your own - modern vending machines at both Shrines

Cost: \$35 per person

National Shrine of St. John Neumann - Philadelphia, Pa.

At the Shrine, we will attend Mass concelebrated by Fr. Greg, with veneration of relic afterwards.

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa - Doylestown, Pa. The Shrine is replica of the original in Czestochowa, Poland. Fr. Greg will share his insights into the famous Black Madonna icon and its history as we tour the Shrine.

SEATING IS LIMITED. YOU MAY PURCHASE YOUR SEAT AT THE PARISH OFFICE.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME. PLEASE JOIN US!

**THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019
ASCENSION OF THE LORD
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
MASSES: MAY 30 – 9AM & 7:30PM
THERE WILL NO VIGIL ON
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29**

**LAKELAND NURSING HOME SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019**

Martha Bisaccio & Margaret O'Neill

LECTORS

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

8:00 P.M. Lynn Magnini & Annick Vasquez

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

7:30 A.M. Erika Reid

10:00 A.M. Sue Kummer & Annie Rivera

12 NOON Fred Ackerly & Armando Haro

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

5:30 P.M. Frank & Sandy Polglaze

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

7:30 A.M. Judy Moran & Margaret O'Neill

10:00 A.M. Al Kunz & Melissa Rivera

12 NOON Linda O'Connell & Debbie Ackerly

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

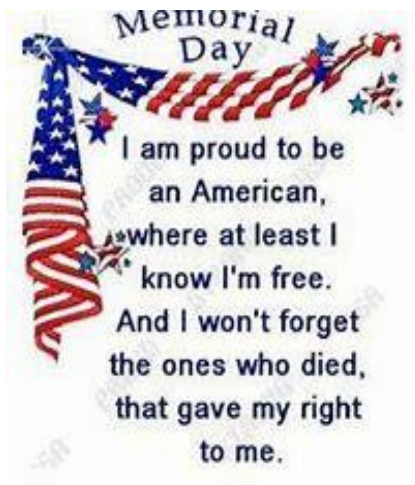
5:30 P.M. Peter Sutula & Kevin Bruenjes

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

7:30 A.M. Danielle Reid & Collin O'Keefe

10:00 A.M. Kelly Frisina & Jonathan Hogue

12 NOON David Ackerly & Aaron Manalili



St Francis Spring Clothing Drive!

Where: St. Francis School

When: June 8, 2019

What Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm



Please support St. Francis Parish by donating clothing, linens, stuffed animals and any other soft goods you no longer have a use for.

Clean those closets out! Clothes, sheets, blankets, we'll take it!

If you can't make it the day of the clothing drive, you can drop your bags off at the Rectory before 4 pm Monday – Friday. Receipts available upon request.

