

May 15, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts of the Apostles 14: 21-27
Ps. 145
Revelation 21: 1-5a
John 13: 31-33a, 34-35

Spread the Church

We continue to follow the story of the spread of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles (first reading). Paul and Barnabas set up a structured community everywhere they went to ensure continuity and sound teaching. As it says, they “appointed elders for them in each church”. They were establishing the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom is marked or identified by the love found within it.

Reading the scriptures, one recognizes what is meant by love in the community of faith. It is not mere infatuation or “warm fuzzies”. Love means taking responsibility for each other. People have to work together as many challenges and hardships will come. The disciplines of prayer and fasting were established. Furthermore, the central authority of the Church kept record of what was happening in the faith community and gave guidance. For example, Paul and Barnabas “called the church together and reported what God had done with them”. There is accountability among its leaders and members. All must be disciples.

Love therefore reveals itself in discipline, responsibility, and accountability. Membership in the faith community, the Church, means we do not simply “take” from it. It is a matter of giving. One fits him or herself into an organic body that works together. A member may not be a consumer and the Church a commodity.

It must be clear Sunday Liturgy is not a matter of being entertained. “Liturgy” means the work of the people. Our work in celebration is to give praise and honor to God and to animate each other doing so. Each Sunday we are renewed and inspired to move on with the work we must do.

The work we do, that which we make a living from to that which we volunteer for, is to be an expression of our faith. Live with confidence in God and with pride to be a member of His community, His Kingdom. Let the Peace of God come through in your behavior. Wish peace to others and do good deeds that are empowered by God’s love. Act like

a person who believes in the Resurrection. Spread the Church.

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29
Join in Scripture Sharing
Thursday at 7:00pm.

STEWARDSHIP
Time, Talent, Tithing
It is our way of showing gratitude to God for life itself.
It is also your way of being part of the mission and participating in the challenge of spreading the Good News of Love.

Attendance last week:	251
Tithes Collected:	\$5,892.00
Online Giving:	\$637.00
Total:	\$6,529.00
Per Capita:	\$26.01

Thank You!

STEWARDSHIP

Thank You!

We thank the many of you who give of your *time* and *talent* in various apostolates of the parish. Your Stewardship contributes to Blessed Sacrament Parish being the most efficiently and effectively run parish in the Archdiocese evidenced in the independent audits we have received.

New Apostolate
Church Watch

Actually, this is *not* a new apostolate. We had people signed up and “ready to go”. Then, just as we were about to launch it COVID and the lockdown happened. We could not implement the Church Watch.

Now we will begin again! Thanks be to God.

Purpose: To open the church building for a period of time each weekday to permit and encourage people to visit the Blessed Sacrament in prayer and quiet.

How: volunteers (preferably two at a time) will be present each day for two hours, 11:00am to 1:00pm in the chapel. The availability of the open chapel will be promoted in the surrounding community.

What: They will monitor the premises to be sure no one harms the building and its contents. Further, they will be present to offer printed materials a person may use

for prayer. They may also offer prayer with a person if so desired or needed.

Why: This may encourage people to take time from work during a lunch break, etc. to come and be with the Lord in His Real Presence.

Please print your name on the list of interested people. (Soon to be provided.) You may also call the rectory to make known your interest to help.

We will open the chapel on as many days that we have volunteers to cover.

COMMUNITY

Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Miami

Honoring Faith and Traditions

Cordially invite you to attend the

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski

Will celebrate the Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30th, at 10:00am at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Cemetery- 1500 S. State Road 7, North Lauderdale, FL 33068 Phone: (954) 972-1234

Auxiliary Bishop Enrique Delgado

Will celebrate the Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30th, at 10:00am at Our Lady of Mercy Cemetery – 11411 NW 25th Street, Miami, FL 33172 Phone: (305) 592-0521

Graduation Recognition

Forms will soon be placed in the foyer concerning Graduation Recognition. Please watch for them. We would like to recognize those who have graduated from High School, College and Graduate School this year.

“Operation Utilities Bag”

Remember, keep filling your Zip Lock Bag with Currency. The little money you save here and there each day truly adds up for the many people the Saint Vincent de Paul Society serves every week.

Please return the bags for Pentecost.

This earl drive helps to support our St. Vincent de Paul Society Ministry.

One major project they perform each Friday, from 1:30pm to 4:00pm is the Food Distribution. Stop by and see it in operation someday. It is a marvel how it all works.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Joe Alfaro, Jordan Almendral, JoAnn Anderson, Angiolina Armenti, Michael Beard, Karen Becker, Mary Benivegna, Margarita Bogle, Tom Carver, Sean Chin, Robert Clark, Mary Collis, John Cooper, Logan Costante, Gregoria

Daen, Sam DeMarco, Ines DeSalle, Roseanne DeSimone, Lisa DeStasio, Joseph Devlin, John Dooney, Nelson Douaihi, Peggy Duff, Susan Fabbri, Lisa Findlay, Megan Forrester, Joshua Freeman, Richard Gossett, Ana Gilajota, Stephen Goch, Keri Greenan, Richard & Cathy Harper, Tyler Harrison, Dil Hatchett, Cindy Hogman, Tiffany Kentosh, Butch Klinger, Judith Kolo, John LaNeve, Tamika Lee, Bernie Ligget, Gail Martin, Sean Martin, Mary McKelvey, Clare McMahan, Frank McNeil, Rylee Mertz, Dan Murphy, Teresita Nazareno, Lauren Nicole, Thomas O'Brien, Barbara Perry, Della Mae Reblin, Lucy Reitano, Coleen Riley, Paul Riley, Dee Ripple, Jackson Ripple, Matilda Rivier, Charles Rousseau, Anthony Ruggiero, Theresa Schluter, Brad Schroder, Ellen Seaman, Roger Sherman, Jim Smullen, Vivian Spasiano, Rick Steffan, M. Stoufer, Richard Taylor, Antoinette Teresi, Constantino Thomas, Margarita Verano, Peggy Weiss, Ed Wrisley, Nancy Zakem, Marie & Jeff, Lucas Zaky

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 14

4:00 p.m.

Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 15

9:00 a.m.

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10:45 a.m. †

Valentino Papaleo by Lorraine Zocchi

Edwin Marmorstone by Dan Murphy & Dil Hatchett

Monday, May 16

8:00 a.m.

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 17

8:00 a.m. †

Bernard & Eileen Flood by Flood Family

Wednesday, May 18

8:00 a.m. †

Bernice H. Rebner by Donald Gatewood

Thursday, May 19

8:00 a.m.

Nathalie Restrepo by Selma Cardona

Friday, May 20

8:00 a.m. †

Dorothy Arnold by Bill & Chris Crepage

Saturday, May 21

4:00 p.m. †

Mary & Louis Michel by Anthony & Rose Michel

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Kathleen Walgenwitt & Wayne Steven Reglam by Carol Walgenwitt

Sunday, May 22

9:00 a.m. †

William Weber by Fortuna & Weber

10:45 a.m. †

Anita Czar by Ralph Caraglia
† Gloria Cherry by Joe & Lacey Johnson