



# ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## May 10, 2015 - Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow. Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

9:00 AM - "Christ Is Risen"

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READING I - Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

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The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

READING II - 1 John 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia (3x). **R. Alleluia (3x)**

Priest/Lector: Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. **R. Alleluia (3x)**

GOSPEL - John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends,

because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." This is the gospel of the Lord.

**R./ Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

*Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary replace the homily at all Sunday Masses in May starting with Mother's Day.*

GENERAL CONCESSIONS

OFFERTORY HYMN - "O'er Death Victorious"

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COMMUNION HYMN - "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "The Servant Song"

# St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

## Happy Mother's Day!

### A SINCERE THANK YOU...

to Monika & Fr. Andrew! Our Hall floor, which they labored over, looks beautiful! Shiny! Like new! Thank you!

### MY MOM

On Mother's Day and every day  
My thoughts flow warm and sweet  
Of the most incredible woman  
That you could ever meet.  
"My Mom" I say with love and pride  
And with hopes of emulation  
Handled life with strength and grace  
But with little education  
She had an innate brilliance  
She was generous, kind and fun  
And with her warm and thoughtful ways  
She took care of every one.  
I know it sounds like bragging  
But I'd really like you to know  
How lucky I have always been  
'Cause I knew she loved me so.

—Lynn Adornato, Franklin Square Senior Center

### ST. MATTHIAS (first century) May 14

According to the Acts of the Apostles, St. Matthias was chosen to replace Judas Iscariot as one of the twelve apostles after the resurrection of Jesus. Two men, Barsabbas and Matthias, were proposed, but only one was selected. A companion of Christ during his public ministry, Matthias was among the seventy-two disciples whom Jesus sent out to preach. He was also a witness to Christ's resurrection.

Tradition says that he preached the Gospel in Judea, Cappadocia, and near the Caspian Sea. He suffered martyrdom by crucifixion at Colchis.

Lord God, make us disciples of your Son, hearers and doers of his word, witnesses for him in this world. Amen.

### MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS...PRAY FOR US

Through your grace, your intercession, and your example, deliver us from all evil, Our Lady, and untie the knots that prevent us from being united with God, so that we, free from sin and error, may find Him in all things, may have our placed in Him, and may serve him always in our brothers and sisters. Amen

—Prayer written by Pope Francis.

Inspired by the painting, *Mary, Undoer of Knots*

### WORD TO LIVE BY...

I can't fill God's shoes, but I can follow his steps.  
I can handle one step at a time.

(shared by Linda Frysztacki)



### A PRAYER FOR MY MOTHER

Holy God, Creator of all life,  
You compare Your love for Your people  
to the love of a mother for her child.  
I pray that You greatly bless my mother.  
She taught me how to stand and to walk;  
Give her now the strength of Your Spirit.  
She showed me how to speak and to pray;  
Bless her now with Your guidance.  
She nurtured me and loved me into life;  
Touch her now with Your Joy and peace.  
Grant her the serenity and fulfillment  
of a job well done, a life well lived.  
Forgive her mistakes and failings.  
Reward her dedication and her sacrifices.  
May she, who carried life in her womb,  
be welcomes into Your Divine Embrace,  
to rejoice for all eternity with everyone  
she loved and cared for. Amen

*The Rosary Shrine of Saint Jude  
(shared by Terry Sciarrotta)*

### UPCOMING EVENT DATES

**May 16, 2015**

Seniorate Meeting, Passaic, NJ - Fr. Andrew to go

**May 31, 2015 - 10 a.m.**

St. Francis Healing Mass - All are invited!

**June 3, 2015 - time?**

Board of Appeals hearing regarding the Mosque at Hempstead Town Hall - all who can should come.

**June 14, 2015 - 4 p.m.**

Adam Koterba's First Holy Communion

**Saturday, October 3, 2015**

Blessing of the Animals

**Sunday, December 5, 2015**

Christmas Fund-raiser Dinner