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Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 5, 2013

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 15:1-2, 22-29

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mo-
saic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no
little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them,
it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others
should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this
question.

The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole
church, decided to choose representatives and to send them
to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were
Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among
the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them:

"The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the broth-
ers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings.
Since we have heard that some of our number who went
out without any mandate from us have upset you with their
teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one
accord decided to choose representatives and to send them
to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have
dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this
same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the
Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond
these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to
idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from
unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be do-
ing what is right. Farewell.'"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face
shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth;
among all nations, your salvation.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the
peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples
praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the
earth fear him!

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

READING II - Rev 21:10-14, 22-23

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and
showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of
heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God.
Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper,
clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve
gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which
names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of
the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three
north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had
twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were
inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the
Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God
almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or
moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and
its lamp was the Lamb.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Verse. R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL - John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep
my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come
to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not
love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is
not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate,
the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told
you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as
the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts
be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going
away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you
would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father
is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it
happens, so that when it happens you may believe." This
is the gospel of the Lord.

R/: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Come Unto Jesus"

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COMMUNION HYMN - "Christ Be Our Light"

RECESSIONAL HYMN -

"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

THE JOYS OF MARY

The month of May is reserved to honor our Blessed Mother Mary. May Devotions and Litany, will be held after Sunday Mass. Come, Hail Mary! Christ... through Mary... Pray for Us!

MARY, QUEEN OF THE ROSARY

You who love the rosary, can make it a more powerful and effective prayer to God. Just as our Lady did, you also can ponder the rosary mysteries in your heart. You will thus make them part of your outlook, being, and life. The rosary is a wonderful as well as a traditional prayer form. The rosary engages your whole person. Your fingers tell the beads, your lips repeat the prayers, your mind reflects on each mystery, and your heart responds to its message. The rosary employs repetition, an essential element in the language of love. As a result, you identify with our Lord and His blessed mother by applying their saving deeds to your own life with its joys, sorrows, and glories. Know that it is better to pray one rosary mystery well than to say many decades absent-mindedly. God's Peace!

IN MY OWN WORDS - MARY MOTHER TERESA (1910 - 1997)

I recommended praying these words to Mary: Mary, Mother of Jesus and of those who participate in his priestly ministry, we come to you with the same attitude of children who come to their mother. We are no longer children, but adults who desire with all our hearts to be God's children. Our human condition is weak, that is why we come to ask for your motherly aid so we are able to overcome our weakness. Pray for us that we can, in turn, become people of prayer. We invoke your protection so that we remain free from all sin. We invoke your love so that it may reign and we will be compassionate and forgiving. We ask for your blessing so we can be like the image of your beloved Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT

Listen...meditate...or pray. Come a little early to Sunday Mass, music will be provided for a time of reflection. The Lord is our light!

UPCOMING DATE TO SAVE

Saturday, June 8, 2013 • 9 am - 1 pm

East Meadow Pride Day

Please let Fr. Andrew know if you are available to "man" the table any hours.

Actual time is 10 am - 1 pm,

but we need to set up earlier than that.

Please note that this year we will be without Pietro's Pizza and, of course, without Hooters.

SPRING BLOOMS

Do you have a flower from your garden or a floral bouquet you would like to offer to adorn our main altar or side altars? We warmly welcome your garden gifts. Please bring your gift before Mass. Vases are provided. God's Blessings!

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Take time and remember your loved ones in prayer. Dates are available for your special prayer intentions for Joyous Occasions, Health Needs, or Requiem Masses. This remains a special opportunity to invite family and friends to join us in prayers. Call or contact Fr. Andrew or Joni Blenn with your needs, call 516-794-5189. Peace and Blessings!

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI'S PRAYER PRAISING MARY THE MOTHER OF JESUS

Hail, holy lady, most holy queen, Mary, Mother of God, ever virgin. You were chosen by the Most High Father in heaven, consecrated by him, with his most holy beloved Son and the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. On you descended and still remains all the fullness of grace and every good. Hail his palace. Hail his tabernacle. Hail his robe. Hail his handmaid. Hail his Mother. And hail all holy virtues, who by grace and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, are poured into the hearts of the faithful so that from their faithless state, they may be made faithful servants of God through you. Amen.

If you have any words of wisdom, a favorite poem, a cute or religious story that you would like to share in our Weekly Bulletin, please e-mail Joni at joancapitano@aol.com. Of course, you can always just give me the hard copy (original or a photocopy) and I can scan it for publication.

And, don't forget about health intentions or requiem intentions.