

### ST. LOUIS CHURCH May 5, 2013 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



#### Daily Mass Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	The Ascension of the Lord
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29	Acts 16:11-15	Acts 16:22-34	Acts 17:15, 22 -18:1	Acts 18:1-8	Acts 18:9-18	Acts 18:23-28	Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8	Psalm 149: 1-6, 9	Psalm 138: 1-3, 7-8	Psalm 148: 1-2, 11-14	Psalm 98:1-4	Psalm 47:2-7	Psalm 47:2-3, 8-10	Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23							Ephesians 1:17-23
John 14:23-29	John 15:26- 16:4	John 16:5-11	John 16:12-15	John 16:16-20	John 16:20-23	John 16:23-28	Luke 24:46-53

#### What is Lectio Divina?

While reading sacred scripture, read the words with a love and sense of discovery until something seems to strike home. Sit with the passage as one would with a good friend-not just thinking or analyzing, but instead remaining in a quiet, listening spirit, so the word can nurture and challenge you.

#### Call to Prayer

"Let us take a moment in the midst of all our activity to prepare ourselves for prayer."

Excerpts from SNOW FALLING ON SNOW

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#### The Word of God

Choose one of next Sunday's readings. One person reads the scripture aloud as others are attentive to a word, phrase, or theme that is meaningful to them. Allow for a minute of silent reflection. Have another person read the same scripture a second time.

#### Faith Sharing

Begin with an open ended question such as "What strikes you from this reading?" and/or you can use the "Reflection Question" found on our website or bulletin. Allow time for reflection & sharing.

#### **Closing Prayer**

At the end of the faith sharing, invite participants to pray aloud for any particular petitions or praises they may have. Feel free to close with: The Lord's Prayer or Spontaneous prayers or a faith-based song.

Reflection Question for Next Sunday, May 12, 2013

So where did he "go?" Eternal life has no up-down-here-there-now-then. Just IS. If Jesus had really gone away, the disciples would hardly have returned to Jerusalem with great joy, would they? Jesus is closer to us now than he was to those who walked the roads of Galilee with him. That's the promise of the Father: the Spirit dwelling within us. You are a witness.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK			
May Crowning after 12:45 Mass	Sunday, May 05, 2013	Social Hall	
Following Christ	Monday, May 06, 2013	Social Hall	7:00 PM
ACTS Men's small group	Monday, May 06, 2013	Room 304	7:00 PM
Miraculous Medal Novena	Monday, May 06, 2013	Chapel	7:30 PM
CDA Board Meeting	Wednesday, May 08, 2013	Room 304	5:00 PM
Children of Light Prayer Group	Wednesday, May 08, 2013	Room 306	8:00 PM
Children's Choir Rehearsal	Thursday, May 09, 2013	Room 305	5:30 PM
Youth Band Rehearsal	Thursday, May 09, 2013	Room 305	6:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal	Thursday, May 09, 2013	Room 305/Church	8:00 PM
CDA Craft Committee	Friday, May 10, 2013	Room 301/302	9:00 AM

Dear Parishioner:



Yesterday 127 of our children received Our Lord in the Eucharist as they made their **First Holy Communion**. As recorded in the Sacred Scripture, Jesus said: Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. (Matthew 19:14). To see these children so reverently receive Our Lord, serves as a reminder to us to never take the Eucharist for granted but to be conscious of **Who** it is we receive in Holy Communion! Let us pray that these children may continue to grow in their love for the Lord and that their parents will be the best of teachers bearing witness to our Faith by what they say and do.

You may have noticed that we have begun the process of preparing the construction site for our new **Pastoral Activity Center**. Though the formal groundbreaking is scheduled for Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at the 5:30pm Mass, we wanted to get a "head start" on the project so that the center will be completed on time for the September 2014 school year. A sincere THANK YOU to those parishioners who are enabling this to happen through their generous pledge to the **Embracing Our Mission ~ Shaping Our Future** campaign.

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~Msgr. Luca

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Be absolutely determined to enjoy what you do!

#### CHURCH ALTAR LINENS SCHEDULE

May 5—Ms. Edna Ballard May 12—Ms. Margaret Blanchard May 19—Ms. Rickie Coffey May 26—Ms. Sally Fleshman

**NEW CD TITLE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX: Surviving with God in a Communist POW Camp:** Captain Guy Gruters was a fighter pilot during the Vietnam War and flew over 400 combat missions. He was shot down in 1967 and spent the next 5 years in POW camps, including the notorious "Hanoi Hilton". In this talk, he relates the incredible experiences of his capture and shares a unique message of how his faith and hope sustained him. He has been married for over 40 years and has 7 children.

**ARE YOU LISTED IN THE PARISH DIRECTORY?** Each year St. Louis publishes a Parish Directory that is available to all parishioners at the Clarksville Picnic. If you would like to be listed in the directory or your contact information has changed, please fill out a form available in the tower in the Narthex or at the Information Table and return it to the Parish Office by May 6<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to advertise in the directory please contact Phil or Tim Maher of FATA at 410-578-3600.

NEW RELIGIOUS GIFTS REWARDS PROGRAM: Are you interested in purchasing reasonably priced religious items? Shopping for a Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation or Ordination gift? Or perhaps something for yourself. St. Louis Parish is now participating in MajesticWorks Studio and Church Supplies Liturgical Rewards program which enables you, your relatives and friends to purchase religious gifts while reducing the parish's cost to purchase church goods. When you order products from Majestic-Works, 12% of your purchases accrue in our parish's loyalty customer account. We can then use those rewards to purchase everyday religious items or save for those unique large purchases. It is easy to participate. Sign up at http://majesticworks.com/customer/ account/login/. Once you have completed a profile, select St. Louis Parish, Clarksville MD in the bottom left corner of the My Profile page. Then start shopping and earning money for our parish today. Thank you!

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS: The flowers used to decorate our church altar, shrines, and chapel altar are available to honor a loved one who is living or deceased, as an expression of gratitude to God on special occasions such as anniversaries, birthdays or other significant events. Flowers for the Shrine of St. Louis, Shrine of St. Joseph or the Blessed Mother are \$50 each; Pieta is \$75; Altar flowers are \$75; and Chapel Altar are \$75. Arrangements may be made by calling the parish office (410-531-6040) Monday through Friday between the hours of 9am and 5pm. All who are honored will be acknowledged in the bulletin.



#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF MAY 5, 2013

Sunday	6:45am	Mary Madden and Alfred George Delker		
	8:00am	Jane Gossage and Joseph DiPietro		
	9:30am	Tom Dols and Lucille Osborne		
	11:15am	John Connolly and Lucille Osborne		
	12:45pm	Maria Bochniewicz and R. Sundar (SI)		
Monday	7:00am	Theresa Suanno (SI) and Beibhinn Gajdos		
Tuesday	7:00am	Sarah Faulkner and William Schmidt		
Wednesday	7:00am	Eunice Collins and Virginia Dike Baer		
Thursday	7:00am	Julie Kuhlman and Walter McDonough		
Friday	7:00am	Virginia Baer and Adam Feaga		
Saturday	8:00am	Gene Heyler and David Callahan		
	4:00pm	Carl Malnati and Elaine Finnegan (SI)		
	5:30pm	Emily Gilman and Teresa Clavelli		

(SI) denotes a Special Intention for a living person or persons.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

**George C. Favinger**, father of Tom Favinger, and grandfather of Sarah and Peter.

Richard Gross, uncle of Stephen Hasenei.

Sister Constance Kraul, CSJ, aunt of Kay Radmer.

**David Montagna,** father of Gregory Montagna, and grandfather of Isabella and Alexandra.

**THE TRAVELING CHALICE:** Many of you have probably seen a family come to the altar at the end of Mass to accept the traveling chalice from the celebrating priest. If you would like to take part and pray for vocations, please go to www.stlouisparish.org/chalice, fill out all the information requested and choose a date and mass time. An email will be sent to you confirming your designated date and mass time, done on a first come first serve basis. The Pastoral Council wishes to thank all those that have participated and a thank you in advance for all those that will be participating this year. If you have any questions please contact Mary Jane Grauso, Committee Chair at 410-531-3463.

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be observed at all of the Masses on Saturday, May 11th, and Sunday, May 12th.



PLANNING YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM? The next Baptism Preparation Session will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 in Room 301 of the Pastoral Center from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office at 410-531-6040 to register.

#### JOIN US IN WELCOMING THE RECENTLY BAPTISED:

Payton Isabella Semmel Michael and Melissa Semmel

Landon Christopher Berberich Kevin and Rachel Berberich

Zugo Luke Offurum Ikeena and Ada Offurum

**SICK LIST:** If you would like to have a name put on our Sick List, please call the parish office at 410-531-6040. Names on the Sick List will be included for three months. If you would like your name to be listed after the three month period, please call the Parish Office at that time. Thank you.

#### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, ESPECIALLY:

Anne Ackerman	Martin Forrester	Margaret Miller
Josephine Aiello	Stanley Giermek	Matthew Murphy
Carl Blessing	Alice Gillette	John O'Brien
Blanca E. Cantu	Doug Hale	Dcn. Matthew Podniesinski
John Christman	Bernice Harris	Georgiana Podniesinski
Melanie Ciesluk	Judy Hicks	Janet Quirk
Peggy Colburn	Jennie Jeppi	Jason Richardson
Ernest Colvin	John Kaulfuss	Oh Hwa Seon
Susan Davis	Henriette Kelley	Ann Walker
Joe Fairbanks	Dave Kraus	Melody Walsh
Elaine Finnegan	John Landers	Sid Yager
Marty Fischer	Sydney Livingston	

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY MARRIED COUPLE:

Eddie Gonzalez and Megan Forrestel on April 27

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Confessions will be heard on Saturday, May 11th by Msgr. Luca and Fr. Marc Lanoue.



**MILITARY LIST:** If you would like to have a name put on our Military List, please call the parish office at 410-531-6040. Names on the Military List will appear first initial and last name only and will remain until we receive a request to remove the name.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES:

D. Canaday Bain	G. Horn	J. Scheler
D. Breville	D. Joyce	J. Six
S. Cooper	M. Mangus, Jr.	C. Sparks
J. Danko	K. McLin	A. Stone
L. Draughn	Fr. A. Ochalek	R. Stone
P. Evans	M. O'Donnell	S. Stone
B. Gallagher	A. Parrish	E. Surrette
N. Gladfelter	J. Parrish	B. Urena
B. Green	S. Parrish	P. Wallace
D. Haack	D. Reccardi	Fr. T. Wood
J. Helfrich	J. Ryan	K. Zaumseil
J. Henry		





**SAVE THE DATE**. Do you like purses? How about bingo? Well, combine them together and come to the **Bagapalooza Bingo** on June 7th. Purses! Totes! Raffles! Door Prizes! More info soon!!!!!

The **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** are looking for a few Catholic men to join the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. The all-volunteer KOC extends the reach of the Church far beyond the Church doors by providing services to the Holy Vocations, the community, the family, the unborn, the poor, the handicapped, and the orphaned through charity, unity with the Church, fraternity among fellow Catholics, and patriotic pride. Why not join us and fill your heart and mind with the joy of making a difference? Ask any member of the Knights at church today. You can tell us by our red name tags.

## CLARKSVILLE PICNIC June 29, 2013

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED & SERVICE HOURS AVAILABLE:** It's time!!! The Picnic is a great way to meet fellow parishioners, put names and faces together, and to contribute your time and talent to St Louis. You can sign up on the computers right in the Narthex or visit www.stlouisparish.org/picnic to sign up.

The ACTS ministry is managing the **SILENT AUCTION** at the Picnic again this year. We ask you to consider making a donation, a simple way to give back to our parish and its programs. The kind of donation depends on you and your imagination! Some of the most popular donations in past years have been: a vacation week(end) in the mountains or at the beach, artwork, gift certificates for just about anything, amusement park passes, home decor, jewelry, consultations, tickets to games or theater events, private lessons, babysitting time, themed baskets of goodies. And these are just for starters! To donate, simply fill out the donation form available for download from the Church website, www.stlouisparish.org/fellowship/picnic. Forms are also available at the Hospitality table in the narthex or in the parish office. Please note that June 3rd is the deadline for inclusion in the catalog. Thanks for your help for one of the Picnic's biggest attractions! Please direct all questions to Karen Brooms at 443-755-0498 or kbbrooms@yahoo.com.

If you sew, do needlework, make jewelry, woodwork, paint, do ceramics or any other craft, consider donating your fine handiwork for **MADE IN CLARKSVILLE**. If crafts are your vocation we can give you free publicity with your displayed donated items; a "win-win" for you and St. Louis Church. We also welcome volunteers to help set up and/or run the stand. Some materials and patterns are available for you to use. Questions? Call Hilda Mathieu at 301-854-3028 or hildon.mathieu@starpower.net.

**DO YOU LIKE TO BAKE?** Do you have some special or family favorite recipes that you'd like to share? Start thinking about those tasty, home baked goods that are in such great demand on Picnic Day. If you can, include the recipe with your baked good(s). Please don't forget about our allergic and diabetic friends. If you are donating baked goods please deliver them either Friday night to the school kitchen or directly to the bake stand on Saturday. If you are available to make phone calls to parishioners to bake, please e-mail Lisa White at Lmwhite12@verizon.net.



The school year is flying by and we are gearing up for a few very busy months here at St. Louis School! The month of May holds many of our most treasured celebrations and events: May Procession, Cultural Arts Night, Volunteer Appreciation, First Communion, King's Dominion, Drama Theater, Field Day, Graduation, our Golf Tournament....yikes! How can it be that we pack so much into one month?!

May is also a very special month for our 2nd-graders, both here at St. Louis School, and for our parish children, as they receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs. Vickie Yozwiak, our Director of Religious Education, for her love, patience and kindness in preparing these children for this most holy rite of passage. Please keep all of our First Communicants in your thoughts and prayers! Kudos to our students who were chosen to participate in the Archdiocese of Baltimore's 33rd annual Representation Band last weekend. This elementary/ middle school band combined students from 35 different parochial schools. Representing St. Louis were students: Rachel Huber, flute, Camille Kreisel, flute , Zoe Kreisel, flute, Cecilia Fritz, clarinet, Ogenna Umeozulu, clarinet, Ben Brotzman, trumpet, and Matthew Matthai, percussion. These talented students have been attending Saturday morning rehearsals in order to prepare and we are very proud of their achievement.

Don't forget to register for our annual Golf Classic – just a few short weeks away! We are thrilled to announce that we have five Title Sponsors this year! With the generosity of Al Gleeson Electric, Hatteras Financial, South Street Securities, Cantor Fitzgerald and Bank of America – we are going to have a wonderful event, and you won't want to miss it! Save the date – Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, and pick up a brochure in the Narthex tower and join us!

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**THANK YOU!** Please join our office as we thank the many men, women and youth who dedicated their Saturday mornings to the important task of partnering with our families to pass on our treasured Catholic faith and traditions to our children. Although we're taking a break from classes over the next few months, we are happy to continue to support your family in any way we can over the summer. Feel free to call Vickie Yozwiak at 410-531-6688 or email vyozwiak@stlouisparish.org.

We also thank you, parents and guardians, for your support and for simply entrusting your children to our care and guidance. We will miss their smiling faces each Saturday morning and pray that your summer will be blessed with your favorite activities and wonderful moments with all those you love.

#### Registration for our 2013~2014 Religious Education classes

will begin on Monday, June 3, 2013: Please know that we understand the busy schedules of families with young children and teenagers. We'd like to suggest that you take the time now to prayerfully consider other obligations that your family may participate in this Fall and next Spring and make religious education class choices that will allow your child/children to attend class faithfully. Some of our optional programs: ACT NOW, WIRED, EDGE and "Faith in the Family" have a very limited number of spaces and registration for these programs will close once the spaces are full. If one of these optional programs is your family's first choice, you must register early or risk the chance of the program being full and your registration for these options not being accepted. If your child is currently enrolled in one of these programs, you are not guaranteed a spot next year. You must register early to secure a spot for the 2013~2014 religious education year. Registration for our Saturday morning elementary religious education classes and Monday evening middle and high school religious education classes is not limited and may be the only option available for families who choose to postpone registration. We recognize the importance of your family's faith formation. We commit to providing excellence in catechesis and thank you for partnering with us to assure consistent class attendance and a continued emphasis on the support and encouragement needed to form faith filled young Catholics. If you have any questions, please call: 410-531-6688 for Elementary Religious Education or 410-531-6668 for Middle/High School Religious Education.

**ARE YOU A FAN OF FACEBOOK?** Did you know that St. Louis Religious Education has a facebook page and we use this venue to keep in touch with families, friends and our St. Louis Community. We do our best to post reminders of upcoming parish activities, faith filled facts & family activities, & photos of special events. Find us by searching under: St. Louis Religious Education ~ Clarksville, MD. Be sure to "Like" and/or visit our page often to keep informed of all that's happening at our parish.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

There are only a few movies that I haven't necessarily wanted to see but felt like I must watch. One was The Passion of the Christ, another Saving Private Ryan and the third, Schindler's List. Each received great reviews but, I heard, were difficult, depressing and violent (even graphic) movies to experience. And yet, sometimes a movie's worth lies in the fact that it challenges us and makes us uncomfortable about an injustice, a part of history, or, like in The Passion, the Truth about our loving and suffering God!

It was with this in mind that I decided to watch Bully, a much publicized movie from 2012 that grapples with the all too common and devastating reality of bullying. And the movie was as tragic and as shocking as I thought it would be. My own emotions ranged from anger to sadness to disappointment (in those who made excuses) to resolution. No one should be bullied, especially in light of the dignity and respect we each deserve as children of God. No one should be hit or pushed around or made the brunt of a joke or feel so oppressed that they think that suicide is the only option. Ever.

The dynamics of bullying are easy to see but harder to change. There is always the bully(s), the person being bullied, the sidekicks who provoke and prod the bully on, the bystanders who...stand by..., those who ignore, and occasionally, those who stand up and be counted (either by telling an someone in authority or confronting the bullying when it is happening). The real tragic thing is that the dynamics can change...The bully can be confronted and get help. The sidekicks and bystanders can do something more positive to end the abuse. And we all can have the character and the strength to treat people the way God intended: as His image and likeness. One person thinking their life is not worth living is one too many. One young person being picked on is one too many. Do me (and yourself) a favor: See the movie. See the abuse for what it is. And see the person in the cafeteria or on the school bus for who they are: Created as God's own.

I WILL BE PRAYING FOR YOU.

#### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY:

May 4-5 Confirmation Rite of Enrollment at 5:30pm and 12:45pm Masses

- May 10 Monthly MS Dance 7-10pm \$5 Tickets on sale
- May 14 6-7pm MS CYM Youth Council (Youth Room)
- May 17-19 Confirmation Retreats Please pray for those attending
- May 26 9:30am Youth Mass

1:30pm Worthy of the Call (STAND) Training

## STEWARDSHIP

**SECOND COLLECTIONS** May 25/26—Building Fund **WANTED – MODELS! Howard County Pregnancy Center** needs 60-70 newly pregnant models to practice our sonogram skills on. The dates for the training are May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> for the first session and May 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> for the second session. We are looking for moms between 6 and 24 weeks pregnant. Please call 410-730-3223 to schedule your free sonogram.

**RESPECT LIFE:** Annual Lecture for Legal Professionals: Archbishop William Lori invites you to The Intersection of Law & Conscience on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 from 6– 9:00 pm at St. Mary's Seminary, 5400 Roland Ave., Baltimore, MD 21210. It will include a review of conscience issues in the courts; an update on the national legal landscape and how laws like those affecting marriage in Maryland may challenge or oppose our Catholic faith; and a discussion of making moral judgments in a difficult world where religious freedom is being tested at every front. This lecture is free and open to the public. RSVP by May 10<sup>th</sup> to 410 707-9842 or Johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org or http://bit.ly/aoblegallecture.

**Memorial Mass & Service** – Sunday, May 19, 7-9PM - The Shrine of St. Anthony and the Archdiocesan Respect Life Committee invite families, friends and loved ones to a Mass & Memorial Service for those who have lost preborn or born children. RSVP by May 15 to 410-547-5537 or LBrenegan@archbalt.org.

## COMMUNITY

### SHRINE OF ST. ANTHONY

Recurring Events:

- Daily Mass, Sunday through Saturday, 12 noon (Tuesday Mass includes the Novena to St. Anthony)
- First Friday Healing Mass, 7:30 PM
- Third Sunday & Last Sunday Healing Mass, 12 noon
- Adoration, Thursday—Quiet Adoration after the 12 noon Mass until 4:30pm; Evening prayer from 4:30-5:30pm
- Confession, Monday—Saturday, 11:30 AM and Wednesday, 4 PM-5 PM

**Wanted:** Full-time Receptionist/General Office Clerk for the Companions of St. Anthony office of the Conventual Franciscan Friars. Primary duties include answering phones, data input, and filling orders. Must be able to listen with sympathy and compassion and work in a collaborative, team-oriented environment, proficiency in Microsoft Office necessary; Spanish language proficiency a plus. For more information call Joseph Hamilton at 410-531-9200 or send resume to ihamilton@companionsofstanthony.org.

# OUTREACH

**THE POOR NEED YOUR HELP:** Once a month Saint Louis parishioners feed 700 people at Our Daily Bread. You can help by preparing chicken pieces according to a simple recipe and then drop them off at the home of Mary Agnes Lewis (6005 Ten Oaks Road—across from our parish cemetery) on **the Monday before the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month – this month, May 13th.** For additional information about how you can help, call Mary Agnes Lewis at 410-531-3813. This is a wonderful way in which a family can work together in preparing a wholesome meal for some of God's special people.

**FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND:** This week is our food collection weekend, May 5th. We will be sorting food in the narthex of the Church at **6:30pm**. We can always use help. With a good crew we are finished well within an hour. Sorting food is fun and easy and for parishioners of all ages. Please join us.



**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM:** June 21—July 4, 2013: The US Bishops have called for a Fortnight for Freedom from June 21 to July 4. In 2013, we face many challenges to religious liberty, including the August 1, 2013 deadline for religious organizations to comply with the HHS mandate; potential Supreme Court rulings that could redefine marriage in June, causing serious religious liberty issues for Catholic adoption agencies and many others; and religious liberty concerns in other areas, such as immigration and humanitarian services. Please visit www/fortnight4freedom.org for more information on this important time of prayer, education, and action in support of religious freedom.

**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM OPENING MASS:** Friday, June 21, 2013, 7:00 PM at the Baltimore Basilica. Archbishop William Lori will be the celebrant.

What do we mean by religious liberty? Religious liberty is the first liberty granted to us by God and protected in the First Amendment to our Constitution. It includes more than our ability to go to Mass on Sunday or pray the Rosary at home. It also encompasses our ability to contribute freely to the common good of all Americans.