

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

### **May 14, 2017**

*We are the living stones of God's spiritual house, and Jesus is the cornerstone.*

"Mother's Day is traditionally Rose Sunday and the Knights of Columbus will be at the back of the church distributing roses after Masses on the 13th and 14th May. Donations will be used for Pro-Life causes"

#### **A note from CWL about the National Week for Life and the Family**

Every year the Church in Canada sets aside one week as a special time for prayer and reflection on life and the family. Coinciding with Mother's Day, the fifth National Week for Life and the Family will be celebrated across Canada from May 14 to May 21, 2017. Given the cultural climate in which we find ourselves – with the value of human life and the central role of the family constantly called into question – can anything be more deserving of our attention?

The recent canonization of St. Theresa of Kolkata brings to mind her now famous response when asked how one might best help to “change the world.” “Go home and love your family!” she replied. In the same spirit, Pope Francis has repeatedly called the faithful to go out to the “periphery” in pursuit of those whose choices have put them outside the ordinary life of the Church. Nearly every one of us has a family member whose circumstances of life would seem to place them “outside the fold”; someone for whom Christ's mercy might seem out of reach; for whom *we* might become the face of Christ's mercy.

#### **Good Shepherd CWL Scholarship 2017**

We are pleased to announce the establishment of a Good Shepherd CWL Scholarship - a one-time gift of \$300 - the first of which will be offered to a graduating male or female Grade 12 parishioner in June 2017. In order to be eligible, applicants must be:

- A current Grade 12 student embarking on post-secondary education starting in Sept. 2017 or Jan. 2018 (name of current school and proof of admission offer required, as well as confirmation of successful graduation for recipient);
- Currently practicing **his or her faith** at Good Shepherd Parish; and
- Involved in an ongoing way in ministries and/or activities at Good Shepherd Parish, including activities and initiatives organized by the CWL. Applicants must submit the required information, and outline their parish involvement specifically highlighting any involvement with CWL activities. Applications must be submitted online, and can be done so at the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/CWLscholarship>

Applications must be submitted by **Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. We will notify the successful applicant with our decision by June 30, 2017.

#### ***HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY***

*Loving God,*

*we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us,  
whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,  
whose patience seems to have no end.*

*May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.  
We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love  
or time, or patience.*

*We ask you to bless them with your own special love.*

*We ask this in the name of Jesus.*

*Amen.*

### Offering for May 7, 2017

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 3194.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	<u>\$ 1138.00</u>
Total Collection:	\$ 6987.00
Vocations Collection	\$2341.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

#### ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S CORNER

"Come to the Lord, a living stone...Like living stones, let yourselves be built up into a spiritual house, to be holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." Come to the Lord, come to Him through Jesus Christ. Come to Him in trust and offer yourself to Him, offer yourself as a spiritual sacrifice. Recognize Him as your Creator, the one who's given you life, as your redeemer, the one who's saved your life, and your salvation, the one who leads you to heaven, to new life, and offer your life back to Him. Come to Him and share with Him all your concerns, fears and anxieties; trust Him that He wants what is best for you; offer Him all that is yours. Do so and He will give you the Spirit and build you into a temple (a place of His glory) for His glory, a place where He may reside.

He will make you His priest that you may offer up as gifts to Him those self-denials that cleanse your heart, and all the acts of love you do for others. He will call you out of the darkness of sin, that road that leads to eternal separation, and put you back on the narrow way, that leads to life.

God is all and Jesus is the one who leads all, all of us, all the universe, back to God. Nothing that exists is outside the realm of Jesus' authority, no life is beyond his concern. "No one comes to the Father except through me." Faith in Christ is absolutely necessary, it means to follow him. To follow him means to adhere to his teaching and example, as seen in the gospels and as taught in the doctrines and moral teachings of the Church, which is his Body on earth.

He is present in the Church's sacraments and in her teaching authority, guiding his people. This is why it is so important to participate in the Church's sacraments, for they give us the grace to remain on the right path, when the world around us and our own natural tendencies put up roadblocks to faith at every corner, or lead us on dangerous detours that lead nowhere. This is why it is so important to follow the Church's moral teaching, to learn what it is and why the Church teaches it.

If we want to go with confidence in this way, the way of Jesus, the way of the Kingdom, we have to follow the map, we need to listen to the directions the Lord gives, we must know where we're going and how to get there. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "Faith is man's response to God, who reveals Himself and Himself to man, at the same time bringing man a super-abundant light as he searches for the ultimate meaning of his life." Amen. God bless you all.

Many, many thanks to everyone who has already contributed Brand name rice or pasta for needy families in Rankin Inlet.

A huge THANKYOU also to Beth Jaz and Sarah McDonald McLean, parents at Good Shepherd Catholic School, who offered to organize a collection at the school.

So far we have collected 80% of the needed pasta and 50% of the needed rice.

Your response has been most generous and as a result we are well on our way to meeting our target by the end of May.

Thank you also to those of you who have donated cash or a cheque. Tax receipts will be provided for donations over \$20. If you wish to do so, please use an SSVP envelope and mark it North of 60 Project. Please make your cheque out to the SSVP National Council of Canada.

Your donations for the North of 60 Project will allow us to continue supporting northern families living in extreme poverty. For further information or to view the video describing this project please visit: <http://www.ssvp.ca/north-60-0>

## **INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, May 13– Fifth Sunday of Easter**

5:00 pm †Leonidas & Carmelina Ropero req by the family  
†Jim Weber req by Bob & Joan Dunn  
†Ron Cotton req by Mary & Karl  
†Jackie Roach req by David Roach  
†Annie Cardenas req by Marilou Storie & family  
Mass of Thanksgiving and Souls in Purgatory req by Mike & Magda Baillot  
Deceased members of the Pereira family

### **Sunday, May 14 –Fifth Sunday of Easter**

†Ophalie Pascal req by Agatha Constance  
†Angelina Di Iorio req by Mario & Lucy Lalli and family  
†Clara Constance req by Knowlton Constance  
Intention of Antomina Pittson, Arputhanary & Pachiam Jacob req by the Pittson family  
Thanksgiving Mass to St. Vincent req by the Pittson family  
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

### **Monday, May 15 – Fifth Monday of Easter**

9:00 am †Presentacion & Flugencio de Guzman req by Amelia Andal

### **Tuesday, May 16– Fifth Tuesday of Easter**

9:00 am †Deceased friends of a Parishioner and Nicholas & Pauline Troy

### **Thursday, May 18 – Fifth Thursday of Easter**

9:00 am †Edel Quinn req by the Legion of Mary

### **Friday, May 19 – Fifth Friday of Easter**

9:00 am †Art & Ann Dunn and Joe & Mary McKenna

### **Saturday, May 20 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

5:00 †Cyrac Kurias req by the family  
†Guy Lontin req by Deacon Wayne & Claire Lee  
†Marc Cauthers req by Dianne & Owen Brophy  
Intention of Rosalie Skodje req by the MacDonald family  
Intention of Paul Leland req by the MacDonald family

### **Sunday, May 21 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9:00 am For Our Parishioners  
11:15 am †Siegfried Franz Joseph Randolph req by Francois Sasseville  
†Clara Constance req by Knowlton Constance  
Intention of Julita Ynigeuz req by Marian & Ernie Sy  
Intention of Mr. & Mrs Mansard, and the Roa and Zacharias families req by the Pittson family

*Please pray for our sick;* Larry Clow, Bob & Francine Davidson, Bonnie Lehman, Elsie & Steve Stadler, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Dorothy Dillon and John MacDonald.

*Please pray for our deceased,* including Guenter Andrews and Audrey Barnes, that they may be received into God's love.

### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

Do you know that: Canada is the only democratic country in the world does that not have any laws to protect unborn children; the Ontario government spends about \$50,000,000 per year to fund abortion; abortion is permitted in Canada for all 40 weeks of pregnancy; babies who survive abortion are left to die? Isn't it time we did something to stop abortion in Canada?

Let us pray for all elected officials that they will courageously advance the cause of life and that health care practitioners, especially doctors and nurses will be permitted to practice their profession in accordance with their conscience.