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the Paschal Mystery within us,
that those
you were pleased to make new
in Holy Baptism
may,
under your protective care,
bear much fruit
and come
to the joys of life eternal.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Opening Collect,
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, A.D. 2018

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS! / ¡BIENVENIDOS A NUESTROS FELIGRESES NUEVOS!

Each family should register at the Parish Office. / Cada familia debe inscribirse en la Parroquia.

STAFF

MRS. SHARINA CHINAS, *Coordinator of Religious Education*
MRS. SUSAN DEGILIO, *Administrative Assistant*
MRS. GRACE HAACK, *Music Director*
MR. THOMAS PATTI, *Facilities Manager*

HOURS

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Monday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

THE HOLY MASS / LA SANTA MISA

Vigil/Vigilia:

4:30 p.m. (English/Inglés)

Sunday/Domingo:

7:30 a.m. (English/Inglés)

9:30 a.m. (English/Inglés)

12:00 p.m. (Spanish/Español)

Monday – Friday/Lunes – Viernes:

8:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m. (English/Inglés)

Tuesday & Thursday/Martes y Jueves:

7:30 p.m. (Spanish/Español)

Saturday/Sábado:

8:00 a.m. (English/Inglés)

BAPTISMS / BAUTISMOS

Every Third Sunday of the Month in English/
 Cada Tercer Domingo del Mes en Inglés:

2:00 p.m.

Every Third Saturday of the Month in Spanish/
 Cada Tercer Sábado del Mes en Español:

2:00 p.m.

Parents need to make an appointment with the parish office.

It is recommended that preparations for Baptism begin,
 while you are awaiting the birth of your baby.

Los padres deben hacer una cita en la Oficina Parroquial.

Se recomienda iniciar los trámites del Bautismo
 mientras espera el nacimiento de su bebé.

CONFIRMATIONS / CONFIRMACIONES

Youth must be enrolled in our Religious Education program
 in order to be confirmed in 8th Grade.

Adults must be enrolled in our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
 process (English or Spanish) in order to be confirmed at Easter.

Los jóvenes deben estar inscritos en nuestro programa
 de Educación Religiosa
 para ser confirmados en el 8vo Grado.

Los adultos deben estar inscritos en nuestro proceso
 de Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (inglés o español)
 para ser confirmados en la Pascua.

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

Thursday/Jueves:

8:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Saturday/Sábado:

3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Monday – Friday/Lunes – Viernes:

By Appointment / Por Cita

MARRIAGES / MATRIMONIOS

Couples need to consult one of the parish priests
 at least 6 months before wedding date.

La pareja debe hacer una cita con el sacerdote
 con seis meses o más de anticipación de la fecha propuesta.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / UNCIÓN

Available by appointment to the seriously infirmed and the aged.
 Disponible por cita a los seriamente infirmed y los ancianos.

DEVOTIONS / DEVOCIONES

**First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/
 Primera Adoración del Viernes del Santísimo Sacramento**

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena/Novena Medalla Milagrosa

Mondays after Holy Mass/Lunes después de la Santa Misa

Rosary/Rosario

Weekdays at 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. /
 Días de semana a las 7:30 a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. /

Sábados a las 8:30 a.m.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy/Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia

Fridays at 6:00 p.m./Viernes a las 6:00 p.m.

15TH BIRTHDAY / QUINCEAÑERAS

The birthday celebrant must make an appointment with the priest
 six months or more in advance of the proposed date.

El celebrante del cumpleaños debe hacer una cita con el sacerdote
 seis meses o más antes de la fecha propuesta.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

8:00 Christina Mulligan
 4:30 Intentions of the Mastroti Family †

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

7:30 The People of the Parish
 9:30 Virginia Cervone †
 12:00 Jacob Rodriguez (L)

MONDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 Lucy Lamb †
 5:30

TUESDAY, MAY 1

8:00 Agnes Burnes †
 5:30 All Souls in Purgatory †
 7:30

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

8:00 Ken Knops †
 5:30 Laura Bowman †

THURSDAY, MAY 3

8:00
 5:30 All Souls in Purgatory †
 7:30

FRIDAY, MAY 4

8:00 Claire Kakolios †
 5:30 Agnes Burnes †
 7:30

SATURDAY, MAY 5

8:00 Sharon Marie Kallop
 4:30 Dr. and Mrs. Frank Simone †

SUNDAY, MAY 6

7:30 The People of the Parish
 9:30 Virginia Cervone †
 12:00 Racquel and Willis Gutierrez †

LIFE IN OUR PARISH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Grades 1-6 Sundays at 10:30 a.m., St. Mary's School
 Grades 7-8 Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's School

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASSES

English 1st Monday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.
 St. Mary's School
 Spanish 1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1:00 p.m.
 St. Mary's Church

BIBLE STUDY

2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., Rectory Conference Room

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's Parish Center
 Fridays at 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's Church

FELIX VARELA INSTITUTE

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's School

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – FLORENTINE COUNCIL

2nd Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Rectory Basement

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m., Rectory Conference Room

MUSIC MINISTRY

English/Polish Choir Mondays at 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Church
 Spanish Choir Sundays at 11:00 a.m., St. Mary's Church
 Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m., Rectory Basement
 Youth Choir Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Rectory Basement

PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER

Pancake Socials 1st Sundays from 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 St. Mary's Parish Center
 Lunch Socials 1st Sundays from 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 St. Mary's Parish Center
 Saturday Suppers 3rd Saturdays from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 St. Mary's Parish Center

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

English (RCIA) Mondays at 7:30 p.m.,
 Rectory Conference Room
 Spanish (RICA) Fridays at 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's School

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 6:00 p.m., Rectory Conference Room

YOUTH GROUP

Fridays at 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's School Gym

WEEKLY COLLECTION

“Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”
 – Luke 6:38

Sunday Collection

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| April 22, 2018 (Regular) | TBD |
| April 23, 2017 (Regular) | \$4966.00 |

**THANK YOU, AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU
 FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!**

Symbols of Easter / Símbolos de Pascua / Symbole Wielkanocne



St. Mary Magdalene and the Scarlet Easter Egg

Another level of symbolism is that the egg represents birth, the Creation, the elements, and the world itself, with the shell representing the firmament, the vault of the sky where the fiery stars lie; the thin membrane symbolizing air; the white symbolizing the waters; and the yolk representing earth. Painted red, eggs are a demonstration that the salvation and re-birth of the world comes through Christ's Blood and Resurrection. Old legend has it that St. Mary Magdalene went to Rome and met with the Emperor Tiberius to tell him about the Resurrection of Jesus. She held out an egg to him as a symbol of this, and he scoffed, saying that a man could no more rise from the dead than that egg that she held could turn scarlet. The egg turned deep red in her hands, and this is the origin of Easter eggs, and the reason why Mary Magdalene is often portrayed holding a scarlet egg.

Easter Eggs

Because of this legend and all of the egg's symbolism, and because eggs are special because they were once forbidden during Lent, Christians make great use of them on this day, eating them, decorating them, and decorating with them. Red is the classic color to use when dyeing eggs to be eaten, but other colors are more often used these days (pastels being the most common in the United States). Eggs used only for decorative purposes may have their contents blown out and their shells turned into highly ornamental works of art ("Longshanks" -- King Edward I of England, 1239-1307 -- paid to have 450 eggs decorated with gold leaf to give out to the members of his household). Or the "eggs" may be wooden or ceramic and used to adorn the Easter table. The exquisite pysanky of Eastern Europe, made by subsequent applications of wax and dipping in dyes, are one of Easter's treasures, and the forty-nine ceramic, bejewelled eggs created -- only one or two each year at Eastertime -- for the Russian royal family by master jeweller, Peter Carl Fabergé (1846-1920), are museum pieces.





TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

Second Reading: I John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William Reilly

“When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus... The church throughout all Judea, Galilee and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.”

We are familiar with the encounter and conversion of Saul on the road to Damascus. This passage tells us something of the struggle for acceptance by the Christian community in Jerusalem. Barnabas spoke in his behalf to the disciples, and then to the apostles. Paul presented his credentials. The Holy Spirit was at work.

What a great lesson for us today, to be sure that we are welcoming communities. Most likely on a weekly basis people visit our parish church for the first time. Some have recently moved into the community, some perhaps have been away from the church for some time. Others say now is the time for me and my family to become active. How ready are we to reach out, to invite and support those who come to our community. Pope Francis is constantly teaching us to go out to the streets, take a risk, feel the bruises as did Paul. Not sure what to do?

Look what happened to the great apostle.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura: Hechos 9:26-31

El apóstol Pablo vino a Jerusalén, en donde los otros discípulos estaban temerosos de él. Sabían que el Señor había hablado a Pablo y que él había predicado abiertamente en Damasco. Cuando escucharon que alguien quería matarlo, lo protegieron pues creyeron firmemente que se había convertido.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 3:18-24

Juan claramente dice que debemos amarnos los unos a los otros. Toda la gente que cree en Jesucristo puede mostrar su fé solamente por sus acciones. Si la gente cree en Jesús y se aman los unos a los otros como El nos mandó, eso prueba que son verdaderos creyentes en Cristo.

Evangelio: San Juan 15:1-8

Jesús se compara a sí mismo con la vid y compara a su padre como el que la cultiva. Explica cómo Dios poda las ramas que no dan fruto, para que el resto dé más. Les recuerda que sin El, sus seguidores no podrían dar fruto.

SU PALABRA HOY por el Rev. William Reilly

“Cuando Saulo llegó a Jerusalén, trato de unirse a los discípulos, pero todos le tenían desconfianza porque no creían que también él fuera un verdadero discípulo. Entonces Bernabé, haciéndose cargo de él, lo llevó hasta donde se encontraban los Apóstoles, y les contó en qué forma Saulo había visto al Señor en el camino, cómo le había hablado, y con cuánta valentía había predicado en Damasco en el nombre de Jesús... La Iglesia, entre tanto, gozaba de paz en toda Judea, Galilea y Samaria. Se iba consolidando, vivía en el temor del Señor y crecía en número, asistida por el Espíritu Santo.”

Estamos familiarizados con el encuentro y conversión de Saulo camino a Damasco. El pasaje nos dice algo sobre el titubeo por parte de la comunidad cristiana en Jerusalén de aceptarlo. Bernabé les habla a los discípulos de su parte, y luego a los apóstoles. Pablo presenta sus credenciales. El Espíritu Santo interviene.

Esta es una gran lección para nosotros hoy, para asegurarnos de que somos comunidades que sabemos dar la bienvenida. Por seguro cada semana gente visita nuestra parroquia por primera vez. Algunos se han mudado recientemente, algunos quizá se han alejado de la iglesia por algún tiempo. Otros dicen que ahora es el tiempo indicado para ellos y sus familias de volverse activos. ¿Qué listos estamos de estrechar la mano, invitar y apoyar a aquellos que llegan a nuestra comunidad? El Papa Francisco constantemente nos recuerda que vayamos a las calles, tomemos un riesgo, sintamos las magulladuras, tal como lo hizo San Pablo. ¿No está seguro de qué hacer?

Mire lo que le pasó al gran apóstol.

PRAY FOR THE INFIRMED / OREMOS POR LOS ENFERMOS

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones. And for all your love's sake. Amen. - Saint Augustine



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“Could you not watch with me one hour?” (Matthew 26:40)



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