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Sixth Sunday of Easter • May 29, 2011

# Good News!

May 29, 2011

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 8:5–8, 14–17 / 1 Pt 3:15–18 / Jn 14:15–21

The saying “You’re your own worst enemy” rings true regularly for me. As a perfectionist, I wrangle with details on a project until it’s “absolutely right,” search endlessly for the “perfect” gift for a friend’s birthday, or dust remote shelves no one else would notice. Later, I can see that no one expected the perfect project or gift—it was my own doing. I am my own worst enemy.

Today in 1 Peter we hear an admonition to early Christians persecuted for their faith—“Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.” I wonder, in our challenging world, if we need to remind ourselves, more than any one else, of the reason we hope in Christ.

Are we our own worst enemy when it comes to maintaining our faith? As we face struggles like unemployment, prolonged sickness, financial troubles, or strained relationships, perhaps we need a clear reminder of the reason for our faith and the source of our hope.

I believe we hear that reason in John’s Gospel. Jesus tells his disciples he will soon leave the physical world but, he claims, “I live and you will live.” We persist in hope because Jesus lives. Jesus is not distant—he lives among and within us. And he promises that we will live—not just that we’ll survive or barely make it. We will live, in fullness and abundance, through his love for us.

We will live here on Earth, but also we will live with God for eternity. This especially offers us hope on Memorial Day weekend as we remember those who have gone home to God.

Fullness of life now and for eternity—this truly is our hope.

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

### WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at our Coffee Social or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both per the Calendar online or as announced inside the bulletin. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.; also by appointment.

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Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

### VISITATION TO THE SICK:

We are most anxious to help anyone who is not able to celebrate Mass with us in Church due to illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call 860-643-4466.

**THIS WEEK**  
**MAY 28TH - MAY 29TH**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 SEMINARY COLLECTION  
**2ND BANS OF MARRIAGE**  
**CHRISTOPHER KESSING AND CHRISTINA**  
**GAGLIARDI**  
 USHER'S GROUP II  
 YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL

**NEXT WEEK**  
**JUNE 4TH - JUNE 5TH**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 3RD BANS OF MARRIAGE  
**CHRISTOPHER KESSING AND CHRISTINA**  
**GAGLIARDI**  
 USHERS GROUP III  
 YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL  
 40TH ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR FR. STAN  
 10:45 A.M. SACRED HEART CHURCH

**SATURDAY, MAY 28**

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for **+Rudy & Annita DeTuccio** request of Dolores, Annita, and Genavita Betti

**SUNDAY, MAY 29**

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for **Special Intention**, requested by Carol Schraffenberger Chaplet of Divine Mercy after Mass

**SUNDAY, MAY 29**

10:00 a.m. **+Sylvester E. Labanowski**, requested by Stephanie Labanowski

5:30 p.m. **LITURGY OF THE HOURS**



**MONDAY MAY 30TH, MEMORIAL DAY**

*Remember what Memorial Day is all about! Take a moment to give thanks to God for them, may they rest in God's eternal peace. Amen!*

***Knights of Columbus Family Day Celebration***

**TUESDAY, MAY 31**

7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1**

9:00 a.m. Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 2 - ASCENSION THURSDAY**  
**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**One Mass Only**

7:00 p.m. Mass offered for **+Ivan Dube & Leonel Plourde**, requested by Solange Fournier

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2** No Mass

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4:**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

3:00 p.m. Rosary before Mass  
 4:00 p.m. Mass offered for +John Wandzy  
*Altar Servers: Megan Shorey, Kaila Toce*  
*Minister of the Word: Michael Leiner*  
*Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for **+Russell Bagshaw, 20th**

**Anniversary**

*Altar Servers:*

*Minister of the Word: Stephen Paul*

*Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio*

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for The Bolton Volunteer Fire

**Department**

*Altar Servers: Ben VanDine, Nick Nemphos*

*Minister of the Word: Rita Sheetz*

*Eucharistic Minister: John Sheetz*

**No Week Day Masses**

Tuesday, June 7

7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, June 8

9:00 a.m. Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Thursday, June 9

7:00 p.m. K of C business meeting

Friday, June 10 **Junior Youth Group** will meet in the basement of the church from 7-9:00PM. All current grade 4 through grade 8 youths are welcome to attend for an evening of fun activities. Please join us!

Saturday, June 11, 11:00 a.m. Wedding of **Christopher Kessing and Christina Gagliardi**

*Congratulations*



Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

**GOD'S PLAN FOR TITHING**

**MAY 21st - 22nd**

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION \$ 2,974**

**LAST YEAR'S COLLECTION \$ 2,766**

**".....and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city." Acts 8:7-8**

It is easy to rejoice in the gifts that God gives when they are as outstanding as a lame man walking or a sick man cured. However, do we take time to thank God for the many miracles He gives us everyday - good health, family, friends, education, employment, housing? Being grateful is the secret to being joyful.

**Youth Group News**

On Friday, June 10th, the Junior Youth Group will meet in the basement of the church from 7-9:00PM. All current grade 4 through grade 8 youths are welcome to attend for an evening of fun activities. Please join us!

**Fr. Stan's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Fr. Stan will be celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this month.

A Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating this 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be held on Sunday, June 5, 2011 at 10:30am . Following Mass, a luncheon buffet will be held at A Villa Louisa in Bolton .

If you are interested in attending this celebration with Fr. Stan, please contact Rella as soon as possible (860-875-4563 or [rella@sacredheartchurch.net](mailto:rella@sacredheartchurch.net)).

**PADRE PIO**, the famous Capuchin Stigmatic, in an interview with William M. Carrigan in 1945 said:

"HYPOCRISY IS THE GREATEST EVIL OF OUR TIME. It exists in all levels of our society, in high places and in low places."

Padre Pio had no claim to scholarship, but his deep wisdom concerning the spiritual welfare of man flowed through his life and works, and touched all who came into his sphere.

**Hypocrisy In Our Day...**

We are all familiar with hypocrisy in Politics - in Education - in the Courts - in Medicine - in Advertising - in Religion. We see it constantly in the Media. TV Newspapers - and Magazines as well as Radio and Theatre - all find it good

stock in trade.

Few of them will pass up the use of half truths - prejudices - slanted reporting - calumny - detraction - mythical argument - distortion of facts - falsifications - pretense of virtue while supporting vice - glorification of violence....if they add to the saleability of their stocks in trade. These hypocritical forms are found constantly in the media. So common are they that they have been acceptable methods of selling ideas. They are the reason for so many ethics standards appearing in government and business. Questions for reflection this week

1. As Church, as pastoral ministers, as lay leaders, have we ever felt that our words are incapable of transmitting life to others? Have we proclaimed someone who was dead rather than the living Lord? How have our words and the message of the Church kept people bound in the death of the Christ proclaimed?

2. What prevents us from becoming a real community, a true fraternity and a living body, rather than a mechanical thing or enterprise?

3. What have been the historical events that have influenced, hindered and impeded our proclamation and our way of being Church? How have certain events helped us to refine and rethink our proclamation?

4. What does the Spirit say to our Church through these events? What new forms of evangelization is the Spirit teaching us and requiring of us Think about it. **2011 ST. MAURICE KofC**

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