

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER April 28, 2024

## FIRST FRIDAY

Friday, May 3rd is the First Friday of the month and an additional opportunity to worship Our Lord. Please join us at Mass: St. Peter's at 8:00 am and St. John's at 9:30 am.

## THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

*St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor*

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

*St. Pius V, Pope*

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

*St. Joseph the Worker*

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

*St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

*Sts Philip & James, Apostles*

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10 Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

## SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Born in 1347, St. Catherine was raised in Siena, Italy, and devoted herself to God at an early age. Her parents wanted her to marry, but at 12 years old, she cut her hair and wore a veil around the house, refusing to leave. Finally, in 1363, her parents allowed her to join the Third Order Dominicans. After receiving a divine assignment to help restore the Church in 1374, she traveled to Avignon, France, where the pope and several of his predecessors had been living. She persuaded the pope to return to Rome and entrust many missions to her. A prolific writer, she composed hundreds of letters to the pope, kings, and powerful leaders advising them of their responsibilities to work toward peace and unity in the Church. An outstanding figure of Catholicism in the Middle Ages, it was especially remarkable for a woman to have such influence in her time. She died on April 29, 1380, was canonized in 1461, declared patron saint of Rome in 1866, and the patron of Italy in 1939. She is also a patron of Europe and Pope Paul VI declared her a Doctor of the Church. Her feast day is April 29.

## MONEY MATTERS

The general collection amounts April 20th & 21st are: Holy Family \$405.00, St. John's \$1,748.00, St. Peter's \$1,780.00. Thank you for your continued support.

## ASCENSION THURSDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Ascension Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Third Commandment requires that we Catholics participate at Holy Mass on Holy Days.

**6:30 pm - Vigil Mass at St. Peter's**

**9:30 am – St. John the Baptist**

**12:00 pm- Noon – Holy Family**

**Please note: there are no morning Masses on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.**

## GRIEF MINISTRY

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

## USCCB WORD OF LIFE

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Every Suicide is Tragic” [usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic](https://usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic)

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We are in need of substitutes for Eucharistic Adoration at St. John the Baptist Thursdays, 7:00am - 6:00pm. If you are willing to be called, please email Denise at [denisefreemanluv@gmail.com](mailto:denisefreemanluv@gmail.com) or call or text at 607-353-0039. Please specify the hours you are able to cover, and the best phone number to reach you. Thank you!

## LET US DO THE COOKING!

Catholic Charities of Delaware Otsego and Schoharie Counties is sponsoring an **ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA DINNER** on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. The dinner will be held at the Quality Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) Route 28 in Oneonta. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5-12 and children under 5 eat for free. Dinner includes salad, a choice of two pastas and three sauces, bread, dessert, and beverage. Tickets may be purchased at the door. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities' programs and services.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend the second collection is for parish utilities. Although the winter has been a mild one, the heating bills are still quite high. Please be as generous as your means will allow. Thank you.

## OFFICE CLOSED

St. John's parish office will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt

Praying together is good, but your schedule and style of prayer may not match. For a start, try picking a specific and regular time each day to say a prayer for your beloved, perhaps when you start the car, wash your hands, brush your teeth, etc. Try it.

## PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

Apr 29 - Charles Cookston

Apr 30- Mary Dreizler, Stephanie Sessions

May 1 - Mary Ann (May) Jacksto, Eugenia Opramolla, Joseph McNally, Mary Ellen Vogel, Josie Genovese

May 2 – Patrick Cicale, Clifton Clifford

May 3 - Harry Dondero, Thomas L. Petronio, Jr., Rosario Latronica, Florence Minor

May 4 - Harold Fynaut, Alfred Hauser, Mark Kollar, Catherine Pangaro, Anita Roach, Elizabeth Taylor, Edward J. Rossley

May 5 - Stella Komosinski, Pasquale Falcone, Raymond Baldi II, Thomas N. Burke, Ronald Calabrese, John Eppich, Julia Johnson, Frances Sander, Helen Yevich

## BECOME A MENTOR

Youths 7-17 in Delaware County need positive role models to provide experiences that will include an adult who can model life skills, social skills, and appropriate behaviors. Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie Counties Mentoring Program is looking for adults to become volunteer mentors to children living in Delaware County. Mentors must be willing to provide transportation for the mentee and spend 6 hours per month with the mentee involved in recreational activities and attending group events with other mentors and mentees. Please call Ivan at 607-604-4071 for more information.

## KNOWING YOUR FAITH

**The Sacrament of the Great Gift to Our Priests**

**What this Sacrament Is and Does for Our Priests**

**What is the Sacrament of Holy Orders?**

**Holy Orders is the Sacrament by which the office of bishop, priest or deacon is conferred on certain men together with its powers and graces.**

The outward sign of the Sacrament of Holy Orders is the laying on of hands and the accompanying prayer by the bishop along with other ceremonies. *Knowing Your Faith*, Rev. Raymond B. Fullam, S.J.

## YEAR LONG BIBLE READING JOURNEY

**When:** beginning Tuesday, April 23, 2024 – ending April 23, 2025

We will meet 26 times – Every other Tuesday, 6:00 pm, for 90 minutes

**Where:** Father Willis Hall, St. John the Baptist, Walton

**Presented** and Facilitated by Deacon Mike Freeman

*No cost, but feel free to bring refreshments!*

For more information, see the gold colored flyer on the bulletin board in the vestibule. For more info call/text Deacon Freeman at 607-353-0095.

Readings for April 23 – May 6

**Week 1:** \* **Day 1**, Gen 1:1-2:25, Mt 1:1-2:12, Ps 1:1-6, Prov 1:1-6, \***Day 2**, Gen 3:1-4:26, Mt 2:13-3:6, Ps 2:1-12, Prov 1:7-9 \* **Day 3**, Gen 5:1-7:24, Mt 3:7-4:11, Ps 3:1-8, Prov 1:10-19, \***Day 4**, Gen 8:1-10:32, Mt 4:12-25, Ps 4:1-8, Prov 1:20-23, \* **Day 5**, Gen 11:1-13:4, Mt 5:1-26, Ps 5:1-12, Prov 1:24-28, \***Day 6**, Gen 13:5-15:21, Mt 5:27-48, Ps 6:1-10, Prov 1:29-33 \***Day 7**, 16:1-18:15, Mt 6:1-24, Ps 7:1-17, Prov 2:1-5

**Week 2:** \* **Day 1**, Gen 18:16-19:38, Mt 6:25-7:14, Ps 8:1-9, Prov 2:6-15, \***Day 2**, Gen 20:1-22:24, Mt 7:15-29, Ps 9:1-12, Prov 2:16-22, \***Day 3**, Gen 23:1-24:51, Mt 8:1-17, Ps 9:13-20, Prov 3:1-6, \***Day 4**, Gen 24:52-26:16, Mt 8:18-34, Ps 10:1-15, Prov 3:7-8, \***Day 5**, Gen 26:17-27:46, Mt 9:1-17, Ps 10:16-18, Prov 3:9-10, \***Day 6**, Gen 28:1-29:35, Mt 9:18-38, Ps 11:1-7, Prov 3:11-12, \***Day 7**, Gen 30:1-31:16, Mt 10:1-23, Ps 12:1-8, Prov 3:13-15

## Show Your Support for Moms and Babies

1. With a \$5 donation (per name), your name will be included on our full-page pro-life newspaper ad in the Oneonta-area newspaper, the Freeman's Journal. *The ad will be run on Mother's Day weekend.*

2. Make checks payable to the **Central New York Coalition for Life**. On the subject line, include your first and last name (or how you'd like to appear in the ad), plus any additional names you'd like added. If submitting additional names, feel free to include a note in the envelope.

3. Mail your check to: *The Central New York Coalition for Life, P.O. Box 382, Oneonta, NY 13820* **by May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

If you'd like to donate, but would like to do so anonymously (and not have your name included on the ad), please write "Anonymous" on the subject line of your check. Please email [president.cnycoalitionforlife@gmail.com](mailto:president.cnycoalitionforlife@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you for your support! We look forward to seeing your names in ink in support of mothers and unborn babies everywhere!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agnes, Mary Jane Mehegen, Dale Hart, Linda Barr, Mike, Ruth Halton, Gail, Teri Macchio, Gioa, Barbara Cocks, Rick Kean, Maurine Frich, Maryann Stanczyk, Abby Richardson, Dan Haley, Nancy Adams, Tim Peterson, Roberta Lacey, Kathleen Peters, Doris Peterson

