SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 9, 2021

MONEY MATTERS

The collection amounts received for May 1 & 2; Holy Family Church, $1,060.00, St. John the Baptist Church, $1158.00. St. Peter's Church, $2,126.00. Thank you for your generosity.

ATTENTION LANDLORDS

Catholic Charities is looking to create a housing resource list for people seeking housing. If you are a landlord and want to be included on this list, please call their office at (607) 432-0061 ext. 105 and ask for Ameen Aswad.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH OFFICE

St John the Baptist Church Parish Office is temporarily closed and Teresa is working from home. If you would like to schedule a Mass, need a Mass card, or have any questions, she can be reached at stjohnthebaptistwalton@gmail.com or a message for Teresa can be left at St. John's Parish office. Thank you.

DIOCESAN APPEAL

The Diocesan Appeal is underway and, as a reminder, please give your gift prayerful consideration and kindly respond as promptly as possible. The appeal closes on June 30, 2021. Your gift can be made online at donate.thediocesanappeal.org or you can send your check payable to Diocesan Appeal to Diocesan Appeal, 20 N. Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12203.

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

May 10 Leah Minnick, Catherine Stasio, George Cleaver, Walter Kern, Edna Lonegan, Anthony Malewski, Colten Slone, Donald Moore

May 11 Patrick Covell, Shirley Williams, Florence Dee, Barbara Judson, Ida Kossman, Boleslaus Wysocki

May 12 William Fagan, W. Albert Mehegan, Harry Ray

May 13 Elaine Attridge, Lillian Krom, Yvonne Skovira, Lycyna Proskumicea

May 14 Wayne Paysse, Sr., Patricia Ann Zuber, Rose Rosino

May 15 Sue Morales, Elizabeth Rittling, Harry Elmendorf, Jr.

May 16 Lawrence McGrade

ASCENSION THURSDAY

Thursday, May 13th is the feast of the Ascension, a holy day of obligation. All Catholics are obliged to participate in Mass that day, unless seriously impeded. The Mass schedule is as follows:

Wednesday vigil at St. Peter's – 6:00pm
Thursday morning at St. John's – 9:30am
Thursday at Holy Family – 12:00 noon

THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a
St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15,22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20
The Ascension of the Lord
Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
St. Matthias, Apostle
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
St. Isidore
Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19

ST. DAMIEN DE VEUSTER

Father Damien (Joseph de Veuster) lived from 1840 thru 1889. The Belgian-born priest was a missionary to Hawaii. The son of prosperous peasants, he was professed a member the *Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary* (the Picpus Fathers) in 1860. Three years later, he left Belgium for the Sandwich Islands (now Hawaii), where he was ordained in 1864. Initially responsible for several districts on the islands of Hawaii and Molokai, he volunteered to serve lepers in the Kalaupapa colony on Molokai in 1873 and worked there for sixteen years as pastor, physician, counselor, sheriff and undertaker. Damien also founded two orphanages at the colony. He contracted leprosy in 1884, worked until March of 1889, and died one month later. In 1936, his remains were removed to Louvain. His feast is May 10th. - Encyclopedia of Catholicism

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Henry and Mary Tassitano, Mary Hunter, Barbara Coughlin, Samuel Herbert, Mark Chapat, Nancy Greene, Joanne and Jack Betwarda, Richard Uzzi, John Meinke, Val DiGiovanni, Charles Wilberg, Bill and Teresa Amen, John Hoffman, Tim Rausch, Yvonne, Jaclyn, Ed McGrath, Tess Valada, Rita Hanley, Joan Hanley Nerney, Donald Lawrence, Charisma, Bill and Sandy, Adelin, Mitchell Spring, Leo Herbert, Jeff Strong, Troy Comfort and wife, Liz, Shirley Nimmo and Richard Parsons, Kelly and Son, Caleb and Roger.

If you are aware of anyone on the sick list who has recovered, please notify the office so his or her name can be removed. Thank you.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

All those "and they lived happily ever after" fairy tale endings need to be changed to "and they began the very hard work of making their marriages happy." Are there any fairy tale dreams I'm still holding on to that bock my ability to love my spouse for better or wore?

CHARISMATIC PENETCOST CELEBRATION

On Sunday, May 23, 2021, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, on Eagle St. and Madison Ave in Albany, Father Marty Fisher will offer prayer and Praise at 4:30pm with Liturgy beginning 00 at 5:00pm. A healing prayer will follow. **Registration is required:** www.Albany.org. Come and release the Joy of the Holy Spirit.

A MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING

Blessed is the Mother
Who lets the Lord be her guiding hand,
Whose faith brings her family courage,
Whose wisdom comes from God,
And whose children still stand and honor her.