# ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER The mission of St. Charles is to spread the life-saving

message of Jesus Christ through the Sacraments, Prayer and Service to others.

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#### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

## MASSES

Sunday, May 17, Sixth Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day Living & Deceased of the Jack Donovan t Family For Our Parish Community Monday, May 18, Easter Weekday, St. John I, Pope & Martyr t Deceased of the Joseph A Bruck Family Norm Milligan t Tuesday, May 19, Easter Weekday Oliver & Ellan Byrne + Jerry Gill t Wednesday, May 20, Easter Weekday, St. Bernardine of Siena. Priest Marvin Trabel + t Joan Hartzog Thursday, May 21, Easter Weekday, St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyr Living & Deceased of the Schoenle Family t t Peter & Alma Stewart Friday, May 22, Easter Weekday, St. Rita of Cascia, Religious Special Intention (Sr. M.A.B.) William & Lee Ann Gladieux + Saturday, May 23, Easter Weekday Special Intentions of the Priests at St. Charles Saturday, May 23, Vigil In Thanksgiving Sunday, May 24, The Ascension of the Lord For Our Parish Community Virgil Merkel t Robert Carroll t Mary & Jim Storch +

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17**

Sun., May 17:Acts 8.5-8,14-17/1 Pt 3.15-18/Jn 14.15-21 Mon., May 18:Acts 16.11-15/Jn 15.26-16.4a Tues., May 19:Acts 16.22-34/Jn 16.5-11 Wed., May 20:Acts 17.15,22-18.1/Jn 16.12-15 Thurs., May 21:Acts 18.1-8/Jn 16.16-20 Fri., May 22:Acts 18.9-18/Jn 16.20-23 Sat., May 23:Acts 18.23-28/Jn 16.23b-28

Participate in a livestream Mass with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. To join, visit the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend YouTube or Facebook pages. Search "@diocesefwsb." Other alternative Mass options, diocesan directives, and more can be found at www.diocesefwsb.org/covid-19.

#### FORT WAYNE AREA TELEVISED MASSES:

- 7:00 a.m: WPTA Ch. 21.3 (MyTV) | Frontier: 9, 509 | Comcast: 252, 1024, 1172 | DirecTV, 22
- 10:00 a.m: WISE CW Ch. 33.1 | Frontier 6, 506 | Comcast 19, 1033 | DirecTV 33 | Dish 34
- The 10:30 Mass with WFFT-55 is no longer offered.

#### **A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR**

Finally, next weekend, a chance for Mass. After nine weekends without a public Mass, we will once again have the chance to join together around the altar. This has been a long, difficult road for many people. It has been inspiring to see the number of people in our church through the day—here in prayer, even though Masses were



canceled. It has been moving to find the number of people willing to call and ask for appointments for confessions. It has also been beautiful to see the many ways that people have jumped in and kept this parish active. We have parishioners who have been grocery shopping and caring for the elderly; we have had cars gathering for safe-distance social events in the parking lot; we have had people out helping with our parish gardens; we have had people cleaning in our church; we have had people supporting the SCRIP program from a distance and mailing church envelopes. We have had teachers doing lessons over the internet and daily youth ministry meetings on the internet. And thanks to a dedicated staff, our parish office has never closed down.

A letter is being mailed to the parish this week outlining what to expect at the upcoming Masses. Everyone will need to bring a mask and to wear it through the Mass. We will need to spread out in the pews and to limit how many people fit in the church. Fr. James and I will offer backup Masses in the gym as needed for overflow as needed. We will sanitize the church between every Mass. And we will avoid parts of the Mass which risk contact—the sign of peace, passing the collection basket, bringing up offertory gifts, and sharing hymnals. Even with all of this, we will still have the Mass. And that will be a blessing.

We have been working to find the best solutions for some of the major parish events which have been changed by our isolation. On Thursday evening June 4, we will have a Graduation Mass for our outgoing 8<sup>th</sup> graders. On Saturday, May 30 we will have a Mass for the Initiation of the Candidates and Catechumens who missed that opportunity on Laetare Sunday and the Easter Vigil. We are scheduling two First Communion Masses, on June 13 and June 20, in order that we may spread people out in the church. All of these Masses will have limited attendance, with people required to spread out in the pews and to wear masks.

We have received word from the diocese that the Ordination Mass scheduled on June 6 will take place. This will be an unusual ordination, with the priestly ordination of Deacon Stephen Felicichia and the diaconate ordinations of Michael Ammer, Jonathan Evangelista, Ben Landrigan, Keeton Lockwood, Augustine Onuoha, and Logan Parrish all at the same liturgy. With this many candidates and with distancing in the pews, seating will be extremely limited and the event open by ticket only.

I offer thanks to all who have been so patient. Bishop Rhoades has not had an easy time as he has worked through these decisions, worrying about the faith lives of his people and also worrying about the health of his people. We are working with him, trying to be a strong people of sacramental faith and at the same time working to avoid the spread of a dangerous disease.

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