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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

May 10, 2020

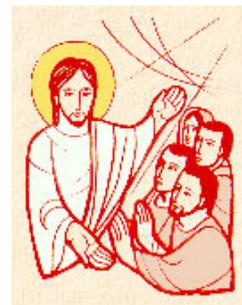
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father except through me.

Jesus, with His death, Resurrection, and Ascension, has gone ahead to prepare a place for us in His Father's house. His Father's house is no longer a temple made by human hands. It is the spiritual house of the Church, built on the living stone of Christ's body. Each of us is called to be a living stone in God's building. In this edifice of the Spirit, we are to be "holy priests" offering up "spiritual sacrifices"—all our prayer, work, and intentions—to God. This is our special call as Christians. As Jesus said to Thomas we also know that He is the way, the truth, and the life. In every trial of life, he is the person always present who helps us to make the journey of our faith and points us to our destination. As Christians, we view life as a pilgrimage to the house of the Father – a journey home. May the light of Christ be always in our minds and at work in our hearts.



V DOMENICA DI PASQUA

Gesù ci dice: Non sia turbato il vostro cuore. Abbiate fede in Dio e abbiate fede in me. Vado a prepararvi un posto... vi prenderò con me, perché dove sono io, siate anche voi. Chi crede in me, compirà le opere che io compio e ne compirà anche di più grandi. Gesù ha compiuto la sua missione, ci ha salvati e redenti, ci ha meritato e preparato un posto nel cielo di Dio. Ci invita ad alimentare questa speranza, nella fede e nella serenità, nella fiducia. Lui ci assicura che ci porterà in salvo, nella pienezza della nostra vita, la vera casa. Per arrivare a questo siamo chiamati a compiere le opere di Dio, a far fruttare i talenti che Lui ci ha dato. Nella fede sappiamo che Dio ci dà la forza e la possibilità di compiere cose davvero grandi. Lui è la via, la verità e la vita. Se noi camminiamo con Lui la casa della vita eterna dove Lui è sarà anche la nostra futura dimora.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English) SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

- Registration:** Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.
- Baptism:** Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.
- Marriage:** Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.
- Reconciliation - Confession:** Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.
- Anointing of the sick:** Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.
- Church & Hall at one level:** Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368



May the Blessings of the Lord be an especially bright benediction upon Mothers everywhere on your blessed day.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!!



"As long as you believe in God and try to be a good person, it doesn't matter what religion you choose." "There are different paths up the same mountain, but they all lead to the peak." How many times have you heard people speak this way? This is the prevailing wisdom. It's politically correct. Tolerant. Reasonable. But it's wrong. Jesus has the nerve to say **"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but by me."** Sure, people had some ideas about God. But the ideas were shadowy,

fragmentary, and mingled with distortions. Everyone in the ancient world knew there was a Creator we were obliged to worship. But some thought homage required human sacrifice. And most thought that there were many gods. A few, like Aristotle, realized that there could only be one God. But most were thinking this God to be remote and aloof, unconcerned with human affairs. Finally, there was the issue of life, divine life. Even the Jews, who had the most truth about God, had a problem here. They *knew* what God required. But even the best among them lacked the power to *do* it. Take David for instance. When the chips were down, he proved defenseless against the power of lust, deceit, and even murder.

Jesus is the way. Indeed he is a two-way street. In him, God comes to meet us, holding nothing back, offering everything of who he is and what he has. Through Him and Him alone, we have access to God to such a point that we can now call him Abba, Father.

Jesus is the truth. Not just *some* truth but the *entire* truth. He is God's definitive and perfect Word expressing who God is, what He's like, who we are, and what we need to do to be saved from misery and futility.

And Jesus is the life. He gives us not only commandments and noble ideals but also the power to live them out, the power to become new people. That Power is the Lord and Giver of Life Himself, the Holy Spirit, who Jesus pours out on those who accept Him.

So there is only *one* Way, *one* Truth, *one* Life, and *one* Priest who offers a perfect sacrifice for sins. So how can it be that we are called a royal priesthood (1 Peter 2)? How can it be that we who believe in Him are to do greater works than he? (John 14:11-12). Simple. Once we've been baptized, there is no longer a separation between us, on the one hand, and Him on the other. We are baptized *into him*, become members of his body, so he begins to live his life and exercise his priesthood through us.

If we let him, he will use our lips to spread his truth, our lives to show the way, and our love to give others life. And the works He will accomplish through us will far surpass what he did in his three short years of public ministry. More hungry will be fed, sicker healed, more books were written. Tyrannical, atheistic empires will even be brought down. The Good News will be preached not just in Galilee, but all over the world, not just in person, but touching millions at a time . . . through radio, TV, and internet. But the greatest work that He will accomplish through us is to teach us to be priests, to offer the spiritual sacrifice of our own lives (Romans 12:2) to the Father through Him, with Him, and in Him. For the meaning of human life is to love, and the greatest gift we've received from Him is the power to give ourselves away.... - Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Ph.D.

FESTA DELLA MAMMA 2020, LE FRASI D'AUGURI PIU' BELLE:

Say 'I love you'

Ecco alcune frasi che potrete utilizzare per fare gli auguri alla vostra mamma:

Oggi è un giorno importante, anche se dici che non lo è. Mamma, tu rendi i miei giorni più brillanti e mi fai sorridere anche quando tutto quello che voglio fare è piangere. ... Son tutte belle le mamme del mondo. ... Tu sei quella persona che rende il mio mondo un posto migliore! Buon compleanno! ... "Una buona madre vale cento maestri". ... "La Festa della Mamma è la sola festa laica che sia, al tempo stesso, anche spirituale".... Le parole non sono sufficienti per esprimere la gratitudine che meriti per tutto quello che hai fatto per noi negli anni. Quindi ci proviamo: Ti vogliamo un mondo di bene. Buon compleanno Mamma! ... "Mamma" la parola più bella sulle labbra dell'umanità. Possa il Signore benedire tutte le nostre Mamme ancora con noi e specialmebnte quelle in Paradiso. La vita e l'amore che ci hanno dato sia sempre nei nostri cuori.

Auguri a tutte le Mamme.

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SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 640.00

Thank you to all Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. God Bless!



Please continue to pray for all those affected by the coronavirus. Stay safe, we will get through this difficult time with the help of our Blessed Mother.

**ALL DIOCESAN EVENTS
HAVE BEEN CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**ALTHOUGH CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED,
FR. LUIGI WILL SAY MASS (IN PRIVATE) AND
MENTION & PRAY FOR ALL INTENTIONS**

MASS INTENTIONS May 11—17, 2020

PASTORAL CENTRE OFFICE: is CLOSED until further notice due to the rules of the Ontario government. They will respond to telephone calls and e-mails to the best of their ability.

Unfortunately due to the continuation of the ban on gatherings by the province of Ontario, we will have to extend our church closures until May 31. So all churches and public church services are cancelled until further notice.

Monday, May 11

All Parishioners
Santo Bitonte
Giuseppe & Maria Casali

9:00am English

Pastor
M. Bitonte
M. Bradizza

Tuesday, May 12

Maria Rosa Consolata Tino
Filippo & Johnny Arella & Carmela & Giovanni Guericco

7:00pm Italian

J. Tino & Family
E. Arella

Wednesday, May 13

Giuseppe Marino
Amedeo Frattarola
Sandro, Vincenzo & Teresa Fragale & Vincenza & Joe Talarico

7:00pm English

Figli
G. & B. Frattaroli & Fam.
L & M Fragale & Fam.

Thursday, May 14

Raffaella Marino

7:00pm Italian

Figli

Friday, May 15

All Souls

7:00pm English

Parishioner

Saturday, May 16

Antonietta Coccimiglio
Mario Felice & Filippo & Antonietta Ceci
Filp Ivanetic
Fr. Lino Santi
Albert Cava
Special Intentions of Mike Chochla Sr.
Deceased of Lopez Family
Francesca Stefanile
Aldo Fata

5:00pm

R. Mauro
Family
Giovanna & Family
Family
Family
M. & D. Morellato
Lina
G. Chiarelli
G. & M. Gutmann

Sunday, May 17

Lucia Bucciarelli
Giuseppe Magisano
Rita & Quinto Bordignon
E. Sacchetti
Franco Paladino
Angelina Rosso

9:00am

W. DeAmicis
G. Paladino & Fam.
Family
A & V Rizzo & Fam.
moglie & figli
daughter

11:00am

In honour of St. Rita
Paolo Galle & All Deceased
Mario DaRosa
Jose Cabral
Frank Joseph Cappello
Beatrice Bosch
Pina Valente
Valeriano Valente

R.G.
R.G.
E. & M. Novo
M. Cabral
A. & D. Castellani
M. & V. Cacciatore
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† Let us pray for **Giovanna (Joanne) Chiarelli** who recently passed away.

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