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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

# The church is currently closed Fr. Will be saying Mass for your intentions as requested.

**Wednesday May 12**— Memorial Mass for Covid deceased.

Friday May 14 – Mary Marino Saturday May 15 — Roger Settimi, Mary Morino

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR May 10-15** 

MON - Rev. Allison Mahoney

TUE - Rev. Francis Noronha

WED – Congregation of the Resurrection

THU – Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot

FRI - Rev. Edwin Lapinski

SAT – Very Rev. Tim Uniac

#### THANK YOU! FOR YOUR ON GOING GENEROSITY

If you leave a message on the parish phone, someone will get back to you as the secretary will be in the office a few days a week and Fr. Charlie will be checking messages.

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Spread the word that we have social media to your family and friends, so they are also up-to-date. See you online!

## Congratulations to Fr. Charlie

He is celebrating this weekend May 9<sup>th</sup> 40 Years of his vocation.

Thank you Fr. Charlie for your dedication and love for our parish.



May you blessed with many more years of health. Keep smiling and

Keep walking.



A mother's love is a wonderful love packaged from heaven with special care.

A mother's love is like no other love that you can

compare.

A mother's love is purified by angels and flows directly from her soul.

A mother's love is justified by God, and by his hands he created the mold.

This mold that was shaped and fashioned by God has endured the test of time.

This mold that was taped and recorded by women rang out like a heavenly chime.

A mother's love is unconditional, and from her heart this can be told.

A mother's love is nutritional; it is the fruit that feeds our soul.

A mother's love 'IS' true love, and from her heart she cannot lie.

A mother's love is eternal, the kind that won't ever die.

A mother's love is the tie that binds, and her bond can never be broken.

A mother's love is branded in our hearts, even when her words aren't spoken.

Leotha Brown II

Mother is the name for God in the lips and hearts of little children (Wm Makepeace Thackeray)

DIET -- A country boy had gone into the city with his father for the first time. While in a department store the boy saw an elevator. He didn't know what it was but he saw an enormous woman walk up to the wall, push a button, the wall opened up, the woman went in and the wall closed up.

Pretty soon the wall opened up and a slim, trim, young secretary walked out. Puzzled, the boy looked up at his father and said, "Pa, we oughta send Ma thru that machine."

Too bad it wasn't that easy LOL



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Wednesday May 19 – Julieta Leano Friday May 21 — Frank McCarvell Saturday May 22 – Irene Bullock-Curto, Barbara Underhill

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR - May**

MON - Rev. Rafal Tomon

TUE - Rev. David Mowat

WED – Seminarians

THU - Rev. Florian Stasinski

FRI - Rev. Harry Reitzel

SA - Rev. Patrick McKelvie

PARENTING TIP: COVID-19 continues to dominate and control much of our lives. All of this affects children, but since they take their cues from adults in their lives, we can help them to feel resilient. Remind them of how happy you are, despite all that is happening that you are together as a family. Remind them of the beauty of nature that is all around for them to see and enjoy, that technology lets them connect with other family and friends and that through all of this we can continue to pray and ask for God's blessings. When they hear anger and frustration, they feel worry and concern; when they hear optimism and calm, they too feel those emotions as well. Let us remind our children how much we love them; help keep them strong during the pandemic. From: Family Ministry Office.

MARRIAGE TIP: Listening may be the most important aspect of any relationship, but it is also the hardest part for us to get right! Listening requires our full attention, not just to the words spoken, but also to the emotions attached. Doing so allows us to understand how our spouse is feeling and, if we listen attentively, to repeat back what we are hearing. When we do this without first making a defensive reply, issues get resolved and our spouse feels supported. Then we can reverse roles, expressing our thoughts and feelings on the issue, as our spouse becomes the listener. Happy couples work on these skills until they become second nature, thus keeping their relationship bond strong. From: Family Ministry Office.

## The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11

As they were looking on, he was lifted up (Acts1:9)

There is so much mystery surrounding Jesus' ascension into heaven. For example, why did the risen Christ leave the earth after only forty days (Acts1:3)? How was he lifted up physically into the sky (1:9)? Did it happen instantaneously or over a period of time? We may never know the answers to these questions this side of heaven. But we can understand something of God's great love for us as we meditate on this feast.

First, the ascension tells us that when Jesus took on our human nature in the Incarnation, he didn't do it temporarily. The Word became flesh, not just for the thirty-three years Jesus walked the earth, but forever. The Incarnation of Christ was an act of great humility-God stooping down to become a creature. But it was more than God stooping down. He was also lifting us up because Jesus, as much man as he is God, has taken his seat at the right hand of God (Mark 16:19). Now our own human nature is caught up in the life of the Trinity. That's how much God loves us!

Second, because we are praying to a God who is still both human and divine, our relationship with Jesus is very personal. As we pray, we can picture a real human being standing before us, looking into our eyes and comforting us with a warm embrace. Not only that, but we know that in heaven, Jesus in his human body is physically interceding for us (Hebrews 7:25). How reassuring it is to know that he understands our human condition! He has experienced it himself and so sympathizes with our weaknesses (4:15).

Today, spend some time reflecting on the great wonder of a God who loves us so much that he would become one of us-not just for a shore time, but forever!

"Father, I thank you with all my heart for Jesus, the Word made flesh."

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