

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 1, 2022

# *Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*

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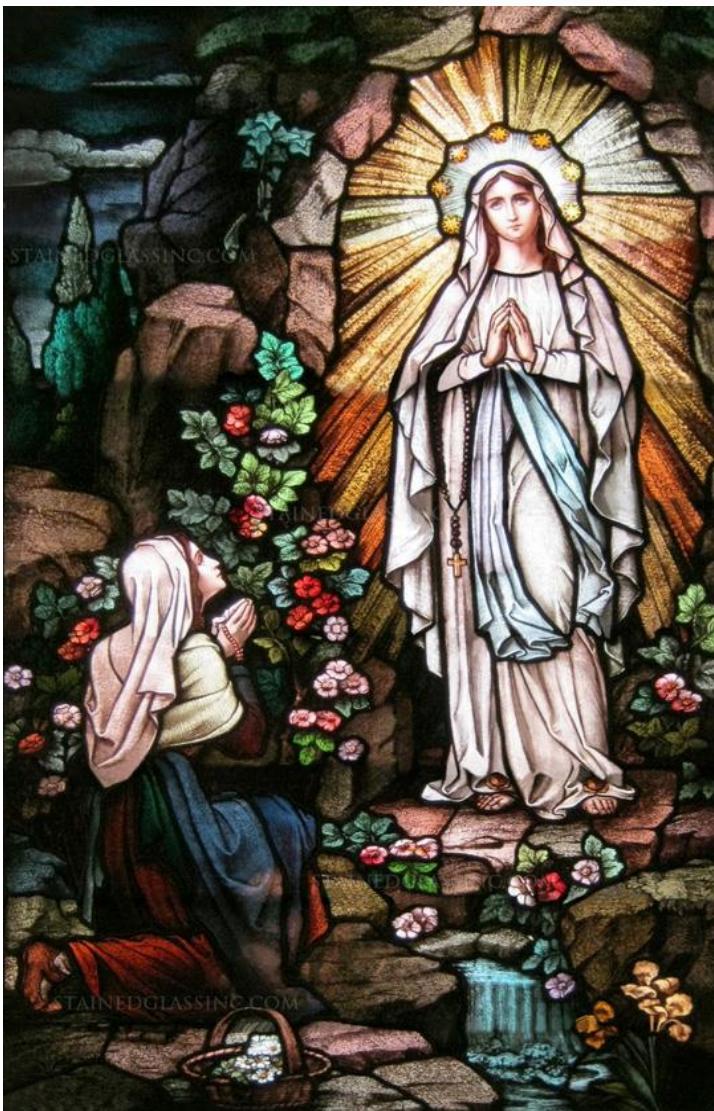
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WELCOME!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register.

We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.



## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

### TUESDAY - FRIDAY

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

### SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

12:30 pm (Vietnamese for Youth)

## ANointing of the Sick Mass

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30 pm Adoration  
6:00 pm Mass

## Confessions

Saturday 4:30 pm - 4:50 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am - 8:20 am  
Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed

Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment

Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm

Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm

Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (APRIL 23-24)

Donation	\$3,941.00
Donation Online	\$4,415.00
Maintenance Fund	\$35.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Total Donation	\$8,391.00



### Annual Catholic Appeal

TOGETHER WE CAN be Christ to Others

Begins this weekend  
Please give generously!

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### EPISCOPAL ORDINATION of Bishop-elect Frank Schuster

May 3 | 2pm  
St. James Cathedral

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# DISCIPLES

And none of the  
disciples dared to ask him,  
“Who are you?” because they  
realized it was the Lord.

JOHN 21:12

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## The Church Will Endure Forever

Homily by Father Joseph Vu

At the time when St John wrote his gospel, the first persecutions had already broken out.

- The Roman Emperors had already begun their policy of executing Christians for treason, because Christians refused to worship the Roman gods.
- One of John's themes, therefore, in all of his New Testament writings, is the power of the Church to grow and to endure even through difficult times, even through violent persecutions.

This comes out in the Gospel passage we just heard, in the image of a fishing net full of fish - an analogy for the Church that appears more than once in the Gospels.

- The Apostles are feeling stir-crazy in these days after the Resurrection, before receiving the Holy Spirit.
- They decide to go fishing.
- Then the Lord appears to them and engineers a miraculous catch of fish, just as he had done three years earlier.
- When Peter brings the catch to shore, St John makes a point of mentioning a curious detail: the net was "full of one hundred and fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn."
- Peter brought the overstuffed net onto the shore safely, almost miraculously - so many large fish should have torn that net, but they didn't.

The net is the Church.

- It is filled with believers whom Christ gathers out of the ocean of time and history through the ministry of Peter and his successors, the popes.
- And Peter is the one who hauls this supernatural community onto the shores of eternity at the end of time, where they will all feast with the Lord.

In spite of sufferings, scandals and sins, in spite of obstacles, challenges and persecutions, Christ's Church will continue to grow and expand under the ministry of Peter, and it will stay intact until it is brought safely home to heaven - Peter's net will not tear.

### Following Christ by Following Peter

How can we be sure to stay inside this Kingdom, this Church that will endure forever?

How can we be sure not to go astray? Did Jesus give us any sure guide?

Yes, he did. The sure guide is Peter, Peter and his successors, the Popes.

- Jesus established his Church, promised to be with that Church until the end of time, and commanded Peter to lead that Church, to "feed his sheep", to "feed his lambs".
- If we didn't need a shepherd, Jesus would not have given us one.
- We need one because in this fallen world there are many dead-end paths, seductive voices, temptations, false shepherds.
- Only Peter and his successors, the popes, have received the divine guarantee to point out the path of Christ in the midst of confusion and unrest.

It is not always easy to follow the Pope's teachings.

- When we follow Peter, that sometimes means following him to the cross, because Peter followed Christ so closely that he too ended up being humiliated and crucified, in Rome, under the Roman Emperor, Nero.
- And yet, that is the sure path to life; it was Peter's net that was not torn; it was Peter who hauled that net safely onto the shore.

Today, as Christ comes again to feed our souls through the ministry of this Church which has grown and endured through the centuries under the guidance of Peter, let's thank the Lord for taking such good care of us. And let's promise him that we will do our part too, listening to the teaching of his Vicar, striving to understand it, and obeying it out love for the Lord.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
- Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
- Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
- Friday:** Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69
- Next Sunday:** Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

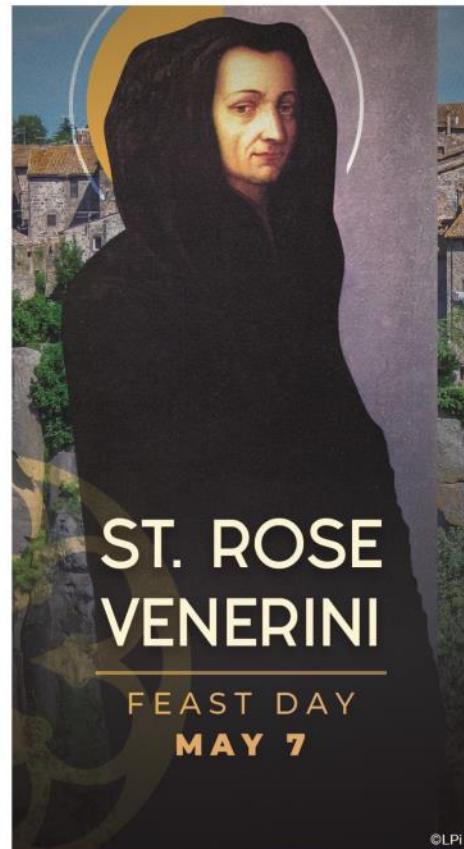
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1, 2022

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker
- Monday:** St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
- Thursday:** National Day of Prayer; Cinco de Mayo
- Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

What prevents us from seeing the Lord? We are not used to seeing Jesus in the ordinary, everyday events of our lives. We expect some kind of startling, extraordinary revelation to occur that definitely and unmistakably sends a signal that God wants our attention. We don't expect a visit from Jesus while we are having breakfast, doing the dishes, running after the kids, negotiating a deal at work, or taking a shower! Sometimes when God simply stands on the shore of our lives casually looking for us, we don't recognize him. Did we ever stop and think that God is really and truly interested in the routine, run of the mill events of our lives? So, "what did you do today?" God may ask. Maybe we don't think that God is concerned about such things, or we are so consumed with life's demands that we give it little if any thought. Perhaps we are determined to achieve our own success, desire to control things ourselves or not really sure what God cares about. God is there. One day, out of the blue, God will get our attention and ask, "Do you love me?"



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### SAINT OF THE WEEK

The story of St. Rose of Venerini (February 9, 1656 – May 7, 1728) is one of having faith in God and his calling in your life. Born in Italy in 1656, she was the daughter of a doctor. Following the death of her fiancé, she entered a convent in the hopes of becoming a nun, but soon returned home to care for her mother after the death of her father. In an effort to keep up her spiritual side, St. Rose invited women of the neighborhood to recite the rosary in her home, and together they formed a sodality.

Unsure of where her life was headed, she sought the spiritual guidance of a Jesuit priest. After much contemplation, she admitted to feeling called to be a teacher in the world, rather than a nun in a convent. Eventually, she moved ahead and opened a free school for girls in 1685. Eventually, she was invited to oversee the training of teachers and the administration of schools in the Diocese of Montefiascone, which then led to being called upon to organize schools in many parts of Italy, including Rome.

St. Rose died in Rome in 1728 amid a number of miracles that many credit to her. The group of women she first prayed with in her home eventually became known as the Venerini Sisters, found in the United States and working among Italian immigrants. St. Rose was beatified in 1952 and canonized in 2006.