

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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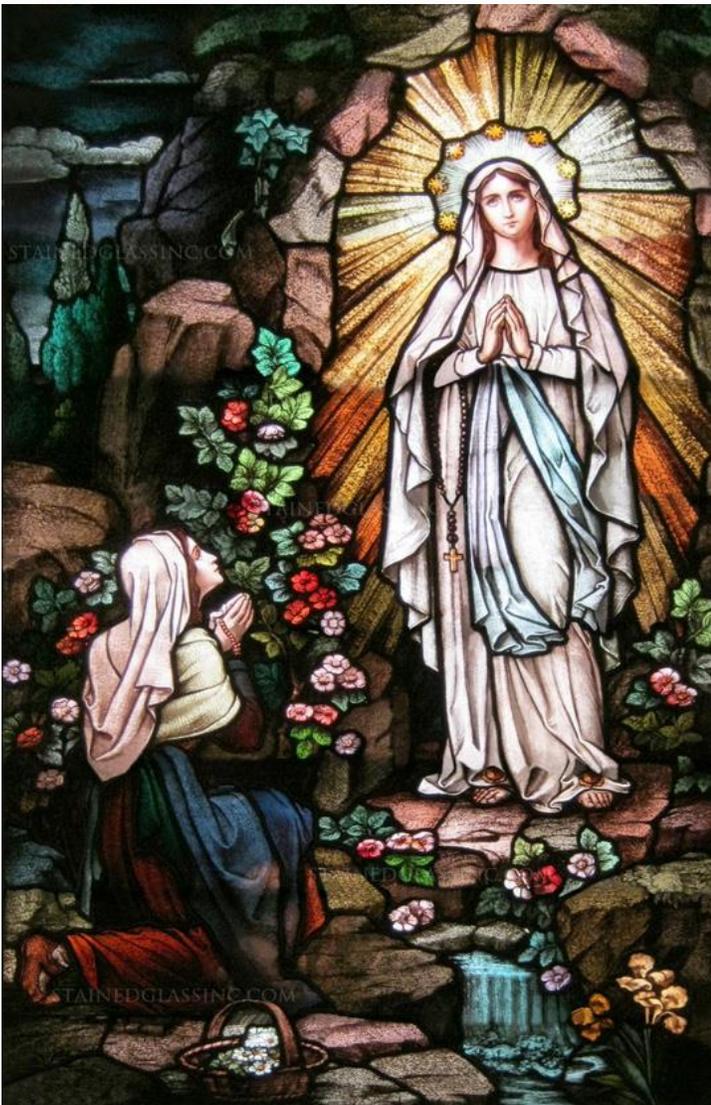
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WELCOME!

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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Monday: Closed
Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment
Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (MAY 14 – MAY 15)

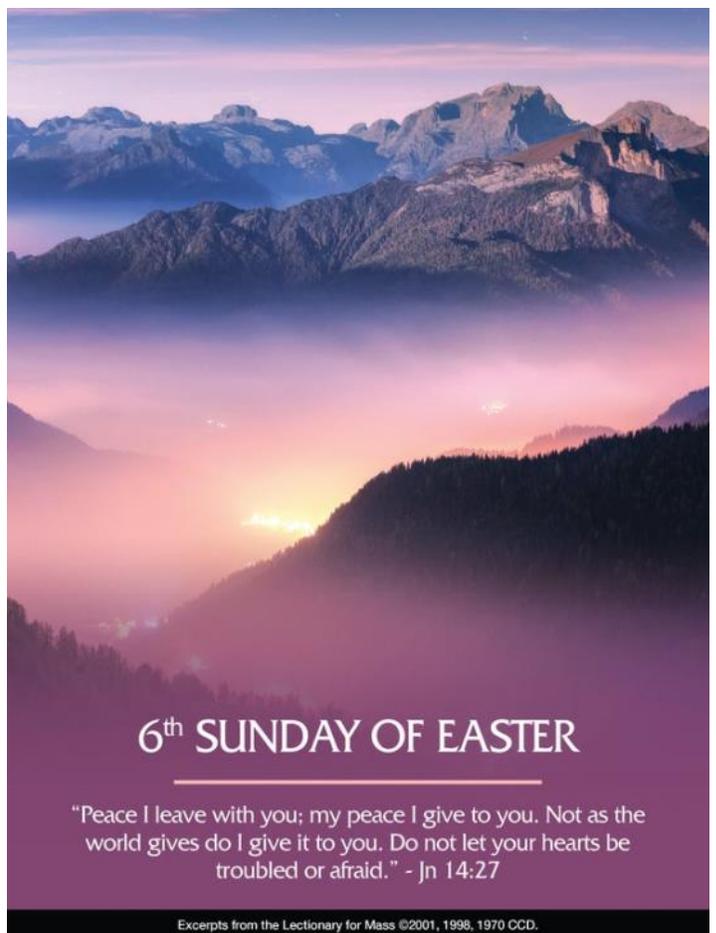
Donation	\$3,784.00
Donation Online	\$1,965.00
Maintenance Fund	\$20.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Total Donation	\$5,769.00



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Christ's Peace Is Lasting

Homily by Fr. Joseph Vu

Today we are brought back to the night of the Last Supper.

- We take our places with the Twelve Apostles, gathered around the sacred table with Christ, Our Lord.
- We listen to his words, which are both mysterious and glorious.
- It is Christ's last meal with his closest followers. He wants to leave them a parting gift.
- What is it? What does Christ want to bequeath to his Apostles at the Last Supper?
- Peace. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

And what does he mean by peace? Not what we usually think: "Not as the world gives do I give it to you." Christ's peace is lasting. It is interior peace of heart, which overflows into peace in families, in communities, in entire nations.

- It is the peace that comes from knowing without any doubt whatsoever that we are loved by him.
- It is the peace that comes from knowing without any doubt whatsoever that whenever we offend him, he will always be ready to forgive us.
- It is the peace that comes from knowing without any doubt whatsoever that we have a purpose in life, a mission - the very mission that Christ himself has given us: to spread his Kingdom. As today's Psalm puts it, to "make his way known upon earth; among all nations, his salvation."

Only because Christ has given us this peace, by giving us faith in his love, mercy, and mission, he can command us: "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

- If our peace were based on anything else: popularity, wealth, comfort, or power, it would be unstable, because all those things are vulnerable to change.
- But Christ's peace isn't vulnerable, because it's based on his love, mercy, and mission, and those are everlasting.

Sharing Christ's Peace

It is good to be reminded of this.

- We need to be reminded that Christ's love, mercy, and mission can give us the interior peace we long for, that as our friendship with Christ grows, so will our experience of that peace.
- That's why this theme keeps coming up during the Easter season.

Even so, most of us probably don't experience this peace as much as we would like to. And yet, we do experience it.

- When life's storms come, we know where to go.
- We know that Christ is here for us.
- We can turn to him in prayer.
- We can experience him in the Eucharist and in confession.
- We can run to his Mother, Mary, the Queen of Peace.

But so many people around us never experience this peace.

- They don't know where to go.
- They don't know that Christ's friendship is the root of peace.
- They have not tasted his love or mercy.
- They don't know that God created them for a mission.

If we who believe in Christ and have his friendship still find life so difficult, still struggle to experience the interior peace we are called to, imagine how much more difficult and turbulent it is those who do not know Christ. The good news is that we can help them.

- We can introduce them to Christ.
- Our prayers, words, example, and actions can bring them the message that Christ has brought to us.

Today, when Jesus comes to renew his commitment to us, let's renew our commitment to being messengers of his peace. After all, he's the one who told us: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." (Mt 5:9)

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29
- Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
- Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
- Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/ Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
- Next Sunday:** *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/ Jn 17:20-26

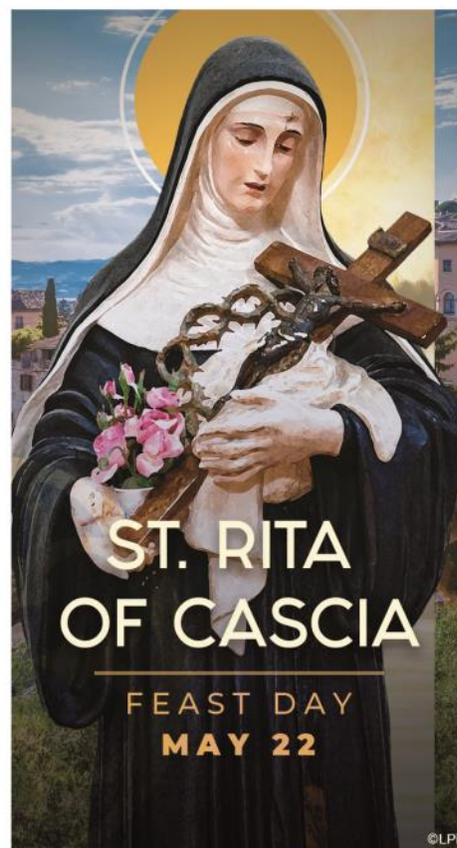
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
- Wednesday:** St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Philip Neri, Priest
- Friday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** 7th Sunday of Easter; The Ascension of the Lord; St. Paul VI, Pope; World Communications Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Rita of Cascia (1381 – 1457) had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community. Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.

Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.