Sixth Sunday of Easter

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our dwelling with them.

John 14:23

May 26, 2019
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NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!
Call or come to the Parish Center to register.

BAPTISMS: Dates for Baptism will be arranged after
attending the Pre-Baptismal Catechesis. Please call
Annette in the Parish Office for information.

MARRIAGES: Call Annette in the Parish Office to
arrange preparation 6 months in advance.

SICK CALLS: Call Annette in the Parish Office and
Ministers of Care will visit the sick or shut-in.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:20-4:40PM in the
Reconciliation Room.

FOOD PANTRY: Our pantry is open Wednesdays
from 9AM-12PM. Call 630.393.2400 x 112.

FUNERALS: The Pastoral Staff works with families
to plan the Funeral Mass.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES: Call Dwight
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at 630.853.2070 at joe.urso@outlook.com.

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Reflecting on God’s Word

Forming a community is never easy. This is true
whether the community is made up of family mem-
ers, citizens, or believers. Diversity can both enrich
and divide. Jewish Christians were soon joined by
Gentile believers. The church in Jerusalem was joined
by the church in Antioch. While the Gentile Christians
questioned whether they had to accept all the Jewish
traditions and customs, Jewish Christians feared they
would lose what had given them their identity.

Today’s reading from Acts witnesses to the role of
the Holy Spirit in helping to navigate a way through
these sensitive issues. The leaders of the church in
Jerusalem send a letter to the church in Antioch, pro-
claiming that the decision they reached came not just
from human wisdom, but from working with the Holy
Spirit.

Such testimony to the role of the Holy Spirit is also
found in the Gospel of John. At the Last Supper,
Jesus tells His disciples that the Holy Spirit will come
from the Father and “teach you everything and re-
mind you of all that I told you” (John 14:26). Because
of this promise, we can have confidence that God will
not abandon us. Indeed, the Trinity comes to dwell
with those faithful to Jesus’ word.

When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we call
on the Holy Spirit both to open our minds to Jesus’
word and to transform bread and wine so that we be-
come more fully the body of Christ and the living tem-
ple of the Holy Spirit in the world.

—James A. Wallace, c.ss.R.

LIVING GOD’S WORD: We pray that God will
continue to send the Holy Spirit so that we might
retain what is life-giving from the past and be open
to any new initiatives that our loving God may of-
fer in days ahead. We pray that our community
may see in diversity a gift that can enrich.

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Remember our Faithful Departed
in your Prayers

♦ Joe Gattone
♦ Wayne Harrison
♦ John T. Bivens, Jr.
   Son of John & Sharon Bivens

Mass Schedule

- Daily: M-F 7AM
- Saturday: 5PM
- Sunday: 8AM & 10AM
Why is it still Easter? The lilies have long since faded. The roots of our tradition of fifty days of rejoicing from Easter to Pentecost lie in the seven-day rhythm of the Jewish week, drawn from the six days of creation plus a Sabbath day. A favorite name for the Lord’s Day among our ancestors in the faith was “The Eighth Day,” meaning that in Christ a breakthrough to a new humanity was achieved. With that inner architecture, it makes sense to see Pentecost as a week of weeks, forty-nine days plus one, again signaling that a new age has begun in Christ and the outpouring of his Spirit. The Jewish appreciation for Pentecost gave rise to the Jubilee year, the fiftieth year, when debts were released and prisoners set free. Today, the character of our Easter Sundays is conveyed by joyful Alleluias and the rite of sprinkling at Mass. Long ago, people expressed this joy by suspending all rules of fasting and by never kneeling at liturgy.

These customs all point to our conviction that time is holy. There is an elegant balance to the Christian year: forty days of Lenten fast and discipline give way to fifty days of unrestrained rejoicing. That’s why it is still Easter!

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What is the R.C.I.A.?
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—it is the way the Catholic Church welcomes new members.

Who is it for?
Primarily this Rite is for unbaptized adults and children of school age; however, it has been adapted for those adults and children baptized in other Christian denominations who seek membership in the Catholic Church.

What about baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist? Adults seeking these Sacraments will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Christian Initiation is the responsibility of the entire faith community. If you are interested in becoming active in this dynamic ministry, phone Annette at 630.393.2400 x 122 for information.

Inquiry sessions: These sessions are ongoing.

We want to give our children what we didn’t have; but let’s make sure we give them what we did have: our faith. —Anonymous

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Whole Parish Catechesis
Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

Reading I: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
◆ The Spirit does not burden you.

Background: In the reading from Acts, Paul describes a solution to the controversy regarding requirements of the Jewish law. Christianity must keep the prescriptions of the Jewish law. The early Church worked to solve these controversies through the wisdom of God in the Spirit.

Reading II: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
◆ The glory of God is with you.

Background: The reading from Revelation continues to describe a vision of the New Jerusalem. The City was surrounded by the number twelve, the number for the fullness of Israel (twelve tribes) and the number for the fullness of the Church (twelve apostles). The sign of God’s presence in the Temple was no longer necessary because now God dwells in the midst of the community.

Gospel: John 14:23-29
◆ The Spirit will instruct you in everything.

Background: The Gospel passage is Jesus’ promise of the presence of the Holy Spirit with the disciples. Jesus will dwell forever with those who love Him and are true to Him. This presence of God in the believer and in the community of believers bears much fruit.

Theme: The Holy Spirit instructs us in everything we do.

Question for Adults:
How do you experience the peace which Christ offers us?

Question for Youth:
Jesus told us to trust in the Holy Spirit to help guide our lives. How can you be open to what the Holy Spirit might say to you?

Question for Children:
How do you experience the peace which Christ offers us?
Happenings Around Town & the Diocese

Catholic Charismatic Healing Mass - This Mass will take place at St. Margaret Mary Church in Naperville on Friday, May 31st. Father Paul Hottinger will preside. Sacrament of Reconciliation will begin at 6:30PM followed by Mass at 7:30PM. For more information, please call Joey Rose at 630.926.6576.

Join Catholic Charities’ Board of Young Professionals - The Board of Young Professionals at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is expanding and seeking new members! Membership is open to young professionals, ages 21-40, who are committed to helping the poor and vulnerable in their communities. This is a great opportunity to network with other professionals and gain board experience. Meetings are held throughout the diocese to accommodate professionals from all areas. Members gather for bi-annual meetings which include socialization, networking, and dinner in addition to the meeting. A variety of optional social events and service projects are held frequently so members can choose activities that meet their interests and fit into their busy schedules. Interested? Join us for a fun meet-and-greet on June 4th in Naperville. For information, please contact Edith Avil Olea at eavilaolea@cc-doj.org. We can’t wait to meet you!

Walk for Caring Network - This event is critical to Caring Network’s ability to meet the needs of vulnerable women in our greater DuPage community. We need to raise $55,000 through Walk 2019, so that Caring Network can serve an increasing number of women through our 5 centers (soon to be 6 centers!). For more information, go to www.caringnetwork.com/walk.

♦ What: A 3k (or online) walk/run to support the work of Caring Network.
♦ When: June 15th 2019, 9-11AM. The Virtual Walk begins now and runs until the end of June.
♦ Where: Wheaton, Wood Dale, and Online.

Joyful Again Widowed Ministry - The Joyful Again! program brings understanding and hope to help you on your new life’s journey. “I felt welcome.” “Found hope.” “Am more at peace.” Please join us at one of the following events which are designed to help the widowed sort out challenges and learn to find joy in living again, while treasuring memories of their spouse.

♦ June 22 & 23, 2019 at St. Julie’s in Tinley Park
♦ July 20 & 21, 2019 at Holy Family in Inverness
♦ September 7 & 8, 2019 at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish in Elmhurst

For more information or to register contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry at 708.354.7211. Email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com Website: www.joyfulagain.org

Annual Diocesan Ros-a-Ree Scout Retreat - Attention ALL Scouts – Male and Female. The Annual Diocesan Ros-a-Ree Scout Retreat & Camp Out for ALL youth members (male or female) of the American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts of America, Camp Fire & Girl Scouts of the USA is happening soon. This year's event will have a Star Wars theme and will be called: Faith Wars. It will focus on Combating Seduction of the Dark Side. It runs Aug 9-11 and is open to Scouts entering the 6th grade or higher in the Fall. This retreat satisfies the retreat requirement needed for many of the Religious Recognitions. The Early Bird pricing for the Annual Diocesan Ros-a-Ree Scout Retreat / Campout will end July 15th. Sign up soon as space is limited and costs will go up. Registration beforehand is required. For more information and registration forms, visit: dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting and click on ‘A-Z Directory’ from the main page and from there scroll down the left side menu and click on ‘Ros-a-Ree Retreat / Camp Out.’

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - WWME begins with a private weekend experience with presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and continues with ongoing enrichments in the community after the weekend. WWME supports living in love! Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is August 9-11 in Elk Grove Village. For reservations, or more information, please call 630.577.0778 or go to wwme-chicagoland.org.
This Week’s Meetings

**Sunday, May 26**
11a-12p - Baptism Prep 2nd Session (S)

**Monday, May 27**

**Tuesday, May 28**

**Wednesday, May 29**
7-8:30p - Adult Choir (C)

**Thursday, May 30**
7-8p - Prayer Shawl Ministry (Parish Center)
7-9p - 8th Grade Graduation (C, ACL)

**Friday, May 31**

**Saturday, June 1**
6-8p - Hospitality (ACL)

**Sunday, June 2**
11a-6p - KC Major Degree (AC, HF, SF)

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**Cursillo Corner**

*Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ!*

**Ultreya– June 8**

St. John the Baptist will host an Ultreya in Sebahar Hall on **Saturday, June 8, following 8:30AM Mass** in the chapel. The witness speaker will be Shannon Ryson from St. Irene!

**Please bring a friend!** This is a great way to introduce others to the movement and help in their discernment process for attending a future weekend.

**Cursillo Fall Weekend Schedule**

Weekends are held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, Illinois

♦ Men’s 138th: **Oct 24-27, 2019**
♦ Women’s 130th: **November 7-10, 2019**

**Why Cursillo?** Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ, is one of the foundations of Cursillo. Have you invited a friend to attend a Cursillo weekend? Men and women’s weekends will be held in the fall at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien. The Cursillo movement promotes not only personal spiritual growth, but recognizes that we are called by our baptism to be active apostolic members of the Body of Christ. The goal of the movement is not about “preaching the good news” but to become the good news and in a natural way; our actions will become evangelical in our daily lives.

For those interested in learning more about the Cursillo movement or attending a Cursillo Weekend, please visit [www.jolietcursillo.org](http://www.jolietcursillo.org) or contact Amy Serritella at: amythe1@att.net.

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A contented person is one who enjoys the scenery along the detour. —Anonymous

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With respect to Americanism and Patriotism as citizens of the United States of America, please put your “torn” or “tattered” American Flag and/or Military Flags (Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines or Coast Guard) into this box in the narthex for proper “flag” disposal on June 14th (Flag Day) of each year.

This box was designed and assembled by “Special Needs Persons,” a non-for-profit organization; “DoodleBug Workshop – Home/Facebook.”

Thank You, Joe Urso - Member of Warrenville VFW 8081 and American Legion 589

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Chief Petty Officer Michael Spans
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AB Patrick Reid - Lackland AFB, TX
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Cmdr. Eric G. Peterson - Serving in San Diego
Sgt. Peter Foz - Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Major Patrick Looby - Kunsan AB, S.K.
Sgt. Thomas Rasplicka - Fort Bliss, Texas
The Prayer Shawl Ministry

This ministry makes and distributes shawls for people in need of comfort. Many blessings are prayed into each shawl before it is given. Those who have received these shawls have been uplifted, affirmed, and their days made brighter by knowing they are being remembered and prayed for. For more information about receiving a shawl, or to help knit/crochet shawls, please contact Paula Peterson at 630.393.3989 or ppeterson1085@gmail.com. Join us at our next meeting on Thursday, May 30th at 7PM in the Parish Center.

Eucharistic Adoration

- Join us on Thursdays from 7:30AM-8PM. Please sign up for a 1/2 hour or a 1 hour segment by calling Cathy Kott at 630.393.9543.

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Liturgical Calendar

- **Monday, May 27**
  - St. Augustine of Canterbury
  - 9:00AM - Phil Kemp/ 1st Anniversary
  - Ltc. Carl Lutrick/ Bob & Pat Brown

- **Tuesday, May 28**
  - Easter Weekday
  - 7:00AM - Adolph Dlugokierski/ Fr. Jim

- **Wednesday, May 29**
  - Easter Weekday
  - 7:00AM - For Those Who Attend 7AM Mass

- **Thursday, May 30**
  - Easter Weekday
  - 7:00AM - Deacon Daniel Mahoney/ St. Irene
  - Fr. Tom White/ Family & Friends
  - 7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration

- **Friday, May 31**
  - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
  - 7:00AM - St. Irene Faith Community
  - 8:15AM - Anthony & Dante Battaglia/ Family

- **Saturday, June 1**
  - Vigil: The Ascension of the Lord
  - 5:00PM - Senior Graduation Blessing
  - Sophie Antiporek/ Fr. Jim
  - 8:00AM - Senior Graduation Blessing
  - Sophie Antiporek/ Fr. Jim
  - John Jackowiak/ Pat

- **Sunday, June 2**
  - The Ascension of the Lord
  - 8:00AM - 50th Wedding Anniversary
  - John & Sue Bisinger
  - 10:00AM - Senior Graduation Blessing
  - Sophie Antiporek/ Fr. Jim
  - John Jackowiak/ Pat
  - 11:30AM - Baptism Ceremony
  - Rob Miller
  - Elizabeth Mangini
  - Marge Steinhoff
  - Sandy Decker
  - Sandi Meaenner
  - Rachel Jaraisus
  - Joan Kempiaik
  - Paulette Porter
  - Pat Wehner
  - Gary Rufo
  - Ann Mulcahy

- Dan Cyrus
- Lynette Meany
- Don Cleveger, Jr.
- Javier Tecuatl
- Paula Lopat
- Mary Vander Meulen
- Valder Morales
- Max Malesh
- Colette Malovany