

**Ste. Genevieve Catholic Church**  
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Saint Genevieve - Pray for us!

May 10, 2020

**Stewardship Awareness ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**    *"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."*    (1 Peter 2:7)

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember – no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

**Mass Intentions**

*Fr. Nemeth will be saying Private Masses daily.*

**Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

Estella Grass

**Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

Leonard Kraenzle (Anniv.)

**Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

Anna Lou Bahr

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Tom Grither

**Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Joseph & Marie Bader

**Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>**

Russell & Loretta Brace

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

-Ernie Weiler

-Thomas Ramer, Sr.

**WORDS TO LIVE BY...**

*Scripture Readings for the Week*

**Monday**

**ST. MAMMERTUS** Acts of the Apostles

14:5-18 and John 14:21-26

**Tuesday**

**ST. PANCRAS** Acts of the Apostles

14:19-28 and John 14:27-31

**Wednesday**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA** Acts of the

Apostles 15:1-6 and John 15:1-8

**Thursday**

**ST. MATTHIAS** Acts of the Apostles

1:15-17, 20-26 and John 15:9-17

**Friday**

**ST. ISIDORE** Acts of the Apostles

15:22-31 and John 15:12-17

**Saturday**

**ST. SIMON STOCK** Acts of the Apostles

16:1-10 and John 15:18-21

**Sunday**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** Acts of

the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17 and 1 Peter 3:15-18

and John 14:15-21

**Together we pray for those who are sick:** Aly Bauman, Jaida Fallert, Bob Mueller, Anna Van Houten, Virginia Marcheck, Pat Marzucio, Shirley Kern, Marilyn Burgert, Miles Woodward, Sarah Rash, Julia Ann Jennings, Dick Basler, Michael Bader, Mary Martin, Lewis Pruneau, Erna Kist, Shirley Valle, Vernon E. Roth, Jerry Woods, Wallace "Gump" Roth, Elizabeth "Ellie" Castorena, Amanda Nesslein, Rosalie Brumfield, Jean Fisher, Margie Klein, John Como, Sawyer Gullett, Bill Naeger, Anna Mae Grieshaber, Rick Johnson, Barb Schweiss, Mary Meyer.

### Perpetual Adoration Chapel

The following hours are still open:

Monday 8 a.m.

Tuesday 1 a.m.

Thursday 2 a.m.

Friday 12 a.m., 3 a.m., 1 p.m., 11 p.m.

Saturday 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m.

Sunday 12 a.m., 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 11 p.m.

If you are interested in being a volunteer for one of the above hours or would like to be a sub, please call the Parish Center @ 883-2731.

“With what humility should we assist at Mass, if we realized that our Guardian Angel was kneeling beside us, prostrate before the majesty of God!” (St. John Mary Vianney)

### For Your Information

- The Parish Center Office is closed. If you need to speak to someone in the office, please leave a message. The office staff will be checking voicemails regularly.
- Church will remain open each day for private prayer and devotion in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Hours open: 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.
- Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet will continue on Fridays at 3 pm.
- Confessions: Monday – Thursday 4 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.  
Friday 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Daily Mass at 8 a.m. will be live stream on Parish FB Page.
- Saturday Mass at 9 a.m. will be live stream on Parish FB Page.
- Sunday Mass will be live on the radio at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday on AM 980.
- Sunday Mass at 10 a.m. will be live stream on Parish FB Page and posted on YouTube.
- Ste. Gen. TV will show the Mass at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday. (Recorded 8:30 a.m. Mass).

**Church Offertory**

5/3/2020	Sunday Envelopes	\$ 8,265.04	Easter	\$212.00
	On-Line Giving	\$ 5,249.00	Online	\$ 20.00
	TOTAL	\$13,514.04	TOTAL	\$232.00

*We thank you for your generosity.*

**Adoration Chapel News** The Adorers would like to thank Lori and Norma for shampooing the Chapel carpet. It is very much appreciated!

**St. Vincent De Paul's Expenses for April** was \$3,241.22. Expenses include Utilities, Medical/Dental/Pharmacy, Rent/Motel, Store Supplies and Operational Expenses. Thank you to everyone who supports St. Vincent De Paul whether by time, talent or treasure to help the people of our community!

**Annual Catholic Appeal Weekend** will be delayed so pastors, parish staff and volunteers can focus on their Parish needs: The ACA Office is still accepting donations. They can be mailed to: 20 Archbishop May Dr., St. Louis, MO 63119 or give online: [aca.archstl.org](http://aca.archstl.org).

**Tan Books**, a Catholic Publisher based in North Carolina and someone Ste. Genevieve Parish does business with, has graciously offered books at a discount rate of 30% until May 31, 2020. Additionally, 30% of all sales from our Parish will be sent back to our Church as a donation. Simply go to their website: [www.tanbooks.com](http://www.tanbooks.com) and use Code: GENE63670 at checkout to receive the discount.

**Call to Prayer: Walking with Mom's in Need** On March 25, the U.S. Bishops launched a national year of service to pregnant & parenting moms. The "Calling to Prayer" is the first phase of the Walking with Mom's initiative of St. Louis. Answer the call to prayer by taking the online prayer pledge: [www.walkingwithmoms.com](http://www.walkingwithmoms.com).

**Box Tops for Education** Valle Grade School received a check for \$94.30 for Box Tops for Education. Thank you to everyone who continues to save Box Tops for Valle Schools.

**Dynamic Catholic, Alive! ~ The Way, the Truth, and the Life**

How do we know the way to God the Father? Only because Jesus has shown it to us by His life on earth, His Passion, death, and Resurrection. How do we know that Jesus is the Truth? Because all He said and prophesied came to pass. He is faithful to His promises. How is Jesus the Life? Building upon last week's Gospel, because we can truly live only by obeying His commandments and walking with Him in humility. In the world today, in which philosophies, ideologies, and political agendas do everything but lead us to the truth and show us how to live, Jesus gives us the simple solution. How do we know what to do and how to live our lives in a fallen world? Because Jesus has shown us and told us that the one who trusts in Him shall not be put to shame (Isaiah 28:16, Romans 10:11).

### A Mother's Love

There's no love like a mother's,  
Her heart is filled with care.  
With Christ as her example,  
Her Savior's love she'll share.

A mother's love is endless,  
Not changing for all time.  
When needed by her children,  
A mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers,  
God bless them every one.  
For all their tears and heartaches,  
And special work they've done.

When days on earth are over,  
A mother's love lives on,  
through many generations,  
God's blessing on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers,  
Who love with higher love,  
from power God has given,  
And strength from up above.

**Happy Mother's Day!**

**A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic** Most Merciful and Triune God, We come to You in our weakness. We come to You in our fear. We come to You with trust. For You alone are our hope. We place before you the disease present in our world. We turn to you in our time of need. Bring wisdom to doctors. Giving understanding to scientists. Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity. Bring healing to those who are ill. Protect those who are most at risk. Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one. Welcome those who have died into Your Eternal Home. Stabilize our communities. Unite us in our compassion. Remove all fears from our hearts. Fill us with confidence in Your care. (mention your particular concerns and prayers now) Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.

**Attention: All Parents & Active School Volunteers: Reminder: Please remember to update your Training!**

**The Archdiocese of St. Louis** has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. *Everyone ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are required and asked to register in the new system before December 31, 2020.* This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children Workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children Workshop, all clergy, volunteers and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to [www.preventandprotectstl.org](http://www.preventandprotectstl.org) to register and contact your Parish Child Safety Coordinator @ 883-2731 with any questions or for further assistance.

Help Wanted – St. Joseph Parish – Zell Office Position working 3 days a week beginning June 29. Computer skills are required. The computer program used by the Archdiocese is Servantkeeper 7. There are many duties to perform so the job is being advertised early to give enough time to get acquainted with the job. Please call (573) 883-3481 if interested.

**St. Agnes Elementary School is now Hiring Middle School Math & Language Arts Teachers**

For 2020-2021 School Year, St. Agnes Elementary School, in Bloomsdale, MO, is seeking two highly dynamic teachers who live their Catholic Faith. St. Agnes Elementary School is committed to helping students discover the joy of learning and the joy of the Gospel, while building the skills and virtues necessary for success in today's world. Candidates should have a passion for Catholic Education and be familiar with VBRD (Virtue-Based Restorative Discipline). One opening is for an Upper Grade Homeroom 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts Teacher. Teacher certification and a strong Language Arts background is required. The other opening is for an Upper Grade Homeroom 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics Teacher. Teacher certification and strong mathematics skills are required. Please send cover letter and resume to Fr. Michael Benz @ [frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com](mailto:frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com) or St. Agnes Parish, P.O. Box 124, Bloomsdale, MO 63627.

**St. Agnes Elementary School is now Hiring a Principal** For 2020-2021 School Year, St. Agnes Elementary School (K-8) in Bloomsdale, MO, is seeking a highly dynamic Principal who lives the Catholic Faith. St. Agnes Elementary School is committed to helping students discover the joy of learning and the joy of the Gospel, while building the skills and virtues necessary for success in today's world. A successful candidate will possess a passion for Catholic education, have great organizational, communication and leadership skills, and demonstrate knowledge of Virtue-Based Restorative Discipline (VBRD). Please send cover letter and curriculum vitae to Fr. Michael Benz @ [frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com](mailto:frmichaelbenz@yahoo.com) or St. Agnes Parish, P.O. Box 124, Bloomsdale, MO 63627.

**Forming Men for Christ** All men are invited to join Fr. James Mason, President-Rector at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, for a livestreamed talk about the *Theological Virtue of Hope* on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 7 a.m. until 7:45 a.m. You can access Fr. Mason's talk on either Youtube Livestream or Facebook Live at: <https://kenrick.edu/seminary-livestream/>.

**Fiat Women's Group** All women are invited to view our next livestreamed talk, presented at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary on Thursday, May 21. The speaker will be Msgr. James Ramacciotti, Cardinal Burke Chair of Canon Law, Assistant Professor of Canon Law & Formation Advisor at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Msgr.'s talk is entitled: "*How Bishop's become Bishop's*". Please join us for Mass at 8 a.m. followed by Msgr.'s talk immediately following Mass. Msgr. will give a short presentation after which people may submit questions or comments via YouTube or Facebook Live. You may access Msgr.'s talk here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/kenrickglennon/live> or on Facebook Live. For more information or to watch videos from past Fiat talks see: [www.kenrick.edu/fiat](http://www.kenrick.edu/fiat).

# Good News!

May 10, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter (A) • Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

That is a very profound question, asked by children and adults alike. Answers range from the image of an old man in a white robe with a beard; the all-seeing eye on the back of the dollar bill; “the big guy” up there. Such answers seem frivolous when we think about the dynamic force behind the Big Bang from which evolved everything in the billions of galaxies that we know exist. What is such a God really like?

The disciples were probably not thinking of astrophysics when they asked Jesus about God. Their questions flowed from Jesus’ constant reference to God as Father. That title in itself tells us something about God. It tells us that God, like a father, is the source of Jesus’ being and existence.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that he is about to return to his Father. He also assures them that they also will have a place with the Father. However, like us, they still are not sure what this Father is like. Jesus responds to their lack of understanding and suggests: “Look at me!” His life is lived for others. He is one who cares for those in need rather than walks past them, who forgives rather than condemns, who endures misunderstanding without retaliating, who tolerates the pettiness of others without being snide. Why is it so hard for us to realize that *this* is what God is really like?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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## Text of the two prayers Pope Francis wrote for an end to the COVID-19 pandemic

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus’ suffering, and persevered in your faith.

“Protectress of the Roman people,” you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

“We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God.”

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes toward us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.