

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER**5º DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

"Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do." What were the works that Jesus did? Miracles, sometimes, but what were the essence of these miracles? Caring for the sick, comforting the sorrowful, feeding the hungry ... much of Jesus' ministry was spent in carrying out what we call the works of mercy. But he did more than that; he also preached and publicly shared the good news, he fostered fellowship and community, and he prayed. All of this makes a kind of plan of action for us as Christians. As Jesus says today, if we truly believe in him, we will follow in his footsteps and do these same things.

What this all suggests is that belief itself--having faith, being Christian--is only part of the picture. Jesus expects us to take this faith and put it into concrete, practical action. Apparently this goes hand in hand with real faith. If actions don't follow, then faith is not being lived to its fullest.

This of course presents a real challenge. Our lives are busy and our plates are full, just with the tasks and demands of daily existence. It can seem like a burden to serve others, to share the Gospel, to be actively involved in a faith community, to find time to pray. But these are meant to be priorities for true disciples of Christ. And as many will testify, when we sincerely ask God to help us get our priorities in order, he has a way of miraculously multiplying our time. Somehow, we find the opportunities right before us to follow God's will and bring our faith to life. That simple prayer of asking for help may be where we need to start. The first step is not so much to fill our calendar as to fill our hearts, or just to pray that God will fill our hearts, with the desire to "do the works" of Jesus.

Sunday Collection

The Sunday collection for May 6/7, 2017 was \$3,265.00.

Good Deeds**Religious Education at Divine Mercy Parish**

In Love, I give my Talent

Guadalupe	In Helping Mom
Alanis	Of Singing
Aleecia	In ice-skating

La belleza de la Pascua estriba en la hermosura de las variadas imágenes que Jesús muestra al dialogar con sus discípulos ya resucitado. El domingo pasado nos decía el Evangelio el cómo es importante entrar por la puerta que es Cristo. Ahora, el mismo Jesús nos muestra claramente quien es él: "Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida. Nadie va al Padre si no es por mí" (Jn 14, 6). Conocemos a Dios en la medida de nuestro encuentro personal con su Hijo Jesús. Nuestra conversión viene de acuerdo a este encuentro. La revelación de quien es Dios dio comienzo en la Encarnación de Jesús y esta Encarnación continua por medio de nosotros al practicar la justicia, el amor, la compasión y la reconciliación entre los que nos rodean.

¿Comprendemos esto? El ministerio que Jesús, dio comienzo hace más de 2000 años, nunca ha dejado de llevarse a cabo; lo que quiere decir que ser personas pascuales significa que estemos abiertos al Espíritu Santo para caminar en familia, comunidad y sociedad en general haciendo el cambio para el bien de todos. Sí, la Pascua nos invita cambiar la forma de vivir, de pensar y de actuar. El camino no siempre es fácil, siempre se atraviesa la ansiedad, los problemas personales y familiares. Todos los obstáculos que tengamos que vencer serán fáciles si nuestra esperanza en el Resucitado sigue en pie. Sugiero las siguientes palabras para oración durante la semana. "No pierdan la paz... Voy a prepararles un lugar... Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida". ¡Que así sea!

**Readings for the Week of
May 14, 2017**

Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Fr. Tom's Message.....

As a sign of our deep gratitude to our Mothers every Mass this Sunday will be offered for all our Mothers—biological and spiritual.

I recall the words of Padre Pio... “only two things in this life are certain, the eyes of God are always upon us and the love of our Mother will follow you wherever you go.” Blessed Mother’s Day!!!

Fr. Tom

The Ascension of the Lord Mass Schedule

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

7:30pm at St. Francis of Paola Church

Ascension Thursday, May 25, 2017

7:45am at Saint Francis of Paola Church

8:30am at St. Cecilia’s Church

7:00pm at St. Nicholas Church

Prayer for Mothers

Dear God,

On this day that we honor Mothers, may we draw strength from the Mothers who went before us.

May we remember Jochebed, Mother of Moses, who gave her son over to God’s providence when forces that threatened him were beyond her control.

May we remember the Mother of Mary, St. Anne, who helped her daughter learn an openness to God’s will.

May we remember St. Monica, who suffered an abusive spouse and her son’s poor choices, but lived to see her child’s return to God.

Most of all, we remember Mary.... Though she watched her child suffer and die; she also saw his resurrection and glory and was in turn glorified by him. Amen.

Parish Concert

Classical Concert/Saturday, May 27th

at 6:00 pm/St. Francis of Paola Church.

There will be a concert immediately following the 5 pm Mass at St. Francis on Saturday, May 27th offered by the ISC Ensemble.

The program includes works by
Bach, Beethoven, Schubert

and the contemporary composer Caroline Shaw.

Generations of Faith

Generations of Faith is a special campaign one that seems to come along in our diocese every 20 years or so.

The aims of this campaign are three fold:

- (1) help parishes in financial need
- (2) aid to retired priests
- (3) foster youth ministry in the diocese.

These are special needs that demanded attention and are being addressed in the ‘Generations’ campaign. The time frame for this campaign is five (5) years. And so, we can fulfill our pledges to this campaign over the next four years as this GOF campaign began officially in January of 2016.

The Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal is—as its title indicates—something that happens every year. This addresses the on-going needs of the diocese that require special support and funding every year; such as support for Catholic Charities, the Catholic Migration Office, Seminary Formation and our Catholic Schools and Academies.

As in past years, it is my hope that everyone in the parish will contribute something to these campaigns—even a small amount can go a long way if everyone in our parish decides to give something.

Look at all the work that has been done in our three parish churches in the last year. Do your best to participate. If you cannot participate, then please pray for the success of these campaigns.

Thank you in advance for your response and please know that I hold you in my prayers every day.

Fr. Tom

Memorial Gifts At Divine Mercy Parish

Bread & Wine Sanctuary Lamp

Tabernacle Candles Altar Candles

Blessed Mother Candles St. Joseph Candles

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GIFTS OF LOVE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY AT DIVINE MERCY PARISH ALL ARE WELCOME

For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome... ” (Matt. 25:35-36)

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY!

Mary, on this day when we honor our Mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood, and we ask you to intercede for all of our Mothers, both here on earth and in heaven.

As St. Teresa of Calcutta reminded us, “Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.

Your loyal support of our food pantry demonstrates the great things you do with great love! We appreciate and thank you for supporting our ministry.

Specific item needed this week: **Peanut Butter, Jelly Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers**

St. Francis of Paola Church Memorial Gifts – May 14, 2017

BREAD & WINE

Immacolata Baglivo by daughter Carol

ST. JOSEPH CANDLES

Maria di Meo by daughter-in-law Carol
Felicia Presutti by Marie & Joe Bavuso

SANCTUARY LAMP

Louise Grillo by Loretta Grillo-Pizza

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

Florence Giglio by daughter Carlotta
Florence Giglio by granddaughter Melissa

Pray For the Sick

Marion & Florence De Gruccio, Wanda Zadwarny, Carmella Caiafa, Luann Rizzo, Margaret Cosentino, Rosa Ramos, Maureen Conlon, Patrick Del Vicario, Ralph Varano, Ed Scala, Al Pettenato, Jim McGurran, Danny Boyle, Dora Logosso, John Purcelli, Nancy Gonzales, Vincent Gonzales, Rae Pacifico, Bill Kluisza, Frank Cremato, John Pelletier, Mary Walsh, Regina Monka

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Gennaro De Marco, Loretta Marano, Anastasio Vavdadelis, Gerald Primer, Serafino Corvino, Gerald M. Laudato, Rose Casale

Mass Intentions for the Week St. Francis of Paola Church

Saturday, May 13, 2017

5:00pm Mother’s Day Intentions

Sunday, May 14, 2017 – Mother’s Day

8:00am Mother’s Day Intentions

11:30am Mother’s Day Intentions

Monday, May 15, 2017

7:45am Rev. Gertrude Ann Wallace
by Norma & Ramon Camacho

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

7:45am Stephanie Frick by Carlotta Giglio

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

7:45am Sr. Gertrude Xu by Agnes & Joseph Sun

Thursday, May 18, 2017

7:45am St. Ciro by Raffaella Morena

Friday, May 19, 2017

7:45am Giuseppi Friscioni by Daughter

Saturday, May 20, 2017

7:45am Maria Assunta Feoleco by daughter
Filomenia Babino & Family

5:00pm Rose & Michael Torro by Family

Sunday, May 21, 2017

8:00am Sabato Petillo by son Carmine

11:30am For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

Ladies Movie Night

Join us on Sunday, May 21, 5:30 pm, in St. Francis of Paola Rectory Basement for Ladies Movie Night. We’ll be showing the 1997 Italian comedy-drama “Life is Beautiful”, winner of 3 Academy Awards, directed by and starring Roberto Benigni.

This movie will be shown as released in Italian with English subtitles. Refreshments will be served and there will be a 50/50 raffle.

May is the Month of the Living Rosary

On the Monday’s of May the Rosary Society of DMP invites all parishioners to pray the Rosary in public outside our parish Church of St Cecilia at 7:00 pm (weather permitting) followed by Adoration and Benediction inside the church. Join us on these evenings in prayer as we publically give honor to the Mother of Jesus.

May - 15th, 22nd, 29th

MAY 14, 2017

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Nicholas Church**

Sunday, May 14, 2017 – Mother’s Day

10:30am Mother’s Day Intentions
12:45pm Mother’s Day Intentions

Sunday, May 21, 2017

10:30am Nilda Morales by Margarita Quinones
12:45pm Mr. & Mrs. Francesco D’Arrigo
D’Arrigo, Children & Grandchildren
Jo Ann Coules – Living Intention

We Congratulate

We congratulate the following children who have received Confirmation here at Divine Mercy Parish, in the Church of St. Cecilia on Saturday March 25, 2017.

Mauricio Anthony Acateco	Britney Maria Argudo
Deven James Bosselman-Nieves	
Chris Joseph Bryniarski	John Nicholas Chalco
Christina Joan Canalini	Angelique Mary Casimir
Belkis Cecilia Espinoza	Edelmira Teresa Feliz
Josefa Rosa Fernandez	Andy Patrick Flores
Iris Guadalupe Flores	Joselyn Guadalupe Flores
Elizabeth Marie Frias	Jack Luigi Heras
William Michael Herrera	Eric Maximillian Kopec
Oliver Francis Kossakowski	David Dominic Kuczynski
Jahanara Anastasia Lopez	Ashantey Angela Lora
Merlin Cecilia Lora	Ajani Augustine Madhere
Daisy Cecilia Mayancela	Ismael Miguel Medina
Cesar Mary Melia	Steven Anthony Mendez
Karen Veronica Mizhquiri	Jack Sebastina Montesdeoca
Joanna Bernadette Perez-Calderon	
Gabriella Caroline Pecoraro	Alyssandra Ambrose Pena
Ryan Elijah Perez	David Guadalupe Rebollar
Eric Anthony Rivera	Maria Mary Rivera
Vianey Theresa Rivera	Eliana Ava Remi
Ryan Sebastina Sigh	Rosaria Michela Speranza
Ethan Matthew Sanchez	Matthew Eric Toniuk
Samantha Cecilia Torres	Xitlai Guadalupe Valiente
Evelyn Jude Young	

Parish Polo Shirts

Divine Mercy Parish Polo Shirts are available for purchase by stopping by the Parish Office, at a cost of \$20.00.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Cecilia Church**

Sunday, May 14, 2017 – Mother’s Day

9:30am Mother’s Day Intentions
7:00pm Mother’s Day Intentions

Monday, May 15, 2017

8:30am Viola & Ted Pugliese

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

8:30am Salvatore Pagano

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

8:30am Joseph & Genevieve Gorski

Thursday, May 18, 2017

8:30am Vincent & Mary Loquercio

Friday, May 19, 2017

8:30am Anthony Salzano

Saturday, May 20, 2017

8:30am Angelo Camacho

Sunday, May 21, 2017

9:30am Rose Del Vicario
Jo & Ed Collins
Eamon & Ray McGinn
Rosary Society
Salvatore Settepani
Thomas Petrowski
Paddy O’Neill
7:00pm Open Intention

The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns

**Diocese of Brooklyn & Queens Presents
XXVI KUJENGA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

July 28-30, 2017

The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
Huntington, N.Y.

“WHO DO YOU SAY I AM”

Authentically Black Catholic Luke: 9:20

Early Bird Special Deadline June 30th \$185.00 after
deadline date \$225.00. Cost includes Transportation,
Room Meals & Workshop Materials.

Final Deadline: July 10, 2017

The Kujenga weekend is designed as an intensive
experience of leadership training with a focus on
evangelizing, peers and emphasize the importance of a
Christ-centered life in moral and ethical development.

For more information call Elreta Fowler 718-774-3806
or blackcatholicconcern@diobrook.org.

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Registration for Camp Veritas

Camp Veritas Mount Saint Mary's College / Newburg, New York, July 16 – 22, 2017

Camp Veritas Camp Lakota, Wurtsboro, New York

August 13 – 19, 2017

Camp Veritas is a one week sleep away pilgrimage experience for teens going into the 7th grade through 12th grade. The schedule is play-and-pray with a full immersion in the Catholic Faith through sacraments and activities. Come get to know other kids your age and experience a week of sports, activities, prayer, and fun! This week of faith and fun is probably the most beneficial gift you could give your teen. Register at CampVeritas.com via the "Camp-in-touch" portal before April 1, for the early bird rate. Any question contact Lauren at youth@dmbk.org or the Rectory at 718-387-0256.

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