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## 5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022



### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening ..... 5:30 PM  
Sunday..... 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Broadcast) & 12:00 PM  
Mondays thru Saturdays..... 9:00 AM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday ..... 4:30 to 5:00 PM

Please telephone the Parish Office  
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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Parishioners,

Usually when we think of the word “love,” we think of romance, of hearts and flowers. But love is more than warm affection and sensual intimacy. There is a larger meaning to love which is revealed in today’s gospel. For in the gospel Jesus gives a new commandment: we are to love one another as he has loved us. So how has Jesus loved us? With warm affection? Of course. But more than that, Jesus has loved us with action. Jesus has laid down his life for our salvation. In this action of sacrifice, in this action of love, God has raised him up and made him the head of a new creation. In Jesus’ active love, the reign of God has begun in our midst. Evil is being destroyed. God’s will is being established among us. So in Jesus, love is more than kind regards. Love is action. Love is more than amorous feelings. Love is power, the power to change the earth.

Love is power. In fact, there is no other power on earth for good stronger than love. It is love that calls tired parents out of their bed to care for a sick child. It is love that motivates a hospice worker to be present to a dying woman. It is love that leads a young man or woman to give two years of their life in the Peace Corps, serving in an inner city or a third world country. It is love that animates thousands of soup kitchens and homeless shelters and AIDS hospices. Love is a father or mother working two jobs to feed their children and pay the rent. Love is the choice to forgive an enemy or to sacrifice for peace. Love is what makes the real heroes of our world: a young man or woman who could work in a prestigious law firm but chooses instead to work among the poor; a firefighter willing to rush into the World Trade Tower and rescue screaming victims. There is no force for good greater in our world than the power of love.

But we do not have enough of it. For all the love that there is, there is still not enough to bring about God’s kingdom. For some reason, we think that we should hold on to love, to preserve it. But love only has power when we let it go and let it flow out. It is then that it can make its effect upon others in our midst. For some reason, we think we should limit love to only certain groups, to our family and friends, to those who think and act like us, to those who we know and with whom we are familiar. But if we are to love as Jesus has loved us, we must push beyond the limits which we place on love. For who did Jesus love? For whom did Jesus give his life? Jesus did not give his life only for his mother and his disciples, only for the Jews and the poor, only for those who were gay or educated, only for those who were black or those who were good. Jesus gave his

life for everyone, for all of humanity. If we are to love as he loved us, then we must love in a way which is wider and deeper than the way to which we are inclined. We must push beyond whatever limits we place on love and join ourselves with others who love, so that God’s kingdom might be built up, so that we might participate in recreating the earth.

This truth is expressed most beautifully by the Jesuit theologian Tielhard deChardin. Over fifty years ago he wrote, **“Someday, after we have mastered the winds and the waves, the tides and gravity, we shall harness for God the energies of love. And then for the second time in the history of the world, humans will have discovered fire.”** We need that fire, the fire of love. We need that power, the power to unite rather than divide, to build up rather than destroy, to heal rather than attack, the power to work for justice rather than to feed off greed. We need the power of love. We can release it, if we love as Jesus has loved us.

Peace,

Fr. Monteleone



## PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022

5:30 PM Fr. Monteleone

### SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

8:00 AM Fr. Monteleone

10:00 AM Fr. Jared

12:00 PM Fr. Nico

## ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

The students of SPPS are celebrating Mary during the month of May.



Each grade is working on projects for Mary such as Prayers, Rosary, and even coloring pages in the lower grades.

SPPS celebrated the crowning of Mary at our

First Friday Mass on May 6th. Two of our First Communicants were selected to crown the Blessed Mother.

The teachers want to say Thank You to the SPPS HSA for all their hard work in honoring our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week. They enjoyed the goodies and all their heartfelt thanks and appreciation.



## SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

### COLUMBIETTES

#### Blanket Ministry

The next meeting of the blanket ministry is Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 9:45 AM in the Molloy Center. All crafters are welcome! For more information, yarn and fabric donations, call Cathie Murtha at (973) 471-1265.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### Breakfast for Ukraine

The Knights of Columbus invites you to a “full” breakfast on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 8 AM Mass in the Auditorium which will feature Mr. Victor Rud a published author and expert in Ukraine and the root causes of the conflict.

Tickets are only \$10 and will be on sale after all the Masses on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> or can be purchased using the QR code or at our web site. Only 150 tickets will be sold.

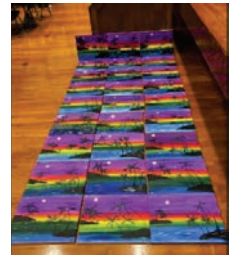
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## SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd

### Home and School Association

The HSA would like to thank all who came out for Paint Nite. All attendees channeled their inner Picasso to paint a sunset palm paradise. They had a great time along with lots of laughs, which may have been helped by some wine. We are looking forward to next year!



### ST. PHILIP'S ANNUAL CARNIVAL

Thursday June 16 6-10 PM

Friday June 17 6-11 PM

Saturday June 18 6:30-11 PM



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#### Soda/Water Donations

Name brand soda and bottled water for the Soda & Water Booth can be left at the school kitchen door.

#### Volunteer Meeting

There will be a meeting for all Volunteers on Monday, May 23rd in the Auditorium at 7 PM

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## GOD BLESS OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Look at these photos from Jesus Day retreat for our First Communicants.  
The students took a tour of the church with Fr Monteleone. They also watched a video, did crafts, and had a replica of the Last Supper with juice boxes and pita bread.



## PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: MAY 9, 2021	\$ 15,534.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: MAY 8, 2022	
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$ 12,987.00
ONLINE GIVING DONATION	\$ 7,165.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 20,152.00</b>
SECOND COLLECTION - PROJECT FAITH	\$ 2,290.00
Easter 2021	\$ 61,952.00
Easter 2022 YTD	\$ 51,669.00

### Upcoming Second Collections:

#### May 15<sup>th</sup> - Peter's Pence

Contributions to Peter's Pence for the exercise of the Pope's universal mission, are directed in two ways: in financing the many activities of service carried out by the Curia (e.g. formation of the clergy, communication, promotion of integral human development, education, justice, etc.) and in contributing to numerous works of material assistance for the most in need.

## WE PRAY FOR...

*May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace...*  
Joe Esposito

### *A Time to be Healed...*

Susan Stierlen, Jill Festa, Sylvia Shami, Debbie Werthmann, Edward Kovacs, Dominick Cappello, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Todd Daigneault, Cheri Albanesius, James Jablonowski, Elmer Rodriguez, Michele Bellisano, Michael Barbetta,



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

- 8:00** All the People of the Parish  
Richard Kochan
- 10:00** Kimberley and DiBiasi Families  
Sean Hughes  
Vincenza and Giovanna Caradonna
- 12:00** Ann Albright  
Gail Santolla

### MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022

- 9:00** Margherita Losito

### TUESDAY, May 17, 2022

- 9:00** Fr. Richard Hadyka  
Jim Rabbett

### WEDNESDAY, May 18, 2022

- 9:00** Anna Marie Barbieri

### THURSDAY, May 19, 2022

- 9:00** Rogelio Manuel

### FRIDAY, May 20, 2022

- 9:00** Louis Michael Mastriano

### SATURDAY, May 21, 2022

- 9:00** Teresa Joyce
- 5:30** The Festa and Novaco Families  
Sean Hughes

### SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022

- 8:00** Caroline Mangone
- 10:00** Maximiano Velasco  
Rose Genchi  
Albert Kovacs
- 12:00** All the People of the Parish

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