

# MAY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 4th Sunday after Easter	29 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.	30	1	2 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.	3 First Friday Homeschooler event after Mass	4 First Saturday
5 5th Sunday after Easter	6 Bible Study 7 p.m.	7 <i>Catecismo para Adultos</i> 7 p.m.	8	9 <b>Ascension of Our Lord</b>	10 Abortion Prayer Vigil at noon	11 Young Roses
12 Sunday after Ascension Mother's Day	13 Adult Catechism 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita	14 Novena to St. Rita	15 Novena to St. Rita	16 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Novena to St. Rita	17 Novena to St. Rita	18 Altar Guild Novena to St. Rita
19 <b>Pentecost Sunday</b> Novena to St. Rita	20 Bible Study 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita	21 <i>Catecismo para Adultos</i> 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita	22 Feast Day of St. Rita	23 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.	24 All-Night Adoration begins 7 p.m.	25 All-Night Adoration til 7:30 a.m. Confessions 4 p.m.
26 Trinity Sunday First Communions	27 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.	28 Daily Mass Cancelled	29 F.S.S.P. Ordinations Daily Mass Cancelled	30 Daily Mass Cancelled	31 Daily Mass Cancelled	1 First Saturday Confessions 4 p.m.

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**Please pray for:**

**The Repose of the Souls of:**

- + Eileen Fain
- + Frances Kwitek
- + Rick Peters

**Parishioners who serve our nation:**

- Sgt. Luis Arvelo-Massari, U.S. Army
- Master Sgt. Chris Biery, U.S. Air Force
- Sgt. Jordan Blanton, U.S. Army
- 1st Lt. Jack Deeney, U.S. Army
- Spec. 2 Victor Follis, U.S. Space Force
- Seaman Paula Gennitti, U.S. Navy
- 1st Lt. Adam Giammattei, U.S. Army
- Sgt. Major Chad Keirns, U.S. Army
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- 1st Lt. Mary McCowen, U.S. Army
- Rear Adm. Sean Regan, U.S. Coast Guard
- 2nd. Lt. Andrew Rodgers, U.S. Army
- Staff Sgt. Marc Snyder, U.S. Marine Corps
- Pvt. Michael Thomo, U.S. Army
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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter ~ Tridentine Mass

MAY 12, 2024

### SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION



**Sunday Schedule:**  
Low Mass: 7 a.m.  
9 a.m.  
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

**Confessions:**  
One-half hour before Mass  
Saturdays 4 p.m.

**Daily Mass Schedule:**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8 a.m.  
Thursday: 6 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

**Holy Hour:**  
Thursday: 7 p.m.

PASTOR:  
FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

ASSISTANT PASTOR:  
FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.

*"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception make my body pure and my soul holy."*

# DISCOVER GOD'S WILL

## FOR YOU AS A HOUSEWIFE

*Holiness for Housewives (and Other Working Women),*  
by Dom Hubert van Zeller

The only thing that really matters in life is doing the will of God. Once you are doing the will of God, then everything matters. But apart from the accepted will of God, nothing has any lasting reality. So if God wills that you should be bowed over the sink instead of over the pew in your favorite church, then washing dishes is for you, now, the most perfect thing you can possibly do.

Once you really appreciate this truth, and act according to its implications, you save yourself a lot of unnecessary heart-searching and resentment. The whole business of serving God becomes simply a matter of adjusting yourself to the pressures of existing conditions. This is the particular sanctity for you.

You will be tempted to say that it is impossible to serve God while worrying about the upkeep of a house; you will tell me that you get so irritable that you cannot see this principle of substituting your present duty for the envied prayer time; you will point out your inability to direct your intention toward God when you are so exhausted that you cannot think; you will quote your repeated failures, your bitterness, your manifest decline from what you were before you came to be overwhelmed with household cares. You will say you are unsuited temperamentally, physically, spiritually, by training...

But none of these things disqualifies. It can only be repeated that your whole business is still to look for God in the midst of all this. You will not find Him anywhere else. If you leave your dishes, your housekeeping, your telephone calls, your children's everlasting questions, your ironing, and your invitations to take care of themselves while you go off and search for our Lord's presence in prayer, you will discover nothing but self.

This is the first lesson for the Christian wife and mother today: to let go of what may once have been — and under other circumstances might now be — a recollected self, and take on, with both hands, the plan of God. Indeed it is the lesson for every Christian in every age: it is the gospel principle of dying on one plane in order to live on another.

If you think holiness is impossible in your particular condition of life, examine the litany of the saints. Were all these men and women so placed that their occupations in life were designed to promote high sanctity? Was the setting of their lives more sanctifying than yours? Did they have to fight their way out of the circumstances in which God had placed them? Did they build up for themselves a new vocation altogether?

God does not issue two lists of professions: on the one side, those

## Upcoming Parish Events

### May 13 ~ *Adult Catechism*

Fr. James Gordon will continue his series of lectures on Spiritual Theology 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

### May 18 ~ *Altar Guild*

Altar-serving practice after 8 a.m. Mass. Contact Fr. Dennis Gordon, (719) 382-0121.

### May 18 ~ *St. Gregory Men's Schola*

Men-only schola rehearsal next Saturday and will meet on 2nd and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 10 a.m.–11 a.m. Schola is rehearsing the Mass for Corpus Christi. To join, contact Kelsey Villalobos, (719) 651-9800.

that are conducive to holiness; on the other, those that are not. Unless the work attempts to oppose faith or morals, it may be assumed to be a work that is capable of promoting sanctity. It conduces to your perfection; it does not contradict it. Through it, and not in spite of it, you achieve your purpose of serving God perfectly.

Clearly some occupations are more directly sanctifying than others, — or ballet dancers would never decide to become nuns, — but it is the subjective and not the objective that is the first consideration. What is it that God wants of you? If God wants you to find your perfection as a ballet dancer, it is no good wasting your time thinking how perfect you would be as a nun.

He has given you the graces necessary for the perfect ballet-dancing vocation. He has made no guarantees about the other; indeed, the other, for you, does not exist. It may exist later, but for the moment, it does not. And it is always the present moment, the present

duty, that counts.

So it is idle for you to complain about the drawbacks to spirituality that you find in your particular vocation. There is nothing that you are up against that God has not given you the grace to surmount. You can, if you want, turn the monotony and the drudgery and the distraction into an expression of love. For you to look down on the factory or the nursery or the office or the shop as being unworthy of sanctification is a snobbishness of the worst sort. Also it implies that you and God cannot bring a supernaturally direction to a work that is objectively neutral.

"No man comes to the Father but by me," says our Lord (*John 14:6*). All men can come to the Father by Him. Christ is the way — the only way, the open way. Contemplation is one way, but it is not the only way. Charity to one's neighbor is one way, but it is not the only way. Christ is the absolute way. Now, each soul comes to the Father by the way that the Fa-

## † MASS INTENTIONS † FOR THIS WEEK

### Monday May 13 ~ *St. Robert Bellarmine*

8 a.m. — Andrew Broestl, by Lee & Marty Broestl

### Tuesday, May 14 ~ *Feria after Ascension*

8 a.m. — + Deceased Benedictine Oblates

### Wednesday, May 15 ~ *St. John Baptist de la Salle*

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Thursday, May 16 ~ *St. Ubald*

6 p.m. — Michael Harnisch, by Benjamin Kwitek

### Friday, May 17 ~ *St. Paschal Baylon*

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Saturday, May 18 ~ *Vigil of Pentecost*

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Sunday, May 19 ~ *Pentecost Sunday*

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Our parish priests cannot accept Mass intentions at this time.

ther has judged best for *him*. It is at once his way and Christ's way: Christ inviting all men in His way, and each man responding in his.

So there can never be any one hard-and-fast way to God. Different responses from different temperaments are all in the scheme of things. So long as all follow Christ, the variety within that following may be infinite. In the Father's house there are many mansions (*John 14:2*). Not all souls are given the same talents (*Matthew 25:15*). There are many operations but the same spirit (*1 Corinthians 12:6*). The seed is the

same, but it is received on different kinds of soil (*Matthew 13:3-8*). God evidently wants variety and not standardization. He asks for conformity, but not for uniformity. The conformity here is conformity with His plan, with His truth, with the pattern provided by His Son. Conformity with the mind of God is freedom. Uniformity among the minds of men is the opposite of freedom.

To conclude: if there were but one sort of calling in life that led to holiness, then you would have to follow that one and no other.

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