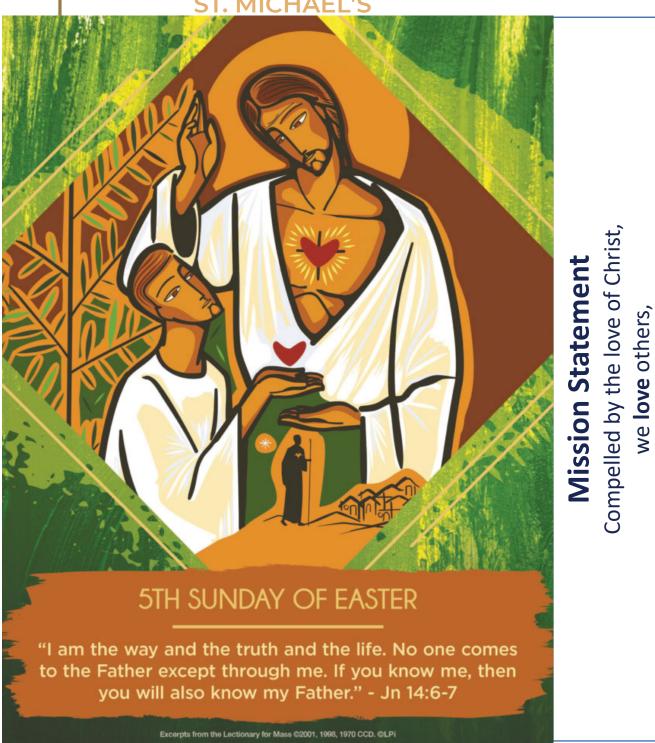




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FR. MARK'S NOTES

Congratulations, Lisa, Marjorie, and Norman

Wow! So awesome to have so many from our Faith Community recognized for their contributions to the community of Johnstown. Among the nine women honored for their accomplishments by the YWCA Greater Johnstown, Lisa Downey has received the Business Award. Lisa is the Director for Memorial Highway Chevrolet and General Manager for the Johnstown Mill Rats. She also works with the Talisman Marketing Agency, where she helps small businesses with their advertising needs.

Marjorie Lechene is the Nonprofit Award honoree. She is the manager of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Johnstown. I have shopped there before. Great store! Marjorie was nominated by another parishioner, Anita Altman.

Norman Ed, our resident artist, has been honored by Community Arts Center. We see Norman's artwork pretty much everywhere in Johnstown. It is fantastic that he is being recognized for his amazing work.

Congratulations to all of you. By sharing our gifts and talents with the community, we give due honor to the great God who gives them to us. Again, thanks and congratulations to Lisa, Marjorie, and Norman!

Can You Spare Just 10 Minutes Each Day?

As promised, here is my summary of what I shared this past weekend in my homily— **just 10 minutes**. Now, we need, we must pray EVERY DAY! We cannot fail at this as Believers! We shouldn't just pray when we are "feeling it." We shouldn't just pray in need. We need to pray each day. Ten minutes with your Creator and Redeemer. <u>Can you see that as a worthwhile venture</u>? If not, you won't do it.

First, I am asking you to read only the Gospel – you only have 10 minutes. You can find the Gospel for daily Mass on your phone with two accessible apps. Laudate and IBreviary. They are both free. I'm sure there are others, but these are user-friendly, and I use them all the time. Then, there are the periodicals "Magnificant," "Give Us This Day," and "Word Among Us." By the way, each of these has its app that you might consider. It's a subscription, but you can afford it. Go out to dinner one less time each month, and there's your money. Also, the readings are listed in the bulletin, you can use your Bible – that's how I would do it. Old-school! And it's free.

Ok, here's what you do for your precious 10 minutes. (This is optional, and because you do need 11 minutes, you may not want to do it. But you can begin with a prayer like: "God, if you are real, please let me know." Or "Come Holy Spirit, Come." Or "Jesus, help me to be open to your voice." Something like that.)

Now, don't see these as rigid steps but as part of the process that ebbs ad flows. First, carefully read the text. Second, what images or words capture your imagination? Third, why do these words or images capture your imagination? Third, from the heart, say a brief prayer to Jesus. Finally, you only have a minute left, sit in silence and listen. If you get distracted, gently whisper one of the words from the Gospel over and over. Do it gently. Be in God's presence. Carry the word and images throughout the day. There are your 10 minutes!!

Finally, be prepared for Sunday Mass. Make sure you read the readings before Mass. Then listen deeply from your heart and hear what Jesus has to say uniquely and personally to you.

SHARING the JOURNEY Sunday, May 21

Sharing the Journey is a bereavement support group for adults who have lost a loved one. We meet on the **third Sunday** of each month. Our next meeting will be **Sunday**, **May 21**, in Holy Grounds from 3—4:30 pm. This month's topic will be **Who am I now?** Our meetings always include time to share or to listen. We are a Christian based group, and all faiths are welcome. There is no need to pre-register.

For more information, contact Mary Petrak at 814 502-6076.

SAVE THE DATE!

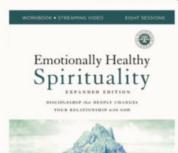
June 11

St. Michael's is having their 2nd Annual Traditional American Cookout on Sunday, June 11, at 2 pm. The menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, and pulled pork with sauerkraut and BBQ sauce. If you wish, please bring your favorite dish to share (salad or dessert). All are welcome!!



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Registration opens on May 22nd

Class size is limited





FOLLOW YOUR FAITH—May 7

Follow Your Faith returns Sunday night, May 7, at 7 pm. Fr. Mark, Marty, Jerry, and Steve will continue discussing Sherry Weddell's book, "Forming Intentional Disciples." Join them as they broadcast from the church tonight and continue their discussions on the path to conversion.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS

The 6th Annual St. Michael's Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, June 10. Please consider donating to this fun event! If you have any questions, please contact Jess Smith.

Beginning in June, all-weekend Masses at St. Michael's will be held on Saturday evenings at 6 pm. First Sunday of the month Masses on Sunday will return in the fall.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our First Communicants who received their First Communion on Saturday, May 6.

Jacob Beblar Halley Bonachea Cade Cobaugh Lillian Cunningham Ryleigh Jo Dugan Jamison Gibson Stella Gnuanoli Rohan Kapelewski Cameron Lynch Julianne McIlwain Gabriel Pringle Zander Pringle Lucas Salem James Smedberg Cassidy Stephenson Eisley Swartz Michael Zabala Brooks Zibura

Please keep them in your prayers as they continue on their faith journey to become closer and closer to Christ.

BIRTHRIGHT CARNATIONS! May 13/May 14



Carnations are back for Mother's Day! Birthright of Johnstown will offer carnations on May 13 and May 14 in exchange for your donations. So please be prepared to share God's goodness generously. Remember, you are not "buying" a flower; you are helping moms and babies in need by supporting the Pro-life work at Birthright in Johnstown. For more details, please call Mary Kay Clark at 814 535-8231.

ORDINATION

If you are interested in attending the Diaconate Ordination on June 3 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona and are interested in riding a bus from OMOS, <u>PLEASE call the parish office (814) 535-7646 or sign up on our website omostoday.com ASAP</u> so we can make arrangements for the appropriate bus size. Thank you.

We are so blessed to have two parishioners, Rick Messina and Nelson Lowes ordained on June 3. How wonderful it will be for our own candidates Rick and Nelson to see so many OMOS family members there supporting them.

EASTER CANDLES

The beautiful Easter Candles, which were lit for the first time at the Easter Vigil, were donated for: *Our Mother of Sorrows* by John & Joy Skelley in memory of their beloved parents, Carmel & Mary Kay Coco, and L.J. & Anne Skelley along with Mrs. Lena Omodio in memory of her beloved husband, Pete Omodio

St. Michael's by Mr. John Balog in memory of his beloved wife, Paulette Balog.

NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED

We are looking for a Nursery Coordinator to watch our little ones, schedule volunteers, and oversee nursery activities during the Sunday 11 am Mass. The Nursery Coordinator position is a paid position. The responsible adult needs to be 18 years old and will be required to have all diocesan clearances. Additional volunteers (high school and older) are always needed. If interested, please contact Julie Sheehan at (814) 535-7646.

MARIAN CONSECRATION PRAYER HOUR

The monthly Marian Consecration Hour will be held on Thursday, May 11, at 3 pm in OMOS Church on the Tabernacle side. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Louis De Montford method of the rosary. New members are always welcome to join.

OUR LADY of FATIMA ROSARY

Please join us for a special rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima on Saturday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Our Lady's Grotto by the playground. We will be praying the rosary on the 13th of the next six months in reparation of sins and to end Communism. Please bring a chair and a friend.

ME 25 UPDATE

We conducted the ME25 survey six months ago, and want to keep you updated on our findings. The survey showed us that while we are doing pretty well in most areas, we need to improve in connecting with the young families and individuals in our parish. We are working hard on how to do this because we don't want to lose this vital component of our church family. As we engage in efforts to improve, we want to thank everyone for taking the survey and the Independent Catholic Foundation (814) 201-2080, www.icfdaj.org, for their support in funding the costs associated with the survey.

DMCA NEWS

* Enrollment for 2023/2024 is open. New students can enroll on the Divine Mercy website, <u>dmcatholic.</u>org, under the "Admissions" tab. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 814 961-3622.



WEEKLY & MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Monday, May 8

6 a.m. –Eucharistic Adoration 8 a.m. – Mass at OMOS

Server: Meara Gleason & Noah Feighner

Tuesday, May 9

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 am—Confession 8 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Server: Arianna & Annaliese Manalang

Wednesday, May 10

7 a.m.—Praise & Worship

4:30 p.m.- Eucharistic Adoration

5:15 p.m.—Confessions 6 p.m.—Mass at OMOS Server: Tim Burgess Thursday, May 11

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration9 a.m.—Mass with Divine MercyServers: Divine Mercy Students

Friday, May 12

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

8 a.m.- Mass at OMOS
Server: Wynn Curtis

Saturday, May 13

3 p.m.—Confession 4 p.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Haley Kesslak & Joe Gritzer

Lector: Michelle Petrell

Euch. Min. Tom (2) & Nancy Simmons, Kathy Ridella, Pam Fisher, Mary Kay & Jer-

ry Clark, Diana Tyger

Hosp. Val & Bill Deater, Gerri Isban, George & Mary Kogut, Kathy Lepsch, Deb

& Rich Cowan

Saturday, May 13

6 p.m. Mass at St. Michael's Servers: Tim Burgess Lector: Linda Popchak

Sunday, May 14

8:30 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Sophie Messian & Damian Car-

baugh

Lector: Rosemary Zenone

Euch. Min: Ed (2) & Julie Sheehan, Estelle & David Milligan, Ron Golias, Denise

Esch, Rick Messina

Hosp: Marjorie Lechene, John Esch, Michelle Kush, Marge Pipan, Keith Santee, Marty Malek, Cheryl Segear, John Shima

Sunday, May 14

11:00 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Servers: Caden & Cullen Miller

Lector: Tom Polacek

Euch. Min. Mary Beth Cartwright, Brad Duca, Michele Varner, Donna Gillan, Christa Curtis, Barbara & Rich Luckner

Hosp: Joyce Radovanic, Tim DiGuiseppe, Bill Ingram, John Onufro, Diane & Denny Thomas, Marianne Krizner, Mary Lynn

Evans

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 6-Vigil

4:00 p.m. Agnes Mash (Rick & Janet Bowser)

Sunday, May 7—Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Galliker & O'Connor Families

9:00 a.m. Monica Coyle (Hicks Family) , Bernice Stem (Linda Popchak), Paulette Budash (Bob & Lori Wagner) 11:00 a.m. Edward Kittka (Family)

Monday, May 8

8:00 a.m. Mary Wanamaker (Ed & Julie Sheehan)

Tuesday, May 9

8:00 a.m. Edward Parks (Daughter, Pattie)

Wednesday, May 10

6:00 p.m. William & Gertrude Podratsky (Joann & David Urban)

Thursday, May 11

9 a.m. Stephen & Eleanor Rist

(Family)

Friday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Kathleen Parks (Sister, Pattie)

Saturday, May 13—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Albert Hromulak (wife,

Helen & son, Albert)

6:00 p.m. Marlene Kessler (Denise Dietz-Kirschman) & Hilary& Lucille Schrum and Karen Pinkas (Spack & Kicks

Family)

Sanctuary Candle 5/14—5/20—Schrum Family)

Sunday, May 14—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. Rose Mirabile (M/M Joseph Bioto)

11:00 a.m. Clara Vranich (Mike & Terry

Vranich)

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

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

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn

14:15-21

SUNDAY COLLECTION

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