MASSES FOR MAY 11 - 17

Monday, 11	8:30 am (SF)	**Mary Trzaskoma *(Brannan Family)***
		Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday, 12	8:30 am (SJ)	**Stella Westlake *(Steve & Jennie)***
		Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday, 13	8:30 am (SF)	**For the People**
		Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday, 14	8:30 am (SJ)	**Tim Pestian *(Greg & Gloria Zamborsky)***
		Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Friday, 15	8:30 am (SF)	**Paul Trudics *(Nephew, Tim Lastivka)***
		Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday, 16	5:00 pm (SF)	**Cecilia Phillipson *(Amy & Jim Martaus)***
Sunday, 17	9:00 am (SJ)	**Todd Allen Cline *(Mom, Janet)***
	11:00 am (SF)	**El Petras *(Tom & Judy Koehnlein)***
		Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

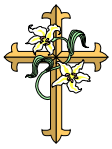
THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY: Comfort Bears - 9:00am (SJH)
FRIDAY: Confirmation Practice - 6:00pm (SF)
SATURDAY: Confessions - 10:30am (SJ)
SUNDAY: Confirmation - 11:00am (SF)

As of 05/5/2026: Trinity West: **Linda Sokol; Theresa Bahen ;** Trinity East; Weirton: ; Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. ***If a family member is admitted into a hospital, please be sure to contact the parish office so Father may go and visit them.***



Happy Mother's Day: I would like to offer my prayers to all the mothers of our parishes. I also invite all of us to remember the mothers who are no longer with us but who have gone onto their eternal reward. The vocation of motherhood is a very special gift from God. May you always rejoice with your families and may they always be grateful for all the love and sacrifices you have made for them. God bless you and Happy Mother's Day.



Confirmation: We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** next Sunday, May 17 during the 11:00 Mass at St. Francis Church. Let us remember those who will be receiving the sacrament and the gift of the Holy Spirit: ***Carmen Abdalla, Lincoln Abdalla, Connor Eltringham, Giovanni Guerrero, Anis Guerrero, Sadie Ludwig, Ethan McClain, Aiden Myslinsky, Adam Starr, Samuel Starr, Sylas Trimmer, Wyatt Winters.*** Due to the schedule of Bishope Lohse, he has delegated me to administer Confirmation in his place.



With great joy and gratitude to God, the Diocese of Steubenville invites you to the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacons Ryan Budd and Peter Stetson. The Ordination Mass will take place on **Saturday, May 30th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Basilica in Marietta**. This is a profound and grace-filled moment in the life of our diocese, as these two men offer their lives in service to Christ and His Church. All are warmly encouraged to attend and witness this beautiful celebration of faith and vocation. Your presence is a powerful sign of support for our future priests and for the life of the Church. Please also keep Deacons Ryan Budd and Peter Stetson in your prayers as they prepare for this sacred step. May the Lord bless them abundantly as they answer His call.



Comfort Bear Ladies: Don't forget Comfort Bears tomorrow, **Monday, May 11th at 9am at St. Joseph Church Hall!** Interested in becoming a part of this worthy project? New members are always welcome! Call Janet (544-6097) with any questions. No sewing experience is needed!

CHURCH SUPPORT: St. Francis: Adult: $3,569.00; Loose: $77.00; Candles: $73.00; Home Missions: $15.00; Poor: $1,381.00. St. Joseph: Adult: $1,074.00; Loose: $189.00; Candles: $37.00; Poor: $228.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! ***Weekly Mass Attendance for May 3rd***: ***5:00pm****: 65;* ***9:00am:*** *72;* ***11:00am:*** *176.*

MASSES: None

MEMORIALS: To **St. Joseph Church for Mother's Day** in memory of **Louise Knight and Margaret Rawson** by Betty Pierce.

MINISTERS FOR MAY 16 and 17

Altar Servers:

5pm: Mike Henry & Jake Dobbs; **9am:** Olivia Perdue; **11am:** Anthony Mitch, Royce Abdalla, Luca Provenzano, Levi Trimmer

Lectors:

5pm: Sally Wenner; **9am:** Laura Ray; **11am:** Mike Cernansky

Diocesan/Parish Share Campaign: This weeks update for the 2026 D/PSC indicates that several additional parishioners have made commitments to this annual appeal. Thanks to those who have already responded. We have reached and surpassed our original parish goals. Any additional contributions will be returned to our parishes. Please consider making a contribution.

DCCW Annual Convention: The Annual Diocesan Catholic Club for Women Convention will be held on **Wed., June 3rd at Holy Family Church in Steubenville.** All the women of our parishes are invited to attend. If you would like to go, please contact Marian Barker for reservations.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Several years ago, while praying in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, I heard the words, "I just couldn't bear to leave you." It was one of the clearest responses to prayer that I have experienced, and it occurred at a time when I was feeling incredibly lonely. I have spent years reflecting on those words, which resurface often as I receive Christ in the Eucharist. In the Gospel today, I hear echoes of those words again as Christ explains to the Apostles the many ways in which they – and we – will not be abandoned after his ascension into heaven. As the rest of the Gospel unfolds, the events of his passion and resurrection reveal the Lord's faithfulness to them. After the resurrection, the Apostles know they can trust his word because they remember Jesus' promise that the Father will send an Advocate to be with them. We, also, can trust him believing that out of complete and utter love for humanity, Jesus remains with us.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The Apostles accompanied one another in their community of faith, and they walked with those who had recently responded to God's call to know the truth, as we see with the newly baptized in Samaria. In our lives today, the value of accompaniment cannot be underestimated. In our busy world when it is easy to feel disconnected and alone, being with one another is a powerful way to be a vessel through which Christ proclaims his promise to never leave us. By sitting with another in a time of grief, listening to the questions of a friend who is struggling, or rejoicing with a friend in response to good news, we accompany each other through life's ups and downs. Sometimes accompaniment consists of proclaiming the Good News of Christ's love and thereby helping others to have the courage to do the same. In whatever ways we are called to accompany another in their journey of faith, we do so with the promise that Christ is doing the same for us.

ACCOMPANY: In this joyful season of Easter, we continue to celebrate those who entered or were fully welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. This week, consider reaching out to someone who is new to the Church to celebrate with them, offer your continued prayers for them, or invite them to a parish event.