

**Announcements
For the week of
May 1, 2016**

**Adoration will start Friday, May 6 at 12 Noon and end Saturday 12 noon.
Please come out and spend some time with the Lord.**

Knights of Columbus Council 951 is now accepting applications for our annual scholarship program. Scholarships will be for \$1000 each. Interested parties should visit your church office for an application. Deadline for scholarship entry is May 31, 2016.

Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements can be emailed. They must be approved by our Pastor, Fr. Lowell Case. Deadline for all announcements is 2:00pm on Monday. No impromptu announcements.

**Please pray for all our Military, all the Sick and Shut-In and their families.
Take home a copy of this week's bulletin for other announcements.**

May 1, 2016

**GOOD EVENING/MORNING PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VISTORS!
(PAUSE)**

**WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH. WE ARE IN
THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. KINDLY TURN TO
YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING OF WELCOME, (PAUSE 20 SEC-
ONDS).**

**BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S
COLLECTIONS. WE ASK THAT YOU USE THE BISHOP FAITH APPEAL ENVE-
LOPE FOR THE FIRST COLLECTION. THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR
PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND AND SHARE IN MISSION.**

TODAY'S THEME:

Peace and peace of mind come to the fore at our celebration today. Our loving God invites us to work together to spread the Good News, so we must learn to listen to the Holy Spirit and unite ourselves in the mission that God has given us. Let us pray today for a spirit of unity and peace throughout all the Catholic Church.

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Case, Fr. Aloysius

4:30 P.M.- Fr.

7:00 A.M.-Fr.

9:00 A.M.-Fr.

11:30 A.M.-Fr.

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER:

Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles today shows us how the early church learned to listen to the Holy Spirit and work together to bring about peace of mind to the members of the community. As we hear God's holy word today, let us listen for what God is telling us about how to be messengers of peace and unity within the Church and beyond.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS
The Sixth Sunday of Easter, Cycle C
May 1, 2016

Priest: My brothers and sisters, let us turn to God in prayer asking God to help us love one another as God has loved us...

Response: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

- For the Church, may she be unified in faith that we may love another with a sincere love building God's kingdom through our life in community, we pray to the Lord...
- For a world in need of love and for the transformation of hearts that would do evil, we pray to the Lord...
- For the Holy Spirit to inspire with fairness and justice those who make decisions for our country and our state, we pray to the Lord...
- For a peace that only God can give to free us of the conflicts that separate nations, religions, countries, families and friends, we pray to the Lord...
- For our parish community of *Our Mother of Mercy Church*, may we show our love for one another by giving of ourselves to build God's kingdom, we pray to the Lord...
- In silence, we pray for our needs and the needs of others through Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit...*[pause; the presider alone concludes...]*
- **Priest:** God, you sent your Son and Spirit that we may know your love. Strengthen us, that we may live in your love and share it with all of our brothers and sisters. AMEN.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

May 1, 2016

PLEASE WELCOME THE VISITORS

**ALSO PASS OUT THE CHILDREN'S
BULLETINS AND PEW ART CARDS TO THE LITTLE ONES!**

Make sure that you sign the sheet in the book.

Remember to use the white bags for the collections
Please try and refrain anyone from walking during the
1st reading, 2nd Reading, the Gospel and the Homily.

**Remember to take the count of those present at each Mass and
turn the count sheet in after the 11:30 Mass**

This is very important. Secure collection after Mass

**Second Collection
Parish Maintenance Fund
And
Share in Mission**