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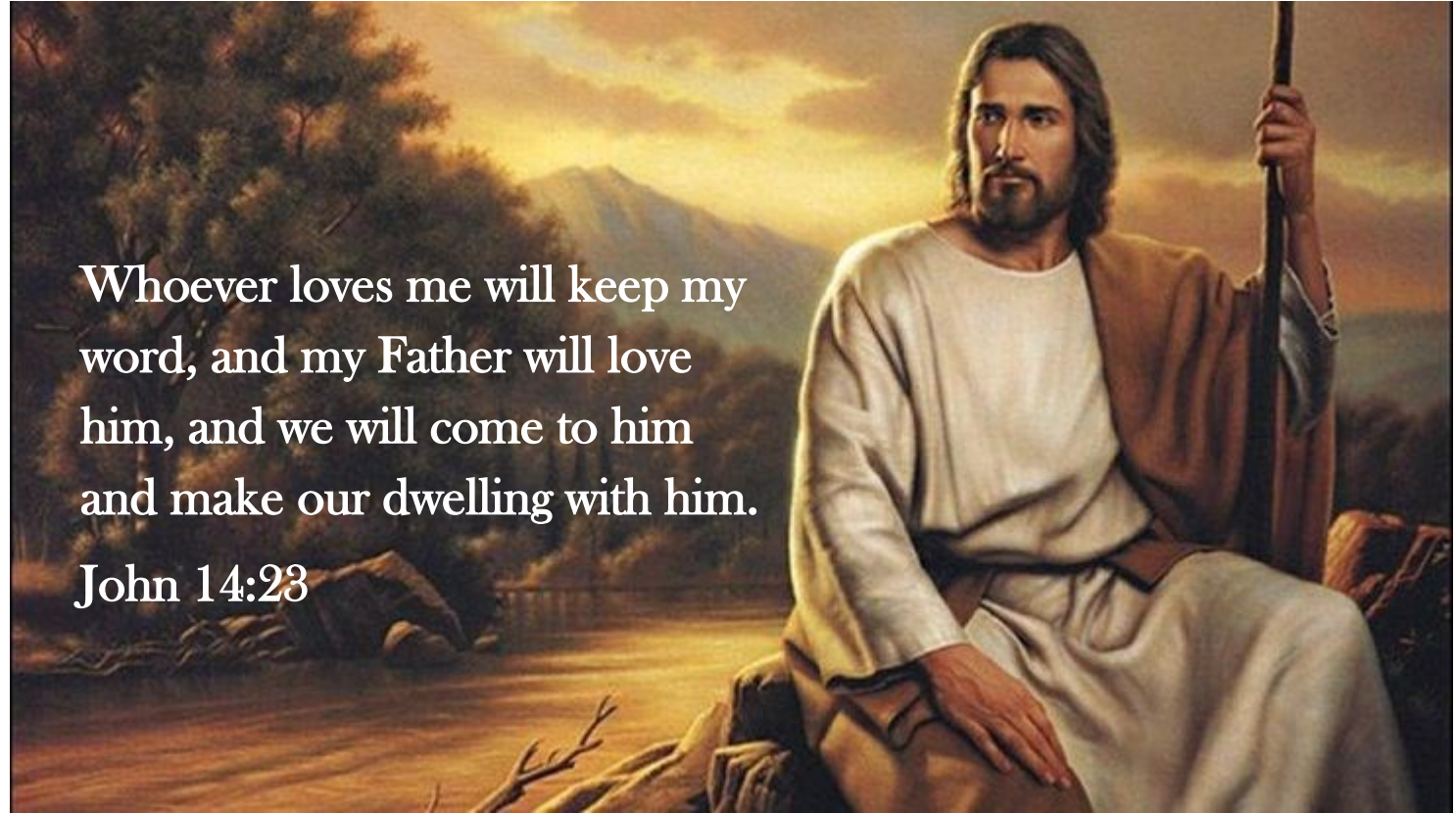
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DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	05/24/25	4:00pm	Gayle Williams †
Sunday	05/25/25	9:00am	People of Holy Family
Monday	05/26/25	8:00am	Elaine Kinzer †
Tuesday	05/27/25	— — —	No Mass
Wednesday	05/28/25	8:30am	Claudia Winkler †
Thursday	05/29/25	8:00am	Pat Boyle†
Friday	05/30/25	8:00am	Sarah Fitzpatrick
Saturday	05/31/25	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	06/01/25	9:00am	Wendy Linstroth †



Sunday, May 25th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts

Monday, May 26th:

- Mass 8:00am
- Ladies Prayer Group 8:45am
- **Parish Office and School Closed**

Tuesday, May 27th:

- No Mass

Wednesday, May 28th:

- Mass 8:30am
- Holy Hour & Confessions

Thursday, May 29th:

- Mass 8:00am
- Mass at St. Joseph Hospital Chapel 12:30pm
- Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Hour 7:00pm (ALL ARE WELCOME)

Friday, May 30th:

- Mass 8:00am

Saturday, May 31st:

- Confessions 3:00pm
- Mass 4:00pm

Sunday, June 1st:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts

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REFLECTION ON THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

By Angelo Kurbanali :

How do you communicate with someone who holds totally different views from you? How do you bring peace to a heated disagreement when everyone has valid arguments? And no, shouting louder than they do isn't an effective strategy. If it were, the government of the United States would have brought world peace by now.

The world is a noisy place. The internet feels even noisier. However, our readings today offer us a way to navigate through all that interferes with our journey to union with God. This solution is older than time itself, but it seems like we often forget about it.

Of course, I can only be referring to listening. The Council of Jerusalem, the praises of Psalm 67, John writing Revelation, the disciples at the Last Supper—all these situations required deep listening. Today, too, we must listen deeply if we hope for the Word of God to grow roots in our lives.

You don't have to spend more than ten minutes listening in the Catholic Church to understand that the Eucharist is the "source and summit" of our faith. Caribbean theologian Archbishop Gabriel Malzaire says that Christians today are "challenged to hold in tension the significance of what is celebrated at the altar and how that reality is lived in everyday life." Let's recall that in today's gospel reading Jesus had already washed the disciples' feet.

So, we can know the Bible and go to church every day, but what does it mean unless we are moved by compassion to action? What good are scripture and tradition if we refuse to listen to God's voice crying out to us in the voice of the poor, the marginalized, and the discarded?

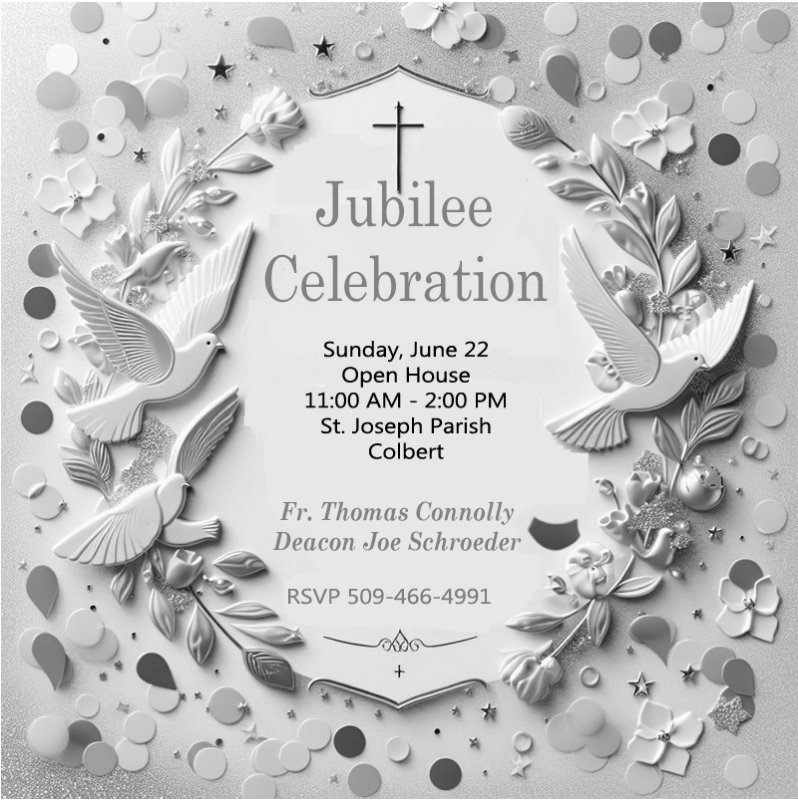
We listen when we're told that Christ's ultimate show of love was his crucifixion. We can also listen to three other ultimate displays of God's love: the incarnation, the resurrection, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. These acts in salvation history remind us of God's affirming love for the goodness of all of creation. They remind us of the redemption we've come to experience. In listening to God's story, we're reminded that we have to be God's story for others in this noisy world—not just by speaking, but by listening.

Pope Francis was big on listening. He taught the church how to listen once again. Pope Leo seems big on listening too. The fact that some in extremist movements are already shouting at him for being a good human being might be a sign that God is truly with us. But God isn't just with the pope, or the clergy, or a select few individuals. God is with all of us. The Holy Spirit is here, and like our new pope reminds us, peace is what our presence is about.

Shouting over others isn't a good strategy. Oppression isn't a good strategy. Sending soldiers to fight wars they never started could never be the voice of God. That sounds like the voice of wealthy capitalists. This Memorial Day, I hope we take a step back from the noise. I hope we listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying. And when we hear the voice as gentle as the wind, I hope we're moved with compassion to action.

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Pope Leo XIV

- Themes for this week:
- Unity in Faith:** The first reading shows the early Church dealing with disagreements. It reminds us that unity in faith requires listening and compromise.
 - Guidance of the Holy Spirit:** The Holy Spirit helps guide the decisions of the apostles in Acts 15:28. We see how the Holy Spirit still guides the Church today.
 - Obedience to Jesus:** The Gospel speaks about keeping Jesus’ word as a sign of love. Obeying Jesus’ teachings brings us closer to Him.
- <https://young-catholics.com/3557/6th-sunday-of-easter-year-c/>



2025 is the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The concept of "Jubilee" has its origins in the Book of Leviticus (chapter 25) as a special year of reconciliation, pilgrimage, and coming home. Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

This Jubilee Year began on Christmas Eve (December 24, 2024) and concludes on Epiphany (January 6, 2026).

Why it’s important:
The Jubilee indulgence is a way of discovering the unlimited nature of God's mercy and a manifestation of the Church's role in offering forgiveness and grace.

What is does:
It offers a full remission of temporal punishment due to sin, meaning the individual is freed from the consequences of sin in this life and the next.

How to obtain it:
To earn a Jubilee indulgence, one must fulfill certain conditions, including:

- Pilgrimage:** Visit a sacred Jubilee site such as a designated shrine in Rome or the Holy Land, a national minor basilica, Marian sanctuary, or national sanctuary.
 - ◊ **Designated Church’s near Holy Family.** Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes in Spokane, WA or All Saints Catholic Church in Lewiston, ID.
- Eucharistic Adoration.** Spend time in Adoration. Conclude with the Our Father, Profession of Faith and invocations to Mary.
- Works of Mercy and Penance:** Examples, Spend time with those in need, (the sick, prisoners, lonely elderly, the disabled).
- Go to Confession.**
- Receive Holy Communion**
- Pray for the Pope’s Intentions**

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SUMMER MINISTRIES: Do you have Summer plans? Make sure you mark the days YOU CAN NOT serve in your MSP App.

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Sunday June 1st 9:00am	Gabe Arnzen Marcus Mills	Mark Ackerman Pat Wolf	Kerri Bailey	Ernie Aguilar Marvin Entel Tim McConnell Steve Nuxoll

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Letter from Father

25 May 2025
6th Sunday of Easter
Memory and Gratitude

Greetings,
Memorial Day is an opportunity for us to reflect on the blessings of our freedoms and to remember at what cost they are purchased. Because of one man's sacrifice, we are privileged to choose and live our faith. Christ died freely and willingly to save us. Then the saints and martyrs followed in His footsteps, devoting life and death to this same privilege.

Memorial Day echoes these sacrifices, in the millions of military men and women who gave their lives freely, so we might live that way. Sacrificial love is not so popular in our day, but as Christ's followers, we aspire to live this theological virtue. More than just a long weekend or a great day to grill various meats, Memorial Day is a time to reverence and remember those who modeled self-sacrifice so courageously. It can also inspire us to greater sacrificial love. **Here are 6 ways we can observe Memorial Day to celebrate our fallen heroes and our freedom and to be thankful for the gift of freedom:**

First, pray for the dead and give thanks to God for the lives of the brave men and women who sacrificed for us all, and pray for their families, who also paid an agonizing price. Pray for the souls of the dead and for God in His merciful love to reward their gift of great selflessness. Most parishes offer Memorial Day Masses. Some invite veterans to wear their uniforms, have military members join in a procession, sing patriotic hymns, or recognize members of the armed forces with a blessing.

Second, make a special effort to attend Mass on Memorial Day and offer it in thanksgiving for your freedoms and for the souls of those who won them. Remember their families, too, who suffered excruciating losses for our freedom. Pray for the safety of those who currently serve and in thanksgiving for their bravery. Our Mass for Memorial Day will be at 8 AM.

Next, in 2000, Congress passed the *National Moment of Remembrance Act*. It asks all Americans to pause at 3 pm on Memorial Day for one minute of silence, honoring those who died in service to our country. At 3 pm, the Hour of Mercy, pause what you are doing and reverence these brave souls. Explain the National Moment of Remembrance to friends and family members and encourage them to join you. It's the perfect time to teach children or grandchildren the importance of remembering and honoring sacrificial love and devotion to God and our country.

A recent poll revealed that only 16% of Americans age 18-25 said they felt proud to live in America. Anti-Americanism is a disturbing societal trend doing grave harm and causing great division within our culture. Within the domestic Church, the family, we can educate our children and reclaim the patriotism lost to the evils of our day. No country is perfect, because men are imperfect. Today it is more important than ever to teach children that they can simultaneously love their country and also wish for and work for change. To progress as a nation and thrive as Americans, we must come from a place of gratitude. With that spirit of gratitude, we thank God for our fallen heroes, who did not die in vain. Their valiant sacrifices deserve our honor, respect, and thanksgiving.

Let this and every Memorial Day be a calling to us as followers of Jesus. May we—in the company of the saints and martyrs and in the light of the fallen patriots whose lives we revere and whose courage and heroism we celebrate—aspire to the sacrificial love He modeled.

A Prayer for Memorial Day

God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears, that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace. Amen

Blessings,

Fr Jeff Core

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