

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday May 17	6th Sunday of Easter	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21	7:00 AM Springer Family 8:30 AM +Sue Asche 10:00 AM Sharon Colburn 11:30 AM +Patricia Hoefs 6:00 PM People of St. Peter
Monday May 18	St. John I, Pope and Martyr	Acts 16:11-15 Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b John 15:26—16:4a	12:10 PM Children of Larry and Grace Carter
Tuesday May 19		Acts 16:22-34 Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 John 16:5-11	12:10 PM +Evelyn Valencia
Wednesday May 20	St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Psalm 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 John 16:12-15	12:10 PM +Lowe Carter
Thursday May 21	St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs	Acts 18:1-8 Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 John 16:16-20	12:10 PM +Dorothy Wunder
Friday May 22	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious	Acts 18:9-18 Psalm 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 John 16:20-23	12:10 PM Justina Souza
Saturday May 23		Acts 18:23-28 Psalm 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 John 16:23b-28	9:00 AM Kris Gray 4:00 PM People of St. Peter
Sunday May 24	The Ascension of the Lord	Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kathy Allen, Kathleen Alvarado, Kay Anderson, +Sue Asche, Luke Barden, Staci Behne, Lisa Biem, Claudean Boatman, +Harold Bohm, Kathryne Bonar, Diane Brown, +Emma Brown, Mary Ellen and +Dick Budd, Ray Burns, Corrina Cantrell, Frani Castaneda, Roman Castaneda, Lydia Castillo, John Casynn, Lea Ciothe, Betty Clark, Mallory Cranwell, Jeremy Cruz, Chad Dunfee, Karen Eicher, Jackie J. and Family, Priscilla French, Heidi Gaiser, Victor Garcia, Merle Gaspers, Jeanette Gau-Moore, Rodriguez Gonzalez, Victor Gonzalez, Kelly Graybill, Aaron Greber, Gimena Gunderson, Denise Gustafson, Bryce Hares, Jean Hawkins, Margaret Hernandez, Sydney Hintz, Elliot Hitchock, Marcella Holguin, Frank Holland, Judy Houston, Karen Johns, +Mary Margaret Kauffman, Louise Kessler, N. J. King, Geni Koenig, Rodney Kontz, Estson and Karen and Sherlene Kontz, Randy Koski, Carolyn Lafferty, Gavin Landwehr, Larue Lara, Laronda Leigh, Jerry Martin, Carla Martinez, Kevin McKenzie, +Art Milner, Peter Mongan, Chrissy Moore, Barbara Morales, John Muniz, Carol Murphy, Nestia Nuanez, Luci and Salem O'Leary, Donna Olson, Larry Overton, Carmen and Alvin Padilla, +Rose Pargas, Carlos Pena, +Ray Pierce, +Michael Prieto, Deloris Potterfield, Zachary Quick, Tony Quigley, Joel Redman, Junior Rodriguez, Virginia Rodriguez, Andrea Romero, Jackie Rowe, Cheryl Rubino, Kendall Scheiderer, Tyson Schaffer, Fred Sieber, Debie Simonton, Mildred Skonksner, Virginia Sorenson, Pauline Soto, Vic Smiley, Henry Smith, Eleanor Sneddon, Neva Spencer, Wilmena Stahla, Bob and Lorene Steele, Jon Stoson, Judy Stryker, Sonny Subia, Mabel Tapia, Joe Trujillo, Pauline Trujillo, Sonny Unrein, Mary Frances Villarreal, Patricia Marie Villarreal, Justine Wahlert, Terry Walsh, Majorie Whittington, Tamara Wilkinson, Joe Yates, Bonnie Youngman



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FIRST READING

Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)



PSALM

Let all the eaeth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66) or Alleluia.



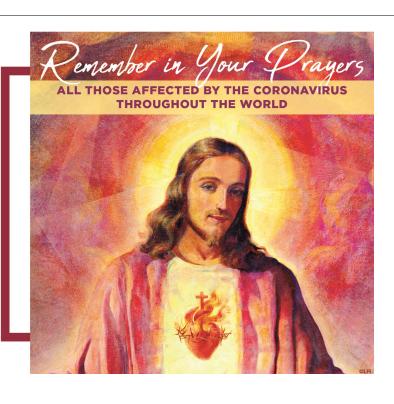
SECOND READING

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. (1 Pt 3:18a)



GOSPEL

"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live." (In 14:18-19)



Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.

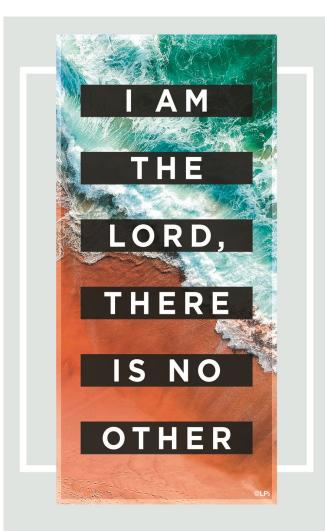
Be with those who lead and give them Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.
Amen



REFLECT

FIRST READING

In Acts 2, Luke records how the Holy Spirit initially descended upon the Jewish believers in Jerusalem. In today's reading, we hear how the Holy Spirit also descended upon the Samaritans who believed in Jesus. What lesson do you think Luke is conveying to us?

SECOND READING

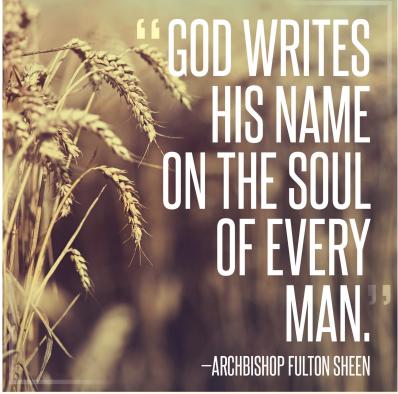
Peter advocates for being prepared to defend the faith, even in the face of danger. How does one find the courage to defend the faith in a hostile environment?

GOSPEL READING

Jesus reveals to his disciples that the intimacy between himself, the Holy Spirit, and the Father can be shared with fellow believers. How do you experience the intimacy of our triune God?



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Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

The announcement of a visit excites us, especially when we are waiting for the guests whom we like to be with, whom we like to listen to. Knowing the date of their visit, we clean up the house, prepare food, make sure we have some nice clothes to wear. But what are our preparations for the visit announced in today's readings and in the Gospel?

Will the words addressed to us through the Gospel of Saint John mobilize us like they did the first Christians? You would think that it was easier for them to believe because they saw miracles and healings. However, Jesus said: *Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe*. The Acts of the Apostles tell us today about the faith of the people of Samaria, how after accepting the Word of God they have experienced the miracles, healings, deliverances. God's Word shows great power among them.

One might say that healing would not be necessary if there were no illnesses, that there would be no need for deliverance if there was no possession. But, unfortunately, our life here on earth is structured and arranged so that we are unable to totally free ourselves from the challenges, difficulties, problems. What we can do is what St. Peter advises us in his letter, when we face those struggles we have to *do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping our conscience clear, so that, when we are maligned, those who defame our good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil.* These are words that are worth considering and analyzing, because there are plenty of people who mock those who act for the good of others.

Finally, we receive the Word of God directly from Christ. A word of love, loyalty, but also of the rule of law, when He reminds us about keeping the commandments. Let us be faithful, law-abiding and merciful, then we will see the life we are waiting for - the eternal life. The Lord gives us the Word, which should be the most important word for us: *Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.* I think that every additional word is superfluous here.

Jesus, risen Christ, please, helps us use the truth, love and faith as our instruments in our relationships with others. Let Help us listen to your word and put it in practice.

