Saturday - May 21, 2022 and Sunday - May 22, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Council of Jerusalem

Readings:

Acts 15:1–2, 22–29 Psalm 67:2–3, 5–6, 8 Revelation 21:10–14, 22–23 John 14:23–29

The first Church council, the Council of Jerusalem we hear about in today's First Reading, decided the shape of the Church as we know it. Some Jewish Christians had wanted Gentile converts to be circumcised and obey all the complex ritual and purity laws of the Jews. The council called this a heresy, again showing us that the Church in the divine plan is meant to be a worldwide family of God, no longer a covenant with just one nation. Today's Liturgy gives us a profound meditation on the nature and meaning of the Church. The Church is One, as we see in the First Reading: "the Apostles [bishops] and presbyters [priests], in agreement with the whole Church [laity]." The Church is Holy, taught and guided by the Spirit that Jesus promises the Apostles in the Gospel. The Church is Catholic, or universal, making known God's ways of salvation to all peoples, ruling all in equity, as we sing in today's Psalm. And the Church, as John sees in the Second Reading, is Apostolic founded on the twelve Apostles of the Lamb. All these marks of the Church are underscored in the story of the council. Notice that everybody, including Paul, looks to "Jerusalem [and] ... the Apostles" to decide the Church's true teaching. The Apostles, too, presume that Christian teachers need a "mandate from us." And we see the Spirit guiding the Apostles in all truth. Notice how they describe their ruling: "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us." Knowing these truths about the Church, our hearts should never be troubled. The Liturgy's message today is that the Church is the Lord's, watched over and guarded by the Advocate, the Holy Spirit sent by the Father in the name of the Son.

St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology



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RCIA &
Adult Classes
RCIA- -See Fr. John

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K-12 Religious
Education
Classes have started
this year!

St. Anthony "Wish List" for renovations and repairs!

- *Windows in church
- *Cracks in walls
- *Ceiling scraped/ painted
- *Retaining walls replaced

These are some immediate repairs we need to do right away!

Future : Tony's Place Thank you in advance!





PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS Pray for the soul of:

Roger Paquette and Patrick Paquette, Peter Eichert, Charles Cutshall, Deacon Larry Casey, Deacon John Mason, Pat Seidel, Joanne Odendahl, Dana Gogan- Vayla Cornell's daughter, David Ellis, Mary McFarland, Mike England, Katherine Kuge, Lucille Bettie, Dave Boiani.

Please pray for:

Candy Zacher, Allen Jones, Evie Jones, Rosemary Orsini, Debi Spriggs, Evie Jones, Allen Jones, Rosemary Orsini, Roger Washelesky, Betty Mason, Holman Family, Veronica McCann, Candy Wilson, Chad & Elijah Long, Chris Ensley, Elaine McCormick, Steve Marteski, Baine Allgary, Rachel Callahan, Dooley Family. Julie Turner, Lori Thompson, Baby Tehilah, Robert Stevens, Asher and Vanessa Reed, Terri Mazziotti, Mike Romano, Jean Paul Geldres, Kathy & Jack Morrow, Robert Marsh, Sterling Wise, Raymond O'Keefe, Gene Bishop, Lorraine Reynolds, Please pray for: the safety of our marines. soldiers, sailors Luke Malonis. Sean Hastings, Phillip Thomas. John J. Banaghan, Carlos Rodriguez, Christopher, Greg Langas, Jeff Longhurst, Nicholas Horton, Josh Adkison, Chris Jones, David Rogers, Anthony Clark Yebba, Edward Bowen, Matthew & Patrick Mills, Clayton Cornell, Taylor Biggers, Anthony Difiore, & Donald P. Lozano. All those in the Ukraine that have lost their lives or have had to flee to other countries.



All parishioners are invited to come together monthly from 6:30 to 8 pm for adoration and prayer. Please join us in the church Monday, June 13, 2022 for our next prayer group. Adoration along with group prayer, with silent adoration at the conclusion of prayer. Info: Contact Steve Lusignan at 404-786-5711 or Sally Lusignan at 706-258-7985.



Please join us downstairs for coffee and donuts after the Sunday, 11am Mass.

If you would like to help serve the donuts, please see or call Nanci in the office. Donuts are paid for and all you do is pick them up from Ingles and make the coffee!

Our servers for May:

May 15– Tom & Selena Holman

May 22– Fr. John, Russell and Vayla Cornell

May 29- Kevin, Ellen, Grace, and Fran Fay

We thank you for volunteering your time so we can get together for fellowship!



We thank you for your continued support of our parish! If you missed a prior collection, you may drop your envelope in the next collection. We are so grateful for our wonderful parishioners and visitors!

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MASS INTENTIONS Mon. May 23rd – 9:00am Mass

Lincoln Schmedes-Sp. Int Requested by: Fay Family Tues. May 24th -9:00am Mass

Holly Schmedes-Sp. Int. Requested by: Fay Family Wed. May 25th - 9:00am Mass

Louise Ciamillo-RIP

Requested by: Lou & Betty Ciamillo

Fri. May 27th -7:00pm Mass

Deacon Jophn Mason-RIP Requested by: Penny Wise Sat. May 28th—9:00am

Mass

Gene Rospars-RIP

Requested by: Lou & Betty Ciamillo

<u>Sat. May 28th – 4:00pm</u> Mass

John Bonsey Jr-Sp. Int.

Requested by: Debi Spriggs The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a free virtual webinar of "Retirement Planning in a Changing Landscape". Planning strategies and opportunities for 2022. June 3rd and June 15th. Please see Russell Cornell with the Knights of Columbus for information on how to register.



We would like to welcome our visitors and new parishioners that wish to join our parish!

Whether you've been with us from the beginning or you are new to our church community, we want to extend a thank-you for making St. Anthony Catholic Church your church home.