

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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place for you.

JOHN 14:1

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Masses for the Week

Sunday, May 3 67th Anniversary for:
7:30am Tom and Kay Derheimer
10:00am First Communicants

Monday, May 4

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 5
7:00pm Jim Strack family

Wednesday, May 6
8:00am Birthday blessings for Kayla

Thursday, May 7
8:00am Vicki Hinen

Friday, May 8
8:00am Richard and Sharon Fenker

Saturday, May 9
5:00pm Bonnie Davis

Sunday, May 10 **Mother's Day**
7:30am For all living & deceased Mothers
10:00am For all living & deceased Mothers

Liturgical Ministries

May 9 & 10

Lectors

5:00pm Dan Palmer
7:30am Keith Lipke
10:00am Raylene Rospond

Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, S. Fawbush, M. Korte, R. Rospond
7:30am B. Harber, K. Lipke, A. Lushis, K. Schaefer
10:00am N. Millberg, K. Miller, S. Miller, N. Duffy

Gifts

5:00pm Volunteers
7:30am Andy Hinen family
10:00am Les Mangis family

Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane
7:30am P. Hinen, Z. Hinen, M. Magers, H. Strack
10:00am D. Frazier, S. Wilhelm, T. Wilhelm, Volunteer

Servers

5:00pm Volunteers
7:30am Lincon S, Peter S, Andrew S, Matthew U
10:00am John D, Charles D, Paul D, Laura D

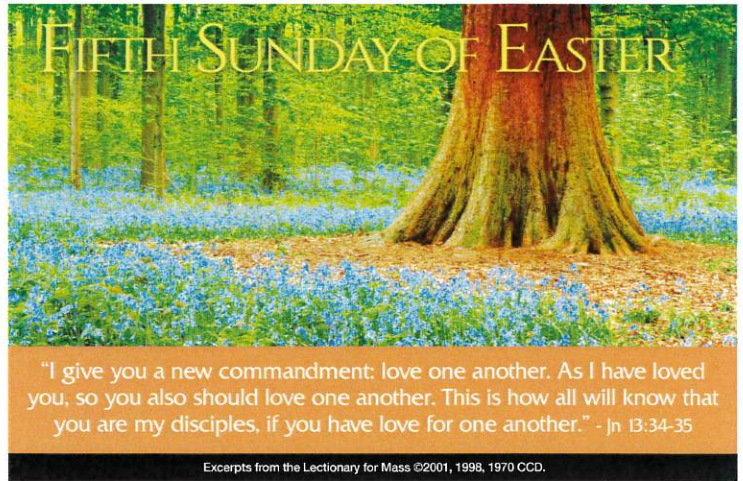
Church Cleaning

May 9 Beth Trahin, John & Kim Pirrung

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"I am the way, the truth, and the life."



The Gospel for the 5th Sunday of Easter invites us into one of Jesus' most comforting and profound declarations: *"I am the way, the truth, and the life."* These words are not just a statement of identity but a personal invitation to trust, follow, and remain in Him.

In the passage, the disciples are troubled and uncertain about the future. Jesus responds not with a detailed roadmap, but with Himself as the answer. He assures them that knowing Him is knowing the Father, and that through Him, they will find the path to eternal life.

This moment reminds us that faith is less about having all the answers and more about deepening our relationship with Christ. When life feels uncertain, we are called to anchor ourselves in His presence — to walk His way of love, live in His truth, and draw life from His Spirit.

May 3, 2026

Annual Mother's Day Catholic Charities Collection

will be held next weekend at all the masses to help those in our community that are in need.

Reminder! First Holy Communion Mass will be held on **Sunday, May 3 at 10am Mass.**

Pro-Life: "Give thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life." – Saint Mother Teresa

Pro-Life Group will meet on **Monday, May 11 at Queen of Angels at 6:30 pm!** Bring a friend and see you there!

O Beautiful Mother Event on **Saturday, May 9th from 1:00-2:15 pm at Catholic Cemetery** (3500 Lake Ave) at the outdoor Marian Grotto for the Rosary, Prayers, and Marian Hymns to honor our Blessed Mother and to pray for ALL of our Mothers, living and deceased. Bring your own blankets and chairs for sitting on the lawn, and you may bring fresh or potted flowers to place before the statue of our Lady! In case of rain, the event will be held in the Resurrection Mausoleum on site.

Spring High School Day with Sisters – High School girls are invited to experience a "day in the life" with the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration at their motherhouse in Mishawaka on **Saturday, May 16 from 10am – 7:30 pm.** This special day offers a unique opportunity to spend time with the Sisters, grow in faith, and experience their life of prayer and community. Learn more and register at sfpa.org/events/spring-high-school-day.

Young Adult Bible Study on Monday Evening (18–35-year-olds) will be held on **Monday, May 4 from 6-8 pm** in the Conference Room.

Life Teen! Leading Teens Closer to Christ! All 8th - 12th grade on **Saturday, May 9 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm** in the old school building.

Encounter Youth Group for all 6th and 7th grade students on **Saturday, May 16 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm** in the old school building.

Life Defenders Summer Camp June 11 – 13 at University of Saint Francis. Register at www.ichooselife.org/camp. This 3-day event, open to high school and college-aged students, equips young people to speak confidently and graciously to the most pressing moral issue of our time—abortion.

Art Camp Children ages 7-13, weekly session available from June 1-19 from 9am -11:45am. **Contact Mary Hilger at 260-438-8356** for more information. Need helpers' students aged 12 and over. (Location: 12903 Washington Center Rd)

Annual Baked Steak Dinner on **Friday, May 8 from 4-7pm at Arcola Community Church** \$15 per-sale or \$17.50 at the door. Children under 5 years \$5.00. Eat in or Carry out!



Mother's Day Carnation Sale: Treat Mom to a colorful carnation for Mother's Day and support the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana. Carnations will be available to purchase after all of the Masses on **May 9 and 10.** Help the Right to Life continue their educational efforts by giving a good will offering of \$2.00 per flower.

Crowning of Mary will be next weekend on **Sunday, May 10 after the 7:30 am Mass** at the outside Grotto where we will honor our Blessed Mother and pray together.

Bishop Luers Show Choir Exhibition on May 17 at 6pm in the gymnasium. Join us as we celebrate 52 years of show choir tradition featuring show choir, alumni performances, and soloists. Free Admission! Come support our students and enjoy a night of music!

We Praise Thee Sacred Music for Bass Band and Chorus on **May 18 at 7pm at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church** (700 W Maumee St, Angola, IN).

Mass and Social for those in a season of infertility with a special vigil mass on Saturday, May 9 at 4pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Center chapel (located at the edge of Notre Dame's campus, the parking lot for the parish center is located on Moreau Drive) Mass will be followed by a social in the community hall sponsored by the diocesan ministry, Hope for the Journey.

Arcola Community Thrift Store is helping build our community, and we need your help! We are looking for customers, donations, and volunteers to work at the store. If you can help, call us at 260.625.3525 Ellen Blasi or Barb Cleveland at 317.518.9976. Thank you!

Adult Confirmation will be held on **Sunday, May 24 at 11:30 am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception** for adults who were baptized as Catholics, but for one reason or another, were not confirmed at the normal time of adolescence. Such individuals must be confirmed by a Bishop. Please contact the parish office for more information; **registration needs to be completed by Friday, May 8th!**

Saint Patrick's Co-Ed Softball League! Co-Ed slow pitch Softball league at St. Pat's is looking for teams. Ages 16 and up. Games start late May. Please message Artie Strack at 260.615.7525 if you'd like to head up a team or have any questions.

Weekly Offertory Collection (April 20-April 26)

Regular Collection - \$2,535
Online Collection - \$2,203
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