

Maneline

ST. Mark Catholic Community

Become a Leader for Peace and Reconciliation at Home, at Work, and in Public

[Editor's note: The following is based on a presentation by Fr. Innocent Rugaragu, S.J.]

Describing leadership as the ability to influence people positively or negatively, Fr. Innocent emphasized the particular need in the world at this time for good leaders. Much of the suffering in Africa, for example, over the past 50 years is attributable to poor leadership; 90 percent of the continent has experienced violent conflicts, wars, and genocide in the past four decades. His own homeland of Rwanda has long suffered under the hands of its leaders, from the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s to genocide in 1994 to the poverty of the present day. He explored seven traditional theories of leadership in multiple settings, from military to political to religious. He agreed with political scientist James MacGregor Burns, who wrote, "Only leadership can overcome the abuses of leadership." Ethical leaders honestly care for the people and the country enough to avoid the abuse that leads to violent conflicts at all levels.

Fr. Innocent is completing his Doctoral work at George Mason University's School for Peace and Conflict Resolution before he returns to Rwanda to continue the healing process in that country.

Peace and Reconciliation

Peace and Reconciliation are at the heart of the healing process. He does not consider peace something to be taken for granted, and he declared himself "willing to die" for it. He discussed the writings of Johan Galtung, who described two kinds of peace: negative peace, which is the absence of violence, and positive peace, which comes from the integration of society.

He explained that the three main causes of violence are disputes over resources, power, and identity. The three solutions

are building interests, building relationships, and building capacities for conflict resolution. He said it is important to keep in mind that all people need the same basic things: security and some comforts.

Reconciliation heals past hurts to repair and restore broken relationships. It is individual and communal, human and Divine. Reconciliation addresses "How do we live together?"

He reminded us that Christ came to reconcile us to the Father. "We have to pray for the grace of Peace and Reconciliation," Fr. Innocent told us. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God" (Mt 5: 9).

Peace Leadership

He discussed the stages of leadership for Peace, which he calls ethical pragmatism, as:

■ **First, we must BE people of principled values and character:** "Being a leader is like being a parent, teaching self-governance or self-discipline."

■ **Second, we must KNOW:** "A leader must understand, have adequate preparation, and skills to do the job... We must know how to mediate, negotiate, and forgive."

■ **Third, we must DO.** He quoted President John Quincy Adams, who said, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader."

■ **Finally, the historical background:** that calls for ability to pay attention to the lessons of the past as we live in the present time and project ourselves into the future. Common sense and prudence ought to govern our historical context if we are to build a culture of Peace and Reconciliation.

How can we experience and live in positive peace, healed, and reconciled? First, we need to be aware of ourselves, who we are, and why we were created, and who we are as children of the same loving God.



Fr. Innocent Rugaragu

We need to choose to interact positively with others with others. We start with partial qualities and then develop needed skills and muscles, and then we practice, because practice makes perfect.

Fr. Innocent told us of a mother who brought her five-year-old son to Gandhi because the boy was eating too much sugar. Gandhi told her to come back in three days. When they returned, Gandhi ordered the little boy, "Stop eating sugar. Now go home." The mother said, "That's all? Why didn't you do that before?" Gandhi replied, "Three days ago, I was eating sugar myself. I had to stop first."

The qualities and "muscles" that we need to develop for the first stage of "BE" include the following:

■ Ability to mediate, negotiate, dialogue, facilitate, and communicate in non-violent ways

■ Ability to live lives based on values and character: the habits of living an ethical life; being prudent; building a good reputation and network of relationships, being self-disciplined; and practicing justice, piety, mercy, forgiveness, courage, magnanimity, empathy, kindness, truth telling, and respect

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- Ability to work for cultural transformation through such means as respecting human life, dignity, and the rule of law; fostering positive choices, desires, attitudes, and behaviors

- Ability to work for mental, spiritual, and material transformation rather than self-interest and the accumulation of goods at the expense of others

- Ability to seek this growth through prayer.

The qualities and “muscles” for the third stage of “DO” include the following:

- Ability to lead by example, take responsibility, and be accountable

- Ability to be pragmatic, focus on what works, and make good decisions

- Ability to distribute resources, power, and knowledge equitably

- Ability to make the commitment to lead for peace

- Ability to seek to build new and peaceful families, communities, countries, and world

Power can be over, with, into, or to. Justice can be punitive or restorative. He encouraged us to sympathize and empathize and build a common identity. He said that we need to embrace leaders who embody Christian principles, reminding us that God sent Christ to bring Reconciliation, and all Christians are charged with being ambassadors of Reconciliation (2 Cor 5:11-20). For Christians, Reconciliation is not optional. We need to be reconciled first with God, and then with ourselves and with one another. We have the responsibility to spread the message to non-Christians so that they can receive and give Reconciliation.

Fr. Innocent ended his presentation by asking, how do we want to live our lives? He said that we pray in the Hail Mary, “now and at the hour of our death.” Now is the time we have to act, and we are fortified to do so by the grace and blessings of the present moment that invites us to become ethical pragmatic leaders.

Readings:

- *Building Peace: Sustainable Reconciliation in Divided Societies* by John Paul Lederach

- *The Choice: Global Domination or Global Leadership* by Zbigniew Brzezinski

- *Moral Politics* by George Lakoff

[Editor's note: This talk was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, who would appreciate contributions to Christiansatrisk.org.]

SCF Sponsor a Lenten Morning of Reflection

By Mary Fisk

The Small Communities of Faith (SCF) sponsored a Lenten Morning of Reflection on Saturday, March 25. The event, held in the Msgr. Cassidy Activities Center, provided an excellent opportunity for participants to focus on their spiritual growth as they prepared for EASTER. The three presentations centered around the theme of Prayer.

Deacon John Allen

In his talk entitled, “Prayer in Jesus’ Life and Teaching,” Deacon John described the ways in which the Scriptures are filled with examples of the centrality of prayer in Jesus’ life. He prayed in the early morning and at night; in solitary places and with others; in synagogues and the temple, as well as simple outdoor settings. He prayed before major events, such as the Transfiguration and Last Supper.

This consistent message of prayer is important for us. God created us, and our lives have true meaning when we live them in relationship with Him. Jesus taught us how to pray in His teaching, in parables, and in His encounters with people in need of help and solace.

Deacon John reminded the audience that prayer is simply a conversation with God; he said, “Prayer involves

lovingly entering our lives into a partnership with God.” When we pray, we should be direct, humble, intimate, and confident, for we are talking with Someone Who loves us profoundly. Jesus involved His full human Person in His prayer, including emotions, such as joy, sadness, fear, and love. He used both formal and spontaneous forms of prayers.

Mickey Edwards

Her presentation centered on the “Seven Last Words of Christ,” those He spoke from the Cross. She distributed a handout with each of the seven sentences and a short meditation on each. Dorothy Peterson provided a prayerful musical interlude after each one that enabled all present to reflect quietly on Christ’s Words. The presentation ended with a prayer: “Jesus, seven times you struggled to speak from the Cross—Your last gift to us in Your earthly life. May we carry your words in our hearts, and return to them often in these final days of Lent. Expressions of Your unfailing love, may these Words empower us to be that love in the world. Amen.”

Annette Kane

She guided a reflection on “The Agony in the Garden” by sharing the *Lectio Divina* (Divine Reading) approach to Scripture. This ancient

method can be traced back to Origen and Saints Ambrose and Augustine and Benedict. In *Lectio Divina*, we open ourselves to God’s guidance through the Scriptures in three main progressive stages: thoughtfully reading a selected text, then pondering a word or phrase in that text and considering its meaning in our lives, and then praying to God by putting in His hands what we have discovered through the meditation. The less common fourth stage is contemplation: we still ourselves and place ourselves more deeply in the Presence of God.

Contributors to Success

Celeste Sichenze, SCF coordinator, thanked the behind-the-scenes people who were so much a part of the event’s success. She said, “An event as significant and complex as our Morning of Reflection does not happen on its own. The Morning of Reflection went smoothly—and that was due to the efforts of several people. Angela Spicer managed the logistics for the event as well as kept all elements on time. Jean Lupinacci, ST. MARK Director of Religious Education, promoted the event and ensured that the electronics worked smoothly. Judy Wilgenbusch ensured that the SCF extended warm hospitality to all who participated.”

Becoming Christ's Presence in the World

By Deacon Charlie Duck

The EASTER Season provides an excellent opportunity to consider how we can see the Presence of God in the world today.

As Catholic Christians, we see the Presence of God clearly in our Sacraments. They give us the grace that we need to follow Christ and live each day the way Jesus taught: not by worldly standards but by the Spirit Who lives in us. We also see His presence in others and in His created world.

We learn how to begin to do this from the Apostles. As they followed Jesus, they came to realize that He was the Messiah and that His teaching comes directly from the Father. They witnessed His miracles, and they were present when He cast out demons. They saw the Savior suffer and die on the Cross. The Gospels are filled with examples of individuals encountering the Lord and being transformed.

Woman at the Well

The woman at the well was a Samaritan, a people despised by the Jews. Jesus captured her heart with His first words; she felt unworthy to be spoken to at all by a Jew. He not only speaks to her; He asks her for a drink of water. They reverse roles; Jesus becomes the beggar, and she becomes the giver. Empowered, she runs to share the good news with her friends.

Jesus sees the world ready to receive His messianic mission. He sees a world like the woman ready to help take up the cross and spread the gospel of forgiveness, mercy, grace, and love. He sees a world ready to take His message of peace to the poor in spirit, the sorrowful, the spiritually hungry, and the persecuted.

Each one of us is the woman Christ meets at the well. We are often souls who are unworthy, heartbroken, sick, poor, and taken advantage of. We might live in foster homes, nursing homes, broken homes, empty homes, and lifeless homes. We might walk like zombies though life struggling to find the smallest comfort or security. Too often, we are afflicted with physical, emotional, and spiritual diseases. We compensate for this pain by overindulging in everything we do. We eat too much, drink too much, watch television too much, work too much. Most of all, we worry too much. We allow our fears to drive us.

God turns our weaknesses and failures into our strongest and best talents to help

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someone with our own problems. We become His power, His love, and His grace. We are able to forgive and understand someone who suffers from our own weakness. This is the world ready to share the mission, ready to help save and understand that we are all connected to each other and to Christ.

This is what Jesus tells His disciples when they return: "I tell you to lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are ready for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life."

The goal of this life is to be ready for the next. Christ is calling us into the fields to help Him with the harvest. He is calling us to use our talents to help others to come to know and love Christ. He wants us to get up out of the pews and to go put our faith into practice. We have no excuses. It is our weakness, our failures, and our mistakes in life that prepare us to help others who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Cleansing of the Temple

At Passover, Jerusalem was full of people from all over Israel and Judea. The leaders of the faith assembled from all parts of the country. The streets were full of vendors selling oxen, doves, and pigeons for sacrifice in the temple. Money changers were ready to convert the Roman coin, the drachma, into the shackle, the only coin used inside the temple. The people who came to Jerusalem were part of a sacred mission.

They knew who Jesus was. They watched Him run the money changers and vendors out of the temple. They did nothing to stop Him. They had all the power to maintain security within the temple, and yet they let Jesus cast out the vendors. They had heard of His ability to work miracles and thought that He might truly be the Messiah. They wanted to see for themselves what Jesus could do.

They asked Him for a sign, a miracle to show that He was truly the Messiah sent by God. Jesus responded by proclaiming that if they destroyed this temple, in three

days He would raise it up again. The Jews and His disciples thought He was referring to the stones and timbers of the Temple in Jerusalem, but He was actually foretelling His death and resurrection.

Jesus wanted to teach the world that it was time for the whole notion of Temple sacrifice to be swept away. He was to be the Temple; He was to be the victim and the sacrifice. His followers were to live a new life — through Him, with Him, and in Him.

Jesus's message to the people of Jerusalem is that peace in this world must start with His sacrifice. We must allow Christ to cleanse our hearts. We must drive out the money changers and false gods and sins that fill our inner spaces. We must show how much we truly love and believe in the power of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We must build our lives on the love we have for one another.

Cursillo Weekend

Thirty years ago, I attended a Cursillo Retreat weekend that opened my eyes to the power of God's people working together. On that weekend were the dean of a local community college and a coal miner. They happened to be standing next to each other at the beginning of the retreat when the photographer took our group picture. They were leaning as far away from each other as possible. Their body language told the entire story.

We each had a chance to tell our life stories and about our walk of faith. As it turned out, the coal miner, Billy, never had a chance to go to school and could not read. He was ashamed and avoided situations that might cause him to expose his illiteracy. During the weekend, the professor and Billy the coal miner were paired together. The professor specialized in teaching adults to read, and he and Billy became friends.

At the end of the retreat was a memorable scene with the professor reading the closing Gospel and Billy holding the candle in the darkness for his friend the professor. Several years later, I learned that the professor had traveled many miles to meet with Billy and taught him to read.

Our Church today is where the living and loving God prays with His holy people who know that Christ has redeemed the world. Our mission is to find a way to communicate and share our faith with the world.

My Visit to the Sea of Galilee

By Rita Steininger

In September 2016, I was part of a group of 18 Catholic Pilgrims, who spent 11 days visiting the Holy Land of Israel. The trip was hosted by Father Hathaway of SAINT MARY Church in Old Town Alexandria. This was my third trip to the Holy Land, and it continued to be a breathtaking experience for me. We visited many holy areas and shrines, but for me, one of the most memorable experiences was seeing and boating on the Sea of Galilee.

For anyone with any thought of traveling to the Sea of Galilee, I can only say that I was awestruck being on such holy ground and getting a taste of what it must have been like to be one of Jesus's followers at that time. To be on the Sea where He walked was like nothing I have experienced. Sailing on the Sea gave me a taste of great peace and understanding of His infinite love.

In Galilee, we watched a documentary where fishermen found a fishing boat in Gennesaret that dated back to the time of Jesus. It was hard to unearth the boat because of the rising seawater. People came from all around to help out, as if war had broken out, the job of unearthing the boat was so urgent. Unearthing the boat brought tourists and volunteers to Gennesaret. It was the greatest find



since Masada. The boat resembled a mosaic from Migdal and the boat described by the historian Josephus in his account of the naval battle at Migdal against the Romans. The people sensed the presence of excellent craftsmanship. It was wonderful to see the boat and was interesting to learn how they stabilized the boat to preserve it after 2,000 years.

Unlike those in some of the other areas of Israel, the people of Galilee did not move here recently; their families have been here for several generations.

We sailed in the *King David*, a boat, on the Sea of Galilee. On board, we saw a valley to the right of Tiberias, where a battle against the Romans had been waged. This was also the location of the last Crusaders' battle. We saw the Golan Heights. I could appreciate why it is contested land; it is high above Israel, making it a strategic military site.

We read the Scripture discussing Christ on the Sea of Galilee in Matthew 8:23, the calming of the storm. We also read St. Augustine's Sermon 63. Both readings tell us that if we are in tumult, if our hearts are tossed about from an insult or anger, if we give in to it and want revenge, we are shipwrecked. Why? Because Christ sleeps in us. We need to wake Christ up in our hearts and call Him to mind. Who is this whom even the winds and the sea obey? We need to imitate the winds and sea and obey the Creator! We need to avoid shipwrecking our souls by mortal sin. We need to ask for guidance through the temptations of this life.



The lyrics of "Be Not Afraid" capture my feelings during this blessed trip:



*If you pass through raging waters
In the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amidst the burning flames
You shall not be harmed.*

*If you stand before the power of hell
And death is at your side
Know that I am with you, through it all.*

*Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come follow Me.
And I shall give you rest*

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Christ with Scars

Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

“The only One who can bring solace to our times is a Christ with scars, Who Himself had passed through death to give us hope and life, and this is the Christ of EASTER morn....

The kind of Christ the world needs today is the virile Christ, Who can unfurl to an evil world the pledge of victory in His own body, offered in bloody sacrifice for salvation. No false gods who are immune

from pain and sorrow can solace us in these tragic days.

Take out of our lives the Christ of the Scars, Who is the Son of the Living God, Who rose from the dead by the power of God, and what assurance have we that evil shall not triumph over good?...

But if He is not only man but God; if He is not a teacher of humanitarian ethics, but a Redeemer; if He can take the worst this world has

to offer and then by the power of God rise above it; if He, the unarmed, can make war with no other weapon than goodness and pardon, so that slain has the gain, and they who kill the foe lose the day, then who shall be without hope as the Risen Christ shows us His hands and side?”

Source: *Characters of the Passion: Lessons on Faith and Trust*, Ligouri Publications, 1947.

Parish Youth Prepare for CONFIRMATION

The Parish youth have entered the final stages of preparation to receive the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION.

The Boys' Retreat was the weekend of March 17-19; the Girls' Retreat was the weekend of March 24-26. They will receive the Sacrament on May 12.



Prayer to the Trinity

Oh my God, Trinity Whom I adore, help me forget myself entirely so to establish myself in You, unmovable and peaceful, as if my soul were already in eternity.

May nothing be able to trouble my peace or make me leave You, O my unchanging God, but may each minute bring me more deeply into Your mystery!

Grant my soul peace. Make it Your heaven, Your beloved dwelling, and the place of Your rest.

May I never abandon You there, but may I be there, whole and entire, completely vigilant in my faith, entirely adoring, and wholly given over to Your creative action.

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity (CCC 260)

May Saints and Blessed

May 1	St. Joseph the Worker	May 18	Pope St. John I
May 2	St. Athanasius	May 20	St. Bernardine of Siena
May 3	Sts. Philip and James the Less	May 21	St. Christopher Magallanes and his companions
May 10	St. Damien Joseph de Veuster	May 22	St. Rita of Cascia
May 12	Sts. Nereus and Achilleus with St. Pancras	May 25	Venerable Bede, Pope St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi
May 13	Our Lady of Fatima	May 26	St. Philip Neri
May 14	St. Matthias	May 28	St. Augustine of Canterbury
May 15	St. Isidore the farmer	May 31	Visitation

Parish Sponsors Panel on Immigration Rights

by Ann Ramish

On Wednesday, March 15, the Peace and Justice Committee sponsored a program entitled, “Know Your Rights: What to Do If You Encounter Immigration Officials.” The presenter was Elizabeth Kohler Maya, an immigration attorney and a parishioner at *ST. MARK*.

Liz encourages immigrants to learn their rights in the United States, regardless of their immigration status, what to do if detained by the police or immigration officials, and how to create an emergency plan in case they are detained or deported.

She reminded immigrants that they need to know their individual situations. How long have they been here? How did they come? Have they had any interactions with immigration officials? If there was a case in immigration court, they need to learn the outcome and get the paperwork. They can use the Freedom of Information Act to get copies of files from immigration authorities. If an application was filed, what was the decision? She noted that sometimes an immigration court case can be challenged, but it is necessary to have copies of all of the paperwork. The deportation order can be challenged if the case was not conducted properly.

She pointed out that some people are sponsored by family members or employers. Some people may be eligible for asylum, such as victims of trafficking or of certain crimes. Immigrants need to gather the information and consult an attorney. There are private attorneys and also legal assistance through community-based organizations. Some employee benefits programs provide free legal access.

She cautioned them to be careful of notaries. Notaries have no legal training, and a few may take people's money and not help them. She advised that immigrants get a recommendation for an attorney and be sure the attorney is a member of a bar; ideally, the attorney belongs to the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

Important Records

Additional advice included the following:

- Be aware of any criminal history and the outcome of any legal action. The FBI has a database of any time someone has been fingerprinted. Catholic Charities will help with the fingerprinting. People need to know this information to get legal advice. Even then, determining the immigration consequences of a criminal background is challenging because the descriptions in the immigration law are not a good fit with the way that the states categorize offenses.
- Gather proof of U. S. residency for two

years, such as tax records, medical records, employment records, and school records. Deportation can be quicker if immigrants have been in this country less than two years.

- Have all important documents available, such as birth certificates, naturalization certificates, school records, and passports, especially for children who are U.S. citizens. The passports will especially be needed if adults think that they will have to leave and want to bring their children with them.

She said to gather the documents, safeguarding the originals, and then make copies for their own use, as well as for anyone with power of attorney and for potential guardians. Scanned copies are good to keep, including a scan of the card stamped when they came to the United States. Children should have emergency contact information in their backpacks.

Contact with ICE

There are three principal areas where immigrants might encounter Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents: in homes, in workplaces, and in public areas. She said that immigrants have the most protection in their homes because Fourth Amendment rights apply to everyone. They have the right to remain silent, so she advised them not to tell the authorities where they are from. If ICE agents do not have a warrant signed by a judge, the immigrants do not have to open the door and let them in. She said they should ask the agents to put the warrant under the door and look for the word “judge.” If it does not say “judge,” they do not have to open the door. At workplaces, many employers will let ICE agents enter, but immigrants may be silent. She pointed out that it is important that they not lie or give false documents.

Once people are detained, ICE puts them in deportation proceedings. ICE makes the initial custody determination. If there has been a criminal conviction of certain types, there is mandatory detention. Otherwise, there is more discretion. If they have young children coming home, or a serious illness, or are a nursing mother, she advised them to tell the agents, who will take some factors into consideration.

Planning

She cautioned them to be ready for the worst-case scenario of detention and have a plan in place. The plan includes a specified contact tree, and someone to pick up the children, notify relatives and the attorney, and request a bond. She advised them to save money now for a bond. She reminded them that they have the right to call a family member and an attorney.

She said that a power of attorney is only a short-term solution and is not intended for permanent or long-term custody of the

children. It will allow someone to pick up children from school, take them to the doctor, or continue operating a business. It can be written so it only goes into effect if the parents are detained. She suggested that they carefully select the people they designate to watch the children. She pointed out that legal status is not required, but it would be problematic if the designees were also detained.

Liz provided excellent handouts in English and in Spanish. For copies of the handouts, send an email to ramishteam@outlook.com. Please indicate whether you prefer English or Spanish.

Thank an Immigrant Campaign

You can share your story and testimony telling the world why you are grateful to an immigrant: Share a story, take a picture, upload a video, or do any combination of these three. Please be sure that you have the permission of anyone you photograph or film.

Some Ideas

- Write a “thank” you on the receipt from a night out if you eat at a place where you know immigrants work, and give a tip to an immigrant.
- Go to your favorite restaurant run by immigrants, an artistic performance by immigrants, or a festival, and thank them for adding their cultural heritage to the continuously evolving story of what it means to be American.
- Visit your local store run by immigrants, and thank them for contributing to our community.
- Look around your home or neighborhood for a product or service that you have because of the labor and ingenuity of immigrants. Examples include Apple products, Levi's jeans, and telephones. For more ideas, check out this list of major U.S. companies started by immigrants: <http://www.businessinsider.com/major-us-companies-founded-by-immigrants-2017-2>.
- Think of other ways you would like to say thank you to the thousands of immigrants that we call neighbors, and join us to make this country a better place in which to live. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/thankanimmigrant/>.

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Youth Enjoy Seder Meal



The Youth and Family Activity on April 2 was a Seder Meal for Junior High and High School youth and ST. MARK Parishioners. The event was held in the Msgr. Cassidy Activities Center. Youth Minister Eric McDade dressed up as the prophet Elijah. About 75 people participated.

The M&Ms toured the Della Robbia Exhibit at the National Gallery of Art on March 29



Luca della Robbia (1399/1400-1482), was a master sculptor in marble and bronze, who invented a glazing technique for terracotta sculpture that made him one of the most innovative artists of the 15th century. Viewing the exhibit,

entitled, *Della Robbia: Sculpting with Color in Renaissance Florence*, the M&Ms were able to see 40 works by Luca, his nephew Andrea (1435-1525), Andrea's sons, and the competing Buglioni workshop.



The M&Ms celebrated St. Patrick's Day with lunch and festivities at the Auld Shebeen Restaurant, Fairfax, on Wednesday, March 15.

Milestones



NEW PARISHIONERS

ST. MARK welcomes the following new Parishioners to our Parish family:

Cameron and Cheryl Bois
 Scott and Yingxia Li Irving
 Joseph and Gabriella Pesacreta
 Bartholomew Steib
 Keith and Shauna Thomas
 Christian and Janet Yungwirth

DEATHS

The following Parishioners entered into eternal life:

Peg Moss
 Maria Schaeffer
 Thomas Clemens
 Mary Jane Lock

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Mark Your Calendar

May

May 6-7 First EUCHARIST

May 7 Youth and Family Mass

May 8 Shakespeare Theater

May 12 CONFIRMATION

May 13-14 First EUCHARIST

May 16 *ST. MARK* School Band Concert

May 19 Movie Night

May 24 PTPO Meeting

May 28 *Solemnity of the Ascension*
(transferred from May 25)



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