

May 6, 2018 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

"This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you."

John 15: 9-17

“Creamer and Sugar Bowl on A Blue Table Cloth”

For some time, Mother and Daughter lived at an affectionate arm's length, a kind of truce after a long siege of parent-teenage conflict. Part of their differences were temperamental: Mother loved designer clothes, keeping a perfect house, loving the grand gesture; Daughter preferred walking on the beach in her khakis, a table for two, the intimate chat. But the times each grew up in also defined their different perspectives: the elder woman sacrificed her dream of a career in music to raise a family; the younger woman headed off to graduate school to write about the social ills her mother's generation had created - or failed to solve.

Then one day, Daughter was passing through a crafts shop. She saw a creamer and sugar bowl she knew her mother would love. Call it a delayed epiphany. She bought them and sent them to her mother. She can still hear the joy in her mother's voice when she called to thank her. A week later, a package arrived from her mother: a beautiful table cloth, a simple cotton print in blue, her daughter's favorite color.

After this exchange of gifts, Mother and Daughter found a new ease. Mother offered her matchless color sense for sweaters Daughter was knitting for her toddler. Daughter consulted her mother for recipes. The two began attending plays and concerts together - their favorite: Beethoven. The daughter came to see that, despite all that divided them, her mother simply loved being with her. And they didn't need the best table in the house.

After her mother died, she found a folder in which her mother kept every article her daughter had ever written. She had never mentioned it. But by now her daughter understood. It wasn't her achievements that her mother cherished, any more than the ornaments of her own ambitions. What mattered all along was very simple. They just had to stop wanting what they thought the other *should* want and be, and, instead, honoring and appreciating who the other actually *is* and wants her life to be.

[From "A daughter cherishes the threads of a mother's gift" by Kathleen Hirsch, The Boston Globe, May 6, 2016.]

Sometimes the hardest love to express is our love for those who matter most to us. A daughter re-imagines her relationship with her mother through a simple gift meant only to bring her joy - a generational divide is bridged by grace and gratitude for the gifts each woman is able to give to the other. The love that Jesus asks us to embrace - "commands" us to embrace - is centered in the happiness of the other, not what we think their happiness should be. Such love is possible only when we put aside our own expectations, demands and interests in order to realize the joys and dreams of those we love. Jesus asks us to love one another as he has loved us: to put others before ourselves, to seek our joy in bringing joy to those we love and who love us, to honor and cherish one another simply because we are all sons and daughters of the God of mercy and compassion.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

Pastor: Monsignor Jim Robertson

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Office Hours: Monday and Friday 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11:00 am

Reconciliation: By request

Mass During the Week: Tues at 7:00 pm
Wed, Thurs, Fri at 10:00 am
First Fridays - 2:00 pm at the Lohnes Complex

Holy Hour of Adoration: Third Sunday of the Month at 2 p.m.

Marriages: Six months' notice is required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS (April 29, 2018)

Regular Collection	1931.45
Parish Dues	100.00
Parish Insurance	20.00
Building Fund	5.00
Votive Candles	72.00
Sunday Missals	20.00
Word Among Us	5.00
Baptism Stipends	25.00
Mass Stipends	40.00
Ecclesiastical Students	110.00
St. Vincent de Paul	20.00

MASS INTENTIONS

May 7	No Mass
May 8	Late Edna Dwyer
May 9	Late Pat & Rita Moore
May 10	Late John F. & Evangeline Barry
May 11	Late Bill Baker
May 12	Late Ada & John Joe George and Marilyn (George) Borden
May 13	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

May 12	
Linda Tarbett Gen Quigley	Joan Penney Gerard Brake Eileen Moore
May 13	
Debbie Allen Donna Eldridge	Hedy Kenny Don Gallant Doreen Jones
Communion to the Sick	
Eileen Moore	

BIBLE STUDY: We continue to meet every Sunday at 7:00 pm in the Church meeting room. Everyone is welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Next meeting takes place Monday, May 7 at 7 pm.

PARISH BINGO: A reminder that our next parish bingo will take place on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2pm at Sacred Heart Elementary. Please continue to support our Parish fundraising.

4YOUTH: The month of May is dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Catholics have a long tradition of approaching Mary through a variety of devotions, the most popular of which is the Rosary, in which 50 Hail Marys are recited while meditating on the mysteries of the life of Christ. There are many other prayers that we use to ask Mary to intercede on our behalf, such as the Angelus, which recalls the Annunciation and the Incarnation of the Son of God in Mary's womb. Many devotions have developed over the centuries in honor of Mary under different titles, such as Our Lady of Lourdes or Perpetual Help. There are also many different feast days in the liturgical year devoted to Mary. To learn more about Mary, try watching the video *Mary in 2 minutes* by Busted Halo.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Our Ladies Group will be reciting the rosary each Tuesday in May at 6:30 pm. All are encouraged to participate.

SACRED HEART SPRING CONCERT: Sacred Heart Spring Concert will take place on **Friday, May 25th at 7:30 p.m.** The concert will feature various performers. Admission \$5.

CHASE THE ACE: Chase the Ace has started in Humber Arm South again. Draws will take place Sunday evenings from 6-7 pm at the Humber Arm South community hall.

MARY'S KITCHEN: A big thank you to all Sacred Heart Parishioners who helped with Mary's Kitchen during the month of April. Your time, effort, and generosity were greatly appreciated.



POPE'S PASTORAL

WORKS: On the weekend of May 5th - 6th, there will be a special collection taken up for the Pope's Pastoral Works. Whenever disaster strikes around the world, the

Holy See always responds with food, water, medicine, blankets and trained personnel. The proceeds of this special collection are used to help finance those relief efforts. We would encourage you to be as generous as possible as we never know where or when a need will arise.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL activity for the

month of April: During April our members visited 18 homes, with 21 adults and 2 children. We spent \$800.57 and had 107 volunteer hours. There were a number of pick up and delivery of furniture. Mary's Kitchen served 131 adults guests and 6 children. The cost was \$729.31 and 37 volunteer hours. The Poor Box Collection last week had \$339.20 from Sacred Heart Parish, \$69.05 from St. Brendan's and \$829.85 from Holy Redeemer for a total of \$1238.10. All Hallow's will be collecting this week. Thank you for your generosity, it is much appreciated.

CONFIRMATION: Bishop Hundt will be visiting our Parish for the mass of Sunday, May 27th when he will celebrate the sacrament of confirmation with our young people. Please pray for those who are to be confirmed. Come worship with us on that day and celebrate with our youth and with our Bishop.

COMMUNION: Some of our very young children will be receiving Eucharist for the first time on Sunday, May 13 at 11 o'clock mass. Pray for them and their families that through the gift of the Eucharist they may grow in their faith. There will be an instructional mass on Thursday, May 10 at 6:30 pm for these children and their families.

HUMOUR: A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping"

THE REGINA CAELI:

is said in place of the Angelus during the Fifty days of Easter - concluding on the Feast of the Pentecost.

QUEEN OF HEAVEN

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia
R. For He Whom you did merit to bear, alleluia

Hail Mary

V. Has risen, as He said, alleluia

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia

Hail Mary

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia

Hail Mary

Let us pray. O God, Who gave joy to the world through the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

