



St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter — May 14, 2023

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

After Mass on May 14, enjoy scrumptious breakfast casseroles, homemade cinnamon rolls, filling biscuits & sausage gravy, fresh fruit and more. All are invited. If you know of someone who would like a meal just let us know and we will prepare it "to go". Contact Kathy Blubaugh for any questions.

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sun May 14 Mother's Day Brunch
- Sun May 21 *A Better Choice* collection
- Sat May 27 Saturday Social after 5:00 pm Mass
Anointing of the Sick after 5:00 pm Mass
- Sun May 28 Anointing of the Sick after 9:00 am Mass

HALL RESERVATIONS, EMAILS & PHONE CALLS

When reserving the parish hall (whether a private, a group, or a parish event), the hall must be reserved through Chris and Kathy Blubaugh and posted on the parish website before the event can be posted in the bulletin.

All emails or phone calls to Father or the Parish Office need to be sent using the email address and phone number found in the bulletin. If other email addresses or phone numbers are used, your message may not be seen or heard.

**CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD SATURDAY
AFTERNOONS FROM 4:00-4:30 PM**

FATHER KAPAUN PILGRIMAGE

The 2023 Father Kapaun Pilgrimage registration just opened for those of you who wish to go on this journey. The Pilgrimage will take place **June 1-4, 2023** beginning in Wichita and ending with Mass and a luncheon in Pilsen. This Pilgrimage is family friendly and open to everyone. If you have any questions please contact Leesa Sandell 562-458-3776. Also, you may visit the following link for more information:

<https://frkapaun.org/pilgrimage/>

MASS INTENTIONS

- Mon May 15 8:30 am Altar Society Members
- Wed May 17 6:00 pm Chad & Jennifer Andra
- Thu May 18 8:30 am Robert & Vernadean Barnes +
- Fri May 19 8:30 am Knights of Columbus members
- Sat May 20 5:00 pm Leon & Helen Blubaugh +
- Sun May 21 9:00 am *Pro Populo*



THANK YOU

The Altar Society would like to thank all of you who supported, provided food and helped with the setup and clean up for the First Holy Communion and Mothers Day/Graduation Brunch.

MAY SATURDAY SOCIAL

May 27 Memorial Day weekend Social – we will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs, chips and drinks provided. It's Memorial weekend! For those that have nowhere else to be, be at the parish hall after Saturday mass, enjoy food and games with family and friends. If you would like please bring a salad or dessert to share.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Kelsi Regier, Zena Kennedy Schmelzle, Verna Schmidt, Connie Selenke, Mark Schmidt, Jo Ellen Schmidt, Kathy Schmidt, Pat Schmidt, Don Schmitz, Rose Troyer

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$ 2,979.00

LIFE SAVER SUNDAY WEEKEND FOR A BETTER CHOICE

The weekend of May 20/21 is Life Saver Sunday! A special effort with the Knights of Columbus to support A Better Choice will follow each Mass. This local Catholic ministry provides hope through peer counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, material assistance, and community referrals for women struggling with the fear of an unplanned pregnancy. Your continued financial support is needed to sustain these services at no cost. To learn more about their services, volunteering, and donating, visit www.pregnancywichita.com. Visit abcjubilee.com or scan the QR code to see all the ways they're celebrating their 30th year! Thank you and Happy Easter!



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Finance Council: Father Hoisington, Chris & Kathy Blubaugh, Martin Schmidt, Steve Schmidt, Leo Schmitz

Altar Society: Shawna Schneider, President; Pam Schneider, Treasurer; Lori Barnes, Secretary.

To reserve the hall for groups or individuals: Chris (620-845-0072) or Kathy (620-845-3962) Blubaugh
See the parish website's "Parish Hall" page to see what dates are already reserved.

Bulletin News: The bulletin deadline is Wednesday. Information needs to include specific dates and needs to be worded as it's to appear in the bulletin. Email bulletin items to the parish email address in the bulletin header.

ROSARY LEADERS (Rosary Starts 20 Minutes Before Mass)

May 13	Chris Blubaugh	May 14	Eric Eaton
May 20	Betsy Klingman	May 21	Don Schmitz
May 27	Steve Schmidt	May 28	Leo Schmitz

LECTORS

May 13	Woody Barnes	May 14	Leo Schmitz
May 20	Marion Metzinger	May 21	Linc Crampton
May 27	Shawna Schneider	May 28	Brandi Bandy

OFFERTORY

May 14	Eric & Nicole Eaton family
May 21	Linc & Raline Crampton family
May 28	Larry & Louise Lee family

ALTAR SERVERS

May 14	Gabe & Jhett
May 21	Keelen & Cord
May 28	Laila & Harper

SCOTT HAHN'S REFLECTION

Jesus will not leave us alone. He won't make us children of God in Baptism only to leave us "orphans," He assures us in today's Gospel (see Romans 8:14-17).

He asks the Father to give us His Spirit, to dwell with us and keep us united in the life He shares with the Father.

We see the promised gift of His Spirit being conferred in today's First Reading.

The scene from Acts apparently depicts a primitive Confirmation rite. Philip, one of the first deacons (see Acts 6:5), proclaims the Gospel in the non-Jewish city of Samaria. The Samaritans accept the Word of God (see Acts 17:11; 1 Thessalonians 2:13) and are baptized.

It remains for the Apostles to send their representatives, Peter and John, to pray and lay hands on the newly baptized—that they might receive the Holy Spirit. This is the origin of our Sacrament of Confirmation (see Acts 19:5-6), by which the grace of Baptism is completed and believers are sealed with the Spirit promised by the Lord.

We remain in this grace so long as we love Christ and keep His commandments. And, strengthened in the Spirit whom Jesus said would be our Advocate, we are called to bear witness to our salvation—to the tremendous deeds that God has done for us in the name of His Son.

In today's Psalm, we celebrate our liberation. As He changed the sea into dry land to free the captive Israelites, Christ suffered that He might lead us to God, as we hear in today's Epistle.

This is the reason for our hope—the hope that sustains us in the face of a world that cannot accept His truth, the hope that sustains us when we are maligned and defamed for His name's sake.

Put to death in the flesh, He was brought to life in the Spirit, Paul tells us today. And as He himself promises: "Because I live, . . . you will live."

