

## Fr. Joseph's Corner "Who Will Take the Son?"

A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. They had everything in their collection, from Picasso to Raphael. They would often sit together and admire their great works of art.

When the Iranian conflict broke out, the son went to war. He was very courageous and died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified, and he grieved deeply for his only son.

About a month later, just before Christmas, there was a knock at the door. A young man stood at the door with a large package in his hands. He said, "Sir, you don't know me, but I am the soldier for whom your son gave his life. He saved many lives that day, and he was carrying me to safety when a bullet struck him in the heart, and he died instantly. He often talked about you, and your love for art." The young man held out his package. "I know this isn't much—I'm not really a great artist, but I think your son would have wanted you to have this."

The father opened the package. It was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared in awe at the way the soldier had captured the personality of his son in the painting. The father was so drawn to the eyes that his own eyes welled up with tears. He thanked the young man and offered to pay him for the picture. "Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me. It's a gift."

The father hung the portrait over his mantle. Every time visitors came to his home, he took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed them any other great works that he and his son had collected.

The man died a few months later. There was to be a great auction of his paintings. Many influential people gathered, excited over seeing the great paintings and having an opportunity to purchase one for their collection. On the platform sat the painting of the son, and the auctioneer pounded his gavel.



"We will start the bidding with this painting of the son. Who will bid for this picture?"

There was silence. Then a voice in the back of the room shouted. "We want to see the famous paintings. Skip this one!"

But the auctioneer persisted: "Will someone bid for this painting? Who will start the bidding? \$100, \$200?"

Another voice shouted angrily. "We didn't come to see this painting. We came for the Van Goghs, the Rembrandts. Get on with the real bids!" But still the auctioneer continued. "The son! The son! Who'll take the son?"

Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room. It was the long-time gardener of the man and his son. "I'll give \$10 for the painting." Being a poor man, it was all he could afford.

"We have \$10. Who will bid \$20?"

"Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters."

"\$10 is the bid; won't someone bid \$20?" The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the painting of the son. They wanted the more worthy investments.

The auctioneer pounded the gavel and said, "Going once, twice, SOLD for \$10!" A man sitting in the second row shouted. "Now let's get on with the collection!"

The auctioneer laid down his gavel. "I'm sorry, but the auction is over." "What? What about the paintings?"

"I'm sorry, but when I was called to conduct this auction, I was told of a secret stipulation in the will. I was not allowed to reveal it until this time. Only the painting of the son would be auctioned. Whoever bought that painting would inherit the entire estate—including all the paintings. So, the man who took the son gets everything!"

God gave his son 2,000 years ago to die on a cruel cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is, "The Son, the Son! Who'll take the Son?" Because, you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything . . .

—*Prayerful Wishes, Fr. Joseph*

### May 2022 Weekly Offertory

Date	Needed	Offering
May 1, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$5,185.00
May 8, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,000.49
May 15, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,352.00
May 22, 2022	\$4,400.00	
May 29, 2022	\$4,400.00	



## St. Joseph Catholic Church

150 E First St., P.O. Box 1315, Prineville OR 97754

May 22, 2022 † 6th Sunday of Easter

Vigil Mass Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass (English)	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Mass (Bilingual)	12:00 p.m.
Holy Days	8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Monday • Tuesday • Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday	12:00 p.m.

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### Confessions

Wednesdays: 11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 3:30–4:30 p.m.

(other times by appointment)

### Anointing of the Sick

Contact Fr. Joseph for this Sacrament

- ♦ **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & CENACLE GROUP:** Every Monday after the 8 a.m. Mass.
- ♦ **1ST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH:** Mass is at 12 p.m., with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a Holy Hour of Prayer with the Rosary, Litany of St. Joseph, and Benediction after Mass.
- ♦ **REMAINING FRIDAYS:** Mass is at 12 p.m., with the Rosary and Benediction after Mass.



### Baptisms

Baptisms will be held on 2nd Saturdays of the month in English and on 4th Saturdays in Spanish. Parents of children to be baptized must be registered members of the parish 6 months prior to baptism.

A Baptismal Preparation Class is mandatory for both parents and godparents.

For more information, call the Parish Office.

### Marriages

Couples need to make an appointment with Fr. Joseph 6 months before the proposed date.

A Marriage Preparation Course is mandatory.

### MASS INTENTIONS / DAILY READINGS

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition.

**Please Call the Parish Office to Have a Mass Intention Reserved**

Monday	05/23/2022	8:00 a.m.	Lu Streetman (D)	Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday	05/24/2022	8:00 a.m.	Hanna Hanson (L)	Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11
Wednesday	05/25/2022	12:00 p.m.	Martha Ruyter (D)	Acts 17:15, 22–18:1; John 16:12-15
Thursday	05/26/2022	8:00 a.m.	Agnetta Jones (L)	Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20
Friday	05/27/2022	12:00 p.m.	Evelyn Walwork (D)	Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23
Saturday	05/28/2022	5:00 p.m.	Nancy Redfern (L)	Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53 [S]
Sunday	05/29/2022	9:00 a.m.	Ezra Early (L)	Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53 [S]
Sunday	05/29/2022	12:00 p.m.	Charles Fischer (D)	Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53 [S]

[F] = Feast Day ♦ [M] = Memorial ♦ [S] = Solemnity ♦ (L) = Living ♦ (D) = Deceased



## Today's Homily

**JOHN (CHAPTER 14)** continues to recount Jesus' farewell discourse after the Last Supper.

**Today's Gospel** passage explains the doctrine of the indwelling of the Holy Trinity in the human soul, and the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Let us be aware of the abiding presence of God within us: We live in the New Covenant of Jesus, daily facing uncertainty, conflict, and temptations. It is the abiding presence of God within us that enables us to face the future with undying hope and true Christian courage.

It has been six weeks since we celebrated our Lord's Resurrection, but the story did not end there. For the past six weeks, we have walked with the risen Lord, and next week we will celebrate His Ascension into Heaven. Jesus' Ascension obviously marked the end of His earthly life.

However, we never walk alone. Jesus continues to be present to us at all times and places by the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also is present to us through the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. Jesus gives us the gift of Himself—body, blood, soul and divinity—that we might grow in faith and holiness of life.

With this as our backdrop, it is easy to understand why the disciples didn't want Jesus to leave them. They were afraid, and they had no idea what they would do next. But Jesus told them to not let their hearts be troubled or afraid. It was time for Him to return to the Father. He assured them that: "The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you everything."



panic at the first sign of trouble, as all the Apostles did. How does Jesus respond? He loves us, and He never abandons us. He tells us, "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You will never walk alone. I will always be with you." Let us put our trust in Him and seek His help.

The Holy Spirit, sent upon the Church by the Father at the request of the risen Lord, prompts us to turn to His Holy Scriptures for support and encouragement, enables us to learn the Divine truths, and grants us His peace at all times.

However, to be able to receive these gifts, it is necessary for us to spend a little time each day in personal prayer, talking to God and listening to Him.

We must deepen our relationship with Jesus, learn to get in touch with Him, and sincerely love Him. When we listen to the Holy Spirit, we will know His plan for our life and His solutions to whatever problems we face. We will be able to love our fellow human beings, and there will be a core of peace within us. The Holy Spirit teaches us through the Scriptures and preaching during the Holy Mass, as well as in our prayers and our private readings of Scripture. Jesus loves us and comes to us in Communion. When the Mass is ended, we go forth in the peace of Christ—all this under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

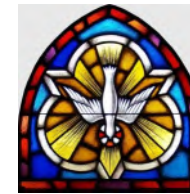
When we look at our lives, we are quite likely to be as average as the first disciples of Jesus were—and without Him—every bit as confused. We at times deny Him just as Peter did.

We at times doubt Him just as Thomas did.

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## May—The Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### 9-Day Novena in Preparation for Pentecost



Next Sunday, May 29th, is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. It marks the beginning of the first novena—or nine days of prayer.

Before His Ascension, Christ promised to send the Holy Spirit to His Apostles. Their prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit, which begins on Ascension Sunday, ended with the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday—10 days later.

**Next week, Pentecost Sunday is June 5th.**

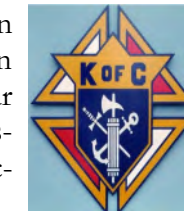
Today, Catholics recall that first novena by praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit between Ascension Sunday and Pentecost, asking for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the fruits of the Holy Spirit.

Novenas to the Holy Spirit are available on the table in the Narthex.

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### What the World Needs

The prayer and action of the Knights in support of the Ukrainians who have been displaced by violence are a testament to our principles of charity and unity. Their assistance has taken two forms—prayer and action. Both have borne tremendous fruit.



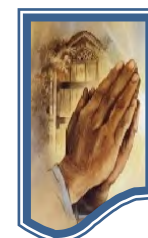
Within 36 hours of the invasion, the Supreme Council committed \$1.5 million toward humanitarian aid and created the Ukraine Solidarity Fund to care for the needs of the Ukrainian people. By mid-March they had \$6.5 million and counting. This is an historic testament to the generosity of brother Knights—"Good men at work doing godly things."

Thank you **Jerry Pimentel** for this inspirational story.

—*Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly*

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### Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List:



- ◆ David Leonard ◆ Margaret Halsey
- ◆ Fulvia & Ben Guyger ◆ Ezra Early
- ◆ Sue Gerke ◆ Andrea Vandehey
- ◆ Steve Forrester ◆ Linda Arian
- ◆ Sandi Shriver ◆ Lyn Rodgers
- ◆ Jerry Pimentel

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### Inspiring Quote

"Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about."

—*St. Jane Frances de Chantal*

### St. Vincent de Paul

We at St. Vincent de Paul would like to ask for prayers—both for need and thanks.

In great need at this time are two single mothers who have just undergone surgery and cannot work for 6 to 8 weeks, and a family of 6 whose father had a work-related accident and was only collecting "Workmen's Comp." at ¼ the wages.

Thanks to your support, we were able to assist these families.

We served 333 families, consisting of 659 adults and 178 children in our Food Panty for the month of April.

The financial help spent for the month of April was \$4,404.00.

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### Unique Diocesan P/T Summer Job

Serve as a Summer Camp/Event Assistant. This is a great position for college students or recent graduates.

Please send an email to: [Marie@dioceseofbaker.org](mailto:Marie@dioceseofbaker.org) for more information.

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### Looking for Catholic Fun This Summer?

Sign up today for this summer's camps:

- Leadership Camp to embolden older youth to make a difference:
- June 23–25 (current high schoolers)
- Summer Camp for adventurous middle-grade youth:
- June 26–29 (current 4th to 8th graders)
- Two camps to enliven & strengthen Catholic families:
  - Family Camp A—July 9–12
  - Family Camp B—July 14–17

For more information and to register: [DioceseofBaker.org](http://DioceseofBaker.org)

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### Catechetical Symposium



Bishop Cary and the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis cordially invite you to the:

**Catechetical Symposium 2022 August 5–7**  
**Refreshed for Mission**

*Jesus: The Living Water Who Calls, Forms, and Sends*

Parents/Catechists/Teachers/Parish Leaders—Join us for:

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◆ Community Connections ◆ Fun

Presentations, discussions, & breakout sessions  
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