

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

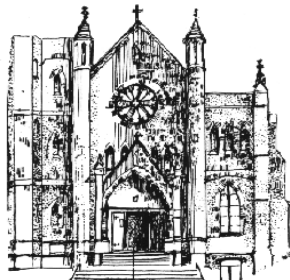
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Established 1902

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Processional: **At That First Eucharist** – Gather # 852
Glory To God: Music Card #1
Responsorial Psalm: **“This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.”**
Gospel Acclamation: **Easter Alleluia** - Gather #424
Offertory: **Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above**
- Gather #784
Holy, Holy: **“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts...”**



MAY 13, 2018

Mystery of Faith: **“When we eat this Bread, and
drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death,
O Lord, until you come again.”**
Great Amen: Gather #168
Lamb of God: Gather #171
Communion Music: **You Are Our Living Bread**
- Gather #819
Recessional: **Love Divine All Love's Excelling**
-Gather # 622

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Sister Patricia Lynch R.S.M. has been Principal of our parish school for seventeen years. She has served as a dedicated, caring, enthusiastic and innovative Principal to our students, faculty, families, alumni and our parish family as well as the wider community. She has been an extraordinary co-minister, collaborator and support to me over these years.

This summer Sister is retiring as Principal and personally, and on behalf of the School and Parish Family, I thank her for her dedication, support and leadership that she gave to our school community and the parish.

On Sunday, June 10th at the 12 Noon Mass, we will thank her for her service here, and offer our prayers and appreciation. A reception will follow immediately in the School Hall to which all are invited. Please plan to attend the Mass and reception.

This Sunday we observe the national celebration of Mother's Day. At all of our Masses today we remember our mothers, living and deceased. In the vocation of our mothers, we can see our call to follow Christ lived out in a beautiful way. Their selfless giving of themselves in the service of their children and husbands is a vivid sign of the kind of life we are called to live. They generously put their family before themselves and willingly go above and beyond the call to help their family. May they know and feel our respect, appreciation and thanks as we remember and honor them on this day. And may Mary, the Mother of Jesus, inspire them each day and keep them under her protection and loving care. Our departed mothers are in our prayers and we continue to feel their prayers and example each day.

After Mass today the ushers will give a Mother's Day bookmark Holy Card to all of the women in our Parish Family as a sign of our appreciation, support and prayers on this Mother's Day.

The School Spring Open House is this Wednesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Please spread the word. We will be giving tours, answering questions and accepting registrations for 3-year-old nursery, 4-year-old Pre-K and grades Kindergarten to 8th grade. Beginning this September we will offer 10 or 12 month programs for 3-year-old nursery and 4-year-old Pre-K.

The Bishop's Appeal is underway. If you were not prepared to make a pledge or gift last week, there are envelopes in all the pews. Please use one and put it in the regular collection today. Thanks for your support.

On Monday, June 4th at 1 p.m. at the School playground on Rawson St. we will have a ceremony to bless the new playground, and a plaque dedicating the playground in memory of Larry Keefe and his family. Larry and his family lived in the corner house; the land is now part of the playground and his vision and financial gift made this new area possible. We are most grateful. All are invited to attend the blessing and dedication.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Scripture readings for this week: **ACTS 1:15-17; 1JN 4:11-16; JN 17:11-19**

COLLECTION NEWS: Our regular collection was: \$8,444: The second collection next Sunday is the monthly collection for the Parish School. When away please remember your envelope upon your return. **We appreciate and need your ongoing support. Thank you!**

OPEN HOUSE – PARISH SCHOOL: This Wednesday, May 16 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. You can also call anytime for information or to register. We offer full or half day 3 and 4 year old programs, all day Kindergarten, and quality Catholic education from grades K – 8. The School number is 438-5854. Blessed Sacrament School **can make a difference** in the education of your child. Please, give us a call and plan on coming to our Open House. Let us know how we can help you with your school choice decision. Please take a flyer at the exits and share them with others.

MAY CROWNING: The May Crowning of the Blessed Mother is Wednesday, May 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Our school children will participate; all parishioners and friends are invited to attend, especially members of our rosary Guild and Legion of Mary.

