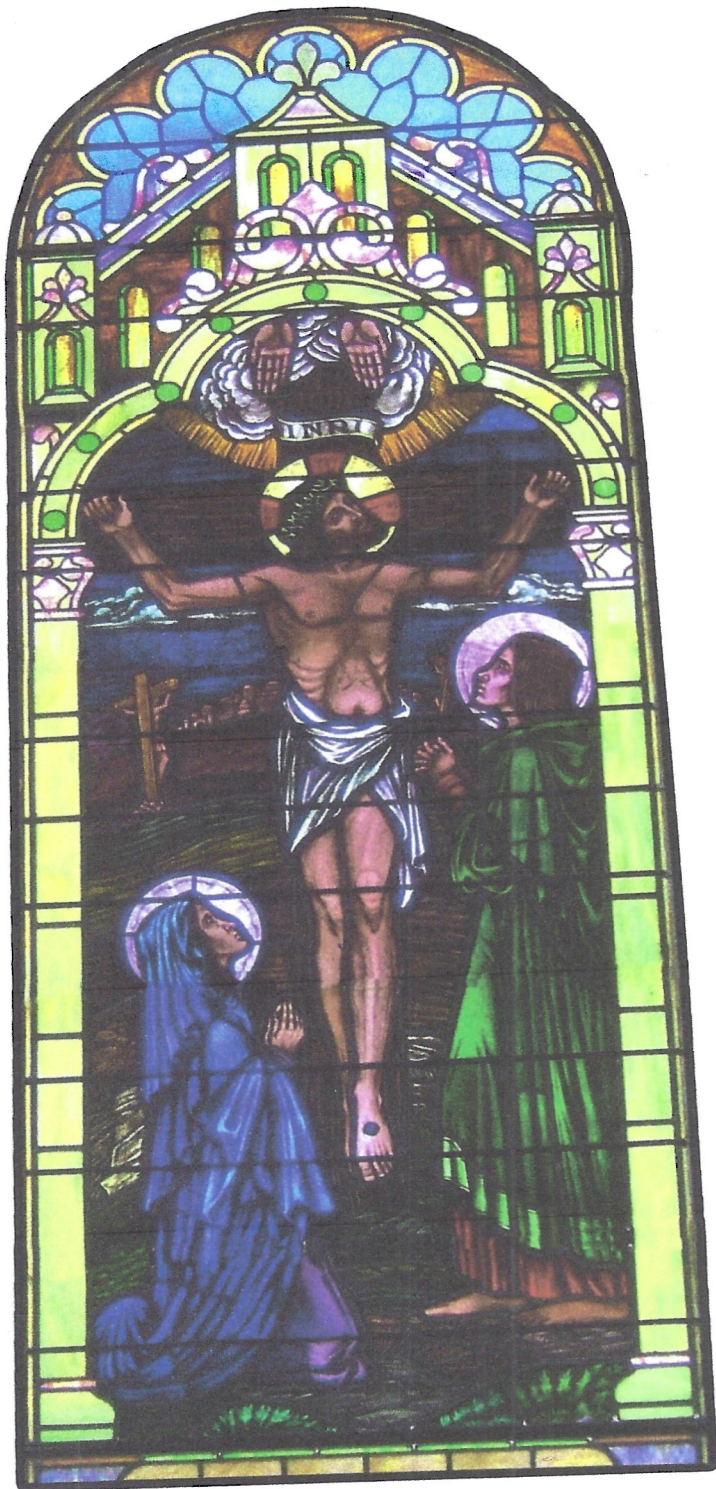


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This program involves preparation for and celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist for the Christian initiation of unbaptized adults, unbaptized children of catechetical age, as well as for welcoming baptized Catholics and non-Catholics into full communion with the Church. Please contact Father Conley for more information.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are normally celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents seeking to have a child baptized at St. Mary's should contact the rectory office to make the necessary arrangements.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples seeking to be married at St. Mary's are to call the rectory to make arrangements at least six months in advance of their intended wedding date. This should be done prior to any other reception or invitation arrangements so that the parish may suitably serve the couple.

The Sacrament of Anointing

Any Catholic who is facing serious illness or surgery is encouraged to receive the Anointing of the Sick. Please call Father Conley at the rectory office to arrange to receive this sacrament for yourself or for a family member.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

"Peace I leave you, my peace I give you." At every Mass we hear these words from Jesus repeated: "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;" and yet, for as often as we hear these words and as much as we all long for peace, we may wonder where this peace Jesus promises is found. We certainly don't see it around us. So how do we experience this peace that Jesus speaks of? Well, just like the joy Jesus wants to share with us, His peace is something we must choose.

Now from a worldly perspective, peace simply means the absence of conflict. But the peace that Jesus offers us is so much more. In the Gospel when Jesus says: "Peace I leave you; my peace I give you," he adds "not as the world gives do I give you." And, like the love and joy Jesus wishes to share with us, His peace comes to us through the work of the Holy Spirit. In fact, it is because the Holy Spirit is the bringer of true peace that the Christian symbol both for peace and for the Holy Spirit is the same. They are both symbolized by the dove.

The peace that the Spirit brings is not just the absence of conflict. In fact, it is a peace that we are meant to have, even in times of struggle. This peace exists on three levels. First and foremost, true peace means being at peace with God. Now to be at peace with the Lord doesn't mean that we are perfect. But it does mean that we are trying our best to be faithful to Him. As long as we are sincerely trying to allow Him to be Lord of our lives then we can be at peace with God even though we fall short. Being at peace with God means imitating Jesus and submitting our will to the will of the God the Father. And if I am at peace with Him, then I can be at peace with myself and others.

One of the main reasons we don't experience this peace is we make the mistake of thinking that happiness means getting our own way. We forget that God does not exist in order to fulfill our expectations. We are here to fulfill His. Our egos don't like hearing this, but it's true. When we learn not only to accept this fact, but also to rejoice in it, then we experience true peace.

Jesus shows us that real peace comes from trusting in God. It is not the result of asserting ourselves over others. Rather, it is the fruit of victory over ourselves. We find peace when we learn by God's grace to control our selfish desires, to overcome our pride and our anger, and to humbly submit ourselves to the Lord. As one famous writer put it: "In His will is our peace." And this peace is ours for the asking as the followers of Jesus.

In his book *Choosing Joy: The Secret to Living a Fully Christian Life*, Dan Lord points out that a great enemy of the peace and joy Jesus wants to share with us is anxiety. Anxiety is our enemy because our anxieties undermine our trust in the Lord and prevent us from having the peace of heart Jesus wants to give us. He writes: "Anxiety is the air we breathe; it lives and grows in us the way that mold grows in the walls of damp houses. We are worried about absolutely, positively everything. Anxiety is the dark-helmeted archenemy of peace. Its presence in our hearts betrays an absence of the peace of God. If we don't fend it off, it worms into all the fruits of the Holy Spirit that have been given to us, including joy. Anxiety, therefore, is an obstacle to joy."

At every moment of our lives, Jesus wants us to know His love, joy and peace. We know this because He says so. Jesus also promises that no one can take these away from us no matter what our circumstances may be. Therefore, if we are not experiencing His love, joy and peace, it is because we are choosing not to. This sounds harsh, but it is true. If I am not experiencing the love of Christ and the joy and peace He wishes to share with me, then I have only myself to blame. We have ourselves to blame because we do not trust the Lord completely as He asks us to.

As Dan Lord points out "every single thing we do in life, (is) a theater where drama of the most profound kind plays out, the drama of avoiding anxiety and letting God grow the fruit of peace in us."

Choose to trust Jesus and pray to the Holy Spirit to bring to you peace of mind and heart. Don't let anxiety take away the gifts of joy and peace Jesus wants you to have. Each one of us needs joy and peace.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TO YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WERE CONFIRMED last MONDAY!**

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CELEBRATE YOUR JOY IN THE LORD JOIN US FOR PRAISE & WORSHIP THIS THURSDAY FROM 7-8:30 IN THE HALL.**June 4th Pentecost Festival at SMB**

Mark your calendars to attend the first ever SMB Pentecost Festival on Saturday, June 4, 2022! Event begins at 4 pm with a Vigil Mass of Pentecost, followed by festival activities from 5:30-7pm that include birthday cake and free raffle entry for all participants, food truck vendors, prayer teams and live music. Celebrate the birthday of the Church as we pray, *Come Holy Spirit! Come!*

PROTECT YOUNG EYES, founded by Chris McKenna, "PYE" is an educational ministry that seeks to create awareness about the possible dangers of Internet technology and offer strategies for youth and adults to safely navigate the on-line arena. Learn more about PYE at <https://protectyoungeyes.com>

Camp Maria in Leonardtown is offering a Summer Day Camp for elementary and middle school aged children. Camp Creation, "to care for the earth" will offer a spiritual and environmental focus. Camp Maria will host three Camp sessions, Monday through Thursday starting July 11 through July 29. For more information please contact Ann Kovalcik 301-475-8330.

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Mary's Helping Hands – would like to thank you for your participation with our crab raffle. Congratulations to the winner, Watson JB.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR May 21 – May 27

SAT: 4pm Parishioners
 6pm Keith Ramsey
 SUN: 8am Leonard Clements
 10 am Helga Auth
 12N James Shantee Chase
 MON: 8am Charles Farrell Jr.
 TUE: 8am Deacon Andy Espinosa
 WED: 8am Deacon Richard Mattocks
 THURS: 8 am Betty Vietor
 FRI: 9:30 am Victor Szuba

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS: Joe Beale, Deacon Gene Burroughs, Leslie Bowes, Brenda Callahan, Dottie Chick, John Chick, Jr., Lorraine Cook, Kendall Farrell, James Gibson, Carol Herskovitz, Marie Knobel, Lillian Komar, Susie Logan, Chuck Miller, Jonny Ray Morris, Mark Otto, John Reeves, Mary Reeves, Melissa Rollins, Gail Schultz, Kenny Stewart, James Washington, Beth Weise, Billie Whittington and Richard Windsor.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND: \$9,518 .00. \$2,475.00 of that was received from people who contribute through online banking. The unidentified donations totaled \$498.00. We received \$7.00 for our Religious Ed. /School Support.

Prayer of Abandonment

Father, I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will.

Whatever you may do, I thank you.

I'm ready for all, I accept all. Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures.

I wish no more than this. O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my soul; I offer it to you with all the love of my heart,

For I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands,

Without reserve, with boundless confidence, for you are my Father. Amen.

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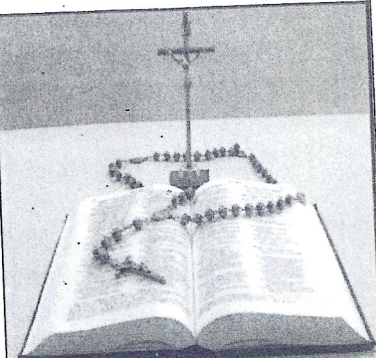


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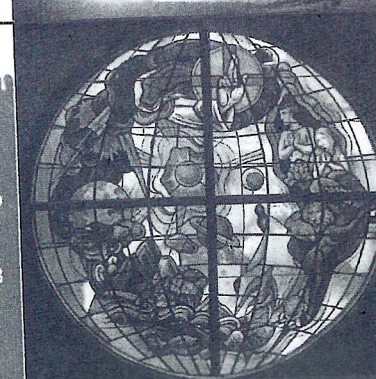
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