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CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE

All Services at 2:00 PM unless otherwise indicated.

May 1, 2022:	Third Sunday of Easter	+Fr. Carl
May 8, 2022:	Fourth Sunday of Easter	+Fr. Bob
May 15, 2022:	Fifth Sunday of Easter	+Fr. Bob
May 22, 2022:	Sixth Sunday of Easter	+Fr. Carl
May 29, 2022:	Seventh Sunday of Easter	+Fr. Bob

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Prayer Intentions

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

Sunday Scripture Reflections

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div., Pastor

May 1, 2022 – Third Sunday of Easter: Hoping to process what has taken place, the apostles have gone fishing, but without success. Jesus appears and involves them in a miraculous catch, then invites them: “Come, have breakfast.” While confirming Peter’s position, he invites them to rejoice in the share of his labor and the suffering that awaits them. We affirm our place among them with our “Amen.” (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41, Revelation 5:11-14, John 21:1-19)

May 8, 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Easter: Despite the rough treatment and misunderstandings that often accost the Lord’s disciples, they are “filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” Sufferings are united with those of Jesus and purified “in the blood of the Lamb.” These disciples are securely held in God’s hand. He will “lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.” (Acts 13:14, 43-52, Revelation 7:9, 14b-17, John 10:27-30)

May 15, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Easter: Paul and Barnabas return to reassure and encourage the disciples. Trials will come, they say, but they see them as the door to God’s reign. All of this will pass away: “Behold, I make all things new!” Just before his ascension into heaven, Jesus also addresses his disciples with words of encouragement: “This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” (Acts 14:21-27, Revelation 21:1-5a, John 13:31-33a, 34-35)

May 22, 2022 – Sixth Sunday of Easter: The Holy Spirit is always at work within the Church. From the first Pentecost, God’s Spirit has been the soul of the Church, ever guiding and inspiring those who belong to Christ. This is clear in the apostles’ declaration, “It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us...” The Holy Spirit will help me remember all that Jesus taught. (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23, John 14:23-29)

May 26, 2022 – Ascension of our Lord: After his resurrection, Jesus instructed the apostles to stay in Jerusalem in expectation of “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak...You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you.” Although Jesus was taken from them, they constantly blessed the Lord and rejoiced in his powerful presence among them. May our witness always be one of joyful praise. (Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:17-23, Luke 24:46-53)

May 29, 2022 – Seventh Sunday of Easter: The martyrdom of the deacon Stephen has shattered the peace that the disciples first experienced. In his “High Priestly Prayer,” Jesus asks for the unity of the Church, “that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you...that the world may believe that you sent me.” This oneness includes also a share in the sacrifice of Jesus. (Acts 7:55-60, Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20, John 17:20-26)

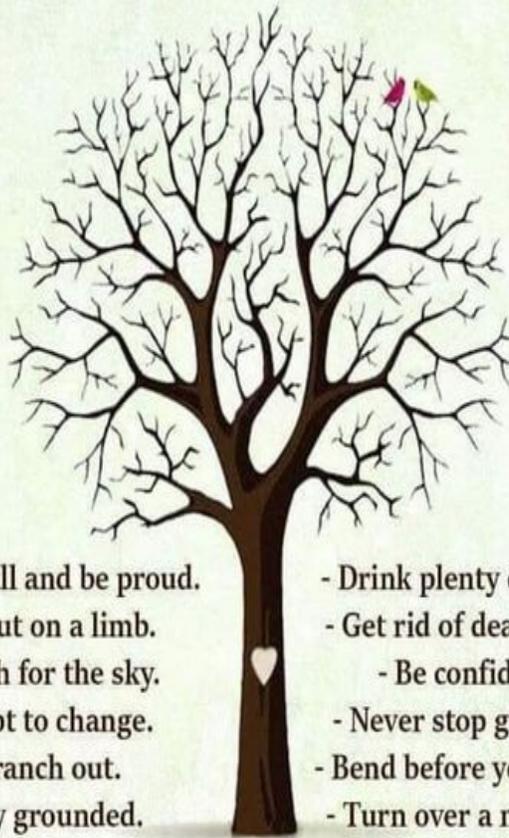
It's May and it's Spring!
Let's stop, relax, and ponder some road signs

Along the way

*reflections
selected by +Fr Carl*



Advice From A Tree



- Stand tall and be proud.
- Go out on a limb.
- Reach for the sky.
- Adapt to change.
- Branch out.
- Stay grounded.
- Remember your roots.
- Drink plenty of water.
- Get rid of dead wood.
- Be confident.
- Never stop growing.
- Bend before you break.
- Turn over a new leaf.
- Enjoy the view.

**Difficult times in life
are like laundry machines;
they twist us, spin us, and
knock us around but in the
end we come out cleaner,
brighter and better
than before.**

Even though there are days
I wish I could change some
things that happened in the
past, there's a reason the rear
view mirror is so small and the
windshield is so big, where
you're headed is much more
important than what you've
left behind.



**TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN SOMEONE'S LIFE, YOU
DON'T HAVE TO BE BRILLIANT,
RICH, BEAUTIFUL, OR PERFECT.
YOU JUST HAVE TO CARE**

*Thanks to our Bishop Tom Coover
for leading us to ponder these
meaningful thoughts.*

From the Pastor's Desk

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

Happy Mother's Day! The parish extends its best wishes to all mothers in the parish who will celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8, 2022. A special blessing for all mothers will be conferred at mass that day.

Thank you, +Fr. Carl! I am especially grateful to +Fr. Carl who will be filling in for me on May 1 and May 22 while I am away for training. Also, thanks for the monthly "Along the Way" articles he provides for our spiritual enrichment!

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Birthdays:

5/6 – John Williamson
5/14 – Sandra Murdock

Anniversaries:

5/20 – John and Jan Williamson

Blessings to all who will celebrate these occasions!