

# *The Catholic Community of Bradford*

*Third Sunday of Easter  
May 4, 2025*

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*St. Bernard of Clairvaux*



## **ST. BERNARD MASSES**

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

## **DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL MASSES**

Monday & Thursday — 8:00 am & 9:00 am  
Tuesday — 9:00 am Wednesday — 8:00 am  
Friday — 12:10 pm only Saturday — 9:00 am

**Please note: Intentions originally scheduled for the 8:00 am Mass on Friday transfer to the 12:10 Mass.**

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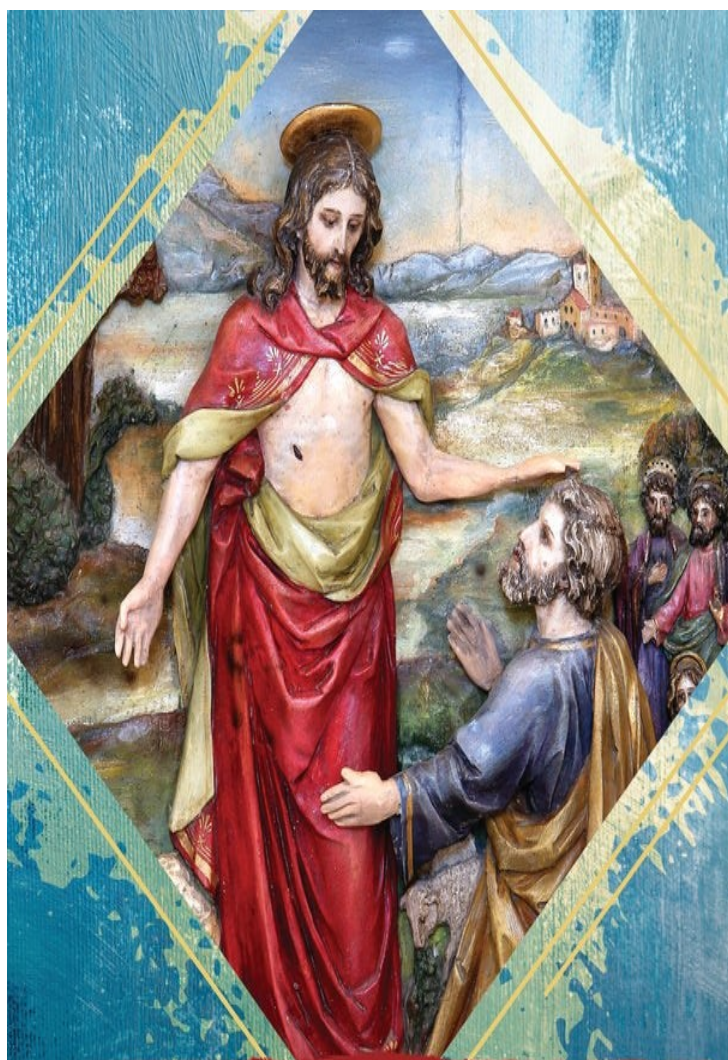
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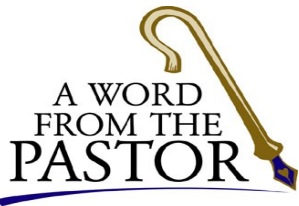
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## **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:13





What an Easter surprise. Pope Francis died on Easter Monday, while my colleague and fellow St Mary Seminary alumnus, Fr Monty Sayers, died the night before. Both of these Church leaders inspired me.

Rev. B. LaMounte Sayers grew up in DuBois and had been an elementary teacher when he felt the tug toward seminary. Ordained in August 1986 at St Catherine Church, he served wherever the bishop needed him, but most of his years were in Clarion, both as Newman Chaplain where he had earned his teaching degree and later pastor of Immaculate Conception Church.

Archbishop Jorge Bergoglio was the “surprise” choice of the conclave during Lent 2013, after the surprising resignation of Pope Benedict XVI the month before. Benedict inspired us by his acknowledgement that the Church needed someone with more energy to lead, and Francis by the choice of name, where he would reside, and how he would focus the Church on the poor and the peripheries. God’s faithful servants in these past couple of pontificates have helped us all to know and encounter Jesus in profoundly good ways.

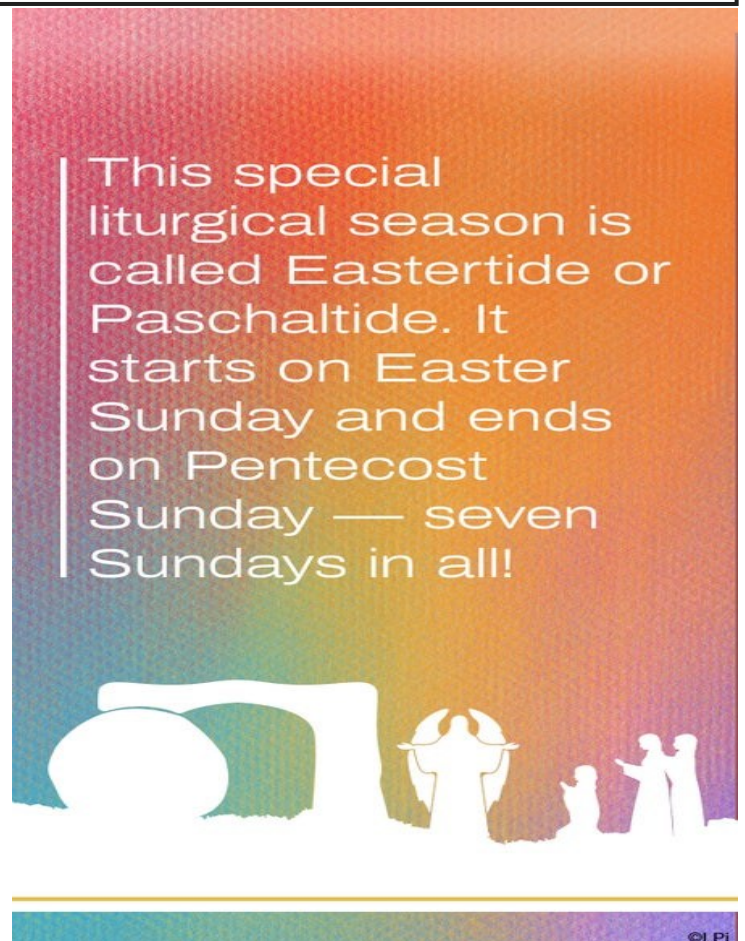
Benedict’s first encyclical *Deus Caritas Est* focused us all on the primacy of Christ’s commandments – love of God and love of neighbor. He even included discussion of *eros* – since that is the “romantic” feeling people tend to experience universally. Who would have ever expected this from the Doctrine of the Faith’s watchdog?

Francis’s first apostolic exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*, “Joy of the Gospel” set the tone for all that was to come during his 12 years. With his remarkable travels and sensitivity to those who suffer, he caught the attention of the world. I heard grumblings when I visited his native Argentina in September 2022 – “Why hasn’t he visited us?” The political climate was so unstable, he did not want to tip the scales until there was no chance to sway an election, thus he planned to visit later this year.

Each of these pastors have changed the world in good ways. We pray that those soon gathering for the upcoming conclave will be open to the Holy Spirit and succeed yet again.

Rest in Peace, Pope Francis! A good and faithful servant.

Fr John



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Rosary Altar:** Thursday, May 8th @ 6:00 pm  
(May Crowning at St. Francis)

**Widow's Group:** TBA

**K of C #403 :** Tuesday, May 13th @ 7:00 pm

**Cemetery Board:** Wednesday, May 7th @ 11:00 am

**Pastoral Council:** Tuesday, June 17th @ 6:00 pm

**Finance Council:** Wednesday, May 7th @ 4:30 pm

**SF 50+ Club:** Wednesday, May 14th @ 11 am (RH)

**Liturgy Committee:** Tuesday, May 6th @ 6:30 pm

**Catholic Women's Club:** Tuesday, May 20th, 6:00 pm

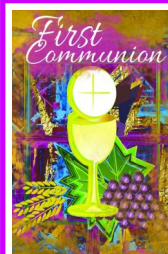
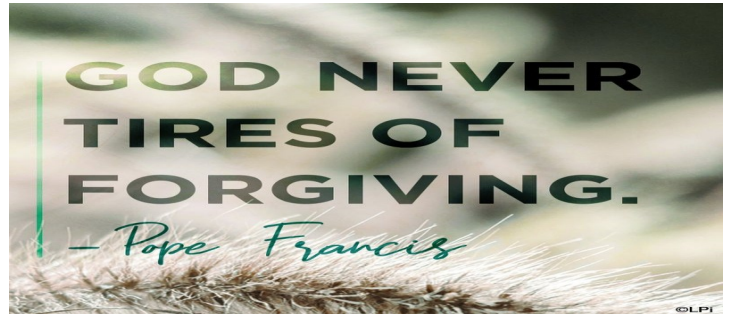
Rosary in the Church/Ice Cream Social GH—See Below

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB**—Tuesday, May 20th, Rosary at 6:00 pm in the Church followed by an Ice Cream Social in Gallina Hall. All are invited. There will be a brief meeting of the Club to conduct the final approval of the new Board.



**The Bradford Council #403  
of the Knights of Columbus**  
[www.koc403.com](http://www.koc403.com)

Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the parish office. **Please Note: Next meeting on May 13th**  
Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



**First Communion** will be held  
**Sunday, May 4th at 10:00 am** in St. Bernard Church. Following will be a reception in Gallina Hall. All are invited.

**PLEASE NOTE: ST. FRANCIS CHURCH** will now be open **ON FRIDAYS ONLY** from 8 am until 3 pm for visitation and prayer.

## Shroud Encounter with Russ Breault

Join us at Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, Pa. on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 7pm. This presentation is a fast-moving, big-screen experience using over 200 images to explore the profound mystery of the Shroud of Turin. The program is a production of the Shroud of Turin Education Project, Inc. and will be presented by international expert and author, Russ Breault. Mr. Breault has been featured in several national documentaries seen on CBS, History Channel, EWTN and Discovery.

There is no charge, but pre-registration is requested. We are also hosting this program via Zoom for those who wish to join us online. Go to [vmesc.org](http://vmesc.org) or call 724-964-8886 for more information or to register.

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA** Question: What saint is symbolized by a flaming torch?

Answer: St. Aidan of Lindisfarne

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**SO MUCH**

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**2025  
Collection  
Date:  
May 10th  
& 11th  
in church**

**On Sunday, April 27th @ 11:30 Mass**

**We Welcomed to the Catholic Faith  
and to St. Bernard Parish**

**Charlotte Simmons & Mathew Simmons**  
(Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion)



**COLUMBARIUM UPDATE:** The columbarium has been repaired and is ready for internments. Please reach out to a funeral home of your choosing, or Gina at the parish office, to arrange an internment. We thank you for your patience and understanding during this unfortunate delay.



MAY THE SOULS of  
*the* FAITHFUL DEPARTED,  
THROUGH *the* MERCY  
of GOD, REST IN PEACE.



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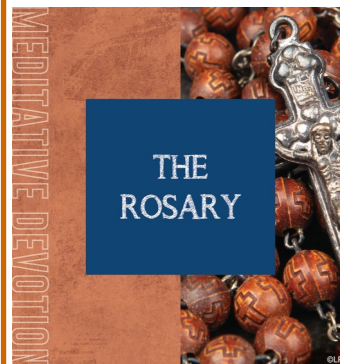


**The Good Shepherd Collection** allows each of us to show our gratitude and support of those priests who have cared for us and our spiritual needs and faithfully served our parishes. **The collection for**

**Retired Religious in December does not benefit our Diocesan priests.** Prayerfully reflect this week on how you can best respond in support of the needs of our Diocesan Retired Priests. Use the special collection envelope for the Good Shepherd Collection. Please return next weekend or drop it off at the Parish Office.



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The Rosary—Christians have used beads to mark the recitation of prayers since ancient times, but in the 12th century, the Rosary emerged as a meditative devotion centering on significant moments in the lives of Jesus and Mary. In the words of St. Leo XIII, “there is no more excellent way of praying.” Over the centuries, the formula of the devotion eventually took the shape of 50 Hail Marys divided into five “decades,” with each decade focused on a different mystery. The Church has defined the Joyful Mysteries (to be recited on Saturdays and Mondays), the Glorious Mysteries (Sundays and Wednesdays), the Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesdays and Fridays), and most recently the Luminous Mysteries (to be recited on Thursdays).

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**PARENTING POINTERS** A North Carolina University study found that children of workaholics have the same anxiety levels and depression as children of alcoholics. So how do you know if you're working too much? Are you more excited about going to work than spending time with your family? Parenting is work, but "good work".



### 2025 Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico

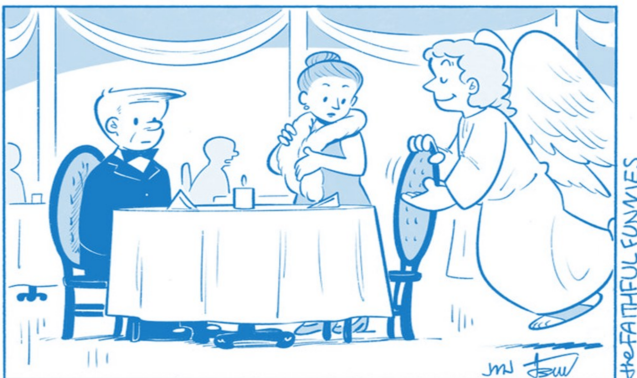
Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2025 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie @ 2:00 pm  
Sunday, August 24 @ St. Tobias, Brockway @ 3:00 pm

Couples and/or Parish staff may complete registration online at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, calling their parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 24 for the Erie celebration, until August 14 for the Brockway celebration or until September 11 to be mailed to you.



"What do you call an angel who seats you at a restaurant?"



"A heavenly host."



The term "heavenly host" refers to the multitude of angels who serve God. The term "host" signifies an army or great many, and in this context, it refers to the angels who worship and serve God in heaven.



*St. Bernard Sanctuary  
Candle will be burning this  
week in Memory of  
Karen Benedict*

Prayer of Belief

Lord,

Help me to see You and to recognize what I see.

Help me to hear Your invitation and to respond.

Help me to join You where and when You call.

Amen

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**MARRIAGE MOMENT** "When you work with people, it is a lot like mining for gold. You do not look for the dirt. You look for the gold." (Andrew Carnegie) What affirming nugget can you say to your beloved today? It helps if it's specific. It's essential that it's true.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE** Jesus invited the disciples to "Come and have breakfast." Just like the Last Supper, Jesus shows us at this beach breakfast that meals are about more than just eating. They are opportunities to share prayer, listen to each other's stories, and support one another in love.

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### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

**Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072**

April 18 (Good Friday-Holy Land)	\$ 1,977
April 27 .....	\$ 7,305

**2025 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 94,414**

2025 CSA Collected \$ 35,703

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE TURNED IN  
THEIR CSA PLEDGES.**

**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS**



**PASTORAL STAFF:**

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**LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM:**

You Tube, St Bernard of Clairvaux Bradford

**WEBSITE:** <https://stbernardcatholic.org/>

**FACEBOOK:** St Bernard of Clairvaux - Bradford Pa

**MAILING ADDRESS:** PO Box 2394  
Bradford, PA 16701

**OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am to 4 pm**

Gina Davidson, *Business Manager*  
Elaine Doriguzzi, *Administrative Assistant*

**CONFESSIONS:**

**St. Bernard** — Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 pm before  
4:00 pm mass; Thursday before First Friday from  
4:30 to 5 pm; After 9 am mass on Saturdays.

Private appointments may be made by calling the **Parish Office 362-6825**.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)**

**REP Coordinator: Kim VanHorn**

Students not attending Catholic school should be enrolled in REP programs. The Bradford Catholic Community Religious Education program is Grades 1—5 & Grades 6—9 (Confirmation). Please call the parish office for more information.

**Nursery Program** The former Nursery Program is now a Kid's Liturgy Program. During the 10 am Mass, during the Liturgy of the Word, volunteers will take the kids, ages 3-6, for a mini lesson. The lesson will be held in a small room off the Sacristy. They'll return to the pews during the Presentation of the Gifts.



**BULLETIN INFORMATION MUST BE  
RECEIVED IN WRITING  
BY NOON ON FRIDAY  
2 WEEKS PRIOR TO BULLETIN DATE.**

**MEMBERSHIP:** All Baptized Catholics should be registered, practicing and supporting members of a Parish. Only properly registered members appear on our parish list and are eligible to receive the benefits of parish membership for sacraments. Each parishioner is called upon to practice good stewardship of time, talent and treasure. If you are not currently receiving envelopes, you may not be registered. Call the Parish Office - we would love to meet you!

**MARRIAGE:** Couples need to contact a priest *at least six months before their wedding*. Registered and active participation needs to be considered before marriage.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:**

We welcome all inquiries about the Catholic faith. This **RCIA** process begins in the fall of the year. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Please call the Parish Office to request the Sacrament of the Sick for family members who are seriously ill. Communion for the sick is taken to the hospital, nursing homes, and the home-bound on a regular basis.

**BAPTISM:** Both parents must attend the Pre-Baptism Preparation Program. Please call the St. Bernard Parish Office for dates and times of upcoming class. Baptisms are scheduled after completing the program. Call the Parish Office to schedule the class and baptism. Godparents must be at least 16, confirmed and active, registered members of their parish.

**STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES****Liturgical****Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors**

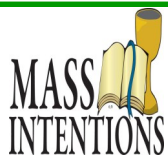
Organist St. Bernard	Rita Bennardi
	Michael Hicks
Resurrection Choir	Joan Raabe
God's Housekeepers	Parish Office
Liturgy	Fr. John B Jacquel

**Parish Community**

Pastoral Council	Craig Cuthbertson
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe
Rosary Altar Society	Dawn Kozminski
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco (598-5565)

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**WEEK OF MAY 5TH TO MAY 11TH**  
Please note that all daily masses are in the  
**Divine Mercy Chapel.**

**Monday, May 5th**

SBC 8:00 am Frank & Gerry Musolino (Patricia Kelly)  
SBC 9:00 am Rose Sloppy (David Vinca)

**Tuesday, May 6th**

SBC 9:00 am Jack & Norma Alviti (Mike, Sharon & Allison)

**Wednesday, May 7th**

SBC 8:00 am Zenaide J. Verolini (Estate)

**Thursday, May 8th**

SBC 8:00 am Francis Rudy (Patricia Demjan)  
SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners

**Friday, May 9th**

SBC 12:10 pm Beverly Judson White (Barbara Munn Smith)

**Saturday, May 10th**

SBC 9:00 am James Carroll (Helen Carroll)  
SB 4:00 pm Andrew Slotter (Family)

**Sunday, May 11th MOTHER'S DAY**

SB 8:00 am Ann Benedict Ring (Bill Benedict)  
SB 10:00 am Living/Deceased Mothers  
SB 11:30 am Mickey McClelland (Family)

**Weekly confessions: Saturdays after 9 am Mass & 3:00 to 3:45 pm before 4 pm Mass.**

**WEEKEND**  
**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

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**MAY 10TH, 2025**

**Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 PM**

**LECTOR:** Jim Long

**EM:** Peggy Johnson **CUP:** Dick Williams/Tammy Black

**Servers:** Bella & Giana Davidson



**MAY 11TH, 2025**

**Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am**

**LECTOR:** Martha Torrey

**EM:** Joan Yohe **CUP:** Patty Colosimo/Cindy Greek

**Server:** David Hill

**St. Bernard 10:00 am**

**LECTOR:** Andy Kearns

**EM:** Gloria Scarano **CUP:** Lynn Hogue/Teri Everett

**Servers:** Daniel Marasco/Caleb McAndrew

**St. Bernard 11:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Craig Cuthbertson

**EM:** Charlotte Cuthbertson **CUP:** Sue Lee/Carol Vinca

**Server:** Dan Cuthbertson



*Pray For...*

**Please pray for those who are sick or suffering**

Thomas Ackley, Virgil Anderson, Arnold Family, Dianne Barr, Mary Beth Behan, Nancy Black, Theresa Bond, Sue Bradley, Nancy Bukowski, Tim Burris, Michael Cagney, GiGi Carroll, Dominic "Frank" Cavallero, Dick Clark, Kelly Costello, Melissa Cox, Billie Cummins, Paul & Marianne Curcio, Charlotte Cuthbertson, Jennifer Smith Dawson, Josh Dawson, Christine DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, Richard Douthit, James Drumm, Pauline Dudo, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Pat Geary, Kate Geils, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, Donna Gocella, Janet Goebel, Tonya Graves, Anthony Haller, Paul Hamer, Melissa Hannon, John Hart, Jill Henry, Joy James, Craig Johnson, Judy Keenan, Lilly Keesler, Mary Keesler, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Craig Kloss, Bob Kuntz, Chris Lechner, Shirley Lerch, Elizabeth Lindemuth, Harold Little, Don Long, Paula Louk, Susan McCann-Piganelli, Pat McCormick, Anita Magnetti, Mariana Militelo, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, John Pockey, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, Sandy Rhodes, Steve Schmidt, Judy Signor, Steve Skaggs, Eileen Smith, Hailey Smith, Betty Soble, Alex Tingley, Molly Thompson, Carol Vinca, Damion Wasiewski, Philip Weese & Family, Rick Wheaton, Matthew Whelan, Beckett Whitney, Lisa Zurat.

**May they be strengthened by the healing presence of God's Spirit.**

**Readings for the week of May 4, 2025**

**Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13(2a)/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

**Next Sunday:** Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

