LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK OF THE SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME AND THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

May 20 - 26, 2024

Monday, 5/20 † The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

6:30pm: Olivia

Tuesday, 5/21 † Weekday, Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8am: Elaine & George Jachim by Mary Serge 9am: A.S. Bob Rozhon by Wife Phyllis

Wednesday, 5/22 † Weekday, Saint Rita Cascia, Religious

9am: A.S. 6pm: Finley

Thursday, 5/23 † Weekday

8:00am: Leo & Caroline Spence by Don & Sharon

Barker

9am: A.S.

Friday, 5/24 † Weekday

8:00am: Milo 9am: A.S.

Saturday, 5/25 † Weekday, Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de` Pazzi, Virgin; BVM

8:30am: Lynn Hernandez by Legion of Mary

Saturday, 5/25 † Vigil, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

4:30pm: John Zysk by Donna Kida

Sunday, 5/26 † THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:30am: Regina Howard by Ed & Joan Haugh Beatty 9am: A. S. Linda Potempa by Chet & Peggy Potempa 11am: Tom (Birthday)

The Office will be closed this Friday, May 24 & Monday, May 27 for the Memorial Day weekend. Have a Safe & Happy Memorial Day!!

This week at SS. C & M & All Saints

Thurs., May 23 – 2:15pm – Legion of Mary Thurs., May 23 – 4pm – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Before Pentecost, Jesus pronounced his intention that his Spirit should remain with his apostles, with the power to forgive sins. Today, the Catholic Church, led by the apostles' successors, is the only place where people can find complete reconciliation and peace of heart.

The world is full of people who feel cut off from God, alone, or unforgivable. The beauty of our Catholic heritage is not an imposing institution with a bunch of suffocating rules. Our heritage is mercy

In confession, our parish offers this mercy straight from the heart of Christ, just as Christ poured forth His Spirit on his apostles at Pentecost. Please support our *Catholic Services Appeal*, so we can help people encounter God's mercy more deeply. Christ trusts our parish to bring all his children into communion with him. There is not better path to restoring intimacy with God than the sacrament of Reconciliation: "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them" (John 20:23). Jesus meant it, and the Holy Spirit confirmed it! Please help our parish help more people find the sweetness of God's love through the sacraments.

Why do we celebrate Mary, as Mother of the Church? The theological roots of this title go back to the early Church. The Fathers of the Church, holy and studious bishops of the first centuries, often spoke of Mary as the New Eve. Just as the Woman Eve was "the mother of all the living" (Gen. 3:20), the Woman Mary was mother of all those living in Christ. In Revelation 12:17, St. John says that this Woman's offspring are "those who keep the commandments of God and bear testimony to Jesus." In 2024, the memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church is celebrated on May 20.

Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the love of God to the poor by assisting families, providing food, for utility and rent bills, etc.

Thank You!

Dear Padre

May 19, 2024

Is it a sin to use God's name in profanity?

Profanity is obscene, vulgar language that may or may not include God's name. People may thoughtlessly ask God to condemn a person or a thing in their profanity, but if questioned, admit that they did not mean it literally. They say their angry words were not intended to deliberately ask God to harm someone and deliberate intent is one requirement for what constitutes a sin. God who knows our hearts can determine if our misuse of his name is a form of venting, but the Second Commandment warns us that taking the Lord's name in vain does not please him, even if no harm to another is intended. The danger in constantly and carelessly using God's holy name profanely is that over time we can easily become desensitized to the practice, creating an irreverent attitude toward God that is offensive and may lead others into sin.

Recall that when we pray, "Hallowed be thy name" in the Lord's Prayer—the prayer Jesus taught his disciples—we ask God to enable us to give him the reverence that is due; it comes first before we ask anything for ourselves—a sure sign of our respect for God.

Because God's name is holy, we mustn't abuse it. Despite the erosion of inhibitions against poor word choices in our time, consider this prayerful petition from the last verse of Psalm 19: "Let the words of my mouth be acceptable, / the thoughts of my heart before you, / LORD, my rock and my redeemer."

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." - 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing! For God's plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.

Good News!

May 19, 2024 Pentecost (B)

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25 / John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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"Know thyself," advised the philosopher Socrates. Yet easier said than done. A recent public service ad warning about the dangers of smoking concludes, "The worst lies are the lies you tell yourself, like smoking isn't that dangerous." To admit the truth, to come to truth, to live the truth is no small thing.

Have you ever wondered why it takes a lifetime to come to wisdom, why we aren't born with all the wisdom we need? It would make life so much easier. When Jesus promised us the Spirit, he said, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:12–13). To know ourselves and the truth of who we are can be a painful process, coming to terms with what we do not want to hear. So the Spirit brings us to that wisdom gradually, over the course of a lifetime, lest we run from it.

Paul warns against "immorality and impurity and lust," and each of us at some point in our lives must come to terms with the truth that if we do not channel our sexuality healthfully it will mess up our lives. Paul warns against "hatred, rivalry, fury, dissensions," and each of us eventually realizes how any of those can ruin relationships and our very lives. Some of us learn such wisdom early in life, some late, yet coming to Truth is a lifelong journey guided by the Spirit. •

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An Act of Consecration to the Holy Spirit

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I offer myself, soul and body to You, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice, and the might of Your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul. In You I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against you. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light, and listen to Your voice and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced Feet of Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds and trusting in His Precious Blood and adoring His opened Side and stricken Heart I implore You, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, so to keep me in Your grace that I may never sin against You. Give me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere "Speak Lord for Your servant heareth." Amen

BREAKING: Jailed DC pro-lifer Lauren Handy sentenced to 4 years in prison by pro-abortion judge

WASHINGTON, D.C. (<u>LifeSiteNews</u>) May 14, 2024 — Pro-life advocate Lauren Handy was sentenced to four years in prison and a \$125 fine on Tuesday, in the first of Tuesday's sentencing hearings for the first batch of pro-lifers convicted last year of blocking access to a late-term abortion facility in the nation's capital.

On August 29, 2023, a D.C. jury <u>found</u> Handy, Will Goodman, Heather Idoni, John Hinshaw, and Rosemary "Herb" Geraghty guilty of violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act and "conspiracy against rights." The next month, Joan Andrews Bell, Jonathan Darnel, and Jean Marshall were <u>convicted</u> of the same; Paulette Harlow's conviction <u>came</u> in November.

Tuesday's hearings, before U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia Colleen Kollar-Kotelly, began with Handy, the activism director of Progressive Anti-Abortion Uprising (PAAU), starting at 9:00 AM. Hinshaw and Goodman are also being sentenced today in the nation's capital. As LifeSiteNews has extensively reported, the pro-lifers stood trial for <u>blocking access</u> to the <u>Washington Surgi-Clinic</u> in downtown Washington, D.C., in a "traditional rescue" in October 2020. Pro-life "rescues," of which there were many in the early days of the pro-life movement before the FACE Act became federal law, involve physically entering abortion centers and refusing to leave in an effort to convince women to choose life for their babies. (Washington Surgi-Clinic is also where five late-term aborted babies were <u>discovered</u> who may have either been killed by illegal partial-birth abortion procedures or after live birth).

Following the convictions, Handy and most of the co-defendants were <u>denied release</u> while awaiting sentencing. Last month, the U.S. Justice Department <u>filed</u> sentencing memos calling for Handy to serve between 5.25 and 6.5 years in prison, and for the rest of the defendants to serve a minimum of two years. On Monday, Kollar-Kotelly <u>ruled in favor</u> of multiple sentencing enhancements, including obstruction of justice for alleged perjury at trial and for their "victims" (i.e., abortion facility clients) being "vulnerable."

Handy's technical sentence was four years and nine months, minus the nine months she has already spent in prison.

"This time has been challenging but I refuse to be jaded. Why? Because life goes on... even in jail," Handy <u>said</u> on Tuesday morning prior to her sentencing. "So I might as well continue to love and cry and scream and dance. That is joy. The feeling of being fully alive without shame. Which is something no court can take from me."

"There was only one thing around which Ms. Handy and her co-defendants were unified, and that was nonviolence," said Martin Cannon, senior counsel of the Thomas More Society which is representing Handy. "They conspired to be peaceful. Yet, today, the Court granted the Biden Department of Justice its wish by sentencing Ms. Handy to 57 months—nearly 5 years in prison. For her efforts to peacefully protect the lives of innocent preborn human beings, Ms. Handy deserves thanks, not a gut-wrenching prison sentence. We will vigorously pursue an appeal of Ms. Handy's conviction and attack the root cause of this injustice, that is, the FACE Act—which we believe is unconstitutional and should never again be used to persecute peaceful pro-lifers."

BREAKING: Pro-lifer Will Goodman sentenced to 18 more months in prison in DC FACE Act case

WASHINGTON, D.C. (<u>LifeSiteNews</u>) May 14, 2024 — Pro-life advocate Will Goodman has been sentenced to 27 months in prison and a \$125 fine on Tuesday, in the third of the day's sentencing hearings for the first batch of pro-lifers convicted last year of blocking access to a late-term abortion facility in the nation's capital.

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Tuesday's hearings, before U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia Colleen Kollar-Kotelly, began with Handy starting at 9:00 AM, with Hinshaw following at 10:30 AM, and Goodman at 3:00 PM. Handy was sentenced to four years and a \$125 fine, and Hinshaw to one year and the same fine, earlier Tuesday.

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Goodman has already spent nine months in prison, meaning he has 18 more to serve.

The cases are the latest in what pro-lifers condemn as a pattern of the pro-abortion Biden Department of Justice (DOJ) weaponizing the criminal justice system to crush its political enemies.

Since May 2022, when the U.S. Supreme Court's intention to overturn *Roe v. Wade* was first <u>leaked</u>, "there have been at least 236 attacks on Catholic churches and at least 90 attacks on pro-life pregnancy centers," the *Daily Signal* <u>reports</u>. Yet the DOJ "charged only pro-life activists with FACE Act violations in 2022, and has since charged only five individuals with violating the FACE Act by targeting pregnancy centers." At the same time, it has zealously pursued incidents involving pro-lifers, from the DC defendants to Philadelphia sidewalk counselor and Catholic father of seven <u>Mark Houck</u>. Several of the D.C. Nine have <u>endured mistreatment</u> while in custody above and beyond the charges and sentencing themselves. Heather Idoni, 59, was placed in prolonged solitary confinement for 22 days and

deprived of sleep with the lights of her cell kept on continually. Jean Marshall, 74, was deprived of sufficient clothing and heat during extreme freezing winter cold, causing her to contract pneumonia which went untreated for three weeks, and was denied urgent hip surgery. Paulette Harlow, 75, was refused permission to attend Mass while under house arrest.

