

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22nd, 2022

Many Gentiles had accepted Christianity as a result of the preaching of Paul and Barnabas. But then a question arose: how much of the Law and traditions of Moses should be required of these Gentile converts? The answer was: the minimum! They must abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood (symbol of life and which belonged to God), from the meat of strangled animals (which still had blood in them), and from marriage within degrees of kindred forbidden to Jews though allowed in other traditions. And so, instead of becoming a Jewish sect, Christianity became a universal religion. The Gospel Reading is taken from Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper, and is dominated by His imminent departure. He is concerned to assure His disciples that He will not leave them orphans. Despite His leaving, He and they will not be apart. If they keep His word they will be drawn into the love of the Father and the Son. The Holy Spirit will remind them of His words. Peace is His final gift to them, a peace the world cannot give. Happy Easter!

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 22 nd <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, May 23 rd <i>Easter</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, May 24 th <i>Blessed Louis-Zéphirin Moreau</i>	12 pm	+ <i>Daniel Maschio</i>	By Peter & Ornella Miller & family
Wednesday, May 25 th <i>St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi</i>	12 pm 4 pm	<i>For peace in Ukraine</i> + <i>Corrie Jochems (Linwood)</i>	By Anonymous By Chris & Barb Runstedler
Thursday, May 26 th <i>St. Philip Neri</i>	8 am	+ <i>Ron Hirschberger</i>	By Tom, Gloria, & Ann
Friday, May 27 th <i>St. Augustine of Canterbury</i>	8 am	+ <i>Reta Ertel (2nd anniversary of death)</i>	By Sharon & Paul
Saturday, May 28 th <i>Easter</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Willis Horst</i> + <i>Florence Meyer</i>	By Tom Miller By Jim & Ken Meyer
Sunday, May 29 th <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

Our Saint of the Week: St. Augustine of Canterbury (?-605) – in the year 596, some 40 monks set out from Rome to evangelize the Anglo-Saxons in England. Leading the group was Augustine, the prior of their monastery. Hardly had he and his men reached Gaul when they heard stories of the ferocity of the Anglo-Saxons and of the treacherous waters of the English Channel. Augustine returned to Rome and to Gregory the Great—the pope who had sent them—only to be assured by him that their fears were groundless. Augustine set out again. This time the group crossed the English Channel and landed in the territory of Kent, ruled by King Ethelbert, a pagan married to a Christian, Bertha. Ethelbert received them kindly, set up a residence for them in Canterbury and within the year, on Pentecost Sunday 597, was himself baptized. After being consecrated a bishop in France, Augustine returned to Canterbury, where he founded his see. He constructed a church and monastery near where the present cathedral,

begun in 1070, now stands. As the faith spread, additional sees were established at London and Rochester. Work was sometimes slow and Augustine did not always meet with success. Attempts to reconcile the Anglo-Saxon Christians with the original Briton Christians—who had been driven into western England by Anglo-Saxon invaders—ended in dismal failure. Augustine failed to convince the Britons to give up certain Celtic customs at variance with Rome and to forget their bitterness, helping him evangelize their Anglo-Saxon conquerors. Laboring patiently, Augustine wisely heeded the missionary principles—quite enlightened for the times—suggested by Pope Gregory: purify rather than destroy pagan temples and customs; let pagan rites and festivals be transformed into Christian feasts; retain local customs as far as possible. The limited success Augustine achieved in England before his death in 605, a short eight years after his arrival, would eventually bear fruit long after in the conversion of England. Augustine of Canterbury can truly be called the “Apostle of England.” St. Augustine pray for us!

ST. BONIFACE, MARYHILL - June 5th is St Boniface Day Festival! Let's all come together for some good, old-fashioned parish fun! Try your hand at Garden Party-style activities such as a penny table and children's fish pond; learn about St. Boniface - the saint and the parish, through youth actors and elders as knowledge keepers; see the 'zines' created by St Boniface School Grade 6 students with the help of retired St Boniface teachers: Terry Hodgkinson and Mary Ann Stroh; hear an arborist speak about the characteristics of the oak tree which plays an important role in St Boniface's conversion of Germanic tribes! 11-2pm for garden party events, Big H Food Truck and Bres-Lolly dickie dee cart! 2pm - Fathers vs Families softball game!!

ROSES FOR LIFE - The Knight of Columbus, Council 8192, wish to THANK the parishioners from St. Clement, St. Mary, Linwood and St. Teresa of Avila for their generous support towards the “Lapel Rose” Campaign. We donated \$325.00 each to Marillac Place and K-W Right to Life Association.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL - The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel mass to be held Sunday July 17, 2022 at 2.00 pm at St Agatha Catholic Church 1839 Notre Dame Dr. St Agatha. The Rosary will precede the mass. The celebrant will be Rev. Bishop Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton. Reception with light refreshments to follow.

VOCATION SEEDS – Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life? If God is calling you contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Kevin D'Souza, Rev. Piotr Golinski, School Sisters of Notre Dame (S.S.N.D.), Rev. Andrew Czarny, Rev. Phillip E. Cook, & Rev. Peter Ciallella.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION – St. Clements: Operating \$2,235.00. Thank you for your generosity!