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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2015

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Website: www.ollsm.org

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM
WEDNESDAY – 6:30 PM
THURSDAY – 8:30AM
FRIDAY – 8:30 AM
SATURDAY-8:30 AM
VIGIL – 5:00 PM
SUNDAY - 10:30 AM
IN SPANISH - 1:00 PM
HOLY DAY - 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – 9:00 AM - Noon
BEFORE VIGIL MASS - 4:15 PM

ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY -10:00 AM - 6:15 PM
SATURDAY – 9:00 AM - Noon

BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY – 6:15 PM

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

MUSIC OF THE MASS

PROCESSIONAL: "Sing of Mary" #748

OFFERTORY: "Praise to the Lord" #721

COMMUNION: *Instrumental*

Pastor's Column

To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Michael:

Christ has Won the Victory

"I have had a long acquaintance with the devil, I have known him all my life, in a way longer than I have known Jesus Christ, He is frightening and he loves to frighten, he gives the impression of invincible power, to the point where even the strong are often overcome by him.

"Those who know him well, know that much of his power is illusion. He works on our imagination, reminding us of the past, of sins we have long been forgiven for; he loves to remind us of his past victories and of our past failures. He delights in destroying hope and imprisoning us in the past,

reminding us of the impossibility of escape from the circle of weakness, he likes to tell us we are what we are, and can never escape being his.

"Christ the mighty One has set forth with the triumphal banner of the Cross, through humanity, through death he has descended, he has broken down the gates of hell, trampled underfoot the manacles and chains of Satan. He lead our first parents out of their dark prison into the wonderful light of his victory. Satan is bound, hell is overcome, and Satan's illusionary pomp is destroyed by the reality of Christ's

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victory.

“Until the end of time Satan is bound and imprisoned, he dwells in our imagination, creating his palaces and castles out of smoke, out of our fear. Rightly is he called the Father of Lies, his power is in everything that this false and untruthful, as with Eve and Adam he uses our imagination against us. But truth has overcome falsehood, Life has destroyed Death, Light has swallowed up darkness, Hope has replaced despair.

“Christ is the future, Satan is the past. The battleground is the present, for those with faith they already see the victory is won and live in hope and triumph in charity.”

by Fr. Ray Blake, Pastor
St. Mary Magdalene
Brighton, UK

For the next several weeks, until Pentecost, our readings are taken from the Last Supper discourse where Jesus teaches and prepares the Apostles and disciples for the reception of the Holy Spirit and for the work of the Church.

But let us never forget who our enemy is, the enemy who was defeated with the light and heat of Easter. The prom is history; graduation looms, the end of the school year is on the horizon, vacation plans are afoot, we have already cut our lawns at least twice: routine has set in.

When we go about our plans for the summer (which are probably well-in-hand already), let us remember we are Easter people. We have shaken off old habits, and we are to be ever careful and watchful, for Satan is always trying to get us to beat ourselves up over and over for sins of the past that we have sought and received absolution and pardon.

ad Jesum per Mariam
Fr. Dean

PRAYER LIST

HEALING

- *Sandra Armour
- *Ernie Axley Sr.
- *June Bell
- *Shannon Bell
- *Susie Bess
- *Dorothy Bradley
- *Robert Bradley
- *Cheryl Bush
- *Jerry Bush
- *Don Cole
- *Tom Cuff
- *Eva Davenport
- *Mike Ellis
- *Bea Heatherly
- *Macky Hunter
- *Thelma Lee
- *Ann Marie Legate
- *Rosa Priest
- *Nora Rabie
- *Kim Schott
- *Mary Senecal
- *Robert Senecal
- *Dee Smoker
- *Gloria Snow
- *Mary Stout
- *Joyce Traughber
- *Annette Thomas

PETITIONS

- *For the respect and protection of human life.
- *For the protection of persecuted Christians around the world.
- *For all who have entered the church on Easter may God's Grace sustain them in truth and charity.

DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

**Eternal rest grant them, O Lord: and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

HOMEBOUND

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

- *Glen Isom
- *Dorothy Crosslin
- *Claudia Traughber
- *Mary Ann Klimek
- *R.C. Boyle
- *Dorothy Johnson
- *Tom Crumpler
- *Patty Zawierucha
- ST. MICHAEL**
- *John Baker
- *Elizabeth Jenkins
- *Robert & Regina Head

CONFIRMATION

**FRIDAY, MAY 8 - 7:00 PM
AT ST. JOSEPH**

**1225 Gallatin Pike South
Madison, TN 37115**

*Students are asked to please arrive between
6 - 6:15 pm for pictures.*

Q&A ON TOTUS TUUS, JUNE 21 - 26

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Q. When and where will the program be held?

A. Monday through Friday 9 AM to 2:30 PM for Grades 1-6, and Sunday thru Thursday, 7 to 9 PM for Grades 7-12 at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Q. Does my child have to be entering first grade in the fall to participate?

A. Generally, yes. If you need an exception, please call the office to discuss.

Q. Can my child's non-Catholic friend participate?

A. All children are welcome.

Q. Is there a cost for Totus Tuus?

A. Scholarships are available, if you are able to give the cost

is \$20.00 first child, \$10.00 for second and any additional children are free. The money is used to give a small stipend to the young missionaries.

Q. How do I obtain scholarships for my children?

A. Let the office know you need scholarships when you bring in your registrations.

Q. Do I have to provide my child with a lunch?

A. Yes, only light snacks are provided.

Please contact the office if you would be interested in volunteering, 615-384-6200
kmonfette@ollsm.comcastbiz.net

ASSIGNMENTS

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

SATURDAY – 5/9/2015

Lector: Mike Noble

Extraordinary Ministers:

Colleen Felts & Jenny Gonyea

Ushers: Carol Huddleston
Volunteer

Altar Server: Josh Hostettler

SUNDAY – 5/10/2015

Lector: Taryon Carney

Extraordinary Ministers:

Gloria Snow & Volunteer

Ushers: Dick Joyce & Volunteer

Altar Servers: Jake Rucker & Nick Haynes

Collection Counters: Pam Curran

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY – 5/10/2015

Lector: David Tinkle

Extraordinary Ministers:

Anna Tinkle & Linda Harbert

Usher/Greeter: Mary Jackson

Collection Counters: Kaye Sharp & Jim Conaghan

GOSPEL: 5/4/2015-5/9/2015

MONDAY: John 14:21-26

TUESDAY: John 14:27-31a

WEDNESDAY: John 15:1-8

THURSDAY: John 15:9-11

FRIDAY: John 15:12-17

SATURDAY: John 15:18-21

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

4/26

Parish: \$6,239.73

ST. MICHAEL

4/26

Parish: \$1,615.00

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS 8:00 AM

SUNDAY MASS 10:30 AM

TUESDAY MASS 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY MASS 6:30 PM

THURSDAY MASS 8:30 AM

FRIDAY MASS 8:30 AM

SATURDAY MASS 8:30 AM

For the intentions of Keith Landry

For the repose of the soul of Joe, Ruth, Gayle and Brenda Cotter
Tony & Cathy Cotter

For the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Ann Louallen by Qwen Smith

For the healing of Veronica Guynup by Wayne & Bea Heatherly

For the intentions of Thom Bell

For the healing of Jason & Veronica Kaipainen by Wayne & Bea Heatherly

For the repose of the soul of Joyce Ashburn by Wayne & Bea Heatherly

For the healing of Kim Wallhood by Wayne & Bea Heatherly

Q&A ON THE DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments this week on a case that could redefine marriage. Here are excerpts from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops on the issue. More information is available at www.usccb.org.

Q. Isn't redefining marriage to include two person of the same sex a question of civil rights?

A. No. Understanding this point is essential to understanding how civil discourse can move forward on this topic. People already have the right to marry; this is recognized as a fundamental right under the U.S. Constitution and is also a right under the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights. The real question is what marriage is, and such a debate has often been suppressed or avoided. For example, this nation's previous laws against marriage based on skin color, which are frequently cited in arguments today, had nothing to do with the actual capability of the two persons involved to become a married couple. In other words, those laws existed to prevent unjustly what everyone knew could happen: interracial marriage between one man and one woman. Marriage is "color blind," but it is not "gender blind." The question of civil rights begs the question of the mean of marriage itself.

Q. What is marriage then?

A. Marriage is the only institution that unites a man and a woman together and any children that come from their union. But proposals to legally redefine marriage to include other types of relationships are using the



term "marriage" to mean a more or less intense form of companionship and emotional bond between any two consenting adults. This difference is decisive. Marriage does not change according to adult desires, an even if childbearing opportunities inherent in martial union are sometimes unrealized, this does nothing to undermine the immense societal value of a

law recognizing the unique status of such unions. No one has right to eliminate from marriage's fundamental core the sexual difference and complementarity of man and woman. When marriage is properly understood, then it is possible to see what it needs to be recognized and protected as such by the State, not deconstructed and redefined.

Q. Whose rights are stake?

A. The civil rights that are actually at stake are those of children. Children have a basic human right to know and be raised by both their mother and father, whenever possible.

PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE

God our Father, we give you thanks for the gift of marriage: the bond of life and love, and the font of the family.

The love of husband and wife enriches your Church with children, fills the world with a multitude of spiritual fruitfulness and service, and is the sign of the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, for his Church.

The grace of Jesus flowed forth at Cana at the request of the Blessed Mother. May your Son, through the intercession of Mary, pour out upon us a new measure of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as we join with all people of good will to promote and protect the unique beauty of marriage.

May your Holy Spirit enlighten our society to treasure the heroic love of husband and wife, and guide our leaders to sustain and protect the singular place of mothers and fathers in the lives of their children.

Father, we ask that our prayers be joined to those of the Virgin Mary, that your Word may transform our service so as to safeguard the incomparable splendor of marriage.

We ask all these things through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.