FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Someone coined this interesting phrase: *"The world has not changed, just your news algorithm."* In light of this timely reminder, I want to share with you a thought-provoking wish, which invites us to move straight from Sunday worship to weeklong works of mercy and justice:

May God bless you with **discomfort** — discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may remember that a soft approach is not always the best way to solve a difficult situation.

May God bless you with **anger** — anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may tirelessly work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless you with **tears** — tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out and comfort them with Jesus' words of acceptance and love.

May God bless you with **foolishness** — enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world if you are willing to do what others claim cannot be done.

And may God bless you also with the gift of **perseverance** and **persistence**, because when we finally get those things right, a smile will pass between us.

P.S. But as you try to make these words your own, keep in mind that anything perfect is never really beautiful, for as someone once said, "Life is so awful; it is full of reality." And the uniqueness of both statements is really unique, isn't it?



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APRIL 28, 2024



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul *Turning concern into action*

Our Christian vocation demands that we help the Poor, the Hungry and the Homeless. Just as Jesus taught and did, we need to welcome them, identity their needs and satisfy them.

Your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass support the efforts of our Society 'Saint Vincent de Paul ' to serve the needy in our community.

"Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass.

Girl Talk: Mother/Daughter Tea & Presentation Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024. Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

For girls in Grades 6-8 and their Moms (or guardian, aunt, mentor...) Cost: \$10 (includes food, drinks, and a book) at St. Bernadette's parish. 21 Bayly Street East Ajax

Objective: Explore young girls' cycles, foster mother-daughter communication, and support Christian sexuality education.

- Four-hour program featuring presentations, video clips, and activities
- Take-home handouts for further insight

• Includes a copy of "How to Find Your Soulmate" by Jason and Crystalina Evert

Join Us: Come for a faith-filled discussion on girlhood in today's society. For more info and registration,

Contact: Rose Heron; rose.heron@mailo.com or 905-683-9055

or Susan susangkennedy@gmail.com 905-427-6137

Let's journey together in faith and understanding!

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS Reception of Holy Communion

It has come to my attention that some people, receiving on the hand, carry the Sacred Host back to their seats. This is forbidden. Please be sure to consume Jesus, truly present in the Sacred Host, right after you receive Him. You must consume the Host in the front of the church, right after receiving. There are people who wish to steal consecrated Hosts for the sake of rituals. If you see anyone walking away without having consumed the Sacred Host please alert one of the Ushers, the Sacristan—Anthony or Fr. Slawek.

MASS INTENTIONS 唇 Tuesday, April 30 Repose of the soul of Connor Hanly req. by 9 a.m. Bridget Murphy. Wednesday, May 01 9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Norman Parrish req. by a friend. Thursday, May 02 9 a.m. Private Intentions. Friday, May 03 9 a.m. Repose of the soul of John Luu Kim req. by Kim Luu.

<u>Saturday, May 04</u>

4:30 p.m. Repose of the soul of Antonietta Macri req. by her son.

<u>Sunday, May 05</u>

9 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners .

11 a.m. Repose of the soul of Ellen & Timothy Hanly req. by Bridget Murphy.



COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL

The Social will resume Wednesday, May 01, 2024 After the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish Basement



Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated.

ARE YOU MOVING?

OR HAVE YOU MOVED ALREADY?

