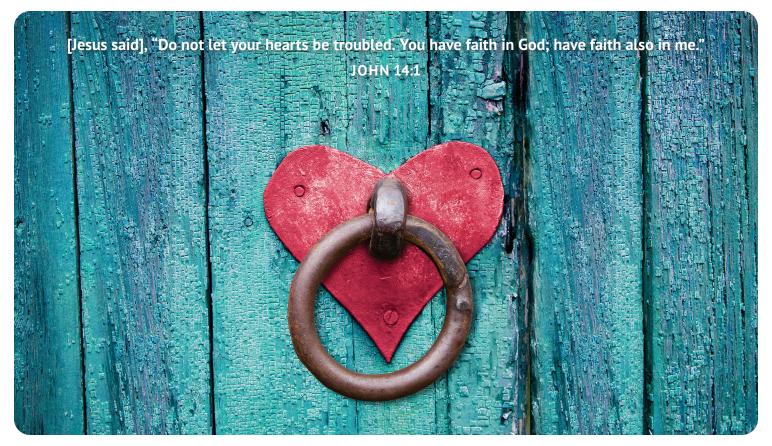
Our Parish community

May 7, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Easter (A) Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-12





Where the Heart Is

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

S ome would say that the purpose of life is to save one's soul. And certainly we should try, with the grace of God, to live our lives in such a way that we avoid evil and do good in order to do our part in building God's kingdom on earth. At the

do our part in building God's kingdom on earth. At the same time, we must remember that it is God who saves us. We don't save ourselves. Eternal life and happiness are byproducts of loving others. If the focus of one's life is to be happy, one never achieves it. If one seeks to serve others, however, happiness seems to find us. So also eternal life.

Robert Frost's "The Death of a Hired Man" is a poem about Silas, an aging drifter farmhand, and Warren and Mary, a farming couple who give Silas a room whenever he comes around. Silas comes when he is needed the least and leaves when his presence would be most helpful, all of which frustrates Warren. In the poem Silas has returned, and Mary thinks it will be his last time, that he is dying. She says to Warren that theirs is the only home Silas has. Warren simply shakes his head as if to gently mock the idea of home: "Home is the place where, when you have to go there, / They have to take you in." Mary says it differently, "I should have called it / Something you somehow haven't to deserve."

Is that not also the promise of Jesus? "In my Father's

house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" (John 14:2). Something we somehow haven't to deserve.

-Reflect-

Where do you feel truly at home—and is Jesus invited?

St. Joseph's Church

43 Somerset Road - Sandys, MA 03, Bermuda (Direct Line) 441-238-1784 (Located between Arnold's Supermarket & Somerset Cricket Field) Parish Email: stjosephs@northrock.bm Pastor: Fr. Attilio Morelli **Reconciliation:** By appointment **Baptisms:** By Appointment – One month in advance Weddings: By Appointment –usually about a year in advance Sunday Mass: 9:00 am



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- **St. Vincent de Paul 525-1191**
- Portuguese Charismatic Group (PCG):

Fridays @ 8:15pm – TV Room, in the Cottage **Neocatechumenal Community (NCW):** Tuesdays & Saturdays 8:00 PM in the Hall

Mass Schedule at St. Anthony's

Sat	May	6	6:00 pm	Jose Linhares+ & Connie Cabral+					
			8:00 p	m NCW Eucharistic					
Celebration(Hall)									
Sun	May	7	11:15 am	Int. of Louise Vizien					
			3:00 pm	Spanish Mass					
Mon	May	8	8:00 pm	Catechesis for Adults (Hall)					
Tues	May	9	8:15 am						
Wed	May 1	LO	8:15 am	Chris Wetherill					
			8:00 pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word (Hall)					
Thu	May 1	11	8:15 am	Alan Power+					
			8:00 pm	Catechesis for Adults (Hall)					
Fri	May 1	12	8:15 am	Teresa, Maria, Santina Marra+					
Sat.	May 1	13	6:00 pm	Manuel Moura+					
			8:00 p	om NCW Eucharistic					
Celebration(Hall)									
Sun	May 1	14	11:15 am	Mother's Day					

BULLETIN for May 6/7, 2023

Weekly Collections at St. Anthony's

April 22/23	\$ 1,171.00
April 29/30	\$ 1,149.00

Online payments can be made directly into the Bank account of St. Anthony's - Butterfield Bank -BD \$ Current A/c - 20006060061567100 and

US \$ Current A/c - 20006840061567100.

Please make sure to indicate what the donation is for in the memo field when making the payment i.e., Gen collection; Maintenance; Mission Sunday, etc. Multiple payments can be made for those times that you are away or on vacation. Please note that we are charged \$20 for US checks drawn on a US Bank. Kindly do not place Canadian or British currency in the collection baskets.

Maintenance Collection --- first Sunday of the month

Pastor's Note

Dear friends,

I am writing this note while the Coronation Ceremony of King Charles III is taking place. The second reading this Sunday speaks of the rock which we can approach as a living stone-- Jesus Christ. He is the rock of the foundation on which every edifice remains standing. This word is asking us if we really are building our lives and the lives of these families on this rock. Is Jesus Christ the foundation of our days, of our relationships, of our activities? Is our relationship with him a priority? Is doing His will the goal of our life? Do we really want our children to ground themselves in Christ? This word is inviting us to convert TODAY, is inviting us to a change of mind, to rethink our priorities! Pay attention. We may think that we are grounded in Christ, and yet build our lives on money, career, social activities, entertainment; and maybe think every now and then about the Lord to feel a bit better. But is He our priority? Those who are grounded in Christ do not fear when problems, crosses, tribulations and even persecutions come. If life is grounded on Christ, nothing can destroy us.

God bless you all. Fr. Attilio

Final Note: While the Catechesis for Adults and Youth is reaching the end (the last meeting focusing on the Word of God takes place this week and the next), we are offering the people who attended, but also anybody else who may be interested, a "Convivence", a sort of retreat, that will start on Friday the19th of May, in the evening (after work and dinner) at Willowbank Resort and will end on Sunday 21st of May in the evening. If anybody may be interested, call or message 777-2166 for more details. When was the last time you had a chance for a retreat? In fact, did you ever have one? It may be a real experience for you -- with surprises; a big help to ground our life more on Jesus Christ!

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I have recently become aware of an article and thought that it might be beneficial to share it with you as the topic seems to be connected to the lives of all of us.

Spirituality should be incorporated into care for both serious <u>illness</u> and overall <u>health</u>, according to a study led by researchers at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and Brigham and Women's Hospital. Tracy Balboni, lead author and senior physician at the Dana-Farber/Brigham and Women's Cancer Center and professor of radiation oncology at Harvard Medical School said, "This study represents the most rigorous and comprehensive systematic analysis of modern day literature regarding health and spirituality to date. Our findings indicate that attention to spirituality in serious illness and in health should be a vital part of future whole person-centered <u>care</u>, and the results should stimulate more national discussion and progress on how spirituality can be incorporated into this type of value-sensitive care."

The twenty seven member panel was composed of experts in spirituality and health care, public health, medicine, and represented a diversity of spiritual/religious views, including spiritual-not-religious, atheist, Muslim, Catholic, various Christian denominations and Hindu. According to the researchers, the simple act of asking about a patient's spirituality can and should be part of patient-centered, value-sensitive care. The information collected from the discussion can guide further medical decision-making, including but not limited to notifying a spiritual care specialist to provide clinical pastoral care to diverse patients.

"Overlooking spirituality leaves patients feeling disconnected from the health care system and the clinicians trying to care for them," said senior author Howard Koh, the Harvey V. Fineberg Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership at Harvard Chan School. "Integrating spirituality into care can help each person have a better chance of reaching complete well-being and their highest attainable standard of health."

If you want to read more about this: <u>https://tinyurl.com/5aeba6bv</u>

First Communion

Today we congratulate the children who are having their First Holy Communion. We wish their best to them and their families. Here they are:

Celestine Fampulme , Ethan Furr, Fernanda Gonzalez, and Sophie Eden.

We must also add Juliana and Nicholas Gakundi, who received their First Communion together with their Baptism in their Easter Vigil.

Feast of St. Anthony—June 11, 2023

Preparations are being made for the St. Anthony's Feast on June 11, 2023. Keep the date open. More information to follow.

Senor Santo Cristo

Next Sunday is the feast of Senor Santo Cristo which will be celebrated at St. Theresa's Cathedral starting at 2:00 pm.

Bingo for Seniors: On Saturday June 24th bingo for seniors (50+) will resume from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Bingo cards will sell for \$3 each or 3 for \$5. A list of possible prize donations for the bingo is located in the back of the church. All those who attend are asked to bring a tray of sandwiches or a dessert. If you have any questions, contact Annette Boyle at 236-7759.

Message from Bishop Wes

Dear Friends,

As suddenly we've got another public holiday on Monday, 8th of May, I would like to invite you to attend a Movie Afternoon. It will take place at 2:30pm, at St. Theresa's Cathedral Hall. The film presented will be "Romero", a 1989 biographical story of the Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero. The Portuguese kale and chorizo soup will be served as well as sandwiches.

Enjoy your weekend! Bishop Wes

Mother's Day

Next Sunday is Mother's Day. Don't forget to remember your mother (whether living or passed) in a special way.

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week! Bishop Wes

Dear Padre,

I know a Catholic couple who wanted to celebrate their sacrament of matrimony at a Mass in a forest, but the bishop didn't allow it. Why not marry in God's creation?

A marriage between Catholics or between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic is usually celebrated in a parish church. It can be celebrated in another church or oratory with the bishop or pastor's permission. A marriage between a Catholic and an unbaptized person can be celebrated in a church or another suitable place, although a Catholic church remains the preferred place for the celebration.

Why is the parish church the preferred site for the celebration? For



Catholics, matrimony is a sacrament-one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics ask God to bind their union as a sacrament, the couple's love for each other is a sign of God's love for both, and their union is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church. Thus, the church as a "house of God," which contains the presence of Christ, is revered as the most sacred place to make this most sacred commitment. Marriage, according to Pope Francis in a 2015 General Audience, "is not merely a ceremony in a church, with flowers, a dress, photographs....Christian marriage is a sacrament that takes place in the Church, and which also makes the Church, by giving rise to a new family community....[Saint] Paul says that the love between spouses is an image of the love between Christ and his Church. An unimaginable dignity!" •

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

MONDAY May 8 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 14:5–18	TUESDAY May 9 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 14:19–28	WEDNESDAY May 10 Easter Weekday Acts 15:1-6	THURSDAY May 11 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 15:17–21 In 15:9–11	FRIDAY May 12 Easter Weekday Acts 15:22–31	SATURDAY May 13 Weekday Acts 16:1–10	SUNDAY May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter
Jn 14:21–26	Jn 14:27–31a	Jn 15:1-8	Jn 15:9–11	Jn 15:12–17	Jn 15:18–21	Acts 8:5–8, 14–17 1 Pt 3:15–18

Jn 14:15-21



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[Jesus] knows that, in life, the worst anxiety, anguish, arises from the sensation of not being able to cope, of feeling alone and without points of reference when faced with events. We cannot overcome this anguish alone...and this is why Jesus asks us to have faith in him, that is, to lean not on ourselves but on him.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 10, 2020

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