

Daily Readings for the Week of May 5, 2024

Sunday, 5/5: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48/ Ps 98:1-4/ 1 John 4:7-10/ John 15:9-17

Monday, 5/6: Acts 16:11-15/ Ps 149:1-6,9/ John 15:26—16:4

Tuesday, 5/7: Acts 16:22-34/ Ps 138:1-3,7-8/ John 16:5-11

Wednesday, 5/8: Acts 17:15,22—18:1/ Ps 148:1-2,11-14/ John 16:12-15

Thursday, 5/9: Acts 18:1-8/ Ps 98:1-8/ Ps 98:1-4/ John 16:16-20

Friday, 5/10: Acts 18:9-18/ Ps 47:2-7/ John 16:20-23

Saturday, 5/11: Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3,8-10/ John 16:23-28

Schedule for May 12, 2024

Lector: Mark

Greeters/Gifts: Denniston Family

Servers: Kevin/Grady

Money Counters: Mark/Monte

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Mark/Doris



Today's Mass Intention

Irene Pasker

Mass Intention 5/12/2024

Ray & Helen Koppes

Priest Visit to the Homebound

If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

Prayer Corner

Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Leonard Lasack,

Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Zoey Meyers,

Rosie Stephan, Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes,

Marsha Lasack, Chris Gibbs, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew



Pastor Speaks

The Nearness of God

Jesus taught us, is that he will always be with us and that when two or three gather in his name he is there in their midst (Matt 18: 20). And before his ascension into Heaven, he assured his disciples that he would be with them until the end of time (Matt 28: 20). This he rightly did while he was on earth dedicating his entire life for service for all, and even at times, not having time to do very personal things (Mk 6:31).

The event of Jesus' suffering and death could not prevent him from being with his disciples as he had promised. All four evangelists narrate the event of his resurrection and post resurrection appearances. Matthew talks about how Mary Magdalene and the other Mary found the empty tomb and the angel told them that Jesus had risen from the dead and how he appeared to them on the mountain (Matt 28). Mark recounts that Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene, the two disciples on their way to the countryside (Mk 16: 12), and to the eleven as they sat at the table (Mk 16 :14).

In the Lukan Gospel, Jesus, after his resurrection, appeared to the two disciples on their way to Emmaus and again to the disciples and others with them while the two, who after the Emmaus experience, were narrating their story. In the Fourth gospel Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene (Jn 20:14) and to the disciples in the locked room, on the day of the resurrection, and a week later, when Thomas made his famous proclamation, "My Lord and my God" (Jn 20:19-28)

The post resurrection appearance of Jesus are recounted for our benefits. These appearances are as it were, to let us know that our God is near. He is close to us. They are incidents to tell us of the nearness of God and that whenever we gather in his name, he comes to us.