



A Mother's Love is like a Shepherd

May 8, 2022 – Ac.13:14-52 & Jn.10:27-30 with Rv.7:9-17 – 4th Sunday of Easter

By Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.

Do you notice we call earth “Mother Earth”? We call Church “Mother Church”? The partnership between Paul and Barnabas is seen as critical to bringing the message from to Jews to the Gentiles. Then we hear John share the Father and Son are one.

I would like to pick up on relationships that make life grow. I would invite us to listen to the meaning of Mother Mary from the perspective of the Word of God today.

M is for Mercy. Did you notice how Paul and Barnabas experienced being rejected and they didn't stop their mission? They reflected upon the resistance. They picked up their belongings and they kept going. A mother keeps on giving.

O is for Opportunities. The Gentiles received the Word of God as a result of the Jews putting up obstacles in their way to share what they believed. They became inventive and moved forward. A mother keeps on believing.

T is for Thanks. Notice how the Gentiles were grateful for the Word of God that they heard. They brought their families to hear the Word that would bring them life that would death a way to life. A mother keeps caring.

H is for Hope. When someone feels lost and no one sees their worth, the Father who gave us life sent His Son so we would never perish. No one can take us out of His hand. A mother keeps holding.

E is for Encouraging. Look at those sharing the joy of eternal life after surviving the great stress. The shepherd became a sheep to bring life giving water and to wipe away every tear. A mother keeps comforting.

R is for Ready. Did you hear how God will shelter us? Did you hear how we will no longer be hungry or thirsty. In our future is the what we need. God has got not just our back but our future. A mother keeps nurturing.

The grace of Mary keeps on keeping on. May she support all mothers to keep on giving, believing, caring, holding, comforting and nurturing gracefully.



**Healing the Racial Divide (Sunday, May 22)
(Loyola High School, Detroit)**

Come hear a diverse group of speakers and actively participate in live discussions about healing the racial divide through reconciliation, understanding, solidarity, unity and love. Isaiah "Ike" McKinnon, former Detroit police chief and deputy mayor, will be the keynote speaker. Other speakers will include Frank Jackson III, Joni Scott and Imam Arif Huskic.

The event will take place Sunday, May 22, from 2-5 p.m. at Loyola High School, 15325 Pinehurst, Detroit. The event is sponsored by the Trinity Vicariate and St. Peter Claver Catholic Community. Secure parking is available on site. Refreshments are offered.

Our Mission Statement

Having reflected on the "four faces of our parish," **St. Peter Claver Catholic Community**, chosen by the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, and under the guidance of Mary, resolves that: 1) we will provide more opportunities for deepening prayer life and faith life for youth, young adults, and adults; 2) we will initiate efforts to reach out and re-connect with those individuals and families who have disconnected from the Church; 3) we will collaborate with other faith communities and organizations within our parish to offer ecumenical events/activities (e.g., neighborhood clean-ups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.

We welcome our Guest and Mother's Day vocalist

Ms. Kimyana Reece

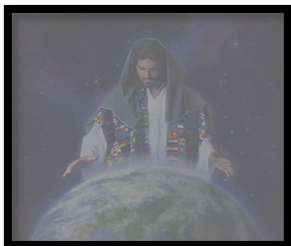
MINISTERS SCHEDULE May 8, 2022
Celebrant: Rev. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.
Minister of Service: Bill Tidwell
Lector: Alther Redd

MEETINGS / EVENTS May 8th to May 15th

Sunday	10:00 am	Mass at Marygrove and via Zoom
Tuesday	10:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon 14400 Puritan St. Detroit 48227
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Financial Council Zoom Conference
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Formation Team Zoom Conference
Wednesday	11:00 am	Lectio Divina Zoom Conference
Thursday	6:30 pm	Community Meal Loyola High School 5325 Pinehurst St. Det. 48238
Saturday	2:00 pm	Ladies of Peter Claver Conference Call
Sunday	10:00 am	Mass at Marygrove and via Zoom

Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College
Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College
For the "live" Parish Calendar, go to spcccdetroit.org

Reconfirming Our Faith
Awakening 7:
Faithfulness redeems Infidelity
Does Jesus see US on HIS Team?



Even "If we are unfaithful, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself." (2 Tim. 2:13)

Join the discussion:
Saturday, May 21, 2022
1:00 pm
Hybrid – In Person: Grove Street Office Virtually:
Zoom

We are actively seeking singers to join the choir. You may reach out to Music Minister Christopher Kendall at: cmkendall@spcccdetroit.org if interested.

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus
Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren Bridges, Donald Carter, Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, David Gallesero, Tequilla Garrett, Ara Grier, Sandra Griffin, Karen Hickman, Myrtis Hildebrandt, Jacqueline Johnson, Bobbie Lewis, Addison Martin, Dorothy (Vicki) Martin, Dorrell Moore, Charles Nelson, Joan S. Noland, Nancy Oberhausen, Celestine Parker, Fred & Villa Ray, Romaine Redd, Flossie Ryles, Jeanne Schuldt, Irene Scott, Gussie Seay, Augusta Starks, Christine Versele, Helen Wajda, Anna Washington, Lillie Washington, Carmel Weems, Diana Wicker, Leonard & Ona Wilson

Please Pray for Them as They Pray for Us!!

Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

Wayne Bradley, Olivia Boulden, Christopher Durant, Rochelle Evans, Andre Fox, Kiara Harris, Marley Jonah, Mary Caroline Jonah, Johnetta Mutes, Elke Rittenhouse, Elaine Ryles, Terrence Tidwell, Charles Tilghman, Jon Viado, Vickee Viado, Constance Washington-Daniel, Larry Washington, Wayne Washington, and relatives of our parishioners

Save Those Pennies

Bring in your loose coins. Tanda Flounory will collect them for donation to the parish. Thank you to those who donate.

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Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church
(Check the bulletin for holy days and special services)

Reconciliation: Before Mass or By Appointment

Parish Office Hours: Parish Staff is currently working from home.
Please contact Ed Shea if you require assistance.

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