

# Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024

*Little children, let us love in deed and in  
truth and not merely talk about it.  
... 1 John 3:18*

If you are ill or hospitalized and would like to be put on the prayer list and/or have Communion brought to you, please call the Parish Office (884-3349). We don't want to forget you.

If you wish to reach Father Hart from Tuesday afternoon through Friday for non-emergency purposes, please email him at [frhart1976@gmail.com](mailto:frhart1976@gmail.com) or for sick call or Last Rites call 501-884-3346.

## Save the Unborn

In our culture of death, no doubt the "least of these our brothers and sisters" are the defenseless, **innocent children in the womb who are so incredibly vulnerable**. "From the first moment of existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person; among which is the inviolable right of every innocent human being to life."



## Vacation Time

Fr. Hart is taking some much needed time away. He will be on **vacation from April 29<sup>th</sup> through and including May 7<sup>th</sup>**. During that time there will be **NO weekday masses**.

## Flower Calendar

There are many openings on our 2024 Flower Calendar, **which means there will be NO flowers on the altar. July and August are completely empty**. Please consider selecting a week to celebrate or commemorate a special person or occasion. Thank you.

St. Francis online  
[www.stfrancisffb.org](http://www.stfrancisffb.org)

## Altar Flowers



Flowers this weekend are provided by Don & Judy Rehm in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

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## Fellowship Sunday

Sunday May 5, 2024 Coffee and Donuts will be served in the Parish Hall **following the 9:00 a.m. Mass**. Please make plans to join us for refreshments and fellowship.



## Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

To a great extent, the world is what we make it. We get back what we give. If we sow hate, we reap hate; if we scatter love and gentleness, we harvest love and happiness. Other people are like a mirror which reflects back on us the kind of image we cast. The kind person bears with the infirmities of others, never magnifies trifles, and avoids a spirit of fault finding.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Saturday is May 4<sup>th</sup> and we will **celebrate Eucharistic Adoration on that day**. The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration at **9 a.m.** and will remain exposed until **3:00 p.m.** Please contact Sue Ross at 501-238-0519 or Sherry Guess at 501-884-6844, if you have questions or are unable to attend.



## CRS Rice Bowls

Your Lenten sacrifices are changing lives around the world. This Lent, our parish contributed **\$219.61** to this most worthy of charities.  
**May God Bless you all!**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
HONORABLE MENTION  
ADVERTISEMENT OF THE WEEK**

**VBC Thrift Shop!**  
*All proceeds support BVC Special School*  
*Located on Hwy. 65 S*  
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**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, April 27**  
4:00 p.m. Floris Ham  
by: Gene & Lynne Kortz

**Sunday, April 28**  
9:00 a.m. - For the Parishioners  
5:00 p.m.  
by:

**Wednesday, May 1 - NO MASS**  
5:00 p.m. - St. Jude - Clinton

**Thursday, May 2 - NO MASS**  
8:30 a.m.  
by:

**Friday, May 3 - NO MASS**  
8:30 a.m.  
by:

**Saturday, May 4**  
4:00 p.m. Jacob Mear  
by: Marvin & Joanie Mear

**Sunday, May 5**  
9:00 a.m. - For the Parishioners

<b>Weekly Stewardship Report</b>	
<b>April 20 &amp; 21</b>	
<b>Offerings</b>	<b>\$6,145.00</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>421.64</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>333.00</b>

<b>Financial Status</b>			
	<b>Collected</b>	<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>YTD</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$6,899</b>	<b>\$3,846</b>	<b>(+) \$17,974</b>



**Activities for the Week**

**Adoration.....Saturday 9 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.**  
**Coffee & Donuts...Sunday after 9 am Mass**

***Fifth Sunday of Easter***

It is easy to talk about Christian values ... loving others, sharing what we have, forgiving each other. However much we talk about such things, they are meaningless if our actions do not reflect our beliefs. That is the hard part. It is easier to "love everyone" than to love the annoying neighbor or coworker. Sharing with those who appreciate what we offer is much easier than doing it anonymously or with those who resent our charity. Forgiving a loved one is hard enough, never mind forgiving an enemy! How well do your actions reflect your beliefs?

**CHUCKLES**

A BASEBALL COACH whose team was in a hitting slump called a special practice session. Disgusted by the ineptness he saw, he grabbed a bat and yelled. "Here, I'll show you something!" He ordered the pitcher to send them in fast.

Unfortunately, the coach was a bit out of practice. After seven or eight futile swipes, he flung the bat aside. "That's what you guys have been doing," he said. "I want you to get in there and slug the ball!"



**Jesus Said**

**"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.**

**John 15:1-2**



**If you are providing flowers for the sanctuary during May, please contact the May Coordinator, Terri Pesnell @ 479-601-3779.**

**For Reflection**


Jesus, how well do I imitate your love by sacrificing for others?

Do I seek salvation, peace and healing from Jesus?

**A Word from Pope Francis**

Jesus needs us, like the vine with the branches. Perhaps to say this may seem bold to us, and so let us ask ourselves: in what sense does Jesus need us? He needs our witness. The fruit that as branches we must bear, is the witness of our lives as Christians.



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