

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

May 12—May 18

EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR
THE INTENTIONS OF EVERYONE
PRESENT AND FOR THE FOLLOWING:**SATURDAY, MAY 12**

4:00 p.m. Alba "Ree" Alario; Cinthya Alviter; Florence S. Ansardi; Eugene John Fischer; Charles Johnson; Marlene Morris; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

5:30 p.m. Theresa M. Barry; Winnie Duhon; Jonathan McCall; Joseph Maselli III; Leona "Loni" O'Dwyer; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.;
Special Intention**SUNDAY, MAY 13**

8:00 a.m. Members of St. Patrick's Church (Propopulo)

9:30 a.m. Stella Bergeron; Roberta Wynne Bruley; Marlene Tessitore Cascio; Jane O'Brien Chatelain; John M. Coogan; Mrs. James Doss; Robert E. Garofalo, Sr.; Ethel Hayes; Frank C. Hemelt; Dr. James Lockwood; Ludger Miller; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; John H. Schroder, Jr.

11:00 a.m. Castrogiovanni-Prados Families; Peggy Fennerty; John Fulcher; Frank C. Hemelt; Theresa H. Johnson; Markey-Burke-Knowles Family; Chris McKee; Mr. & Mrs. Carol J. Ragas; Agatha Formusa Sunseri; Dr. & Mrs. Charles Taggart; Matthew & Kai Theriot

5:30 p.m. Leona "Loni" O'Dwyer; Dr. Richardo Sorenson; Joed Loustaunau Stutts

MONDAY, MAY 14

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Leona "Loni" O'Dwyer; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; Conchetta Cammarata Salvaggio; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

TUESDAY, MAY 15

11:30 a.m. Mary Guzzardi Cammarata; Jane & Dave Schneider

12:00 p.m. Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Cammarata-Guzzardi Families; John D. Courge, Jr.; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

THURSDAY, MAY 17

11:30 p.m. Carol Ragas; Father Timothy Pieris

12:00 p.m. Maselli Families; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

FRIDAY, MAY 18

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Winnie Duhon; Dr. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.; Carol Schiaffino; Dr. Ricardo Sorenson

TRIDENTINE LATIN MASS—Sunday at 9:30 a.m.*Fifth Sunday after Easter***Solemn High Mass**—First Sunday of the month.**Benediction**—Third Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION**

Every Sunday 3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY OFFERING—May 6, 2007

First Collection \$ 18,742

Second Collection* \$ 1,877

* Restoration and Maintenance

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYERS AND WISHES

Father Stan Klores, and all the assisting priests, extends prayers and best wishes to all of the mothers and grandmothers on this, your special day. All Masses will be offered for your intentions this weekend, and may Mary, the Blessed Mother of us all, protect and intercede for all of our mothers, living and departed.

MAY CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mother's Day, May 13, 2007 at the 9:30a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Everyone is invited to place flowers from their garden near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

FLOWERS ON THE HIGH ALTAR

In memory of Edna and Gilbert Luke

ST. PATRICK'S CHOIR SCHEDULE**Pentecost Sunday—May 27, 2007**The choir will sing Mozart's Mass in C (KV220), *The Sparrow Mass*. The soloists will be: Sarah Jane McMahan, soprano; Megan Dearie, alto; Rene Toups, tenor; Chris G'sell, baritone.**Trinity Sunday—June 3, 2007**The choir will sing Mozart's Mass in C (KV167), *The Mass in Honor of the Trinity*. Sarah Jane McMahan will be the guest soloist.

Both Masses will be accompanied by organ and orchestra and on both Sundays the prelude music will begin at 9:00 a.m.

WHEN YOU SING, YOU PRAY TWICE!

St. Patrick's Choir currently has openings for new members., If interested contact music director, Joseph Hoppe: 391-2918.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY WORKSHOP

An additional workshop has been added in the month of June:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help8969 Highway 23
Belle Chasse, LA 70037**Communion Minister Workshop**

Saturday, June 9, 2007; 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

Reader Workshop

Saturday, June 23, 2007; 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

This will be the last workshop until the fall of 2007. Persons attending either workshop must have the permission of their pastor. There is a \$10 per person fee to attend. Fee may be paid at the workshop or the parish can be billed following attendance.

For advance registration: Email: gfaia@archdiocese-no.org

FAX: 504-866-2906; For information: 504-861-6300

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL

For the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers especially: Ree Alario; D. J. Ales; Harold Berrigan, Jr.; Michael Brasset; Lillian Capozzi; Margie Case; Michelle Catalanatto; Tony Clesi; Jim Clynch; Celestine Cook; John Copes; Jackie Dabdoub; Grace Daigle; Ralph DeBlanc; Raymond DeBlanc; Regina Dillon; The Dunlap Family; Joseph Ebberman; Donald Faust, Jr.; Mildred Flynn; Anette Folse; Joseph French; John G. Fulcher; Archbishop Philip Hannan; Richard Hellenus; Marie Herty; Reverend Stan Klores; Marilyn Kitto; Zivana Kovacevich; Brenda Lawson; Carrie LeBoef; Albert Leonhard; Betty Leonard; Alton Lewis; Glenda Liuzza; Dorothy Luquet; Reverend Val A. McInnes, O.P.; Irene Mackenroth; Carol Mallette; Colin McInnis; James Leo Markey II; Joseph Morales; Gerald L. Moran, Jr.; Madeleine Nicoladis; Suzanne Nogues; Lucille Ogden; Beverly Orillion; Robert Plaskas; J. Van Provosty; Hugh Ramsey; Tom Roach; Charlene Taranto; Turkington Family; Eleanor Mary Wells

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY MARY, PRAY FOR US

Some well-known Marian prayers have surprising roots. Catholics who use these familiar gems may appreciate them even more when they know something about their origins — from scriptural verses to the plea of a bedridden cripple.

The Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Without doubt, the Hail Mary is the most popular Marian prayer today. Its adherents range from toddlers, lisping their first memorized prayer, to operatic divas performing classical arrangements of the "Ave Maria." The Hail Mary also is known as "The Angelic Salutation" because its first words come directly from the Gospel account of the angel Gabriel's greeting to Mary with the good news that she was to be the mother of the Messiah (see Lk 1:28).

The next part of the prayer uses the words of Mary's cousin Elizabeth, who, filled with the Holy Spirit, greeted Mary upon her arrival with a loud voice and the words: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb" (Lk 1:42). In the sixth century, these first two portions of the prayer were found as a single formula in ancient liturgies. In the seventh, they made their way into the Roman collection of prayers as an offertory text for the feast of the Annunciation and the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The prayer was also used in this form during the Middle Ages.

The Hail Mary gradually developed from the sixth to 16th centuries, when the present wording was adopted as general liturgical usage. Some say it was Pope Urban IV (1261-64) who added the word "Jesus" to the angelic salutation. The Hail Mary was not a popular prayer before the 11th century, when the practice began of reciting the twofold salutation as part of the prayers of some monastic communities. St. Peter Damian (1007-1072), a Camaldolese monk who later became a cardinal and then Doctor of the Church, called it the angelic, or evangelical, prayer and recommended it.

In the synod of 1198, Bishop Odo of Siliac required the clergy to see that the faithful recited not only the Our Father and the Creed, but also the Hail Mary. Shortly after that, councils of many other countries made similar prescriptions, and the prayer became so popular that it was regarded almost as an appendix to the Our Father. In 1427, St. Bernard of Siena preached a sermon that included "Ave Maria, Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis." ("Hail Mary, Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us.")

Its present form was introduced into the canonical hours of the breviary by three orders: the Mercedarians in 1514, the Camaldolese in 1515 and the Franciscans in 1525. It was finally fixed in the reformed breviary of Pope Pius V in 1568.

Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.

The Hail Holy Queen was written nearly 1,000 years ago by a

man who certainly knew of "mourning and weeping in this valley of tears." An 11th-century Benedictine monk, his name was Blessed Herman the Cripple. Born deformed and practically helpless from birth, Herman was cared for from childhood by the monks of the Reichenau abbey of Germany. He was professed as a monk there at age 20. Even though he was bedridden and a speech impediment made him nearly impossible to understand, Herman was gifted as a mathematician and astronomer, and he made astronomical and musical instruments as well.

When he eventually became blind, Herman began writing hymns. His "Salve Regina," or "Hail Holy Queen," is the best known. Its name comes from the first words in Latin. Although Herman was so deformed that he was never able to stand, his beautiful prayer stands today as a comfort to many, and is traditionally recited at the conclusion of the Rosary. Blessed Herman died at the age of 40 in 1054. His Sept. 25 feast day is observed in some Benedictine monasteries.

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, dispise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

This popular prayer, a favorite of many Catholics, dates back to the 15th century and takes its name from the first Latin word of the prayer, "memorare," which means "remember."

The Memorare is of unknown authorship, although it has been attributed to St. Augustine (354-430), St. John Chrysostom (c. 347-407) and, with more reason, to St. Bernard of Clairvaux (c. 1090-1153).

St. Bernard's sermons on Mary were famous, and it was his Cistercian monks in the monastery of Citeaux in the 12th century who popularized the name "Our Lady" for Mary.

The Memorare has also been attributed to the French cleric Claude Bernard (1588-1641), known as the "poor priest" of Paris, whose homilies contain passages that echo its words.

No matter who wrote this prayer, it was Father Bernard who did much to popularize it, teaching it in hospitals and prisons, where Mary's intercession was effective in working miracles of grace. The first manuscript of the Memorare appeared in 1489 as part of a longer prayer. It appeared again in 1503 and is found in its present form in an 1849 edition of the *Raccolta*, a collection of documents on prayers. ("Raccolta" is the Italian word for collection.) The prayer inspired a longer version in verse form, by St. Louis de Montfort in the 18th century, as well as "Memorares" to St. Joseph and other saints.

Mary Bazzett

NO COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS

The Claddagh Group will not be serving coffee and doughnuts this Sunday, Mother's Day. They wish all mothers and grandmothers a blessed Mother's Day and look forward to seeing everyone Sunday, May 20, 2007.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 22, 2007 in the parish rectory at 7:00 p.m.