



MASSES FOR THE WEEK
May 9—May 15
EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR
THE INTENTIONS OF EVERYONE
PRESENT AND FOR THE FOLLOWING:

SATURDAY, MAY 9

4:00 p.m. Ree Alario; John Peter Alfortish; Cammarata-Guzzardi Family; Marlene Morris; David R. Roszbach; Barbara Rush; Captain Houston E. Walker

5:30 p.m. Theresa M. Barry; Frederick A. Hannaman, Jr.; Jennifer Johnsrud; Leona O'Dwyer; Lynn McLeod Thornton

SUNDAY, MAY 10

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

9:30 a.m. Roberta Wynne Bruley; Jane O. Chatelain; Paul Deverges; Peter W. Grisaro; Claire Adele Herthum; Joann Hintz; Elton T. Mackie, Sr.; Norma McClellan; John H. Schroder, Jr.; Jerome J. Triche, Sr.

11:00 a.m. Stella A. Bergeron; Camden Boatright; Alice E. deMontluzin; Debi Hamburger; Theresa H. Johnson; Violet H. Joyner; Belinda Lazaro; Mary Peters; Roy A. Robichaux, Sr.; Dr. W. Ian Rogers; Barbara Rush; Florence Scenicki

5:30 p.m. Frederick A. Hannaman, Jr.; Leona O'Dwyer; Martha C. Smith Schiaffino; Lynn M. Thornton

MONDAY, MAY 11

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Mary G. Camarata; Frederick A. Hannaman, Jr.; Leona O'Dwyer; Thais Scariano; Hilda I. Valette; Bryan Wolff

TUESDAY, MAY 12

11:30 a.m. Frederick A. Hannaman, Jr.; Barbara Rush; Hilda I. Valette

12:00 p.m. Laura L. Loetzerich; Joseph Maselli III; Leona O'Dwyer; Elisabeth Robert; Thais Scariano

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Loretta Doussan; Stephen Losee; Thais Scariano; Hilda I. Valette

THURSDAY, MAY 14

11:30 a.m. Barbara Rush; Hilda I. Valette

12:00 p.m. Loretta Doussan; Elisabeth Robert; Thais Scariano

FRIDAY, MAY 15

11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

12:00 p.m. Stephen Losee; Thais Scariano; Hilda I. Valette

GREGORIAN LATIN MASS—Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Fourth 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—Sunday, 3:00pm—5:00pm

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

This week's flowers on the altars are given in memory of Gilbert and Edna Mae Luke.

SUNDAY OFFERING—May 3, 2009

First Collection \$ 18,100

Second Collection* \$ 1,840

* Maintenance and restoration

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYERS

Father Stan Klores, and all the assisting priests, extend prayers and best wishes to all of the mothers and grandmothers on this their 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

The May crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place Sunday, May 10, 2009 at the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Everyone is invited to bring flowers from their garden to place near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our crownbearers will be Jeanne Miller (9:30) and Allison Redmann and Caroline Bologna (11:00).

ST. PATRICK'S WELCOMES NEWLY ORDAINED FATHER BRIAN CAMPBELL, CELEBRANT OF THE 11:00 SOLEMN MASS

Long time friend of St. Patrick's and acolyte here during his seminary years at Notre Dame Seminary, Father Campbell was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on May 2, 2009, by the Bishop of Palm Beach for the Diocese of Palm Beach, Florida. Having completed his four year seminary course, Father Campbell will graduate from Notre Dame Seminary on May 20, and will return to serve the Church in the Palm Beach Diocese. Father Campbell is a priest of high culture and many laudable interests, prominent among which are church music, organ building and organ performance. In celebration of his ordination to the priesthood, we offer F. Campbell our sincere congratulations and best wishes, together with the pledge of our prayers, for an abundantly blessed priestly ministry. "Ad multos annos!"

Fr. Campbell has kindly consented to bestow first blessings on any persons who come to the altar rail following the Solemn Mass.

CHURCH ORGAN INSTALLATION

As installation of the new Patrick Murphy Co. organ progresses the church will only be open from 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m., during the week, for the usual Monday—Friday Masses at 11:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. There is no change in the Saturday or Sunday church schedule.

The installation requires that the main entrance doors be cordoned off during the week. During that time access to the church will be through the side front doors.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH MORNING OF PRAYER—

Cenacle of Our Loving Mother Prayer Group

Saturday, May 16, 2009; 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Novena and Holy Mass.

All are invited.

ACOLYTES FOR ST. PATRICK'S

The Parish has a continuing need for men of any age willing to serve as acolytes at the 11.00 Sunday Mass. Instruction and training will be provided in evening workshops. Please contact Robert Ramirez for further details: (504) 899-3048; email: bramirez@bellsouth.net

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL

For the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers especially: Tom Alexander; Del Barry; Patricia Berrigan; Brett Bradley; Barbara Brennan; Tony Clesi; Rene Crane; Carol Daigle; Tom Darcy; Ralph DeBlanc; Raymond DeBlanc; Elizabeth DeBuys; Al Duroncelet; Katherine Eagan; Melvin Ferlita, Sr.; Mimi Finley; John Fulcher; Joan Kimball; Joseph; Belinda Lazaro; Stephen Losee; Michael McCarthy; Mary A. McKay; Buddy McInnis; Sally Ann Main; Lucille Ogden; Beverly Orillion; Karen Paprocki; J. Van Provosty; Tom Roach; Elisabeth Robert; Joseph M. Sonne; Stephanie Summers; Theresa Tierson; Alyssa Vingan

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

BENEDICT, 1 YEAR LATER REMEMBER WHAT HE TOLD US?

Recall some of the Holy Father's words: "The Church's primary mission of evangelization, in which educational institutions play a crucial role, is consonant with a nation's fundamental aspiration to develop a society truly worthy of the human person's dignity." Given this president's stances on life issues, one may rightly wonder if this is the type of society that is being developed.

He continued, "With regard to the educational forum, the *diakonia* of truth takes on a heightened significance in societies where secularist ideology drives a wedge between truth and faith. This division has led to a tendency to equate truth with knowledge ... denies the foundations of faith and rejects the need for a moral vision."

And lastly, these words spoken directly to faculty members at Catholic colleges and universities: "Yet it is also the case that any appeal to the principle of academic freedom in order to justify positions that contradict the faith and teaching of the Church would obstruct or even betray the university's identity

and mission; a mission at the heart of the Church's *munus docendi* and not somehow autonomous or independent of it." While many Catholic institutions do seem to be embracing the Pope's vision, some, sadly, are not.

In retrospect, it appears that many of our bishops heeded their leader's words. In the days leading up to the last election, the bishops spoke often of the need to bring our faith with us into the voting booth.

While many of our bishops were putting the Pope's words into action, one is left to wonder just how many Catholics in the pews were listening.

A lot can happen in a year. A lot did happen in a year. And the Holy Father's words to the Church in America will continue to go right to the heart of the matter. Let's pray that they will continue to be written on the hearts of the people.

Gus Lloyd
National Catholic Register

THE BIAS AGAINST BENEDICT

Teresa Benedicta of the Papa Ratzinger Forum cites an April 27 New York Times commentary as a classic example of the anti-Benedict bias that has infected so many Western media outlets.

"It's a demonstration piece for everything that's wrong in journalism today — and a standard MSM putdown of the Pope," Benedicta says in an April 30 post on the Papa Ratzinger Forum.

The Times commentary asserts that Pope Benedict XVI is the one who is suffering from a communications ailment — namely, foot-in-mouth disease. And while John Berwick claims in his NYT commentary that the Pope's supposed misjudgments and blunders have sometimes led to a good outcome, he intimates this happens only in the face of the Holy Father's "folly."

In fact, Benedict is an extraordinarily thoughtful man who is a brilliant and eloquent communicator. The problem arises not because the Pope has a penchant for "bloopers," as Berwick claims; the problem arises because the media has a penchant for publishing crude and inaccurate reductions of the Holy Father's profound insights.

Case in point: The media outcry over his comments about condoms while flying to Africa in March. Scores of press articles claimed the Pope's assertion, that condom distribution is aggravating HIV transmission in Africa rather than alleviating it, were both false and a public relations disaster.

In fact, the most knowledgeable international experts on AIDS transmission confirmed the Holy Father, not his media critics, was right about the consequences of condom distribution. And contrary to the impression generated by the negative press coverage, Benedict was greeted with massive public acclaim and affection in both of the countries on his African itinerary, Cameroon and Angola.

No one suggests the Vatican's somewhat unsophisticated communications apparatus is perfect in terms of getting the truth out about what the Pope is saying and doing. But the simple fact is many media outlets look constantly for ways to misrepresent his actions. It's difficult to know how any Vatican communication strategy could overcome that deliberate bias.

Keep this bias firmly in mind as you watch and read the reports in the secular media about the Holy Father's historic Holy Land trip later this month. Given their sorry record of

misreporting Benedict's previous trips, don't be surprised if news outlets attempt to spoil this occasion by misinterpreting and misrepresenting the Pope's words and actions while he's in the Holy Land, or travelling there.

Tom McFeely
National Catholic Register

THE MARY MONTH OF MAY

The month of May is a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne.

We are delighted and consoled by this pious custom associated with the month of May, which pays honor to the Blessed Virgin and brings such rich benefits to the Christian people. Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise. For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary except to seek the Christ in her arms, to seek our Savior in her, through her, and with her? To Him men are to turn amid the anxieties and perils of this world, urged on by duty and driven by the compelling needs of their heart, to find a haven of salvation, a transcendent fountain of life.

Because the month of May is a powerful incentive to more frequent and fervent prayers, and because our petitions more readily find access to her compassionate heart during it, it has been a favorite custom of Our predecessors to choose this month, dedicated to Mary, for urging the Christian people to offer up public prayers whenever the needs of the Church demanded it or some grave crisis threatened the human race. This year we in turn feel compelled to call for such prayers from the whole Catholic world. Looking at the present needs of the Church and the status of world peace, We have sound reasons to believe that the present hour is especially grave and that a plea for concerted prayer on the part of all Christians is a matter of top priority.

Except from the encyclical [*Mense Maio*](#).
Pope Paul VI