

Members of God's Family

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year A)

"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you." [John 14:18-20](#)

The feeling of being an orphan—of longing for belonging—reflects a deeper spiritual reality Jesus addressed with His disciples in today's Gospel. Those with close families are truly blessed, as a supportive family fosters personal growth and a sense of identity. When one is orphaned, the absence of these natural bonds can leave a lasting sense of loss. Yet even the strongest earthly family relationships point to a greater truth: our ultimate belonging is found in God's family.

Jesus understood the sense of loss His disciples would feel after His Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension. When He said, "In a little while the world will no longer see me..." He was preparing them for His physical departure through the Ascension. But He reassures them: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you...you will see me, because I live and you will live."

Initially, the disciples struggled to grasp the meaning of these words. Only after the outpouring of the Holy Spirit did they begin to understand. The same promise Jesus made to them applies to us today. Though we were not among those who witnessed His earthly presence, we too have a longing for His nearness—a longing to belong, to be loved, and to find our place within a family. This longing is fulfilled supernaturally through the gift of faith and our incorporation into God's divine family, the Church.

Faith is the key to this relationship. It is more than intellectual belief; it is the acceptance of a personal revelation from God and a choice to live according to that revelation. Jesus promises that those who love Him and obey His commandments will experience His presence and that of the Father. This experience begins through faith, which is a gift by which God communicates Himself to us, revealing His love and will. It is both certain and mysterious, a knowledge that leads us to divine hope and sustains us in the pursuit of God's will.

Faith also unites us with one another. Through faith, we are no longer orphans but brothers and sisters in Christ. Our natural longing to belong finds its ultimate fulfillment in God's glorious family, which begins on earth and is perfected in Heaven.

Reflect today on the desire in your heart to belong, to be loved, and to be part of a family. Recognize that this longing finds its ultimate fulfillment in the family of God. Though we await the fullness of this communion in Heaven, we can experience it even now. Commit yourself to respond to Jesus' invitation by embracing your place in His family through prayer, the sacraments, and daily acts of love. Recognize that He is in the Father, we are in Him, and He is in us. Embrace this reality, allowing the gift of faith to draw you more deeply into the divine family to which we are called.

My revealing Lord, deep within my soul I long for You and desire to be one with You and Your Father through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Please reveal Yourself to me so that I can know You, live according to Your commandments, and flourish in Your grace. May my membership in Your family of faith, through the Church, begin now and become perfected in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.

Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

May 10th 2026

The 6th Sunday of Easter



Holy Mass and Sacraments Schedule

Sunday Mass: 10:30 am

12:30 pm English Mass

Reconciliation: Sundays at 12:00 am

Baptism and Holy Matrimony:

The family should be registered and active members at Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish for a least three months prior to Baptism or Holy Matrimony. Couples are engaged to marry need to contact Fr. Ishida at least four months prior to the wedding date for marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact Father Ishida. **509-998-7093**

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Welcome to Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

To all visitors who are joining us
for worship today. May your
time with us be grace-filled and
may the Lord Jesus bless you
and your loved ones today and
every day.



happy
 Birthday
 may your wish
 come true

A Prayer for All Mothers

Good and gracious God,

We thank you for all mothers — the women you have called to bring forth new life and women who provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of those entrusted to their care.

Give them the courage to raise godly children through happy and difficult times and wisdom to guide their children on the path to eternal life.

Fortify them through your word and sacraments to endure the challenges and trials of motherhood.

Instill in them joy and delight as they accompany their children through the years.

Show them with care and support from their family and friends.

Comfort those mothers who have lost their children and those children who have lost their mothers.

In your charity, entrust all mothers to the tenderness of your own mother, Mary.

We love our mothers, Lord.

We ask for your blessing upon them this day and always.

Amen.



Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart.

O Jesus, I pray for your faithful and fervent priests; for your unfaithful and tepid priests; for your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for your tempted priests; for your lonely and desolate priests; for your young priests; for your dying priests; for the souls of your priests in Purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to you the priests dearest to me:

the priest who baptized me;
 the priests who've absolved me from my sins;
 the priests at whose Masses I've assisted and who've given me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion;
 the priests who've taught and instructed me;
 all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way, especially ____

O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.

Amen.

PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS

can be emailed and kept anonymous if requested or needed. Please call Pam Harper 509-496-5930 to request prayers. or email

stanneprayer-chain@yahoo.com



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Liturgical color: white
 Lectionary #55

Acts 8:5–8, 14–17
 Ps 66:1–3, 4–5, 6–7, 16, 20
 1 Pt 3:15–18
 Jn 14:15–21

Gloria
 Creed

Please note: Mass Intentions take approximately 2 weeks to get processed and on the calendar. Please note this when giving your stipends for Intentions.

MASS INTENTIONS

3	Sunday	Pro Populo
4	Monday	David Rowan
5	Tuesday	
6	Wednesday	Olivia Olsen
7	Thursday	
8	Friday	
9	Saturday	
10	Sunday	Pro Populo

Mary, Queen of Heaven ... Pray for us!
St. Anne ... Pray for us!

Pray for our priests and Bishop Daly *We pray that Jesus will keep them close to His heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.*

“For those who have no one to pray for them.

Accept my prayers dear Father, for those who have no one to love them enough to pray for them.

Where and whoever they are, give them a share of my blessings, and in thy love let them know that they are not forgotten”.

THE “GOLDEN ARROW” PRAYER “

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most incomprehensible and unutterable Name of God be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified in Heaven, on earth, and in the hells, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Amen.

Starts: May 11th **St Bernadine of Siena** Feastday May 20th Patron saint of advertisers, chest problems,

Starts: May 13th **St Rita** Feastday May 22th Patron saint of impossible causes, sickness, marital problems

Starts: May 12th **Mary, Queen of the Apostles** Feastday May 21th Patron saint of consolation deeper conversion outpouring of the Holy Spirit

Starts: May 15th **Mary Help of Christians** Feastday May 24th Patron saint of battling against sin and evil

Starts: May 16th **Mary Magdalene de Pazzi** Feastday May 25th Patron saint of the sick overcoming temptation

Starts: May 17th **Philip Neri** Feastday May 26th Patron saint of US Special Forces, humor and joy

Starts: May 21st **St Joan of Arc** Feastday May 30th Patron saint of France, captives, military personnel

Starts: May 16th **Novena to the Holy Spirit** Feastday May 25th Patron saint of

Starts: May 22nd **Visitation** Feastday May 31th Patron saint of Pro-Life , babies to conceive a child

Starts: May 23rd **Mary St Justin Martyr** Feastday June 1st Patron saint of philosophers and lecturers

Starts: May 26th **Corpus Christi** Feastday June 4th Patron saint of Blessed Sacrament, Eucharist, Real Presence

Starts: June 3rd **Sacred Heart** Feastday June 12th Patron saint of the Apostleship of Prayer

Starts: June 4th **Immaculate Heart of Mary** Feastday June 13th Patron saint of Apostleship of Prayer Alliance of Sacred Hearts

Starts: June 4th **St Anthony** Feastday June 13th Patron saint of finding one's spouse, lost items, people, and souls

Starts: June 6th **St Germaine Cousin** Feastday June 15th Patron saint of abused children, abandoned and disabled people, loss of parents

Starts: June 12th **St Aloysius Gonzaga** Feastday June 21st Patron saint of students, young people, the blind, purity, plague victims and against epidemics



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Mary Queen Calendar May—June 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English 6th Sunday of Easter <i>Mother's Day</i>	11	12	13	14 The Ascension of the Lord	15	16 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
17 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English The Ascension of the Lord	18	19	20	21	22	23 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
24 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English Pentecost Sunday	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
31 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English The Most Holy Trinity	1 June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart	2	3	4	5 First Friday	6 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm First Saturday

Are you sick, preparing for a surgery, or homebound? Is someone you know very ill?

And would like a to receive communion and the anointing of the sick from Fr. Ishida. For these urgent needs call, (509) 998-7093