



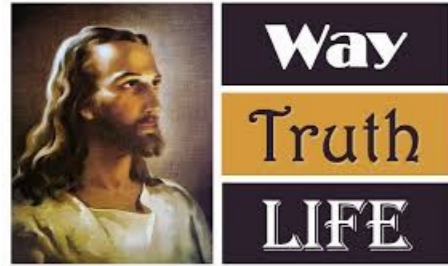
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May 7 – 5th Sunday of Easter (Year A)



We need to accept Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life: We accept Jesus as the Way by walking his narrow way of loving, humble, sacrificial service. We accept Jesus as the Truth by learning and practicing what he has taught us, as given in the Bible and in the teachings of the Church. We accept Jesus as the Life by sharing in the Divine Life of God in His Church, making use of the means Jesus has established. We do all of this by actively participating in the Eucharistic celebration and properly receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion; by the worthy reception of the other Sacraments; by the meditative, daily reading of the Word of God; by

allowing the Holy Spirit living in the Church and within us to guide and strengthen us; and by communicating with God the Source of Life, in personal and family prayers. *(frtonyhomilies)*

V Domenica di Pasqua (Anno A)

Le ultime parole che si pronunciano alla fine della vita hanno un carattere particolare. Riassumono il mistero di un essere. Platone fa parlare il suo maestro Socrate di immortalità prima di morire. Il condannato a morte consola quelli che restano.

Le ultime parole possono essere molto pragmatiche. La madre di Goethe diede istruzioni di non mettere troppa uva passa nel dolce preparato per la sua sepoltura. Alcuni esortano i loro figli a sostenersi a vicenda. I patriarchi della Bibbia muoiono beneducendo la loro discendenza.

Anche nel nostro Vangelo si tratta di ultime parole. Parla uno che è consapevole di stare per morire. E colui che ne ha preso nota è convinto che quel morto è ancora in vita.

Non leggete queste parole come un discorso ben costruito e coerente. Immaginate delle pause. Prendetele piuttosto come parole pronunciate in un profondo silenzio, come parole indirizzate a uomini prigionieri, "tutt'orecchi", in qualche modo. Noi potremmo ascoltarle anche come si ascolta una goccia d'acqua cadere in una grotta. Bisogna che chi ascolta sia assolutamente silenzioso per lasciar entrare in sé queste parole. Se noi ascoltiamo veramente, sentiamo parole di consolazione: "Non sia turbato il vostro cuore". Parole di speranza: "Nella casa del Padre mio vi sono molti posti". Parole di maestà: "Io sono la via, la verità e la vita. Nessuno viene al Padre se non per mezzo di me". Parole di vocazione esigente: "Chi crede in me compirà le opere che io compio".

Non è facile per noi capire immediatamente queste parole. I discepoli che interrompono il Signore fanno delle domande smarrite. Non hanno ancora capito, eppure è già l'ora dell'addio. Sapremo noi capire meglio? *(lachiesa)*

St. Vincent de Paul Society collection

There will be a special collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society this weekend.

Vinnies helps ease the pressure for families with practical support. Vinnies provides housing support to thousands of Australians every day. Vinnies provides food hampers to families struggling to make ends meet.

Your support can transform the lives of struggling Australian families.



The sick in our parish: Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Miriam Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Krys Herrmann and Family, Bob Brown, Angela Barto, Diana Nash, Patrick Brennan, Sonia Taranto, Evelyn McDonough, Laurence, Floriano Pivetta, Bruna Zando, Rita Paladino, Joe and Monica Zahra, Cathy Taviane, Emma and Tony Mallozzi, Nina Garoffolo, Giovanna Gamberale, Josie, Lori, Catarina Calvi, Aiden Agius

Upcoming funerals: Rosaleen Stagnitta, Monday, May 8, 10.30. Rosary followed by funeral mass

Bernardo Cerra, Wednesday, May 10, 11.00 am

Nelda D'Alessandro, Thursday, May 11, 11.00 am

Recently deceased: Bernardo Cerra, Nelda D'Alessandro, Rosaleen Stagnitta, Amelia Testa, Anna Sicilia, Gaudencia Bonachita, Vincenzo Tumino (Italy). Rev. Bob Maguire, Kay Conlin, John O'Sullivan

Anniversaries: Venera Maiorana, John Iapozzuto, Carmela and Vittoria Lanza, Luigi and Maria Rosa Mandanici, Pauline De Francesco, Angelina, and, Santo Butera, Fortunata Renda, Carmela Muraca, Francesca Mete, Orlando Victuelles, Gentilina Ciabotti, Herbert and Myrtle Eliyathamby, Indrawathi Lekamge, Dunston De-Zilwa, Jack McDonough

Mass times

Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: Novena mass: 6.00 pm

Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.00 pm. Bookings are essential. Contact the Parish Office

Mass times

St. Marks, Fawkner (Leo Street, Fawkner)

Weekday:

Monday-Saturday: 9.00 am

Weekend:

Saturday: 6.00 pm ; Sunday: 10.00 am ; 6.00 pm

Hope Café: Thursday: 5.30 pm (free dinner for the needy)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 9.30 am and 5.30 pm or phone Fr. Colin (9359 3111)

Rosters for weekend masses (May 13/14)

Lectors: Saturday 5.30 pm: J. Caparelli

Sunday 9.00 am: M. Raymond ; 10.30 am: G. Gamberale

Bus driver: P. Capasso

Statue of Our Lady

The parish statue of Our Lady has resumed her pilgrimage of our parishioner's homes after an extended pause due to COVID. Our Lady spends two weeks in each home and we encourage you to invite your family and friends to come and pray the rosary with you; for our parish and your own intentions.

If you would like to be added to the roster, please call Anna 0402741258 who will drop off and collect the statue.

Mother's Day

Next Sunday—the 14th of May we celebrate Mother's Day.

"THANK YOU WOMEN WHO ARE MOTHERS! You have sheltered human beings within yourselves, in a unique experience of joy and travail. THIS EXPERIENCE MAKES YOU.... THE ONE WHO IS THE ANCHOR AS THE CHILD MAKES ITS WAY ALONG THE JOURNEY OF LIFE". Saint John Paul II

St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

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