

Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel

SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION

To Our Mothers,
Whether already with God or here on Earth:

May 10, Anno Gratiae 2018

Dear Moms,

Sometimes different countries celebrate Mothers on different days. Since in some countries they are celebrated today we usually greet our Moms with a few short words.

St. Augustine used to say that if Mothers who are already in eternity could, with God's permission, come down to earth, then his would come every day to greet him.

Our Mothers have been our first cradles while we were waiting to open our eyes to the light of this world. Their arms cradled us when we were immensely fragile and they have cradled us our life long. Nothing of what we are or have would have been possible without them since their will to see us born and to raise us made it possible. If God grants us the grace of salvation, even that would have been impossible without that maternal benignity which gave us the opportunity of living and being eternal with God.

I don't know what mothers in general think concerning their children, but I think I know that ours, in the bottom of their generous hearts, when they think of us, when they desire something for us, have said to God "let him be good." These four words have filled their desires, they still do, even for those who are now eternally close to God.

It can't be so difficult to be good, otherwise no one would be able to do it and in the world and in history we see more simple people than geniuses. Men are not good because they don't want to be, because although they could love God they love follies or they love what's attractive, all things that dissolve in their hands as the days pass.

Our Mothers live or lived for us. Let us be worthy of that generosity and greatness, both of them admirable even though they are only a modest image of what God has done for us.

Maybe, or without a doubt, this effort to be good will be the most beautiful and just retribution for their love and what will allow us to be close to God and to them forever when God draws open the sacred curtain of endless eternity for all of us.

Blessed holiday!

All of us, Bp. Morello

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HOLY MASS

Sundays: 7:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Sundays

6:40—6:55 a.m. 9:15—9:55 a.m.

Weekdays

7:40—7:55 a.m.

and by appointment

HOLY ROSARY

Sundays: After 7:00 a.m. Mass
and 9:40 a.m.

First Saturdays: after 7:00 a.m.
Mass

All mothers are
invited to enjoy the
breakfast quiche being
offered this morning
after 10 o'clock Mass
in the hall.
(Everyone is welcome)

MASS

INTENTIONS:

I have Mass intentions until JULY 5, 2018.

CATHOLIC CATECHISM

Q. What is the Fourth Commandment?

A. The Fourth Commandment is: Honor thy father and thy mother.

Q. What are we commanded by the fourth Commandment?

A. We are commanded by the Fourth Commandment to honor, love and obey our parents in all that is not sin.

Q. Are we bound to honor and obey others than our parents?

A. We are bound to honor and obey our bishops, pastors, magistrates, teachers, and other lawful superiors.

Q. Have parents and superiors any duties towards those who are under their charge?

A. It is the duty of parents and superiors to take good care of all under their charge and give them proper direction and example.

Q. What is forbidden by the Fourth Commandment?

A. The Fourth Commandment forbids all disobedience, contempt, and stubbornness towards our parents or lawful superiors.

The Love of the Heart of Our Lady for Christian Parents

In the heart of our Lady there is a specially tender love, which has a distinct character of its own, for Christian parents and Christian homes.

God has a special love for, and gives a special help to, fathers and mothers. God gives indeed the grand grace of a special sacrament to enable them to fulfill their high office. How could it be otherwise? Parents are in some sense the instruments (as they may be called, the occasional causes) which God uses in His great work of creating human souls, the souls He loves, the souls that are so intensely dear to Him.

God's loves are our Lady's loves. She, too, loves you, dear Christian parents. You know not how dearly, how earnestly. She sees so much you do not see. She sees such wonderful things in your vocation which you perhaps have never seen or imagined. There is so much that is great and noble in your state of life, so much resulting from it that our Lady sees and knows, but which you never thought of when you entered it. Our Lady will show something of it to you; she will at least give you a higher idea of your state, if you will allow her. You may have entered upon it simply from human motives. You may have had little thought of the noble office you had to discharge for your God, the grand work He had entrusted to you. But it is not yet too late to remedy this negligence.

Give yourselves and your families to the care of Mary. Consecrate all to her maternal heart, and learn from it the love she has for you and yours. Learn her maternal solicitude, her desire that you should be such parents as God intended you to be, that you should resemble Him, imitate Him in the special way your office enables you to do. We have said elsewhere that every Christian household should in some respect resemble the household of Nazareth. There is the father, who should resemble the dear St. Joseph, the good, the just. There is the mother, who should be copying in her daily life, in the performance of all her duties, the Mother above all mothers. There is a little infant in most households, and how often have we not had a good thought put into our minds, a thought of Jesus and Mary, when we saw a pure, holy mother bending over the little one in her arms.

Sit and meditate upon this. It will be good

and profitable for you, and there will rise up before you thoughts you could hardly put into words. There is the parent's office adumbrating that of God Himself. There is the father seeming, with all reverence be it said, in an indistinct, shadowy way to bring to our minds the Eternal Father. There is the mother imitating her God by her fruitfulness. But such thoughts are to be pondered in the mind rather than put down in writing. Let parents meditate long and lovingly upon the grand office, the great dignity they have in being parents. Let them resolve to do all that lies in their power to perform their office well, and resolve to look upon their state in the light of that love with which the Mother of fair love regards it. Let parents resolve to make their homes of love, where the God of love shall dwell. Let them resolve to do all in their power to guard the gifts God bestows upon them, remembering that their children are God's children, that they belong more to Him than to themselves. Let them reflect that if a king or queen entrusted their children to them to guard, what care they would take of the precious charge, both because of the honor and the reward. Therefore, let parents entrusted with the care of immortal souls, God's children, consider that they are honored by God in this life, and that a very great reward is in store for them in the next if they shall have reared their children, God's children, according to the will and wish of God.

Happy day to be looked forward to, when parents and children stand together before God to receive their sentence. Happy parents who can then in joy and glad delight look up to your Divine Master and exclaim, "I am here, O Lord, with those whom thou hast given me." Happy parents, who so labor to perform your duties in this short day of mercy and of time, that on that grand day of justice and eternity you may be able to say, as you kneel at the feet of Jesus, and meet His sweet look of recompensing love, "And of those whom thou hast given to me I have not lost one." May it be so. May the hope that it may be so encourage you in your labors and sufferings, and spur you on to still greater efforts to save the souls of those whom the sweet Saviour has given you to save for Him. It is those whom the dear Mother of mercy desires so to see safe in the home above, *which we can only enter by suffering and sacrifice for ourselves and others, by performing the particular work or mission for which our God created us.*

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY May 13	SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION St. Robert Bellarmine, BC	W	7:00 am 10:00 am	Missa pro Populo Mothers' Day
MONDAY May 14	St. Boniface, M Within Octave of the Ascension,	W	8:00 am 7:00 pm	Special Intention, Requiem Mass, followed by Rosary and St. Joseph's Litany.
TUESDAY May 15	St. John Baptist de la Salle, C Within Octave of the Ascension	W	8:00 am	Maria & George Schmitt, R.I.P.
WEDNESDAY May 16	St. Ubaldus, BC Within Octave of the Ascension	W	8:00 am	Nilton Garcia
THURSDAY May 17	OCTAVE DAY OF ASCENSION DAY, St. Paschal Baylon, C	W	8:00 am	Special Intention
FRIDAY May 18	St. Venantius, M Friday after Octave of Ascension	R	8:00 am	John McDougall
SATURDAY May 19	Vigil of Pentecost, St. Peter Celestine, PC	R	7:00 am	Miguel, Daniel, Denis & Michael
SUNDAY May 20	PENTECOST SUNDAY Whitsunday	W	7:00 am 10:00 am	Gertrude Cross Missa pro Populo

For those wishing to have Masses said, an expected stipend of at least \$20.00 must be paid at the time of the request. (more may be offered) If this is to be paid by check, make the check payable to Fr. Rodriguez or Company of Jesus and Mary



May 13th	9:30 am	Fr. Bachtiger
May 20th	5:00 pm	Fr. Rodriguez
May 27th	NO MASS	
June 3rd	9:30 am	Fr. Bachtiger

MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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*Mass may be cancelled in the event of inclement weather.

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O Holy Spirit, Creator of mankind, graciously help the Holy Catholic Church, and by Thy almighty power sustain it and defend it against the assaults of the enemy. By Thy charity and grace, renew the spirit of Thy servants whom Thou hast anointed, that in Thee they may glorify the Father and His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

(Indulgence of 300 days, once a day.)

NOTICE TO NEWCOMERS

Founded in 1973 in the wake of the disastrous Second Vatican Council, the mission of Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel is to maintain and restore as far as possible the traditional faith, values and liturgical practice of the Roman Catholic Church, and to provide a haven of sanctity where men and women of good will may grow in love for God and their neighbor. Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and ask questions. After Mass come to the Social Hall, and join us for coffee and refreshments. We hope your visit with us is a pleasant one, and we look forward to seeing you again and welcoming you as a member of Our Lady of the Rosary. **We welcome Spanish-speaking guests, and confessions are heard in Spanish and English every Sunday and by appointment with the pastor.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPARATION TO THE HOLY FACE: First and second Sundays of the month will begin at 9:30 A.M. (before the Holy Rosary), and the other Sundays will begin immediately after 10:00 o'clock Mass.

REQUIEM EVENING MASS: For the Poor Souls Society— Monday at 7:00 P.M.

CATECHISM FOR ADULTS will begin a few minutes after the 10:00 A.M. Mass.

**The Love of the Heart of Mary
for the Holy Spirit**

Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, brings us light from His inaccessible throne. Gabriel brought thee a marvelous message, sweet Mother. "The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee."

What was that wonderful overshadowing of the Holy Spirit of God? Mary, we are diving deeper into mysteries. We seem to fear lest we may be attempting to know what God has not intended we should know, since so little is revealed. What passed in that wondrous communion of Mary with the Holy Spirit none but herself knoweth. The little Virgin of Nazareth was encompassed with God's Spirit, "overshadowed," and an ineffable communion took place, flooding the soul of Mary with a new joy, lifting her into regions of light and love hitherto unexplored by her. Her heart was opened in a most mysterious manner, her life absorbed as it were in God's life. The Holy Spirit gave her new life, and Mary yielded to the sweet influence of the Spirit of God. God's Spirit worked in her without let or hindrance, or disturbance, not meeting with the slightest opposition in this wonderful creature of God to the marvelously ineffable operations of grace.

Mary became the spouse of the Holy Spirit and the Mother of God. These simple words are enough; human language can do no more. But what concerns us to know is,

that the Holy Spirit still works and loves to work by her. He formed Jesus by means of Mary, and to this day He forms all the elect by means of Mary. He formed His masterpiece, the God-Man, the Head of the elect, by Mary, and will continue to form the members of that Head by the same sweet means, His spouse Mary. And well does Mary cooperate with Him. Possessed entirely by God's Spirit, she lives by that Spirit. She is ever working in the souls of men by bringing the Holy Spirit to breathe the breath of life into withering souls, animating her children, too, to bring all they can to the influence of that sweet Spirit of God. The more we love God's Spirit ourselves, the more we shall make others love It, too, and the more good we shall do.

Let us, then, daily, hourly, beg our Mother to make us know the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity better, that we may have light to understand better what is indeed difficult to be understood. We have nothing analogous to It in creation; there are no comparisons or resemblances which will help us. When we study the spirit of a saint, in whom the Holy Spirit has made His dwelling, we come to know something of His interior thoughts and feelings. Still this does not reveal to us the secret and mysterious working of the Holy Spirit of God, and much less can we fathom or explain the ineffable operations of the Holy Spirit in Mary, the Mother of God. However, though we cannot write or speak about this adorable mystery, if we keep close to our Mother, we shall think beautiful thoughts, we shall

have holy, truthful ideas, far though they may be below the reality. We shall have conceptions of divine truths, and though we may not be able to give expression to them in words, yet they will leave their impress upon the mind. They will do the work God intends they should. The Holy Spirit will work in us, forming us into noble children of God, and He will do it most admirably by means of Mary, and by our devout meditation on the mysteries of Mary.

Ah, sweet Mother, thou wert made a mother by the working of the Holy Spirit. Thou lovest that Holy Spirit who possessed thee in all thy ways with a supereminent love, and this love we thy children would wish to share with thee. Thou lovest thy Spouse, the Holy Spirit, who made thy virgin heart a Mother's heart. Teach thy children to love Him, too, for beautiful will the souls become that are placed in the care and keeping of the Holy Spirit by the hands of Mary. Mother, plead for us. Pointing to thy heart, which the Holy Spirit hath made a Mother's heart, intercede with that sweet Spirit for thy numberless children, who now, banded round that heart, desire to live in union with it. These children love it so. It is as an anchor of safety, a port of refuge, a beacon of light in the dark storms of life, a fair sanctuary of safety, our happy home, we trust, with God for all eternity.

Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit,
pray for us!

*Both articles are from:
Loves in the Heart of Mary,
By: Mother Mary Potter*

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