

## Sixth Sunday Of Easter May 26, 2019

The final paragraph of today's first reading consists of a letter from the church leaders in Jerusalem to the newly converted Christians in the non-Jewish regions of Syria and Cilicia. The headline here, of course, is that Gentiles who were baptized did not have to "become Jewish" to be Christian. But as it proceeds to that decision, the letter delivers some very compassionate sentiments to the Christians of Gentile origin. It acknowledges their feelings, recognizing that they're upset. Even though this was caused by the actions of Jewish Christians whom the church leaders did not send in the first place, they express sympathy for the results of those actions. In fact, they decide to choose representatives themselves so this can be avoided in the future. They found a solution for a problem they did not create.

Unity is not the same as uniformity. The leaders of the early church realized that their beliefs were of the most importance, not their practices, even those associated with long-standing traditions. It was possible to have diversity within their unity. We are called to the same ideals today. Though we are unified in our beliefs, which we proclaim each Sunday in the creed, we welcome diversity in our backgrounds, traditions, and customs. Revelation describes the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem, in all its glory and splendor. Significantly, a dozen gates lead into the city and the gates face in every different direction. In other words, people can enter the heavenly Jerusalem no matter where they are coming from. One destination, many routes in.

### Question of the Week

What do I find inspirational in welcoming all people to our parish and community, and what do I find uncomfortable? How can the Holy Spirit affect my reaction?



**Saturday, May 25, 2019**

### Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of Easter

**8:00p.m.** Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Ed and Lydia Klimm – Calvin Peter Casmier – Intentions of Blair and Emily McDonald – In thanksgiving to Jesus and Mary.

**Sunday, May 26, 2019**

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

**8:30a.m.** Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Calvin Tate – Melvina Kepp – Walter Banks, III – Lawrence Miller, Jr. – Jasper Price, Jr. – Geraldine O. Dowden – Memory Britsch – Betty Cates – Anthony Rout – Jerome Lomba – Warren Pierre – Intentions of – Nina Frank – Miriam Jones – Elaine Jackson

**10:30a.m.** Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Melvin Thomas – Albert Pierre – Rudolph DeBose

**12:00p.m.** Diane Hale – Anna Trena Guillaume – Intentions of St. Joseph's Altar Elysian Fields Group – St. Maria Goretti Parish

**Monday, May 27, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Betty Heigle – Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Jacobs, Sr. – Calvin Casmier – Jerome Lomba, Sr. – Memory Britsch – Diane Hale – Betty Cates – Alice C. Sarrazin – Edgar Morgan III

**Tuesday, May 28, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Donald Bell Memory Britsch – Betty Cates – Diana Hale – Calvin Casmier – Jerome Lomba, Sr. – Intentions of Stacey Martin

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Calvin Casmier – Diana Hale – Betty Cates – Donald Bell – Jerome Lomba, Sr. – Oliver Daliet, Jr. – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Sr. Louella Petry

**Thursday, May 30, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Memory Britsch – Donald Bell – Calvin Casmier – Betty Cates – Diana Hale – Jerome Lomba, Sr. – Alice Chalona – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Janice LeBeau

**Friday, May 31, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Betty Cates – Diana Hale – Calvin Casmier – Jerome Lomba, Sr. – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Cathy Craigie – Sylvester Catello

**Saturday, June 1, 2019**

**8:30a.m.** The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

**Announcements**

“Jesus has a Merciful Heart! If we show Him our inner wounds, our inner sins, He will always forgives us. It is pure Mercy. Let us go to Jesus! Pope Francis. Eucharistic Adoration Monday – Friday, 9:00a.m. – 12:00 Noon and Saturdays, 12:00 noon – 3:00pm.

**Bible Study**

Sixth Sunday of Easter Readings. Reading I: Acts: 15:1-2, 22-29; Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Reading II: Revelations: 21:10-14, 22-23; Gospel: John: 14:23-29. The Bible Study can found on the parish website. The Bible Study is held on Monday’s at 7:00p.m. in the Center.



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends and family.

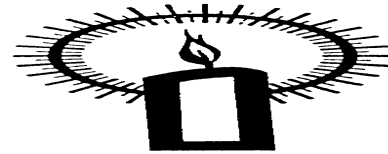
**Congratulations**



To all of our CCD students who made their First Communion on May 5, 2019

**RCIA**

Give the gift that keeps on giving. Invite someone to a life in Jesus Christ. St. Maria Goretti Parish offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. These sessions will focus on the Bible, the teachings and experiences of the Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. For more information please contact Deacon Terrell Broussard [tbroussard@smgnola.com](mailto:tbroussard@smgnola.com) or visit the website at [www.smgnola.com](http://www.smgnola.com)



**Sanctuary Lamp**

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of Elodie Gabriel.

The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will burn in memory of Diana Hale and Betty Cates.



*The Week Ahead*

**Monday, May 27, 2019**

- 5:00p.m. Metropolitan Youth – Rms. 3 – 4
- 6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise Class – Center
- 7:00p.m. Excutive Board Meeting – Library

**Tuesday May 28, 2019**

- 12:00p.m. AARP – Rms. 3 – 4
- 6:00p.m. ENONAC – Rms. 3 – 4

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019**

- 5:00p.m. Metropolitan Youth – Rms. 3 – 4
- 6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise – Center
- 7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance – Center
- 7:00p.m. First Place Class – Rm. 10

**Thursday, May 30, 2019**

- 6:00p.m. Bingo – Center

**Friday, May 31, 2019**

- 7:00p.m. Holy Name Social – Rms. 3 – 4

**Saturday, June 1, 2019**

- 8:00a.m. LTMTTP – Library
- 9:00a.m. Altar Society Installation Banquet – Whole Center
- 5:00p.m. Filipino Community – Chapel
- 7:00p.m. Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group – Rms. 3 – 4

We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.



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