

Mass Intentions (May 9-15, 2026)

Sat. May 9/4:30 p.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Sun. May 10/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families
Rosaria & Caterina Bertucci - Elisabetta Nardi
Paulina & Casimiro Boni - Angela & Giuseppe Palmarella
Honesto, Estela & Ray Angelo Taguinod & Richard Gélinas - Guia Gélinas
Deceased Members of Chung family - Jacqueline & Jeanine Chung

Wed. May 13/10:00 a.m. Rosaria Bertucci, Bruno Roti & Vito Andreacchi - E Nardi

Feast – St. Matthias

Thu. May 14/10:00 a.m. Mary Nathan - Nathan Family
Giovanni & Felicia D'Angelo & deceased members of Pantoni & Bono family - Rosalia Bono

Fri. May 15/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner Families - Teresa Baird

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year A)

“I will not leave you orphans.”

First Reading (Acts 8:5-8. 14-17)

People who hear the apostles preach welcome the message of Christ, and receive the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands.

Second Reading (1 Peter 3:15-18)

Christ was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit.

Gospel (John 14:15-21)

I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate.

Reflection:

The Church continues to grow.

This is obvious from our readings today. It grows through the preaching of the Gospel, the persecution of believers, the coming of the Holy Spirit. We are called to live in love, not in fear or guilt. People who really love will do things for those they love because they care for them, not because they want something back. It is the mark of true love. How much do I care if that person is in pain, afraid, sad? Can I truly put his or her needs first, without thinking about what I deserve in return?

When Jesus says, “if you love me you will keep my commandments”, he is saying that we are called to act in love as well as to speak words of love. We have seen how Jesus lived his life, and even died for others. We are called to go out into the world and preach the Gospel, not just in words, but in actions. We can talk about our faith all day, but nobody will listen if the way we live shows us up.

People will recognize Christians by the way they live – do they care for people who are old, sick or poor? Do they visit prisoners, feed people who are hungry, clothe those who have nothing? Or is it all just words?

May you be ever joyful, particularly as you realize the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life, bestowing upon you the gifts of the Spirit.

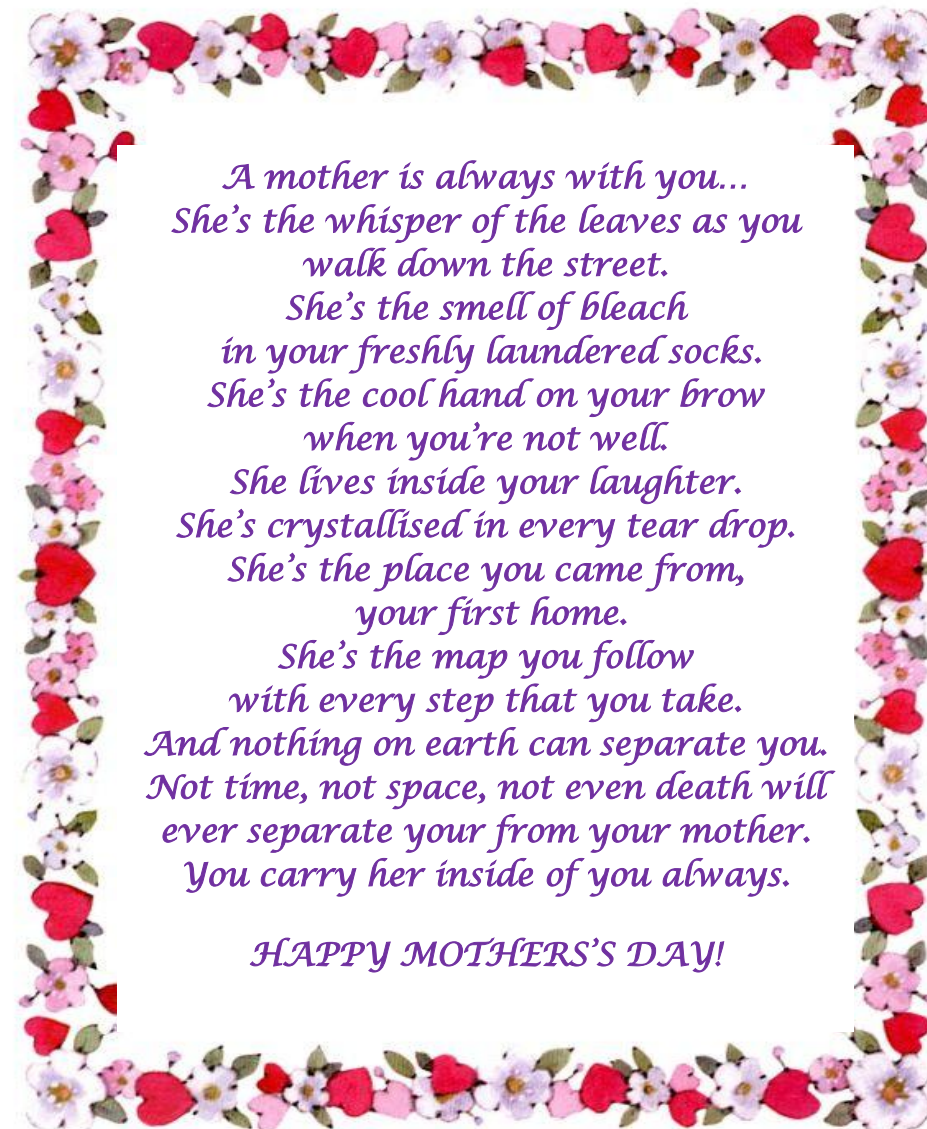
On Sunday, a Second collection will be taken after Communion for Papel Charities.

Our new priest parish serving both parishes Fr. Sijo Jose Arikkat and will be at the parish on Monday, June 1st.
Fr. George’s last day will be Tuesday, June 2nd.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week For all MOTHER'S. (living & deceased)

New office hrs; Wednesday & Thursday - 9 am to 12 pm. Friday - 9 am to 1 pm.



*A mother is always with you...
She's the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street.
She's the smell of bleach in your freshly laundered socks.
She's the cool hand on your brow when you're not well.
She lives inside your laughter.
She's crystallised in every tear drop.
She's the place you came from, your first home.
She's the map you follow with every step that you take.
And nothing on earth can separate you.
Not time, not space, not even death will ever separate you from your mother.
You carry her inside of you always.*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

FAREWELL CARNIVAL FOR

Fr. George Joseph

St. Richards & St. Josephs Parish will be celebrating a Farewell Carnival next Sunday May 17th after the 10:30 am mass on the parish lawn. (Bring your lawn chair)

On the menu:

Hamburgers, hot dogs, cotton candy, pop corn, cake, ice cream, water, soft drinks & juice.

With traditional Indian dishes to enjoy, along with music and games for adults & kids to participate.

TICKETS ARE \$ 10. each for all ages.

Sale ends May 10.

GAMES - 1 \$ each try.



HAVE A BLESSED AND SAFE WEEK!