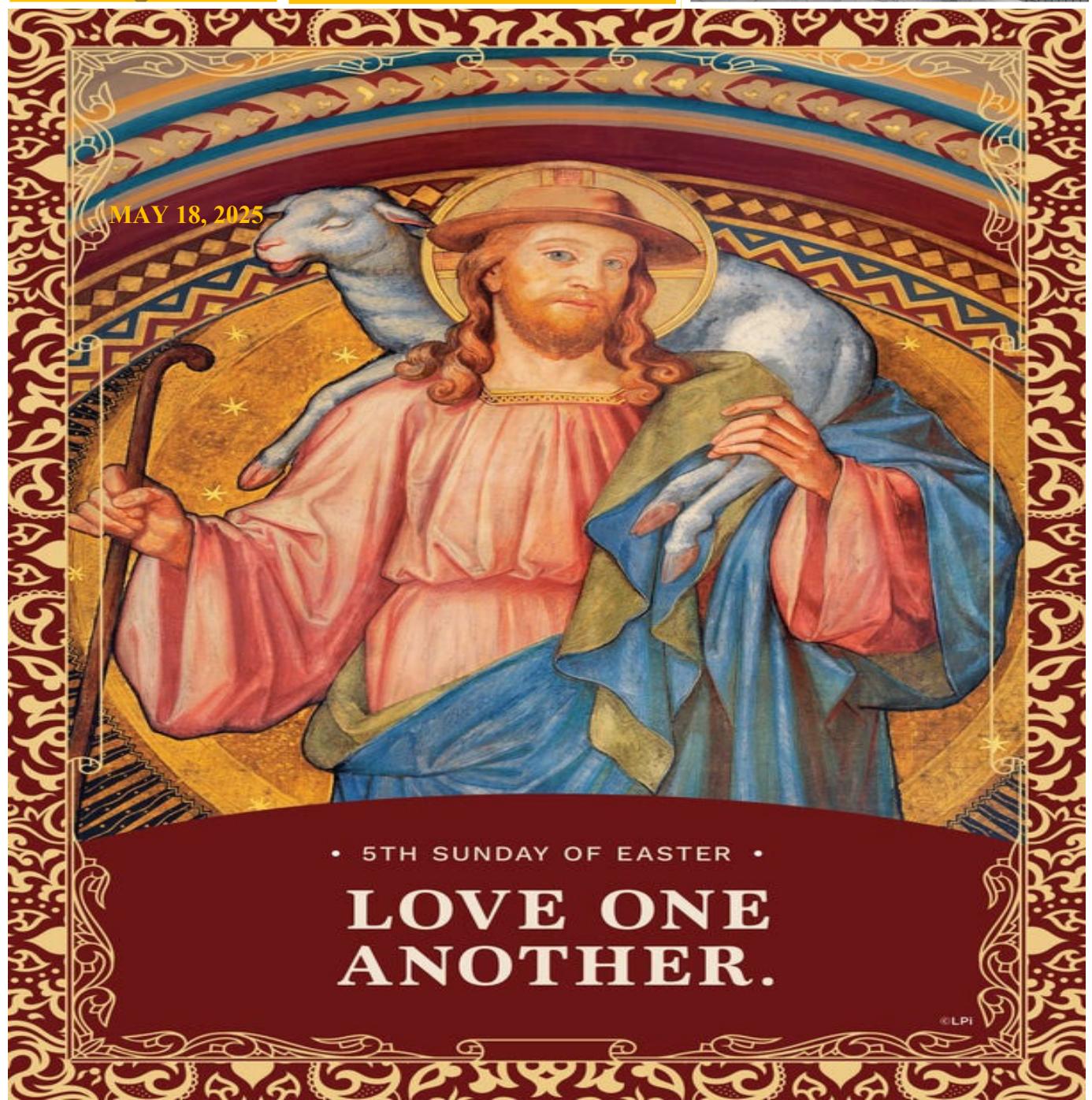


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**- BENEATH THE SURFACE** By Colleen  
Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini Reflection:** When we love someone, we want to be associated with them. We want to be recognized as theirs somehow. And if we love Christ, we should want to be known as belonging to him. We should want those who see us to know we are his.

**Resembling Jesus:** I once wrote an article about several women residents of a local nursing home. In researching the piece, I discovered that they had grown up in the same neighborhood as my grandmother, and that one of the women was, in fact, my grandmother's dearest childhood friend.

When I visited this woman to take her photograph, she took a long look at my face, and I could see in her eyes that she was reaching back in her memory across the years.

She said: "You resemble her." I wept on the way home.: My grandmother died when I was nine, and for the last several years of her life she suffered from Alzheimer's disease. I have always deeply grieved the time we lost, the relationship we could have had. I have hazy fragments of memory from before her illness that lead me to believe we loved each other very much.

Being told I look like my grandmother by someone who knew her well — being identified as belonging to her in some way — was one of the more beautiful things to happen to me.

When we love someone, we want to be associated with them. We want to be recognized as theirs somehow. And if we love Christ, we should want to be known as belonging to him. We should want those who see us to know we are his.

The only way we can resemble Jesus is through love. It is his most recognizable quality, his most famous trait. This is how all will know that you are my disciples.

As Catholics, we are always talking about finding ways to live our faith boldly, unapologetically, publicly. Good — we should! But if we want people to know we are Catholic, we should love them. Bravely. Recklessly. Sacrificially.

As he loves us.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION

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May 18, 2025

## 5th Sunday of Easter

John 13:31-35

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

— Father John Muir

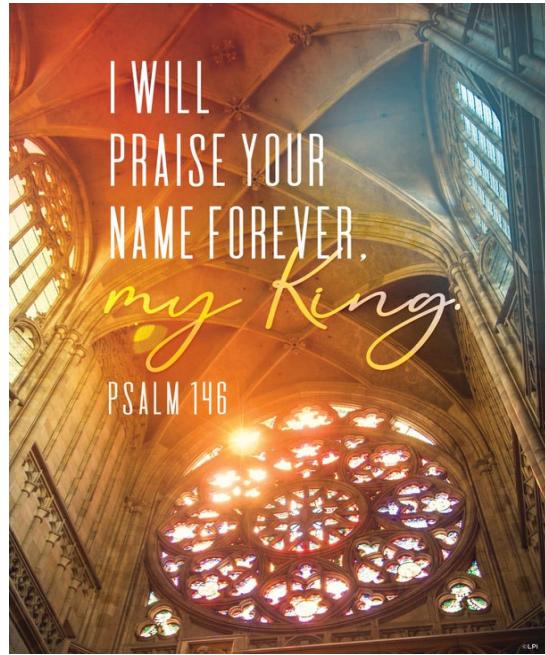
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## Mother's Day

### In Memory / Honor of...

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Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of my mother. Amen."



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The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary will sponsor the annual May Crowning on May 18, 2025. Procession will begin at 9:30 a.m. Before 10:00 a.m. Mass.

All are invited to join in giving honor to Mary, the Mother of our Savior. Please bring the children. We especially invite the First communion children.

*"Bring flowers to Mary as we crown her this day,  
Queen of the angels, Queen of the May."*



*Corpus Christi - Epiphany  
Community Resource Center*

2022 St. Bernard Ave. New Orleans, LA 70016

Greetings,

Corpus Christi – Epiphany Community Resource Center Board invites you to *The Heart of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Gala*, inaugural fundraiser gala benefiting the well-being and resilience of individuals, families and the broader community.

This year's event will take place on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, from 7:00-10:00 PM in the Corpus Christi – Epiphany Community Resource Center Auditorium / Gym located at 2022 St. Bernard Ave. New Orleans, LA 70016. We are truly excited to bring this event to life and share a meaningful experience with our community.

The gala includes a tasting from area restaurants, wine, beer, silent auction as well as musical entertainment by *The New Orleans Mystics*, *Philip Manual* and other special guests. Individual tickets are \$75.00, and sponsorships are available.

Rooted in New Orleans' Historical 7<sup>th</sup> Ward, the community faced significant damage during Hurricane Katrina. In response, Corpus Christi – Epiphany united in 2008, embodying resilience and unity. The church transformed its former school into a Community Resource Center, a welcoming space where neighbors of all ages can connect, grow and access vital resources in health and wellness, economic opportunity, youth enrichment, civic engagement and community development.

The vision of empowerment offers long-lasting support of the culture, ensuring the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward's legacy of hope and resilience continues to thrive for generations to come.

We look forward to seeing you at this special event.

Clergy:

Pastor Rev. Henry Davis

Administrator Fr. Kingsley Ogbuji

Deacon Larry Calvin

Rev. Henry Davis, Pastor

*Henry Davis*

CCE Community Center Advisory Board Members:

Darren Demas

Hamilton Simons-Jones

Michelle McElveen

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Cheryl Turner

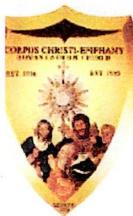
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Fr. Kingsley Ogbuji, Administrator

*Kingsley Ogbuji*

Michelle McElveen, Parish Council Chair

*Michelle McElveen*



## *Corpus Christi - Epiphany*

## *Community Resource Center*

## *2025 Inaugural Heart of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Gala*

Enclosed is payment in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the tickets and/or sponsorship indicated below for the June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, Corpus Christi Epiphany Community Resource Center Gala.

**Diamond Sponsor** \$3000

(Includes 20 Gala tickets, Two Reserved Table, Podium Recognition, Name on Program, External Advertising – Logo and Sponsor Level)

**Platinum Sponsor** \$2000

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**Individual Tickets** \$75/ ticket

Please make all checks payable to *CCE Community Resource Center*

Please Check your preference below:

Mail my tickets to \_\_\_\_\_

Hold my tickets in "will call" under the name(s) of \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for the invitation, however I'm unable to attend the event and would like to show my support for CCE Community Resource Center Heart of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Gala and the work it does for the community by donating \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the unrestricted fund with the enclosed check or money order. Mail form to: Corpus Christi Epiphany c/o Community Resource Center 2022 St. Bernard Ave. New Orleans LA 70116

**For more information contact Michelle McElveen at 504-908-9119 or email: michelle.mcelveen@bellsouth.net**

**In loving memory of our loving husband, father, & grandfather LASALLE RATTLER, JR., we miss you,  
Your loving wife, Angela, daughter, son-in-law and**

**In memory of my dear friend, Nadine Laurent, Love, Angela**

**In Memory of Alvarez and Onelia RODRIQUEZ**

**DECAY  
REMEMBRANCE**

**In Loving Memory of Granny & Papa, Love Kelly & Kids**

**Mr. & Mrs. Selma & Donald Nicholl by their children**

Mrs. Monica Reeves, Nicole & Larry, Jr. by Husband & Father, Larry, Sr. Reeves, Sr.

**Terrance & Osborne "Mike" Demas by their family**

**Brian DeCuir,  
In loving memory,  
By Abbie Fazande**

**Victor Duvernay, Jr.  
Memorial by lifelong friend, Abbie**

**In Memory of Paul, Jr. & Patricia Johnson  
By the Family(825)**

**In Loving Memory of My best Friend,  
Dina M. Lemus  
(Ms. Mike)  
Missing and loving you,  
Thais**

**IN MEMORY OF  
THE FAYRE FAMILY**

**In Loving Memory of our ancestors; Severin, Demas, Washington, Nicholl & Grant Families**

**In Memory of  
Patricia Boyd-Hebert  
1934-2000  
Philip H. Hebert, Sr.  
1932-2022**

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**In Loving Remembrance of our mother and sisters, Henry Butler, Delphine Butler, Madel Butler and Patricia Butler**

*"Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them."*  
Missing & Loving you, Paul, Matthew, Robert, Frederick & Wanda



**In Memory of  
Earl &  
Catherine  
Raymond**

*By family(325)*

**In loving memory of  
DUNTEZ SHAWN DAWSON  
"Those we love don't go away  
They walk beside us every day."  
Missing and Loving you,  
Mother, daughter and sister**



## 5th Sunday of Easter / May 18, 2025

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. (Acts 14:27)

**Psalm:** I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145) Or: Alleluia.

**Second Reading:** I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God." (Rv 21:4)

**Gospel:** I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. (Jn 13:34)

### Readings for the week of May 18, 2025

**Sunday:** Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

**In loving memory of  
MURRAY ANCAR  
We remember you with love & appreciation. Your memory lives on in our hearts.  
YOUR FAMILY**



**Protection and Prayers for  
Fr. Dominic Njoku, SSJ  
by Mom, Ms. D and Sis**

**Louis "Big Lou" Cerre,  
Jr.,  
by Demas Families**

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, May 17, 2025**

**4:00 p.m.**

Joseph & Yvonne Bechet, **memorial** by son; Barry, Valma Narcisse **memorial**, by family, Stanley Cuillier, Sr., by family, Souls in Purgatory, Troy P. Rawles, Jr., memorial, by Glapion Family, Jourdain/Willis Families, by children, Emanuel A. Maire, memorial, by family & friends, People of the parish

**Sunday, May 18, 2025**

**7:30 a.m.**

Armand P. Mercadel, Sr., **memorial**, by wife and family, People of the parish

**10:00 a.m.**

People of the parish

**Monday, May 19, 2025**

Sick and Shut-ins of the parish

**Tuesday, May 20, 2025**

Souls in Purgatory

**Wednesday, May 21, 2025**

Those in hospitals and nursing homes

**Thursday, May 22, 2025**

Deborah Gibson,, **memorial**, by cousin Linda

**Friday, May 23, 2025**

Intention of the priests

## \*SICK & SHUT-INS PRAY FOR THEM

Sheryl Allen, Ethel Ancar, Ernest Baptiste, Kim Baptiste, Lydia Barrow, Warren Bastien, Walter Bonam, Niley Bienemy, Cheryl Brown, Joycelyn Brown, Shirley Brown, Lavinia Chambers, Charlotte Butler, Michael Condifff, Sybil Condifff, Lorraine Condoll, Phyllis Cuillette, Doris Cuillier, **Fr. Henry Davis, SSJ, V.F.**, Laura Davis, Barry Delaney, Alcide Delille, Vernon Dobard, Leo Dobard, Myrtle Dorsey, Wilfred Duplessis, Bernice Ferdinand, Helen Firmin, Audrey Fleury, Emelda Fortune, Marcel Fortune', Ashleigh Francis, Rosie Francis, Darrell Frazier, Vanessa Galle, Yvonne Guidry, April Hampton, Maria Hebert, Jewel Hunter, Assunta Jackson, De-lores Jett, Avery Johnson, Gwendolyn Lampkin, Aaron La Cabe, Jr., Lurlyn Lacour, Mary LeBlanc, Cheryl Lucius, Jacquelyn Lucius, Oliver Lucius, Harold Luke, Lisa Mallery, Kermit McGuilles, Armand Mercadel, Jr., Carolyn Mercadel, Joshua Mercadel, Phyllis Mercadel, Una & Nolan Millet, Raymond V. Morrell, Joseph Narcisse, Corey Peters, Angela Frick Rattler, Semella Rawles, , Michelle Robair, Cynthia Robertson, Kenneth Thompson, Sr., . Rochelle Saunders, Gloria Scott, Judith Simon, Douglas Smith, Lorraine Smith, Rochelle Saunders, Shirley Ward, Gerard Willis, Garielle Winfield, Joseph Triggs  
Please, do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Lagarde at 504-945-8931 to remove/add your family member to this list.

**GOD BLESS**



## MAY IS THE MONTH OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

**PRAY THE  
ROSARY  
DAILY**



**SANCTUARY CANDLE  
FOR THE SICK & SHUT INS  
OF THE PARISH**

## MAY BIRTHDAYS/ ANNIVERSARIES

- 1) Leroy Williams
- 2) Jeanne McGlory
- 3) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 4) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 5) Madeline Leon
- 6) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 7) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 8) Joseph Vincent, Angelain/Dupart
- 9) Ursula Christopher
- 10) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 11) Ann Villavasso
- 12) Carol Dunn
- 13) Omar Mason
- 14) Lynn Honore'
- 15) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 16) Oliver Lucius, Sr.
- 17) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 18) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 19) Charles Alexis, Natalie Johnson
- 20) Ryan Moore
- 21) Julia Hatcher
- 22) Alvin Sanchez
- 23) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 24) Nakia Broussard
- 25) Acelyn Turner,
- 26) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 27) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 28) Pauline Bell
- 29) Javier Perry
- 30) "Happy Birthday to you..."
- 31) "Happy Birthday to you..."

**GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR**



**BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY**

## MISSION STATEMENT

**Continuing the legacy of our establishing founders, The Josephites, whose exclusive apostolate is to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in the African American Community. We, the Faith Community of Corpus Christi-Epiphaney Roman Catholic Church are called and sent by Christ, to live gratefully the life God has given us, and to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to all we meet. We conduct our mission in a spirit of Faith, Service and Community, thus allowing us to become closer to God as we bring God closer to others.**

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**Adoration:** Saturdays in St. Katharine Drexel Chapel (Building D) 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

### **SACRAMENTS**

**CONFESIONS: 1 hour before weekend Masses or anytime by request.**

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