

# St. Charles Borromeo Parish Diocese of Charlotte



**Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024**

Fr. Kenneth Whittington, *Pastor*  
Rev. Mr. Ed Konarski, *Deacon*  
Rev. Mr. John Martino, *Deacon*  
Rev. Mr. Miguel Sebastian, *Deacon*



## Mass Schedule

**Monday - Friday**

12 Noon

**Saturday**

5 PM-English

**Sunday**

9:00 AM-English

12 Noon/PM-English

5:00 PM-Spanish

## Sacraments

**Baptisms**

By appointment

**Marriage**

Contact office at least 6 months in advance.

**Reconciliation**

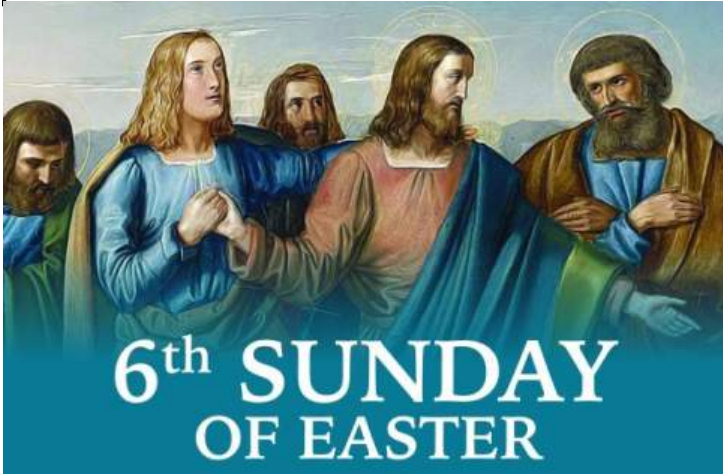
Monday & Friday , 6-7 PM

Father Ken's office

Also by appointment

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**Sixth Sunday of April    May 5, 2024**



**“I have called you friends”**

Today we celebrate the last Sunday before the solemnities of the Ascension and Pentecost, which close the Easter season. Throughout these Sundays, the risen Jesus has revealed himself as the Good Shepherd and the vine to which we must be connected as branches, and today he opens his Heart to us completely.

Certainly, in His Heart we can only find love. What constitutes the deepest mystery of God is that He is Love. Everything He has done from creation to redemption has been out of love. All that He expects from us in response to His actions is just love. Therefore, His words resonate today: "Remain in my love" (Jn 15:9). Love asks for reciprocity; it is like a dialogue that makes us respond with increasing love to His initial love.

A fruit of love is joy: "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you" (Jn 15:11). If our life does not reflect the joy of believing, if we let ourselves be overwhelmed by adversities without seeing that the Lord is also there present and comforting us, it is because we do not know Jesus sufficiently well.

God always takes the initiative. He explicitly tells us by saying, "I chose you" (Jn 15:16). We might be tempted to think that we have chosen Him, but we have done nothing more than respond to a call. He has chosen us freely to be his friends: "I no longer call you slaves...; I have called you friends" (Jn 15:15).

In the beginning, God spoke to Adam as a friend speaks to his friend. Christ, the new Adam, has not only restored that friendship but also intimacy with God, since God is Love.

Everything boils down to this word: "Love." Saint Augustine reminds us: "The good Master recommends us quite often that charity is the only possible commandment. Without charity all the other good qualities mean nothing. Charity, in fact, leads man necessarily to all the other virtues that make him good."

**REJOICE ALWAYS!    1 Thessalonians 5:16**

**Welcome new members and visitors  
Please come by the office to register  
or for information.**

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday** Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Jn 15:26 – 16:4a

**Tuesday** Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday** Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday** Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 Mk 16:15-20

**Friday** Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday** Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b-19

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.

..... St. John Chryostom

We would like to express our condolences to the family of Alfred “Fred” Rocco DiSanto who died July 21, 2020 and Josephine A. Savignano DiSanto who died April 19, 2024.



**FINANCIAL REPORT - 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR**

Weekly Budget	\$ 10,000.00
Received Week of April 14	\$ 6,166.00
Over/(Short) Year-to-date	\$ 25,130.00
<b>DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2024</b>	
Goal:	\$ 56,682.00
Paid:	\$ 31,013.08
Pledge Balance:	\$ 21,126.92
Paid + Pledge Balance	\$ 52,140.00
<b>Over (Bold) Under:</b>	( \$ 4,542.00 )
Donors	122

### Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 6

Noon Mass

Tuesday, May 7

Noon Mass

Wednesday, May 8

Noon Mass

5:15 pm-Youth Schola

6:30 pm-Children's Choir

7:00 pm-Fr. Ken's Class

Thursday, May 9

Noon Mass

7:00 pm-Confirmation

Friday, May 10

Noon Mass

7:00 pm-Confirmation

Saturday, May 11

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 12

9:00 am-Mass-English

12 pm/Noon-English-Gizelle Corron (+)

5:00 pm Mass-Spanish-*Pro Populo*

### **March for Life pilgrimage to Raleigh**

Join the Diocese of Charlotte Office of Family Life for a day pilgrimage on Saturday, May 18, to our state capitol to join North Carolina Right to Life in a rally and march for life. Organize groups to attend and march under an identifying banner to represent your church, school or community. The day-long event kicks off with a youth rally at 12:45 p.m. at Halifax Mall, 300 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh, N.C. (the grassy area behind the N.C. General Assembly Building). Multiple buses are planned from the Asheville, Charlotte and Greensboro areas. Scan the QR code to learn more and sign up. Please email [FamilyLife@rcdoc.org](mailto:FamilyLife@rcdoc.org) with any questions.



### **Help protect all of God's Children**

Everyone has a role to play in protecting children. North Carolina law requires all adults to immediately report suspected child abuse by anyone to law enforcement agencies. If you know or suspect that a minor (person under 18) has been abused, please call 9-1-1 or contact local law enforcement.

Also, if you have information about possible sexual abuse or misconduct by any clergy, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Charlotte, report concerns securely and anonymously 24/7 over the phone: 1-888-630-5929 or online at:

[www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC](http://www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC).

### **Safe Environment Training**

Did you know that every Church worker must go through abuse prevention and education training/ Find more information about the Diocese of Charlotte's Safe Environment program, sign up for protecting God's Children training and more:

<https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources/safe-environment>

For more information or questions, please contact the diocese's human Resources Office at

<https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources> or call 704-370-6299.

A great big "SHOUT-OUT" to everyone who assisted with the Ladies Guild Yard Sale from those who donated items, everyone who helped sort, price, and sell the yard sale treasures, and to everyone who shopped at the sale. It was a huge success! The Ladies Guild raised over \$3000!!!

Everyone is welcome to attend the next meeting of the Ladies Guild on Monday, May 20th at 10:30 am in the church library.

### **Abbreviated Directory**

Faith Formation—10:30 AM Sunday

Faith Formation Director: *Gail Watson* 437-3108  
Spanish FF Coordinator: *Rosa Velasquez* 744-3084

**New Office Hours: 9AM—12 Noon  
1PM-3 PM Monday-Friday**

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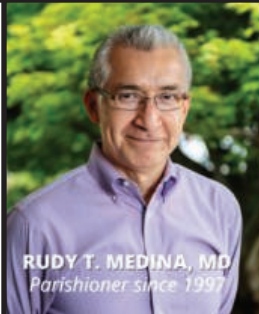
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