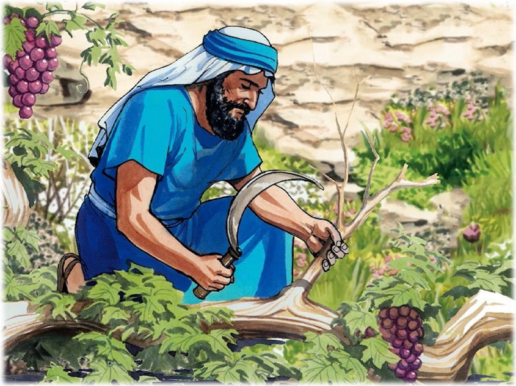


Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

• [Acts 9:26-31](#) • [Psalm 22](#) • [1 John 3:18-24](#) • [John 15:1-8](#) •

Ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. (John 15:7)

Have you ever heard of snake oil salesmen? They sell a product that they promise will solve all of our problems, cure all of our ills, and guarantee a happy life. It's a tempting offer. But we know deep down that the salesman's promises are empty.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we can come to him and ask for whatever we want. Does that mean that, like a snake oil salesman, he is promising to give us whatever we desire, even if it's riches, fame, or power? Not at all.

When Jesus makes this promise, he begins by saying "f you remain in me and my words remain in you" (John 15:7). That's the key: abiding in Jesus. He wants us to be like branches that are constantly fed and sustained by a vine. That means staying connected to him so that he can feed us and form us (15:5). The closer we are to Jesus and the more we let his words shape us, the more our hearts can become like his. Our desires and dreams start to reflect his desires and dreams for us. As a result, it's more likely that we'll be "asking" according to God's will.

Of course, this doesn't happen overnight. Even as we strive to align ourselves with God's will, we should still keep bringing our needs or desires to Jesus. We should always come to him with the confidence of children who trust in their loving father. After all, we have a good God who wants to give us good things. But in the end, prayer is not an exercise in trying to get *Him* to bend to *our* will. It's a process of freely embracing his will.

Jesus is promising us that we can ask and receive as we align ourselves with him and hold onto his words. He himself will dwell within us and lead us to our heavenly Father. And that's not an empty promise!

the Word among us, April 2024

Mass and Healing Service, St. Christopher's

Mass at St. Christopher's at 11:00am on Saturday 4th May, followed by a Healing Service,.

Our Lady of the Mountains welcomes Fr. John Riccardo, 5th May, 6:30pm

Embracing the Future - Our Parish Mission in the New Church

"God has given natural and supernatural gifts to each and everyone... and He has a mission for each of us to play. God is weaving a tremendous tapestry, and I don't know if I'm the gold thread, but I know that I'm an irreplaceable thread in the tapestry."

Fr John Riccardo, Prime Matters, God Wants the World Back



Register for this event here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeUi547IZP4Iekp_IBM7FuvWzeXH8_Evy9PBdQ2ycbOx-7qgA/viewform

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains	Saturday	5:00 pm	Rosary at 4:30 pm
Our Lady of the Mountains	Sunday	9:00 am	Rosary at 8:30 am
St. Christopher's Mt. Currie	Sunday	11:30 am	
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton	Sunday	1:00 pm	

Daily Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains	ONLY Friday 6:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton	Friday at 11:00 am

Our Lady of the Mountains

Rosary before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays: for those who have left the Church

Bible Study Tuesdays 5:00-6:00 pm – all welcome

Holy Hour & Confessions Fridays 6:30-7:30 pm – all welcome

MASS LECTORS



Our Lady of the Mountains

Sat 4th May Alyssa

Sun. 5th May Roberta

St. Francis of Assisi

Sun 5th May Katie

Marcus

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Contact Fr. Andrew L'Heureux Cell: 778-257-4203

Youth Holy Family Camino – 10th-12th May

Fr. Andrew is leading a children's pilgrimage on the 10th – 12th May, walking from Brandywine Falls to Our Lady of the Mountains, camping the first night at Cal-Cheak and staying at the Hi Hostel, Cheakamus for the second night. There will be daily Mass and a retreat format to enhance the pilgrimage experience.

If your child (age 11-19) would like to participate, complete and return both registration and waiver forms to the parish office by

Thursday 2nd May.

CFC Meeting – 27th April

Couples for Christ will be holding the General Assembly on **Saturday 27th April, after 5pm Mass.** All are welcome.

Brother Toto Tajonera would also like to invite all youth who attended the Youth for Christ Retreat in March to come to the meeting.



Celebration of Baptism

We welcome into God's family:

Robert Van Ross

Child of

Michael Ross and Monica Vu



Baptism on 28th April 2024
Our Lady of the Mountains

You are a child of God, you are wonderfully made, dearly loved and precious in His sight

The Pope's Pastoral

Works Second Collection - 5th May

A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately, many countries rush in food, medication, blankets, money and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer. Each year at this time, Canadian Catholics are asked to give generously to this papal collection, which is passed on to the Holy Father for his use among those stricken by natural disasters.

Second Collection next Sunday!

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 9:30am-3:00pm

In important or urgent matters, call:

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Donations / New Church Pledge Form

Pledge Forms in support of building the new church are available via this QR code and on our website at

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Note: Any articles for inclusion in the bulletin must be received in the parish office by 2:00pm Tuesday.