



Mary, Undoer of Knots Parish Saint Robert Bellarmine Church

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

*Whoever loves me
will keep my word,
and my Father
will love them,
and we will come
to them and make our
dwelling with them.*

John 14:23

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May 22, 2022

Mass Intentions

MON. May 23, Easter Weekday

8:30 am *For the Safety of Our Military Personell*

TUES. May 24, Easter Weekday

8:30 am *For the Protection of the Unborn*

WED. May 25, St. Bede the Venerable, St Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene

8:30 am + *Joseph and Irene Koziarz*
Deceased Members of the Bakalich Family

THURS. May 26, St. Philip Neri

8:30 am + *Joseph Dembinski*

FRI. May 27, St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:30 am + *Jack Ford*

SAT. May 28, Easter Weekday

8:30 am + *Jack Brennan*
+ *William Morris*
5:00 pm + *Edward and Lottie Wicke*

SUN. May 29, The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 am + *Agnes Graham*
+ *Mildred Heinlein*
+ *Joanne M. Murphy*
12:00 pm *Marc Rodriguez (healing)*
Gabriel Rodriguez (healing)
+ *Richard Bakalich*

In Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the souls of



Mary Hayes

Mary Burke

and for their families and friends.

Prayer Requests



Please pray for our Sick,

Liam Herling, Mary Lourdes Jose
Gina Brettman, Paul Labant,

James Kuczma,

Nicholas Nardella, Olive Greer, Kathy Kenney,

Margaret Ludden, Patricia Klenck

Tom Birt, Josefina Hernandez,

Charles Scherer, Bill Bradford,

Chris Childers, Patrick W. Kamm,

Kenny Mounts, Kenneth Bransky,

Anne Bartelli, Maria Hernandez Johnson,

Michelle Hohmeier Ryan, Ray Hohmeier

Frank Fergus, James Ouper,

The Sisters of Notre Dame Motherhouse,

Ray Hoffelt, Craig Grant, Carrie Kuczak

Milagros O. Cave, Brendan Nelson,

Sr. Florine Licavoli, Ralph Kudsk,

Joan Roth, Rita Mashechko,

Bill Bradford, Debra Nelson, John Kearns

Betty Kroll, Frank Pollieber, John Calandra,

Terry Finn, Laverne Nardella, Arlene Placek,

and those intentions on the Parish app.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families for the selfless

acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

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Spec. Raymond M. Brennan III (Army)

Sgt Scott Pekar (Marines)

SGT Joseph Konieczny (Army)

Bernard Brennan (Marines)

Private 2 Tyler A. Woelke (Army)

Lt. Col. Daniel C. Ouper (Air Force)

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From Fr. Brendan's Desk

May is Mary's Month

"May is Mary's month and I muse on that and wonder why..." So begins Gerard Manley Hopkins SJ's poem about Mary and the month of May. In the poem, he muses on how, in May, we see life budding up from the Earth. This new life that comes into the world each May prefigures Mary bringing a new and different life into the world in the person of Jesus Christ. Like so many of Hopkins' poems, he writes about seeing, in the deceptively simple beauty of everyday nature, the divine mystery unfolding and the presence of God both being revealed and still hidden. Indeed, as a Church, we honor Mary in the month of May in a special way. As we celebrate new life rising up from the Earth in springtime and new life from the tomb in the Easter mysteries, we celebrate Mary, who's "yes" allowed God to bring new life into our lives.

As we celebrate new life in this Spring season, perhaps we have a chance to celebrate the new life of our parish as well. We have a new parish name: Mary, Undoer of Knots. Admittedly it's not a familiar name to many of us. I hadn't known much about devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots myself until just this past September. I was on a backpacking trip with some friends and one of the group, Katie, led us in praying that devotion. I was quite pleasantly surprised to discover in it a way of praying with Mary that is relevant to all of us. After all, each of us has "knots" in our lives. We all have habits, sins and issues that keep us tied down, so to speak, and keep us from the freedom that God wants for us. God wants to free us from the powers of sin that keep us from him and keep us from being the people that we were meant to be. And so, we ask Mary to pray for us, to send her son to undo those knots that tie us down in our lives.

I was rather happy to see, during the process of naming our parish, that parishioners had suggested the name Mary, Undoer of Knots, along with other names. Perhaps, in this month that we honor Mary in a special way, we might consider praying with Mary and asking her to undo the knots that keep us bound in our own lives. Let us also ask Mary to undo the knots that challenge us as a parish and help us to move together in unity and in charity. Below is a prayer to Mary, Undoer of Knots.

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love, Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of a child in need, Mother whose hands never cease to serve your beloved children because they are moved by the divine love and immense mercy that exists in your heart, cast your compassionate eyes upon me and see the snarl of knots that exist in my life. You know very well how desperate I am, my pain, and how I am bound by these knots. Mary, Mother to whom God entrusted the undoing of the knots in the lives of his children, I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life. No one, not even the Evil One himself, can take it away from your precious care. In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone. Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power with Your Son and My Liberator, Jesus, take into your hands today this knot: [Mention your request here] I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once for all. You are my hope. O my Lady, you are the only consolation God gives me, the fortification of my feeble strength, the enrichment of my destitution, and, with Christ, the freedom from my chains. Hear my plea. Keep me, guide me, protect me, o safe refuge! Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

PLEASE NOTE— SCHEDULE CHANGE

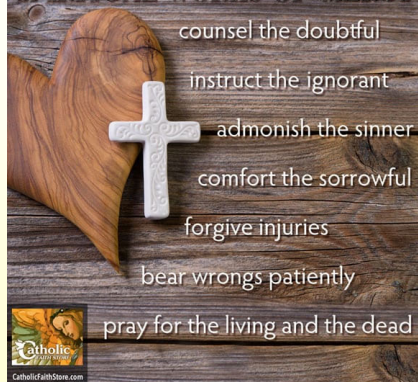
In order to accommodate Summerfest,
there will **Not** be a 5 pm mass at St. Robert Bellarmine Campus on Saturday, June 4, 2022.
There will be a 4:30 pm mass at St. Constance on Saturday, June 4, 2022,
and the regularly scheduled 10 am and 12 noon masses at St. Robert's on Sunday, June 5.

The fourth Spiritual Work of Mercy is to
"comfort the sorrowful."

As part of our mission to do this,
we are asking anyone who has
sympathy cards that they would
be willing to donate to drop them off
at the SRB rectory.

Thanks for your help!

SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY



Soul Food

Join fellow parishioners and Deacon Bill as we spend time with Sunday Scriptures:



- Preparing to hear God's Word
- Learning more about Scripture
- Asking what Scripture is saying to me
- Growing spiritually with others

Wednesday mornings from 9am - 10am in the Convent Dining Room at the St. Robert Bellarmine campus.

All are Welcome - no weekly commitment required. Come when you can.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH

EVERY WEDNESDAY

ADORATION SCHEDULE

8:00am	-	Rosary (English)
8:30am	-	Holy Mass (English)
9:00am	-	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1:00pm	-	Benediction

Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 22, 2022**Reading I****Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question.

The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them:

"The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.'"

Reading II**Rev 21:10-14, 22-23**

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

Gospel**Jn 14:23-29**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

Daily Gospel Reflections

As many of you know, Deacon Bill has been posting daily Gospel reflections on Facebook. In addition, he has now added a blog particularly for those people who don't have Facebook.

To view the blog, go to: <https://deaconbillfrere.blogspot.com/>

God's Share

All of us are recipients of many blessings from God.
In return, He expects that we praise Him for His goodness
and thank Him for His generous gifts.

Thanksgiving, however is not done in word only,
but in deed also.

Total Parish Offering for May 15, 2022.

<u>Sunday Offering</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
5 pm Mass	\$ 1,032.	\$ 8,500.
10 am Mass	\$ 1,363.	
12 noon Mass	\$ 566.	
Mailed in Offerings	\$ 1,420.	
Give Central	\$ 3,621.	
Total Offering	\$ 8,002.	

Thank you to those who are able to continue to
support us through Give Central contributions.

Daily Scripture Readings**Monday, May 23**

Acta16: 11-15 / Jn: 15: 26—16: 48

Tuesday, May 24

Acts 16: 22-34 / Jn 16: 5-11

Wednesday, May 25

Acts 17: 15, 22—18:1 / Jn 16: 12-15

Thursday, May 26

Acts 1: 1-11 / Eph: 1: 17-23 / Lk 24: 46-53

Friday, May 27

Acts 18: 9-18 / Jn 16: 20-23

Saturday, May 28

Acts 18: 23-28 / Jn 16: 23b-28

Sunday, May 29

Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1: 17-23 / Lk 24:46-53

St. Robert Bellarmine School SUMMER FEST 2022 SATURDAY JUNE 4th

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MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club will meet on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 7:00 pm in Borowczyk Hall. Doors open at 6:30 pm for registration.

The grass is green, trees are budding, flowers are in bloom, vegetables are sprouting, and the weather is warm and sunny.

Celebrate the Merry Month of May and join your fellow members for an ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND QUIZ NIGHT. Indulge in rich ice cream, various toppings, whipped cream, maraschino cherries, and cookies. Forget the calories and savor the taste. After the lock downs due to COVID, it is a pleasure to meet our friends face to face. We look forward to seeing you.

Please consider joining the Woman's Club Board as secretary, newsletter editor, or co-president.

*Forming Faith Together***SENDING FORTH CELEBRATION****Close of Faith Formation Season**

Our faith formation season for 2021-2022 officially ended Saturday, May 14th with our Sending Forth Celebration in Kernaghan Hall. Families from all faith formation processes came together to meet one another and celebrate the season of faith formation!

There were matching games, puzzles, and crafts (paper crane was the most challenging) for parents and disciples to enjoy, along with the ice cream. Fr. Brendan joined us for our closing prayer and blessing for the summer months ahead.



Go be Christ in the world!

FAITH FORMATION 2022-23 REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 1ST.

CURRENTLY ENROLLED FAMILIES WILL HAVE THE REGISTRATION LINK EMAILED TO THEM.

NEW FAMILIES MAY CONTACT THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

FaithFormationOfc@srb-chicago.org

V.I.P. Tickets will be sold at masses Saturday, May 7th through Sunday, June 5th!

Look for our VIP table in the St. Robert Bellarmine church vestibule.

The cost of the tickets is \$25.00 each, and each month 13 winners will be drawn.

One ticket gives you 156 opportunities to win a cash prize in the year ahead.

Cash prizes range from \$50 to \$500. Drawings begin July 17, 2022.

Tickets are limited, so buy your tickets early!

Tickets can also be purchased at the SRB rectory office.



Mary, Undoer of Knots Young at Heart Seniors will meet on Monday, June 6th at 11:30 a.m. at St. Constance in Borowczyk Hall, 5843 W. Ainslie. We will be celebrating the 52nd Anniversary of the Young at Heart Club with a luncheon. Cost is \$20 and reservations are required with a cutoff date of Monday, May 23rd. For more information call Sharon Malen (847) 258-4428.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Jan. 30th – Feb. 8th, 2023

For we saw His star in the east, and have come to worship Him (Matthew 2:2)

You're invited to join Father Steve Kanonik (Pastor, St. Benedict), Deacon Mike McManus (St. Edward) and Deacon Bill Frere (Mary, Undoer of Knots, St. Kateri Center) as we visit the places where Jesus was born, preached, healed, died and rose.

Whether you're an experienced pilgrim or not, this is an opportunity to renew your mind, spirit and faith. Is Jesus calling you to a trip of a lifetime?

We'll celebrate Mass each day at one of the churches that recall the events of Jesus' life and ministry. We'll renew our baptismal vows in the Jordan, marriage vows in Cana, sail on the Sea of Galilee and carry a cross through the streets of Jerusalem along the Way of the Cross.

Join us for an info session on Sunday evening, June 5th at 6pm in Kernaghan Hall, lower level of the St. Robert Bellarmine church, 4646 N. Austin, Chicago.

For additional information, contact Deacon Mike (m_mcmanus@yahoo.com) or Deacon Bill (wfrere@archchicago.org).



NATIONAL POPPY DAY

MAY 27, 2022

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(SRB), and 10:30am (StC) and at both rectories



BETHLEHEM ART

MAY 21ST & 22ND



We will host representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy Land who will be displaying handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles. Due to the political conflict and covid19 results in the reduction of tourism, the Catholic Community has come to depend more on the sale of these articles abroad to survive. The woodcarvings are beautiful and reflect faith and love for the Lord.

Please consider purchasing a gift that will be remembered and cherished for yourself or someone dear to you. The handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles will be available for purchase **after all the weekend Masses at the St. Robert Bellarmine campus.**

ON SINGING BIRD CLOCKS, AND PAYING ATTENTION

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We have a National Audubon Society singing bird clock in our kitchen. It's decades old, the batteries died long ago, and all the birds' coloring has faded to blue-gray except the Northern Cardinal, American Robin, and Baltimore Oriole, which cling to a trace of spent red. The clock is on a tucked-away side wall so it often goes unnoticed, which is probably why my wife just asked me if I wanted to get rid of it.

Had Gail asked this question about any number of decades-old things in this century-old house, I would have answered immediately and enthusiastically, "Yes!" Decluttering is always the goal. But the singing bird clock? Not the singing bird clock. So I answered "No!" instead, and I gave nostalgia as my reason. For one thing, the clock was given to us by our friend Lulu, and generally speaking, if I treasure the friendship, I treasure the gift. And for two things, there is that Paul and Annie story...

To a certain extent, our son Paul grew up with the singing bird clock, so he was familiar with the hourly call of, say, the Black-Capped Chickadee, or the Downy Woodpecker, or the Belted Kingfisher. His then-girlfriend/now-wife Annie was not. I smile every time I think of the two of them with me in the kitchen years ago when they were down for a visit. Standing near the kitchen counter just feet away from the clock on the tucked-away side wall, Paul and Annie and I were discussing something when at the noon hour, the Great Horned Owl sounded its alarm.

You're probably ahead of me on this, but Paul and I ignored the commotion and just kept on talking. It's like living next to the Blue Line or under a flight path into O'Hare, you know? When you've heard the sound so many times before, it becomes white noise after a while. Annie, however, got wide-eyed, and just a little frightened-looking and wanted to know "What is happening?" I wish you were there. It was hysterical. So... do I want to get rid of the singing bird clock? Do I want to get rid of the singing bird clock? Of course not.

Annie's reaction that day reminds me that it's good to not get complacent with things. The singing bird clock is a miniscule example, but we're surrounded by all sorts of coolness that we take for granted instead of appreciating it in the moment for what it is. Per a poem I wrote long ago, "Delight in every hush and trumpet call..." Sunsets come to mind, obviously, but more mundane things are worthy of pause and wonder as well. A good cup of coffee. Drawstring trash bags. Sticky notes.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from a section of John's Gospel called Jesus's Last Supper--or Farewell--Discourses in which he gives his friends a master class in discipleship. He uses several pithy phrases like "Whoever loves me will keep my word" and "Peace I leave with you" and "Do not let your hearts be troubled," perhaps to make his teachings easy to remember. They are easy to remember to this day, in fact. Unfortunately, sometimes even Jesus's own words--like the priest's words at Consecration, perhaps--can wash over us as so much white noise. I don't know about you, but I often need Annie's words reminding me to (awesomely/ fearfully) ask, "What is happening?" And to then truly appreciate the sacred response.

May 28 /29, 2022

Mass	Presider	Servers	Lectors	Auxiliary Ministers
5:00 PM	Fr. Scott Donahue	G. Mendoza, J.. Harrington, D. Harrington	Crystal Harrington	Margaret Callaghan, Deacon Bill Frere, Jim Ryan
10:00 AM	Fr. Frank Florczyk	M. Nigro, C. White, T. White	Kim Nigro	Trina Eifert, Paul Eifert, Mary Ann Furphy
12:00 PM	TBD	J. Augello, A. Augello, J. Rodriguez	Charles Bell	Erin Bastian, Jane Hearnin, Patrick Mullane

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Bulletin Deadline:

Thursday 12 Noon 10 days in advance
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in person at the rectory or fax 773.777.2770

Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Monday through Saturday 8:30 a.m.
Weekends - Saturday Evening at 5:00 p.m.,
Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon
Holy Days - 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

1st Saturday of the month after the 8:30 a.m. mass.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch)
Saturday- 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Weddings

Arrangements to be made with a priest
at least six months in advance.
Please contact the rectory for date and time
availability before making other arrangements.

Baptisms

Celebrated the second and fourth
Sunday at 1:00 p.m.
Parents need to register at the rectory office.
Baptismal preparation class for first time
Parents and Godparents is offered on the last
Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.

Please note: there are no baptisms scheduled
during the season of Lent.

Confessions/Reconciliations

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Third Wednesday of every month.
Adoration begins after 8:30 a.m. mass.
Benediction at 1 p.m.
Please sign up at the rectory office.

Novena

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena is offered on the
First Tuesday of the month at 6:30p.m. in the church,
followed by Benediction.

Recitation of the Rosary

Monday and Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

Pulpit Announcement Deadline

Friday by 12 Noon in the rectory.