

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF **OUR LADY OF LORETTO** (LODGE GRASS), **ST. CHARLES BORROMEO** (PRYOR), **ST. DENNIS** (CROW AGENCY), **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER** (ST. XAVIER), **ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA** (WYOLA)

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

9:30 AM Saint Dennis

[9:00 AM beginning June]

10:30 AM Saint Charles Borromeo
12:00 AM Our Lady of Loretto

[12:30 PM beginning June]

4:00 PM Saint Francis Xavier

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY 6:00 PM Saint Dennis

FRIDAY

6:00 PM Our Lady of Loretto

CONFESSIONS

Before mass and on request.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

TUESDAYS

6:00 PM Sewing Group Meeting Room in Small Hall (St. Dennis)

6:00 PM Women's Group in Classroom (Our Lady of Loretto)

WEDNESDAYS

6:45 PM Cash Bingo Main Hall (St. Dennis)

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

Family Connection

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioral characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: "He's a chip off the old block" or "She's her mother's daughter." Today's Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus.

Talk together as a family about whether people outside of your family recognize common traits of your family. Are there physical resemblances that people recognize and so know each individual as a member of your family? Are there mannerisms that are shared by members of your family? What are some common interests and work that people might associate with your family? As you read today's Gospel, John 14:1-12, keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual. What does Jesus tell his disciples about his relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises his disciples that because of their faith in him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. End your discussion by praying together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES IN JUNE

Last fall, Br. Mike discussed with each of the parish councils that the Sunday Mass Schedule would eventually change once a second long-term priest was assigned to the reservation. The change is needed primarily because there's not enough time between the Masses at St. Dennis and Our Lady of Loretto (OLL) to adequately serve the parishioners.

Thus, starting in June (with the exception of 6/4), Mass at St. Dennis will move to 9:00am and Mass at OLL will move to 12:30pm.

We understand that these changes might feel difficult at first to adopt, but our hope is that after trying them for the summer, we'll know how to better proceed moving forward.

BINGO CONCESSIONS

We're still in need of volunteers for the last four Wednesdays of this season. Please see one of the priests or sign up at the foyer in the back of the church. Thanks!

CORPUS CHRISTI - SUNDAY 6/11

This year's Corpus Christi celebration will be hosted at St. Dennis on Sunday, June 11th. This will be the only Mass that day on the reservation. We would like to have a family from each of the parish locations sponsor an altar/tepee. If your family is interested, please contact one of the priests. St. Dennis Church will provide the meat. We are asking for the following from each location—St Dennis (drinks), Our Lady of Loretto (salads), St. Xavier (chips), and St. Charles (desserts).

INFANT/CHILD BAPTISMS (UNDER 7)

Our next class for parents/godparents is on Saturday, **June 3rd** from **I0:30-II:30am** at St. Dennis with baptisms to follow for families having theirs done afterwards inside the chapel. Other dates and locations will be scheduled accordingly.

Please visit **crowcatholicparishes.com** or contact one of the priests to register.

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