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TODAY, MAY 3, 2026 – EASTER 5

9:00 pm – Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional rite.

OPENING HYMN

“TO THEE, WE COME, O LORD OUR GOD”

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God,
Before Thine altar, Father
Thou knowest best our yearning hearts;
This supplication answer.
Lift up from want Thy people, Lord,
Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

Under Thy cross we stand prepared,
To serve Thee with devotion;
Be it with sweat of blood or tears,
Or humble resignation.
For we Thy people are, O Lord,
Save us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

ENTRANCE HYMN

(Psalm 27:7-9)

V. Hear my voice, Lord, when I call: have mercy on me and answer me. “Come,” says my heart, “seek God’s face,” Your face, Lord do I seek.
Alleluia.

R. Do not hide Your face from me; do not repel Your servant in anger. You are my help; do not cast me off; do not forsake me.

V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever more shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest,
And peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God, and Father
We worship You; we give You thanks
We praise you for Your glory
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God
You take away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us
You are seated at the right hand of the Father
Receive our prayer
For you alone are the Holy One
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father. Amen.

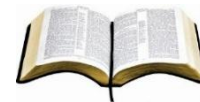
OPENING PRAYER

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us pray. Heavenly Father, You promised that when we seek You with all our heart, we will find You. Give us such a toral desire for You that we will not cease our search until You show us Your salvation and reveal Your presence. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

(Acts 6:1-7)

As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So, the Twelve called together the

community of the disciples and said, “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” The proposal was acceptable to the whole community. So, they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them. The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

V. The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

(Numbers 6:24-26)

V. The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. Alleluia.
R. The Lord look upon you kindly and gives you peace! Alleluia.



A READING FROM THE 1st LETTER OF SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

(1 Peter 2:4-9)

Beloved: Come to Him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, Let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it says in Scripture: Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame. Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and a stone that will make people

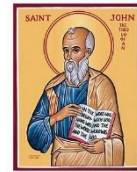
stumble, and a rock that will make them fall. They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny. You are “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises” of Him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

V. The Word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

(John 6:45-46)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
V. It is written in the prophets: “They shall all be taught by God.” Everyone who listens to My Father and learns from Him comes to Me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the One Who is from God; He has seen the Father.
R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN

(John 14:1-12)

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.
V. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John
R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in Me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way.” Thomas said to Him, “Master, we do not know where You are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you know Me, then you will also know My Father. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him.” Philip said to Him, “Master, show us the

Father, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know Me, Philip? Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own. The Father who dwells in Me is doing His works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in Me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father.”

V/. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in One God,
the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all that is seen and unsee
I believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
Eternally begotten of the Father.
God from God, Light from Light,
True God from true God,
begotten not made
Of one being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation.
He came down from heaven:
By the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary
AND BECAME MAN.
For our sake,
He was crucified under Pontius Pilate
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day He rose again
In fulfillment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and
Is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And His kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

The Lord and Giver of Life
Who proceeds from the Father,
With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in One, Holy, Catholic
and Apostolic Church
I acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
I look for the resurrection
of the dead and the life of
the world to come. Amen.



OFFERATORY VERSE

(2 Corinthians 4:6)

V. For God Who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” and shone in our hearts to bring to light the knowledge of the glory of God on the face of [Jesus] Christ. Alleluia.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

V. Lord our God, sanctify these gifts and purify our hearts. Placing our needs before You, may we walk with the light of Your countenance. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Let us Pray: Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

COMMUNION VERSE

(John 1:18)

V. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, Who is at the Father’s side, has revealed Him.
Alleluia

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You are the Word of God fully known; the mystery hidden for the ages, the cornerstone of our salvation, now revealed in the Holy Eucharist we have shared. Through Your Holy resurrection build us into a living temple to contain the glory of God. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

R. Amen.

STUDIES IN SACRED SCRIPTURES

THE LAST SUPPER of JESUS

It was at the Last Supper, that Jesus, prior to His arrest, passion, crucifixion and death, gave His disciples some parting teachings of truths, as recorded in the Gospel of Saint John 14-17.

The Last Supper of Jesus actually began in John 13, where Jesus, became a servant, who washed the feet of his followers and then He spoke.

In Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, c. 55 AD, he speaks of the appearances of Jesus following His resurrection that:

"He appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died." – 1 Cor. 15:6

In this, passage, we learn that some of the faithful were still alive, and remembered their teacher, Jesus and what He taught.

We also read that Jesus, in John, that Jesus spoke of the coming of the Holy Spirit who would in John 14:26: "teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

In today's Gospel, we hear of some of the Master's teachings and that these teachings were and intended to be study, meditated and reflected upon.

Following the **Institution of the Holy Eucharist**, as found in Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25 and Luke 22:17-20, which are also known the "Synoptic Gospels," that Jesus opens His heart

to the disciples concerning His departure. He begins in the Gospel of John by comforting them: "Let not your hearts be troubled, believe in God; also believe in Me." He then continues His parting words before His death by telling them that He is going to prepare a place for them and will come back to them and receive them unto Himself, and that "where He will be, they will also be."

Jesus continues by telling them that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:5-14) and promises them the Holy Spirit (John 14:15-31). In chapter 15, He tells them that He is the Vine and that they are the branches (John 15:1-17) and that the world will hate them (John 15:18 –16:1-4). In chapter 16:5-33, He speaks of the work of the Holy Spirit,

The 17th chapter of John has been called the "High Priestly Prayer" of Jesus, and it contains the longest recorded prayer of Jesus in any of the Gospels. In this chapter, Jesus begins by praying for Himself in glorifying His Father, then He prays for His disciples, and He closes this chapter by praying for all believers. So why has this chapter of John been called "His High Priestly prayer."

We learn that the sayings of Jesus, as found in the "Synoptic" Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke are thought to be a part of the "Q" taken from the German word "Quelle" or "source" c. 40-60 AD

So why do we think that His words are true?

The answer lies in the history of the Jewish nation. The office of **high priest** was first instituted at Mount Sinai, when God gave the Law to the Israelites through Moses. Aaron, his brother and, subsequently, his descendants were chosen to be priests who were responsible for the interceding of Israel before God (Exodus 28 – 29).

One priest was selected each year to serve as the high priest who would enter the Holy of Holies on the Day of Atonement and offered the sacrifice that would temporarily cover the sins of the people (Hebrews 9:7).

When Jesus came, He offered His whole life, on the Cross, as the ultimate and the perfect sacrifice that would not only take away the sins of the Jewish

people, but would also serve to take away the sins of the world once and for all time,

This is what we call salvation. In the letter to the Hebrews, Jesus is the ultimate High Priest of God, and His intercession as found in John 17 is found the depth of His love. John the Baptist would declare upon first seeing Jesus: “Behold, the Lamb of God” who takes away the sins of the world.”

And so, as Jesus begins His High Priestly Prayer, Jesus reveals that His purpose in coming to earth was to first glorify the Father, giving eternal life to those who believe in Him.

Although Jesus is God as we read in Genesis and was with the Father before the world began (John 17:5), He humbled Himself and came to earth as a man so people would know “the only true God, and Jesus Christ” whom He sent (John 17:3). In John 14:8-11, after Jesus declares that He is the “Way, the Truth and the Life. Philip, one of His first chosen said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we shall be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me, He does His works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me; or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.”

Now, the hour had come when Jesus’ work on earth would be finished (John 17:1), and Jesus asks the Father to glorify Him as He prepared to finish the work that would “give eternal life” to those who believe in Him (John 17:2).

Jesus continues His High Priestly Prayer by praying for His disciples. The eleven who remained with Him had accepted Jesus’ words, and believed that the Father sent Him (John 17:8). Jesus talks about the Father giving the disciples to Him and the disciples belonging to the Father; Jesus and the Father have everything in common (John 17:6, 9–10). Jesus mentions that glory has come to Him through the disciples (John 17:10). Jesus prays that the Father would protect the disciples since He will

no longer be present in the world. He prays not that they will be removed from the world but specifically that they would be protected from the evil one (John 17:15), through by the power of Jesus’ name (John 17:11). Jesus states that the world hates the disciples because they are not of the world, just as Jesus is not of the world (John 17:14, 16). But Jesus has given His followers the “Word” and sent them into the world, just as the Father sent Jesus (John 17:18). Jesus prays that His disciples would be sanctified by the truth, which is God’s Word (John 17:17) and that they would be unified (John 17:11).

After praying for His disciples, Jesus prays for everyone who will believe in Him through their message (John 17:21). Jesus’ desire, expressed in His High Priestly Prayer, is that all of His followers would be in complete unity, just as He and the Father are in perfect unity (John 17:21). Jesus prays for believers to be in God so that the world will believe in Jesus (John 17:21): “Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in Me through their word, that they may all be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You, may they also be in Us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me.”

When believers are united and abide in God, the world will know that God loves them and that He sent Jesus for them. In John 17:23, we read “The glory that You have given Me I have given them, so that they may be one, as We are one, I in them and You in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent Me and have loved them even as You have loved Me.”

Jesus declares His love for the world, and His sacrifice that will bring eternal life for anyone who believes (John 3:16–17)/ Jesus says He has given believers His glory that they may be one as He is one with the Father (John 17:22).

Jesus also prays that all who believe in Him will be with Him and see His glory (John 17:24). Jesus affirms that, whereas the world does not know the Father, He does, and He has made the Father known to His disciples. Jesus will continue to reveal God to His followers so that God’s love will be in His disciples and that Jesus Himself will be in them (John 17:25–26).

Jesus says that He prayed this High Priestly Prayer because He was going to the Father soon and He wanted His disciples to “have the full measure of my joy within them” (John 17:13).

As our Great High Priest, Jesus continues to intercede for us (Hebrews 7:25), and His High Priestly Prayer is an example of what His intercession looks like. Jesus “is able to save completely those who come to God through Him” (Hebrews 7:25).

This, His High Priestly Prayer, gives to the readers and believers themes of unity, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; and shows the profound extent of that salvation.



NEXT SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2026
MOTHER’S DAY

9:00 am – Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional rite of the PNCC.



LECTORS PROCLAIMING THE “WORD”

- Easter 5, May 3rd - Peg Kostiuk
- Easter 6, May 10th - Jim Winn
- Easter 7, May 17th - Paula Winn



**NATIONAL MISSION & EVANGELISM
 WORKSHOP – MAY 29-31, 2026**

The 25th National Mission & Evangelism Workshop of the PNCC will take place at St. Joseph’s PNCC, Westfield, MA. This year’s theme is “**Living in Faith Every Day.**”

Information on the upcoming workshop may be found in the vestibule of our Church. Please see Shirle Mietlicki-Floyd, Sue Dibrindisi or Mary Tudryn for more information.



MONDAY, MAY 25, 2026
MEMORIAL DAY

8:45 am **Memorial Day Services** to take place at the South Deerfield Commons. Over the years, I have been invited to offer the Benediction Prayer. Following this service, a short military salute will be offered at our Parish cemetery for all veterans whose souls repose in our cemetery.

July 2026						
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JULY CALENDAR RAFFLE

Holy Name of Jesus PNCC will sponsor a July Calendar Raffle. Donations of gift certificates and monies are currently being collected. Tickets will be available in June for the July raffle. Please see Sue Dibrindisi with your donations. Thank you.



PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

“And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.” - Luke 2:9

May we pray this day, for the health and healing for all those, who we remember through our prayers;

George and Janet Sadowski, Wayne and Pat Shaw, Richard Foster, Carolyn and Michael Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Paula Winn, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, baby James, Stefanik Gadecki, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, Lori Lukowski, Mick Szumski, Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Todd Odell, David Moskin, Laurie Lis, Renata Wos, Jan Clark, Zoe Kinnunen, Debbie Bara, Houston & Brenda Knox and for others.

Let us Pray: O Lord, God of mercies, in Your kindness, stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way are ailing. Deliver them, according to Your will, from all their present sicknesses and illnessness, and grant them the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You. Amen.



OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS

“Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.”

- Philippians 2:4

OUR FOOD MINISTRY

“I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat.”

- Matthew 25:35

One of our ministry, is to help to “Feed the Hungry,” will be held on **May 16, 2026** from 10:00 am until supplies last.

We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and instant oatmeal.
- Apple & Cranberry juices.
- Powder milk / condensed milk.
- Hot chocolate and tea bags.
- Pasta and spaghetti sauce.
- Boxes of Mac-n-cheese.
- Canned tuna in water.
- Canned meats- chicken, salmon,
- Ramen noodles.
- Soups- all varieties.
- Canned veggies and fruits.
- Children’s snack packs

Please note: We are in need of the following items which will be placed in gallon size Zip-lock bags and handed out to people in need.

- Toothpaste- travel size & toothbrushes
- Socks
- First aid kits = – travel size
- Personal cleaning wipes

- Protein bars
- Gift cards to Dunkin Donuts



DISCIPLESHIP 2026

KNOW YOUR FAITH, GROW IN CHRIST

May 14, 2026

Please join us for the fifth in a series of virtual “Know and Grow” presentations on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 7:00 PM (EDT).

Father Justin Daviault will help us to explore the topic of Money and Finances. Each unit will have biblical texts as a starting point, with lecture, meditation, discussion, and practical life applications. To join via Zoom, please contact:

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ED MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION

CALL TO PRAYER

In the month of **May**, the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC. has called upon all its members and friends to offer prayers at 12:00 noon each Wednesday, in remembrance of those who served our great nation.

Let us Pray: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in Whose hands are the living and the dead, we thank you for those who gave their lives in the service of our country. May their sacrifice, patriotism and devotion to country inspire us to work for peace and justice in our world. Receive the souls of these heroic men and women and grant them eternal rest. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.