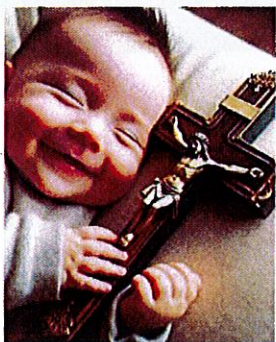


ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES

Prayer Event Friday, May 9th – Sunday, May 11th

Month of Mary and Mother's Day Weekend



This is an international effort to have **1,000,000 Rosaries** said for the following intention:

For the protection of unborn human persons and true respect for life from the moment of conception through natural death.



We are attempting to sponsor **2000+** rosaries with this special intention. **Will you help?** Pass this on to everyone you know! This is an international event started by Saint Michael The Archangel Organization. It is important to know the number of Rosaries that will be said over the three days. **Please write your pledge quantity on the signup sheet below or in the Narthex during signups.**

Please only sign up once per family to avoid duplicating in the total counts.

You can also register online at:

<https://dwc.org/rosaries-for-life/>

Think of the impact 1,000,000 rosaries said all over the world the same weekend can have!

YOU can make a difference!

Please help spread the word and encourage others to participate!

Third Sunday of Easter (C)

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

“ ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep.’ ”

—John 21:17

Dear Family:

Read the reflection about serving the kingdom, and discuss the “Ponder and Pray” questions and prompts, thinking about how Our Lord is calling you to act. Then, consider the challenges of the “Live It” section, and have fun with the family activities.

Live It

True fulfillment comes not from preserving our potential but from using it for God’s glory. This week, reflect on areas where you can step forward in faith. Is God asking you to serve someone in need, honor a commitment, or trust him in a new way? Start small—show up for daily prayer, Mass, or an act of kindness. Let your yes to God be the first step in a life poured out for his glory.

Ponder and Pray

- What areas of your life remain “potential,” and how can you begin to act on them to serve others and glorify God?
- When have you hesitated to say yes to God’s call? What practical steps can you take to trust him more fully this week?
- Peter glorified God through both his life and his death. How can you live in a way that prepares your heart to glorify God in all circumstances?

Poured Out

As Jesus spoke to Peter after his Resurrection, he invited his disciple to leave behind the potential of his youth and embrace a life fully poured out for God’s glory. Peter’s journey reminds us that potential is valuable only when it is actualized, when it becomes action in service of others and the Kingdom of God. Like Peter, we are called not to cling to our freedom and independence but to use our gifts to glorify God in both life and death.

The Gospel invites us to consider how we are using the gifts and opportunities God has entrusted to us. Are we holding on to potential, waiting for the “perfect” time, or are we stepping forward in faith to say, “Yes, Lord”? True freedom is found not in keeping our lives for ourselves but in giving them away for a greater purpose.



This week, reflect on where God is calling you to be poured out in service. Whether through small daily acts or major life decisions, let your life—and

eventually your death—be a testimony to God’s love and faithfulness. Pick your spot, say yes, and let God be glorified through you.

Fun for the Family

Place a jar in a common area and fill it with slips of paper listing small acts of service or prayer commitments. Each family member picks one daily and completes it. These actions symbolize using your potential for God’s glory, whether through helping around the house, praying for a loved one, or reaching out to someone in need. End the week by sharing how these small steps helped you live out your faith.

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