

# **Pulpit Announcements for the Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2024**

**Welcome to all who are here today on this  
Sixth Sunday of Easter.**

**Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey.  
Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- **Have you saved the date of May 21<sup>st</sup> for our St. Matthias School's annual Golf outing? Come and enjoy a day of fun and fellowship. This year it will be held at Neshanic Valley Gold Course.**
- **Thanks to rave reviews from campers, parents and teachers – CAMP INVENTION will be held again this year at St. Matthias School for students from Kindergarten to 6th grade. Christine Taylor is the Camp Director. More information is available in the bulletin...**
- **Today's 2nd collection is for the development of the people in Latin America, Africa, Eastern Europe, and the U.S. Home Mission.**
- **(For 5 pm 8 & 10 am only) The Rosary Altar Society will be reciting the rosary after the 10:00 AM Mass as they do every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month.**
- **The next Morning of Service will be held on Saturday, May 11th. If you are interested in volunteering that morning, please contact John and Coleen Zdziarski. More info in the bulletin**

**Can we think of Jesus as our personal friend? Can we talk to him like we talk to our best friend? That is exactly what Jesus is asking us today when He says 'You are my friends.' Let us relish this good news and receive Jesus our friend and hear His word in this Eucharist...**

# Music for Our Assembly

May 5, 2024

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth;  
The lord has freed his people, alleluia!... Isaiah 48*

### Gathering Hymn – Bless the Lord, O My Soul, 10,000 Reasons

**Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship your holy name.**

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day drawing, it's time to sing your song again. Whatever may pass or whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.
2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger, your name is great and your heart is kind. For all your goodness I will keep on singing, 10,000 reasons for my heart to find more.
3. And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come; still my soul will sing your praise unending: the thousand years, and then forever more.

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# Prayer of the Faithful

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**Our response is: “Risen Lord, Hear Our Prayer.”**

1. For Pope Francis and all church leaders and its members...Fill your faithful with the spiritual nourishment of your good news of salvation, we pray.
2. For world leaders especially those in war-torn areas...Guide their hearts toward peace, reconciliation and justice, we pray ...
3. For our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday, for those receiving their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks, and for those newly initiated members of the Church at Easter Vigil ... Watch over them and help them continue to grow in their faith, we pray. . .
4. For those who are sick in mind, body, and soul...Be a source of comfort, rest, and healing, we pray . . .
5. For those who have died, especially **Eileen Nelson, Josephine Printon, and Rosario Anglo**, and victims of war and violence in the world...Welcome them to new life in your loving embrace for all eternity, we pray. . .
6. For the prayers that are silent in our hearts...,we pray...

***The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions.***

## Preparation of the Gifts - Where Charity and Love Prevail

1. Where charity and love prevail,  
There God is ever found;  
Brought here together by Christ's love,  
By love are we thus bound.
2. With grateful joy and holy fear  
God's charity we learn;  
Let us with heart and mind and soul  
Now love God in return.
3. Forgive we now each other's faults  
As we our faults confess;  
And let us love each other well  
In Christian holiness.
4. Let strife among us be unknown,  
Let all contention cease;  
Be God's the glory that we seek,  
Be ours God's holy peace.
5. Let us recall that in our midst  
Dwells Gods begotten Son;  
As members of his body joined,  
We are in Christ made one.
6. No race nor creed can love exclude  
If honored be God's name;  
Our family embraces all  
Whose Father is the same.

## Communion Hymn – Ubi Caritas

**Ubi caritas est vera, est vera:  
Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est.**

1. The love of Christ joins us together.  
Let us rejoice in him,  
and in our love and care for all  
now love God in return.

2. In true communion let us gather.  
May all divisions cease  
and in their place be Christ the Lord,  
our risen Prince of Peace.

3. May we who gather at this table  
to share the bread of life  
become a sacrament of love,  
your healing touch, O Christ.

4. For those in need make us your mercy,  
for those oppressed, your might.  
Make us, your Church, a holy sign  
of justice and new life.

5. May we one day behold your glory  
and see you face to face,  
rejoicing with the saints of God  
to sing eternal praise.

*Refrain and vss. 1, 2, 5 based on Ubi Caritas, 9th cent.; vss. 3, 4 by Bob Hurd.  
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## Closing Hymn - Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Alleluia

1. Christ, the Lord, is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
All on earth with angels say. Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing O heav'ns and earth reply, Alleluia!

2. Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise; Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted head; Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

*Text: 77 77 with alleluias; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.  
Music: Robert Williams, 1781–1821.8*

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**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4**

**The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done wondrous deeds;  
His right hand has won victory for him,  
his holy arm.

The LORD has made his salvation known:  
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.  
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness  
toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation by our God.  
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
break into song; sing praise.

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