

FOR THE WEEKEND OF MAY 13th-14th, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Gospel reading

Jn 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
And I will ask the Father, and he will give you
another Advocate to be with you always,
the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept,
because it neither sees nor knows it.
But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you.
I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.
In a little while the world will no longer see me,
but you will see me, because I live and you will live.
On that day you will realize that I am in my Father
and you are in me and I in you.
Whoever has my commandments and observes them
is the one who loves me.
And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Intercession

That, drawn by the light of Christ, more souls may see Christ in our parish through the fruits of a successful *Catholic Ministry Appeal*.

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In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals that a wonderful day is approaching. Of it, He says, "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20). It can be easy to miss the magnitude of what He is saying, either because it's strange or because of our familiarity with His words.

He is describing oneness. God is Spirit, inviting us to spiritual oneness with him. The spiritual world can seem so delicate and perfect that it becomes synonymous with "practically irrelevant." Becoming one with God is possibly the *most* practical of all things. When Jesus is in you, possibilities are endless: "For God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26).

And God doesn't stop at spiritual oneness with us. He wants us to be one with each other, too. Our parish is here to facilitate both. Our *Catholic Ministry Appeal* needs you to succeed. God is alive in our parish, and we want others to taste and see. Please give to our *Catholic Ministry Appeal* so that we can help

others experience the satisfying love of Jesus. He waits only for our “yes” to bring his transforming light into the lives of his children here!

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Our *Catholic Ministry Appeal* needs your help to succeed. Our parish offers oneness with Christ through the sacraments and each other. People are hungry for him and our parish is hungry to help people know him. Without you, our *Catholic Ministry Appeal* can't succeed. With you, we can ensure the Good News reaches every corner of our community. Please help us help others find Him here. Give generously to your parish family, whatever “generous” means for you. God will reward you in the way “generous” means to *him*.

Social media post/content

Photo: Rock climber.

Header: “*You are in me and I in you.*” - John 14:20

Sub-header: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Copy: When you believe that Jesus lives in you, everything changes.

The power of God inside your heart makes “all things possible” (Matthew 19:26), just as our *Catholic Ministry Appeal* makes essential ministries possible in our community and provides a light for all to see.