

ST. VALENTINE'S POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY MAY 18th 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER, (WHITE)

LESSON: Acts 14:21-27 **LESSON:** Revelation 21:1-5 **GOSPEL:** St. John 13:31-33, 34-35

9:30AM Mass for the soul of the departed Marilyn Kovacs; Req. by Pat Bolock

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: **MAY 20th** Primary Election Day, **MAY 29th** Ascension Thursday, **MAY 31st** Memorial Day

SACRED VOCATIONS: Please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY: It is very rare that Good Shepherd Sunday and Mother's Day happen on the same Sunday. If you look at it mothers do shepherd their children. They guide them through life directing them to the good. They care for them like a shepherd, feeding them, keeping them safe, helping to make them well when they are ill. When necessary they discipline them to keep them in line. Many times we do not appreciate what our mothers do for us until they are gone. When we are in tough situations we wish our Moms were here to get things in order. Moms grieve when their children go astray, praying for them to get back on track.

As I said we many times do not think of that until they are gone. Moms sacrifice so their children can have. They go without so they have what they need. But, whatever children do moms always love them. Although we know there are moms who do not care. They do not care for their children we have been lucky to have moms who cared. This day is to give our love to those special women who put aside the other things they could have done. Our blessed Mother Mary is an example of devoted motherhood. She sacrificed for Jesus so we could have forgiveness for our sins. She was overjoyed when her Son rose from the dead. Even more when she saw Him ascend to heaven, she would soon follow to the Kingdom where she was honored. To all our Moms living and deceased we continue to pledge our love. You are the ones who rock the cradle and rule the world.

IN NEED OF PRAYER: Michele Elliot, Bridgette Roth, Christi Duff, Nancy, Kyle, Fr. Carmen, Mary Gonzalez, Marie Harrington, Brian Poplarchick, Cliff and Julie Brown.