



My Dear Parishioners,

Praised be Jesus Christ and a Happy Mother's Day Weekend to all our moms! Because of new bulletin deadlines, I'm writing this column a bit early – so some items here may be different by the time you read this. But, this much is for sure: The Gift of Motherhood is constant, never outdated or different in any age. It is and always will be source of blessing. How beautiful it is today to pause, give-thanks and praise-God for that gift: that woman in our life who carried us in her womb and loved us as best she was able. Our Mom!

I came across a card recently of an older woman with a bee-hive hair-do, big glasses and dead-pan face. The caption said **MOTHERHOOD: A SUMMARY. It's hard. The End!** That card brought a smile to my face because it's true! Motherhood is hard and the fact that each of us had a mom who embraced that for us, makes it beautiful. This weekend, we celebrate that beauty!

Few items to be aware of:

- 1) **Building Project:** By now, I hope that the building phase of the project has begun. Most certainly, our parish website has been updated and I point everyone to that site and to FLOCKNOTE for the most up-to-date information. There you can find regular postings on the progress. I believe that this will be the last weekend that we will be able to access Church via the Courtyard.
- 2) **Ordination:** This Saturday is Ordination Day for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. It will be livestreamed on the Archdiocese Website, I encourage you to "tune-in". We celebrate the ordination of our 7 new priests but especially Frs. Randy Kraft and Phong Le who worked with us here at St. Patrick. Tune in tonight: Mother's Day evening as Randy, Phong and Augustine will lead us in our Sunday Night Rosary.
- 3) This Thursday is the 40th Day of Easter, **Ascension Thursday.** It is a holy day of Obligation. Please see the Mass Schedule which is posted.
- 4) Finally, Mark your Calendar for Saturday, June 17. On that evening, Fr. Kraft will celebrate the 5PM Vigil Mass. It will be livestreamed.

Finally, I close with a brief Prayer for Mothers. Perhaps, we can all place this prayer on our lips and raise it to God for them.

Loving God, I lift up my heart in prayer of praise and thanksgiving to you for the gift of my mom. With your tender love and healing Mercy, wherever she may be, living or deceased, near or far, bless her today and give me the grace of always being a grateful, generous and respectful son/daughter. I ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Peace, Fr. Rogers

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A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.

Happy Mother's Day