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## Daily Readings For The Week

Monday May 07th

Reading 1: ACTS 16: 11-15

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 149{148}: 1-6,9

Gospel: **JOHN 15: 26-16:4** 

Tuesday May 08th

Reading 1: ACTS 16: 22-34

Responsorial Psalm: PS. 138{137}:1-3,7-8

Gospel: **JOHN 16: 5-11** 

Wednesday May 09th Reading 1: 1 PETER 5: 5-14

Responsorial Psalm: PS. 89{90}: 2-3,6-7,16-17

Gospel: MARK 16: 15-20

Thursday May 10th

St. Damien Joseph de Veuster of Moloka'I, pastor.

Reading 1: ACTS 18: 1-8

Responsorial Psalm: PS. 98{97}: 1-4

Gospel: **JOHN 16: 16-20** 

Friday May 11th

Reading 1: ACTS 18: 9-18

Responsorial Psalm: PS. 47{46}: 2-7

Gospel: JOHN 16: 20-23

Saturday May 12th

Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, martyr & St. Pancras, martyr.

Reading 1: ACTS 18: 23-28

Responsorial Psalm: PS. 47{46}: 2-3,8-10

Gospel: JOHN 16: 23-28

## Announcements

- 1. A warm Welcome to all our visitors who are worshiping with us for the first time.
- 2. Happy Birthday and Anniversary to those celebrating their special day this week.
- 3. 2nd collection TODAY is for the expenses of the Archdiocese of Kingston.
- 4. MOTHER'S DAY next Sunday.
- 5. ANNUAL CHURCH BEACH TRIP SUNDAY, July 22,2018.

# Have a Blessed Week

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Community of St. Elizabeth's Church "A Catholic Community in the Passionist Tradition"



## 6th Sunday of Easter

May 06, 2018

Theme: God is Love.

The readings this Sunday are all about love. We must love one another because Jesus loves us. We must recognize that anyone who does not love, cannot be of God. It is not as important that we love God—rather, it is more important that God loves us. God's love includes even the Gentiles, the non-Jewish people. And we can say that God love includes everyone.

**Celebrating the Eucharist** 

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Tue, Fri: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m.

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### **Office Hours**

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Office is closed on Saturdays & Sundays.
Pastor is available during office hours and by appointment.

The first reading today is from the Acts of the Apostles and gives us the account of how Saint Peter came to accept the non-Jewish people as believers, without requiring them to become Jews. That fact that the Holy Spirit had come upon the non-Jewish believers convinced the Jewish believers that one could believe in Jesus Christ without being a Jew.

The second reading is from the First Letter of Saint John. Again, we see how love must include everyone. Where love is lacking, so also is God lacking. True loves comes from being in Jesus Christ. "God sent His Only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him." All of our life comes from Jesus and our life must be lived in Jesus.

The Gospel of Saint John today speaks of God's love for us. In the same way that the Father loves Jesus, His Son, so also Jesus loves us! That is incredible. We often do not think of God's love for us as in any way being the same love that the Divine Persons have among themselves. Somehow we often see ourselves as less. The whole Christian tradition tells us, however, that Jesus became man, human, so that we might share in His Divinity. What an incredible life we have! Even when we sin, that life is still within us. We are created to share in the Divinity of Jesus.

Although nothing is said in today's readings, we are all aware that to share in Christ is to follow Him by living the way that He lived. So God gives us a path of life. Not everything is good and not everything is holy. There are actions and ways of thinking and ways of speaking that take us away from this incredible gift of Divine Life.

Far too often today, everything is seen as good as long as it makes me happy and feel good. This is not the way of the Lord Jesus. Love in the Gospel is not a feeling about another person, but a choice to seek the good of the other person even if I must sacrifice my own good. This is the way of the Lord Jesus.

We actually have the power to live that way once we recognize God's love for us and His choice to share His life with us. Our power, our virtue, our goodness, our capacity to love—all come from the Lord Jesus. He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Let us walk in the way of the Lord.



## The Order Of Ma

Gathering: No. 19 "All The Ends Of The Earth"

**Lord Have Mercy** 

**Opening Prayer** 

First Reading: Acts 10: 25-26,34-35,44-48

{Alan Chin}

Responsorial Psalm: 98{97}: 1-4

Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving

power.

Second Reading: 1 John 4: 7-10

{Maurice Tyson}

Gospel Acclamation: Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

Gospel: John 15: 9-17

**Homily** 

**Universal Prayer** 

**Greeting of Peace** 

Preparation of Gifts:

No. 265 "My Soul Proclaims The Greatness Of The Lord"

2nd Collection

Presentation of Gifts: No. 381 "Take This Bread"

Hosanna

**Memorial Acclamation** 

**Great Amen** 

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion: No. 199 "Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All"

Meditation: No. 206 "Lay Your Hands Gently Upon Us"

Sending Forth: No. 154 "I Am A Child- You Called My

Name"