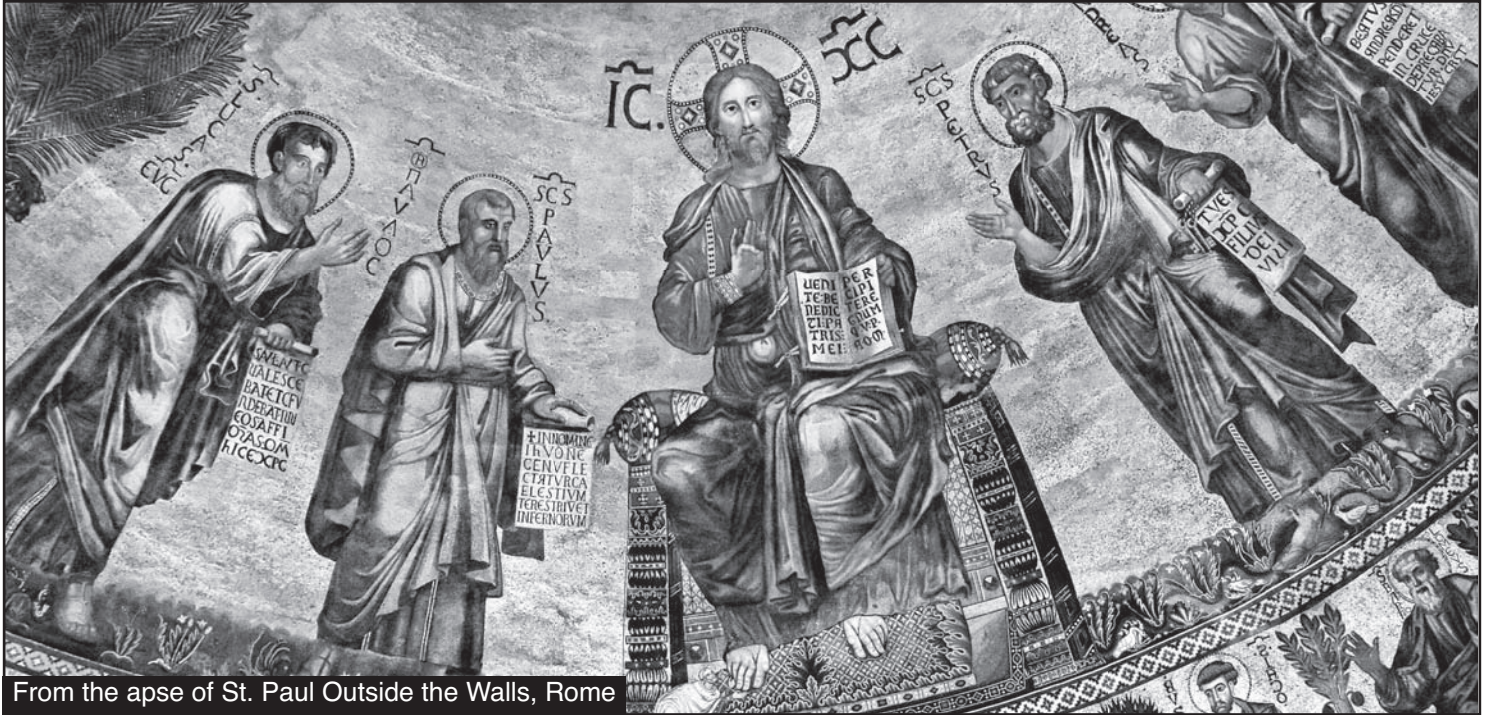


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From the apse of St. Paul Outside the Walls, Rome

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Mothers are welcome to discretely nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. As Pope Francis has said, Children's voices, even when crying, make "the most beautiful choir of all." If you need to, feel free to walk with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle.

We are blessed because you are all here!



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GUIDED BY THE SPIRIT

By: Elizabeth Chesley-Jewell

In our gospel this week Jesus tells his disciples, “the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.” The Holy Spirit here is identified as, “the Advocate.” This Advocate will remain with the disciples after Jesus returns to his Father in heaven and will continue to teach and guide the disciples as they proclaim Christ’s message to all the nations so all may believe in Him.

Elizabeth A. Johnson is a theologian who speaks throughout her written works about the importance of communion and interconnectivity in God, with God, and with one another. In her book, *She Who Is*, Johnson reminds us that the Trinity is rooted firmly in relationship. The relationality that is found in God cannot be separated from God’s divine nature. The mystery of the Triune God is found in the deep connection that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit share.

In scripture there are many names for the Holy Spirit and all of them emphasize the relationship between God and God’s people. The Holy Spirit is often referenced in female language. Such as Spirit Sophia who is Wisdom, and spoken of as sister, mother, hostess, and guide. Shekinah (also female), derived from the Hebrew word shakhan meaning “to dwell,” who accompanied the Israelites throughout their exile as a source of light and encouragement. And the Advocate, present in our gospel today, who counsels and acts as Christ’s presence in the world. All of these names and qualities of the Spirit remind us that God remains with each one of us at all times and is a constant force within the greater world.

If the Holy Spirit is God’s unseen presence moving throughout the world, then we as believers are called to respond by fostering relationships that allow others to feel the love of God. Like the Holy Trinity, we as a people, a Church, and society cannot function if we do not manifest relationships that are rooted in love. The Church would not be what it is today if Jesus’

disciples had not responded to the guiding hand of the Advocate. It is a blessing that God is living and moving within our world because of the Holy Spirit. May each one of us recognize this presence in our own lives and have the courage to accept the love we receive and share it with others.

Sunday’s Readings: Acts 15.1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21.10-14, 22-23; John 14.23-29

SERRA CLUB MEETING

Join the Serra Club on **Wednesday, May 4 following the 12:10pm Mass for lunch** in the parish hall, and hear Father Michael Lehman, C.S.B., speak on Refugees in Canada. If you would like to attend, please call the office or parishioner Anne MacCarthy (416-964-8694).

“WOMEN AND THE FUTURE OF MINISTRY”

USMC Faculty of Theology is hosting a study day on Women and the Future of Ministry. The event begins with a free keynote by Dr. Phyllis Zagano on **May 6 at 7:00pm**, and is followed by a day of presentations and panel discussions on May 7.

For more information, please see: stmikes.utoronto.ca/womenstudyday.

“ONE STEP FORWARD”

Join the Chairs of the Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue of Canada and the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission on **Wednesday, May 11** for an evening of prayer, discussion, and fellowship.

The evening will begin with an ecumenical prayer service at 7:00pm in Cardinal Flahiff Centre Chapel (95 St. Joseph Street) followed by a presentation by the co-chairs of ARC Canada and ARCIC in the Coop, Brennan Hall on the University of St. Michael’s College campus. The evening will end with a wine and cheese at 8:45pm in Charbonnel Lounge. No pre-registration is required.

"HENRI & ME" WITH ANNE LAMOTT

Anne Lamott comes to Convocation Hall, University of Toronto, on **Friday, May 13, 2016 at 8:00pm**. An enthusiastic admirer of Henri Nouwen, Anne will share her unique perspective on living a spiritual life, with her characteristic wit and her raw and disarming honesty. For tickets, go to www.uofttix.ca/annelamott or call 416-987-8849 for more information.

PENTECOST VIGIL & PHOTO EXHIBITION

To celebrate Pentecost Sunday, we will be offering an extended Vigil Mass on **Saturday, May 14 at 5:00pm**. This extended vigil is based on a new rite found in the Roman Missal with multiple readings and additional psalms which will be sung. After the homily, Fr. Chris will celebrate a renewal of baptismal promises complete with a sprinkling rite.

As part of our Pentecost experience, we will be exploring images inspired by the Corporal Works of Mercy. To find out more about how to participate in this prayerful experience leading up to May 14/15 weekend, visit <http://stbasiltoronto.org/pentecost-of-mercy-photo-exhibition/>.

EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED SUICIDE: IT'S TIME TO ACT!

On April 14, 2016, the federal government introduced Bill C-14 - legislation that, if passed, will amend the criminal code to make euthanasia/assisted suicide legal in Canada. Thousands of Canadians have contacted their elected officials, respectfully expressing their concerns. We still need your help.

Visit CanadiansforConscience.ca to urge elected representatives to protect health care workers and institutions from having to provide or refer for euthanasia/assisted suicide. We are also asking Members of Parliament to expand palliative care & support for the vulnerable. Thank you for your ongoing support!

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY

Sunday, April 24, 2016 \$6,868.36



MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 1st - 7th


Sunday 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	Sixth Sunday of Easter Marjorie Flood (+) Pro Populo Souls in Purgatory Katrina Teh
Monday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	St. Athanasius Thalheimer Family Janet Low
Tuesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saints Philip and James Pro Populo Florence Hanson (+)
Wednesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Catenna Ciavarella (+) Vocations
Thursday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	The Ascension of the Lord Souls in Purgatory Katrina Teh (liv.)
Friday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	David Joseph & Maria Elizabeth Myung (liv.) Andrew Cox (+)
Saturday 5:00pm-	Helen Maria Eustachiwna (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Bohdanna Kovals'kyj, Mary O'Brien, Sharon Han, Ancoreta Amigleo, Don Alvaro, Rita Moran, Clare deMello, Edna Fernandez, Marina Kazakis, Luz Manalo, Betty Hill, Robert Benn, Claire Fidler, Helen Lau, Gloria Lau, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Hilary McCormack, Leslie Beck, and Ann Breslin.

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