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# 3rd Sunday of Easter

## May 4, 2025

**“We must obey God rather than any human authority.”** (Acts 5:29)

Here in one phrase of the Apostles is the proclamation that has echoed through Saints for centuries.

**“We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name”** (Acts 5:28)

Here in one phrase of the High Priest is the anger that has condemned Martyrs for centuries.

**“They had them flogged. Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus and let them go. As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name”** (Acts 5:40-41)

Here in one phrase is the triumph of the Holy Spirit in the Catholic Church.

The Spirit of the Risen Christ is a Spirit of Courage.

The cowering men of the locked upper room became the fearless witnesses who spoke the Truth to the mediocrities who wielded “power”. What Truth?

**“God of raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”**

No earthly authority – whether in the temple or society or family dynamics– could stop the Apostles from proclaiming this with their voices, their actions, and their blood.

### **The Blood of Martyrs is the Seed of Christians.**

It was ever so. For it is the Blood of Christ that flows over the Martyrs at the Baptism, into Martyrs through the Eucharist, and out into the World through their union with Jesus in a death like His.

So that His Resurrection might be theirs and those born of their witness.

**“We must obey God rather than any human authority.”**

At Least 20,000 Christians undergo “red martyrdom” each year.

What of “white martyrdom”? That is how we witness in Saskatoon – at least for the present.

It is hard – very hard – to risk status and reputation to stand joyfully for Christ.

It is often difficult to even speak up when the Name of Jesus is misused.

Sometimes the hardest place to do witness is in “Catholic” families, schools, or institutions.

But giving authority over to what others think of us, what civil authorities declare as ‘truth’, or what will be most expedient for our comfort is not to be found in the heart of anyone who obeys Love, obeys God.

Human authority is silenced by time inevitable end.

God has raised up a Savior whose authority never ends.

Let us with confident courage join the eternal song – with our voice, our actions, and our blood:

***Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,***

***“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”*** (Rev.5:11-12)



By Divine Providence, the Church across the world hears Jesus entrust His sheep to Peter in the Gospel of John. This week - May 7 - the Conclave will begin voting for a new Vicar of Christ. Let us pray that Jesus' Holy Church may be given a Pope who, like the Apostles, obeys God with Joy, Love, and Courage.

***We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin***



## THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

### MONDAY, May 5, 2025

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*SI Laurice Sidloski*)  
4:30 pm - 1st Communion  
6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

### TUESDAY, May 6, 2025 St. Francois de Laval (M)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*† Brandon*)  
7:00 pm - Marriage Prep  
7:45 pm - Holy Face

### WEDNESDAY, May 7, 2025

11:00 am - Confessions, & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*SI Edmund LaFleche*)  
1:00 pm - **Eucharistic Adoration** until 5pm  
4:30 pm - 1st Communion

### THURSDAY, May 8, 2025 Bl. Catherine de Saint-Augustin (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*SI Ray Lafreniere*)  
8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

### FRIDAY, May 9, 2025

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*SI Briege Sidloski*)  
5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

### SATURDAY, May 10, 2025 St. John of Avila (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary  
12:10 pm - **Mass** (*SI Bryan Danchak*)

### SUNDAY, May 11, 2025 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am - **Mass**  
10:00 am - **Mass**  
7:30 pm - **Solemn Vespers**  
8:00 pm - **Mass**

## Spring Yard Cleanup at St. Paul's

May 7th and 8th from 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Bring your own rake and gloves

## Holy Rosary Shrine Bus Pilgrimage

July 13, 2025 in Reward, SK

Join us for the 93rd annual pilgrimage to the Historic Shrine of the Holy Rosary in Reward, SK!

- Bus will depart from St. Paul's at 10:00am and return at 9:30pm.

- Cost: \$40/person (includes picnic lunch)

- For more information or to register, contact Sr. Peter Mary at [srpetermary@stpaulcathedral.ca](mailto:srpetermary@stpaulcathedral.ca) or 306-986-3885

Please consider making a gift to the Priests' Pension and Retirement Fund in gratitude for the dedicated priests who have been and continue to be our spiritual leaders and friends. Go online to donate: [dscf.ca/priest-pension-fund](https://dscf.ca/priest-pension-fund) or contact the Diocese of Saskatoon at 306-659-5846

Time Out for Moms invites you to a **Couples Night Fundraiser: Dance, Drinks & Dessert** on Friday, May 9 at 7:30pm at Our Lady of Good Success Hall on the Sidloski acreage. The evening includes a silent auction & a professional dance lesson along with an appetizer or dessert. Tickets are \$30 per couple. Register on our website at <https://tofmsaskatoon.sk.wixsite.com/mysite/s-projects-side-by-side>. We hope to see you there!

## OFFERING for April 27, 2025

Cash Donations	\$	1,120.10
Envelopes	\$	2,225.00
Renovations	\$	1,075.00