

## Interpreting Christ's Teachings Today

This passage of Acts shows us something about the early Church that we often overlook. Paul, Silas, and the other apostles felt a responsibility to preserve the true doctrine passed on to them. When they understood that certain Christians were teaching demands that didn't come from the Holy Spirit, they corrected that doctrine by sending a letter and endorsing the true interpretation.

Even in the earliest Church, there was an evolving hierarchy that interpreted what was God's will for the Christian community. This charism of the proper interpretation of Christ's teaching continues in today's Catholic Church through the pope and the bishops.

Jesus declared to the apostles at the Last Supper that the Holy Spirit would remind them of all he told them. Jesus gave this gift to the Church, and it's something we should value. How often do we do an internet search about a subject and then trust what a few articles say? Yet, are we as quick to look up what the Holy Father and the bishops say on different subjects in order to be guided by that light?

### For Reflection

*Do I make an effort to know what the pope or my bishop is teaching?  
 When faced with moral decisions, do I research what the Church has to say?*

We are not sheep without a shepherd. We have bishops and priests who preach the word of God and lead us toward the truth. When the bishops, in communion with the Holy Father, exercise their ordinary teaching office (magisterium), they help us to better understand God's revelation in faith and morals. This is the way the early Church developed and the way the Church still lives today.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

*[Jesus said,] "The holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you."*

*John 14:26*



Piece: *The Pentecost*, 1576-1578  
 Artist: Girolamo Muziano  
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# Assumption of Our Lady



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**May 26, 2019**

6th Sunday of Easter – Year C

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

### Weekday Masses

Mon. & Tues. 12:10 pm

Wed.– Fri. 5:30 pm

Reconciliation time: Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45pm; Sunday, 9:45-10:15am or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or

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## Hay River, NT



& St. Anne, Katloodeche

Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
May 12	Doris Coudron	Gerry Engen	Morrissey Family	Susan Bouchard	<b>Reggie Wiedeman</b>
	Jason Morrissey	Darm Crook		Tony Whittle	<b>Liz Buckley</b>
May 19	Gerry Engen	Pete Boden	Brito Family	Doris Coudron	<b>Shirley G.</b>
	Andrew Cassidy	Jason Morrissey		Shirley Gutierrez	<b>Sheila D.</b>
May 26	Daphne Babiuk	Nicolas Whitford	Gagnon Family	Marie Kopp-van Egteren	<b>Coombs and Gagnon</b>
	Gracious de Vera			Andrew Cassidy	
	Iga Olesinski			Dee Dee Lepine	
	Sophia Touesnard				
Jun 02	Bea Lepine	Darm Crook	Engen Family	Doris Coudron	<b>Brigitte Stephens</b>
	Dee dee Lepine	Andrew Cassidy		Tony Whittle	<b>Jenn Touesnard</b>
				Susan Bouchard	

The Announcement for 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

----- We are always delighted to welcome each and everyone who has come to worship with us here at Assumption parish. If you're a new member, please take time to introduce yourself to the pastor and fill out a registration form found at the bulletin board at the entrance of the church..

----- In line with the directives of National CWL, the parish CWL is organizing a "12 hours of prayer" day, from 7am to 7pm on Tuesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> of May. The prayer will be concluded with a Holy mass at 7:00pm. The goal is to raise awareness on palliative care for our country. Prayer is a very powerful tool, so let us pray for palliative care to ensure that people will have a better quality of life all the way to the end. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the church's foyer. Someone has to be in the church at every moment during this 12 hours. For more detail, contact Diana Smith or Sister Maggie.

----- The retreat of the Rachel's Vineyard has been scheduled to hold from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June this year. Please consult the bulletin board for details regarding this.

----- The bishop of the diocese, Bishop Jon Hansen will be coming to Hay River/Katloodeeche on a three day visit, from 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June this year. During this time, he will administer the sacrament of confirmation to some of our parishioners who have been preparing for it, as well as the 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and baptism to few individuals at Katloodeeche; the Hay River reserve. We look forward to this visit.

----- CWL Provincial convention in Grande Prairie is fast approaching; members who are planning to attend are encouraged to register ASAP as deadline for registration is around the corner.

----- We are once again reminded that Megan documents are available for those who will like to pick some copies. Contact Fr. Innocent any time if you are interested in having copies..

### Rachel's Corner

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength." -St. Philip Neri Feast Day May 26

God very much wants to help you receive His mercy and make you whole again. Come cast yourself into His arms on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and know that He has promised to give you the strength to do so.

Healing after Abortion Ministry

867-872-0026

<b>: Weekly Revenue</b>	
\$1,512.90	Collection
	Hall Rental
\$1,512.90	Revenue Total
\$1,831.00	Expenses Total
<b>-\$318.10</b>	
Expenses are based on 2018 Q1	

### Calendar

**Monday**  
MAY 27  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 16:11-15  
Jn 15:26-16:4a

**Tuesday**  
MAY 28  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 16:22-34  
Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday**  
MAY 29  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1  
Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday**  
MAY 30  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 18:1-8  
Jn 16:16-20

**Friday**  
MAY 31  
Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Zep 3:14-18a or  
Rom 12:9-16  
Lk 1:39-56

**Saturday**  
JUNE 1  
St. Justin, Martyr  
Acts 18:23-28  
Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday**  
JUNE 2  
Seventh Sunday of Easter,  
Ascension of the Lord

**Seventh Sunday**  
Acts 7:55-60  
Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20  
Jn 17:20-26

**Ascension**  
Acts 1:1-11  
Eph 1:17-23 or  
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23  
Lk 24:46-53

## Dear Padre,

### Why is celibacy mandatory for Catholic priests?

Some propose making celibacy optional. For some priests it's too heavy a burden. They contend that, if made optional, it could attract more men to the priesthood, especially during a time of priest shortages. After all, celibacy isn't essential to the ordained ministry. During the first millennium, many priests, and even bishops, were married.

Jesus himself is the basis for priestly celibacy. His celibacy was a radical expression of his commitment to work for the kingdom. Instead of marrying and raising a family, he dedicated his life to raising up a community that would become God's family—interrelated not by blood, but by one faith, baptism, and Spirit.

Celibacy isn't an end unto itself but a gift for attaining an end—service to God's kingdom. Instead of raising biological families, priests form a larger family—the spiritual family of the Church at the parish level.

Instead of fathering a few children, they become spiritual fathers to the flock that Christ entrusts to them. Hence, priests are addressed as "Father."

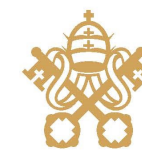
"Celibacy is a sign of this new life to the service of which the Church's minister is consecrated; accepted with a joyous heart celibacy proclaims the reign of God" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1579).

Priests must always remember their vows: to dedicate their whole lives to God and the kingdom, to forego marriage and family so they can build up the spiritual family of God that is the Church.

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Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades of Fort Wayne-South Bend, IN, blesses the largest ordination class for the diocese in forty-three years.



God's plan of creation.

### A Word from Pope Francis

Our ideal is not to live without love! A good pastor renounces the love of a family precisely in order to focus all his energies, and the grace of his particular vocation, on the evangelical blessing of the love of men and women who carry forward

—Meeting with bishops, September 27, 2015



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