

Some Thoughts for May, 2025

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We praise and thank you Lord for this lovely month of May! Trees in bloom, petals blowing through the air; people going for long walks; kids playing ball in the street; gardeners loving every minute of planting their flowers and bushes and getting the soil ready for tomato plants and other veggies. We celebrate the rebirth of the earth after such a long winter's pause!

We start May with a tribute to St. Joseph the Worker. Almighty God chose wisely when he picked St. Joseph to be the spouse of Mary and the foster father for Jesus. Not only was he just and chaste, but he was protector/provider for Jesus and Mary and teacher to Jesus regarding Jewish feasts, Hebrew prayers and synagogue practices. St. Joseph, patron of our church and families, please pray for us.

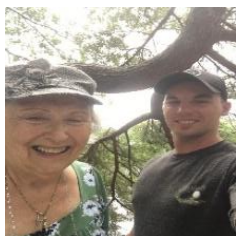
May is the month we especially honor our Holy Mother Mary and all mothers. May 13 is the feast of our Lady of Fatima. We remember reading about the sun spinning in the sky at the apparition site and other miracles and warnings attributed to our Blessed Mother. Sweet Holy Mother, pray for us, who have recourse to thee and who proudly recite your holy rosary.

On May 15 we celebrate St. Isidore , a poor farmer, who with his wife led holy lives, served the poor and it was reported that during his treks of charity that angels would accompany him. St Isidore pray for us and especially for those who work the earth. On May 22 we celebrate St. Rita of Cascia, Italy. Since her feast day is May 22, I claim her as my spiritual God Mother. Rita being a derivative of Margaret-- my name, and the 22nd being the date of my christening. St Rita, pray for us.

On the 29th we celebrate the feast of The Ascension of our Lord Jesus. Before He Rose into heaven, He told his disciples to go unto all the world and preach the gospel and that he would be with them always. We know You are with us Jesus, please continue to guide us and protect us. Help us to be examples to those who do not believe in You.

May God continue to bless the United States of America and heal her many wounds. Bring her back to what our founding fathers created by their devotion to You and love of freedom. God bless us all.

Love,
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