



St. Leonhard's

St. Mary's

Holy Cross

MAY 2021



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

The World of Finance - Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

This bulletin contains the parish calendar and the readings for the entire month. Please take this bulletin home with you. If you wish to have the readings with you at Mass, then bring it with you each weekend. Any last minute important updates and announcements will be sent out via email.

MAY	2021		
Saturday 1 st	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 2 nd	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
Saturday 8 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
Sunday 9 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Thursday 13 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Ascension of the Lord Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Saturday 15 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 16 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Saturday 22 nd	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 23 rd	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Saturday 29 th	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Vigil Mass Fr. Christian Enke
Sunday 30 th	9:30	Holy Cross	Sunday Mass Fr. Pradvut Bahla
	17.00	St. Mary's	Sunday Mass Fr. Christian Enke

Due to Corona regulations, you must register to attend Mass. Please use the **online registration system**, which is available from Monday mornings to Fridays noon. Simply go to our website: www.parish-frankfurt.de and follow the instructions:



Available seating at each of the 3 church locations:

St. Leonhard's – Saturdays at 18.00 (6 pm) – **43 seats**

Holy Cross – Sundays at 9:30 am – **80 seats**

St. Mary's – Sundays at 17.00 (5 pm) – **40 seats**

*** You will find the parish's detailed Corona policy on the handout enclosed with this bulletin. Please read it carefully and follow all the points. Thank you ***



It's easy and convenient to find the daily Mass readings online. Simply go to our parish website and follow the link. There is also a wonderful app called "Laudate" which you can download to your phone and have the readings always at hand. Or you can view them online, for example, on the site Universalis: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>



Our Parish also has a YouTube channel, called „International English-Speaking Parish“, where you will find spiritual reflections and also videos for the kids from the Children's Catechism Group. So check us out under "**International English-Speaking Parish**". If you like what you see, give it a "like" and also please click the "subscribe" button so that you will automatically receive the latest videos as soon as they become available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOCIAL EVENTS – Even though we are now allowed to celebrate Mass together, it is still not allowed to have larger gatherings afterwards. This means that all coffee socials in Holy Cross and all Sharing Sundays at St. Mary’s are cancelled until further notice.

*** **EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST** ***– Things are changing quickly and each week we at the parish office receive new rules and regulations from the Diocese and from the State, which we pass on as quickly as possible to our parishioners. However, in order to receive all relevant updates and also the weekly bulletin, you must be on the parish email distribution list. If you are not yet on the email distribution list, please send your email to: international@parish-frankfurt.de and we will add you.

WELCOME - If you are visiting any of our three church locations, for either a weekend, a few days or if you have come to work in this diverse and interesting city/area ... our parish welcomes you! If you are planning on staying a bit longer, we would ask you to please register as a member of our parish. Forms are available from the welcoming ministers or by contacting our parish office. (international@parish-frankfurt.de). Please note that all information is CONFIDENTIAL and is used for internal purposes only.

PARISH OFFICE - The Parish Office is open for visitors during the published office hours. However, we ask that you please call or email beforehand if you need to come to the office. Also, face masks must be worn the entire time and the distance of 1,5 meters must be kept.

St.
Leonhards

FOOD DONATIONS – Each Saturday at Mass we collect non-perishable, non-refrigerated food for the Mother Teresa Sisters (things like marmalade, fruit teas (rather than black tea), sugar, margarine, dried meats, e.g. salami). Simply place your items in the basket in the back of church.

Holy
Cross

FOOD DONATIONS - We collect food for the Missionary Sisters of Charity each Sunday. We need non-perishable food items, e.g. pasta, sauce, soups, cereals,

etc. Especially important: marmalade, fruit teas, sugar, margarine, dried meats, e.g. salami (the kinds that don't require refrigeration), 10-slice packs of individually wrapped yellow cheese (again the kind that doesn't require refrigeration). **Please do not bring outdated food items.** Thank you.

St.
Mary's

FOOD DONATIONS - You can bring your donations for the Hofheimer/Hattersheimer Tafel each Sunday to Mass. The Tafel is especially in need of items such as sugar, flour, cooking oil, non-refrigerated milk and canned goods.

Youth Rapid-Chess Tournament: Parishioners aged 7 through 15 are invited to take part in an online chess competition (10-minute Swiss format) for the central Frankfurt foreign-language Catholic parishes, taking place from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 29. A registration link is being sent out with the May parish bulletin email; if you're not a regular subscriber to that email, please contact the Parish Office to receive the tournament web address.

MASS RESPONSES

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Or PRIEST: Lord, have mercy.
 PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy.
 PRIEST: Christ, have mercy.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we

give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Profession of Faith (Apostles Creed)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

Invitation to Prayer

PRIEST: Pray, brethren .. acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

PEOPLE: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue

PRIEST: The Lord be with you. PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts. PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right and just.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

PRIEST: The mystery of faith. PEOPLE: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

The Lord's Prayer

PEOPLE: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil ... For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Sign of Peace

PRIEST: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

PRIEST: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

May 1 / 2

5th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 9: 26-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When Saul had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and described for them how on the road he had seen the

Lord, who had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus. So he went in and out among them in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. He spoke and argued with the Hellenists; but they were attempting to kill him. When the believers learned of it, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

Meanwhile the church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was built up. Living in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

Response: Lord, from you comes my praise in the great congregation.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3: 18-24

A reading from the first letter of St. John.

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

GOSPEL – John 15: 1-8

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples: “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

May 8 / 9

6th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On Peter’s arrival Cornelius met him, and falling at his feet, worshiped him. But Peter made him get up, saying, “Stand up; I am only a mortal.” Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for

baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

R: The Lord has revealed his victory in the sight of the nations.

SECOND READING – 1 John 4: 7-10

A reading from the first letter of St. John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

GOSPEL – John 15: 9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever

you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

May 13

The Ascension of the Lord

FIRST READING – Acts 1: 1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with[□] the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up

toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

R: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

SECOND READING – Ephesians 1: 17-23

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

Brothers and sisters:

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GOSPEL – Mark 16: 15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus appeared to the eleven and he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will

speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it.

May 16 / 17
7th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

“For it is written in the book of Psalms, ‘Let his homestead become desolate, and let there be no one to live in it’; ... and ‘Let another take his position of overseer.’

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you

know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

R: The Lord has set his throne in heaven.

SECOND READING – 1 John 4: 11-16

A reading from the first letter of St. John.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

GOSPEL – John 17: 6a, 11b-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Father, I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But

now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

May 22 / 23
Pentecost

FIRST READING – Acts 2: 1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and

residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

R: Lord, send forth your spirit and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters:

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. .. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

GOSPEL – John 20: 19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on

them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

May 29 / 30
The Most Holy Trinity

FIRST READING – Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people saying, “ Ask now about former ages, long before your own, ever since the day that God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of heaven to the other: has anything so great as this ever happened or has its like ever been heard of? Has any people ever heard the voice of a god speaking out of a fire, as you have heard, and lived? Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by terrifying displays of power, as the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

So acknowledge today and take to heart that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other. Keep his statutes and his commandments, which I am commanding you today for your own well-being and that of your descendants after you, so that you may long remain in the land that the LORD your God is giving you for all time.

R: Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

SECOND READING – Romans 8: 14-17

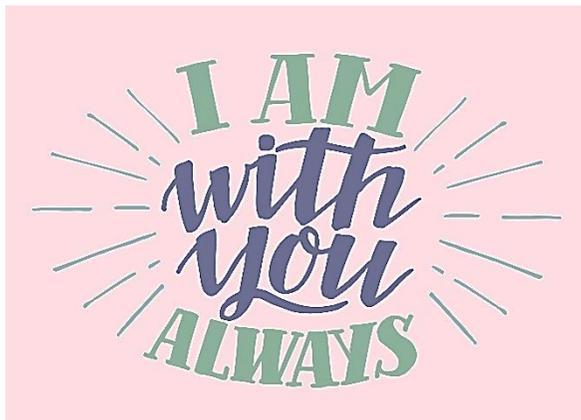
A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters: All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

GOSPEL – Matthew 28: 16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”



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Baptisms arranged with one month notice

Weddings arranged with at least six months' notice

Confession available on request

Spiritual Direction as arranged with the Parish Priest

If you are feeling lonely or afraid or need any other kind of advice,
please contact the Parish office and we will try to help.

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CHURCH LOCATIONS & MASS TIMES



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St. Mary's

Church location:
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Mass time: Sundays 5.00 pm

