

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Jesus describes his relation to us like the closeness of a branch to a tree. We are brought to life in him, grow in him as people who can love each other, and become in him a people of eternal hope.

Vigil Saturdays 6p.m.    Sundays 9a.m. & 11a.m.

### **HOLY DAYS.**

(Working) Vigil 6p.m.    Holy Days 10a.m. & 7.30p.m.  
Weekdays.                    Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.

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### **Prayer to Saint Joseph**

God, our heavenly Father, grant us the fortitude of Christ your Son to face the covid-19 crisis with trust, patience and compassion.

Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit to free us from fear and look forward together to the future with healing and hope.

Through the intercession of Saint Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, and Mary his mother and mother of the Church,  
May we be guided through this time of peril?

Preserve us in peace; heal the sick; protect the vulnerable;  
Keep safe our health care workers and all who serve society,  
At home and abroad.

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.....Amen*

### **Prayer at the Beginning of the Day**

I lift these hands, dear God, to You,  
in praise and thanks for all you do.  
You light the path through all my days  
and bless me with your living ways.  
I lift these hands dear God, to You,  
In troubled hours when joys are few.  
You bear me up on eagles' wings and see  
me through each test life brings.  
I lift these hands, dear God, to You,  
please grant me wisdom, patience, too.  
Then fill my heart with love and caring,  
Precious gifts you've made for sharing.

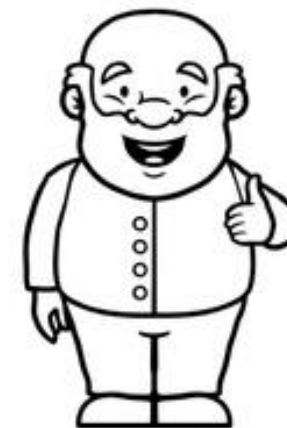


A friend had his 2nd dose of the vaccine at the vaccination centre. Afterwards he began to have blurred vision on the way home. When he got home, he called the vaccination centre for advice and to ask if he should go see a doctor or be hospitalized. He was told NOT to go to a doctor or a hospital, but just return to the vaccination centre and pick up his glasses.



### **Elderly Man Thinks Fast**

An elderly farmer had a large pond down by his fruit orchard. One evening he decided to go down to the pond and took a five gallon bucket to pick some fruit.



As he neared the pond, he heard female voices shouting and laughing with glee. As he came closer he saw a bunch of young women skinny-dipping in the pond. He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end. One of the women shouted to him, 'We're not coming out until you leave!'

The old man thought for a second and said, 'I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim or to make you get out of the pond.'

Holding the bucket up he said, 'I'm here to feed the alligator!'

**Moral: Old men can still think fast.**



