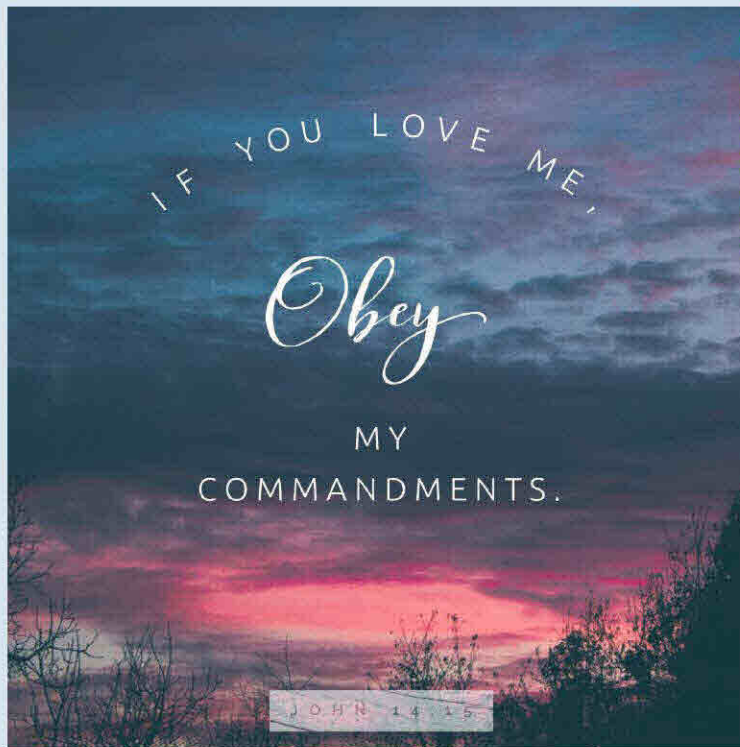


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# ST. CECILA'S PARISH

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## Readings for this week:

**First Reading:** Acts 8:5-8,14-17

**Second Reading:** 1Pet 3:15-18

**Gospel John** 14:15-21

*“ Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! ”*

*- Psalm 66*

*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the end of the earth: The Lord has freed his people ,Alleluia*

*- Isaiah 48.20*

## E-Bulletin :

- General Information
- Fr. Paul's Column
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- Catholic News Around the world
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- Sunday Mass Livestreams

## Sixth Sunday of Easter:

**JN 14:15** – Jesus said to his disciples **“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.**

**JN 14:21** – **“The one who has my commandments and keeps them is the one who loves me;** and the one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and **I will love them and reveal myself to them.”**

Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is.

- Amos 5: 14



## OUR CHURCH

Our Church is opened everyday from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm. You can come and pray. You can phone or email to the parish office to contact Fr. Paul. Phone lines and email are checked from Tuesday—Fridays.

## CONFESSION

Confession is available every Saturday from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm in the church Library. Please book an appointment with Fr. Paul, if you would like to make confession other than the posted times.

## AVAILABILITY OF OUR PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Paul is available in the office from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm on Tuesday to Friday. If you want to meet with Fr. Paul other than the office time, kindly call and make an appointment.

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS/ENVELOPS

Parishioners can drop off their Sunday offerings/ envelopes either in the parish door letter slot or in the letter box in the church foyer; at the pamphlet rack near alter server room. Some parishioners are mailing their offering as well. You can choose the best option that suits you. Parishioners can also chose to Direct Banking option as well; more detailed information is available on our website.



# Fr. Paul's Column

## WHAT BIBLE TEACHES US ABOUT OUR MOTHERS ?

Exodus 20:12: "**Honor** your father and **your mother**, that may have a **long life** in the land which the Lord your God, is giving you. Proverbs 31:31: "**Give her a reward of her labors**, and let her works praise her at the city gates."

We need to honor our Mother for two reasons: At first for all that she has done, for all that she does and everything she will do for us. Secondly to have a long life with her loved ones. Let us honor our mothers every day.

Psalms 139:13-14: "You formed my inmost being **you knit me in my mother's womb**. I praise you, so wonderfully you made me; wonderful are your works! My very self you knew."

Remember that all that we are today; whether it is through our body, bones, flesh, mind, heart was all knit together when we were in our mother's womb. We need to be grateful to God and to our mother for this.

Proverbs 31:26: "**She opens her mouth in wisdom**, and in her tongue is **kindly counsel**."

Mothers advise are always exceptionally good because they advise us with wisdom and kindness. Let us try to listen to them and follow them.

Proverbs 31:28-29: "Her children rise up and **praise her**; her husband too, extols her: "**Many are the women of proven worth**, but **you have excelled them all**."

We need to acknowledge our mothers hard work that they do for us. We need to praise them, not only on Mother's Day but all the days of our life. As our mothers work tirelessly for us!

Isaiah 49:15: "Can a **mother forget her infant**, be **without tenderness for the child** of her womb?"

Even though at times our mothers are strict, they never forget us and always love us dearly.

Luke 2:51: "He went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them; and **his mother kept all these things in her heart**."

How many of us know that like Mary our Mother, our mothers are also treasure moments in their heart and pondering over them. Especially when we do not listen to them, or fail to obey them.

Ephesians 6:1-3: Children, **obey your parents** in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise, "that **it may go well with you** and that you may have a long life on earth."

We need to obey our mothers, so that everything may go well in our lives.

