

Before I Was Myself, You Made Me, Me

Before I was myself you made me, me
With love and patience, discipline and tears,
Then bit by bit stepped back to set me free,
Allowing me to sail upon my sea,
Though well within the headlands of your fears.

Before I was myself you made me, me
With dreams enough of what I was to be
And hopes that would be sculpted by the years,
Then bit by bit stepped back to set me free,
Relinquishing your powers gradually
To let me shape myself among my peers.

Before I was myself you made me, me,
And being good and wise, you gracefully
As dancers when the last sweet cadence nears
Bit by bit stepped back to set me free.

For love inspires learning naturally:
The mind assents to what the heart reveres.
And so it was through love you made me, me
By slowly stepping back to set me free.

(Author Unknown)

Our mothers are our first and our most intimate teachers of the Faith: by their example, by their sharing their own Faith, and by their instruction.

We thank you for giving us your Faith.

Our mothers are women of Hope, and they gently, patiently teach us the importance of becoming people of Hope in God and in God's Providence.

We thank you all for giving us your Hope.

But most importantly, our mothers are women of Love. From before we are born, and through good and difficult times, through joys and tears, through successes and failures, our mothers courageously Love us. It is in our mothers' Love that we discover God, and God's Love.

We thank you for making us Loveable and Loving Christians.

A Blessed and Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers.

Adult Faith Enrichment – Upcoming Events

Video Divina This year, Fr. Lloyd's film series looked at movies that courageously examine the multi-faceted experience of Love. Join him on **Friday, May 18 at 7 p.m. in the parish rectory** to view the movie **LA ZONA**. As this is the last film of the series, you are invited to bring refreshments of your choice to share with the group. Popcorn will be provided. All are welcome!

Please refer to our website and the posters at the church entrances for additional information.

MASS INTENTIONS MAY 12 TO MAY 20, 2018

Saturday, May 12: St. Nereus & St. Achilleus

4:00 **IN LOVING MEMORY:** Alfonso, Eufemia & Italo Falcone,
Allesandro Palladini, Emma Santini Pedicelli, Luigi &
Guerrino Ciambella & Carlo Scarsella

Sunday, May 13: The Ascension of the Lord

8:30 Adelina Guaiani By Arnaldo Guaiani
Giovanni, Maria & Elena Piccolino By the Piccolino Family
Anna Maria Fiori By Livio & Family

11:00 Anita Caucci By Albano Forlini & Family
Iole Falciani By Albano Forlini & Family
Giovanni & Palma Farinelli By the Farinelli Family

Monday, May 14: St. Matthias

8:00 Giovanni Ciampini By Claudia & George
Concetta Santini By Olga Matta Santini

Tuesday, May 15: Weekday Mass

8:00 Marlene Nazareth By Daughter Lana
Rafael Chung Kyu Lee By his Family

Wednesday, May 16: Weekday Mass

8:00 Mr. & Mrs. Alexis Murphy By Marion Doyle & Family

Thursday, May 17: Weekday Mass

8:00 Loreta & Donato Pedicelli By Ernesta Ciampini

Friday, May 18: St. John I, Pope

8:00 Silvano Zilli By Berardina Fiori & Family

Saturday, May 19:

4:00 Eva Ciampini By Claudia & George
Maria & Lina Cardilli By Salvatore Cardillo
Adelino Coverini By the Family

Sunday, May 20: Pentecost Sunday

8:30 **IN LOVING MEMORY:** Leona Clarke, Alba & Luigi Paliotti,
Emma, Colomba Sabati, Flavio Ricci, Pietro DiMeglio & Fenna
Coppa

11:00 Mario Stemberga By his Children
Lillian Glover By Patricia Brabant

Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish. **Collection** for the weekend of **May 5 - 6, 2018** totalled \$ **3,379.15** and **Maintenance** totalled \$ **797.00**.

We Can't Wait to get to Know You Better

...especially if you are a newcomer to the parish within the last year. Before or after Masses this month only, please introduce yourself at the Welcome desk, at the church entrance.

Mother's Day Flowers

We would like to thank Mr. Martin Allaire and the Collins Clarke Macgillivray White Funeral Home for donating the beautiful flowers that were offered to all the wonderful women of our parish in celebration of Mother's Day. This generous gift brings such joy to this special occasion!

Confirmation Celebration

This weekend we celebrate the Confirmation of 33 of our young people. Congratulations to: Isabella Abou-Fadel, Natacha Anglehart-Reven, Isabella Baena, Macarena Broomfield, Marina Broomfield, Monica Broomfield, Peter Broomfield, Alexandra Buckles-Lewis, Victoria Calvao, Elijah Carter, Edwin Carl Cercena, Aiden Cochrane, Christian de Galembert, Massimo Di Pasquale, Elise Elliott, Daniel Fsaha, Yerusalem Hamdo, Thomas Hammett, Patrick Hunter, Kai Hucal, Maya Jabbari, Glenald Joseph, Alaia Krishnan, Neriza Gail Ladrillono, Christian Lobaugh, Tysen McLean, Myra Nazir, Julian Rose Nicolas, Joshua Onichino, Amanda Perez, Joseph Vittorio Ricciardi, Kazimir Siemienski, Terra Tom. Thank you to all the catechists and catechist helpers who have so lovingly and faithfully prepared our young people for this special privilege.

