

## Fifth Sunday after Easter

### *CASTI CONNUBII*

#### ENCYCLICAL OF POPE PIUS XI ON CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE (cont.)

22. Nay, that mutual familiar intercourse between the spouses themselves, if the blessing of conjugal faith is to shine with becoming splendor, must be distinguished by chastity so that husband and wife bear themselves in all things with the law of God and of nature, and endeavor always to follow the will of their most wise and holy Creator with the greatest reverence toward the work of God.

23. This conjugal faith, however, which is most aptly called by St. Augustine the "faith of chastity" blooms more freely, more beautifully and more nobly, when it is rooted in that more excellent soil, the love of husband and wife which pervades all the duties of married life and holds pride of place in Christian marriage. For matrimonial faith demands that husband and wife be joined in an especially holy and pure love, not as adulterers love each other, but as Christ loved the Church. This precept the Apostle laid down when he said: "Husbands, love your wives as Christ also loved the Church," that Church which of a truth He embraced with a boundless love not for the sake of His own advantage, but seeking only the good of His Spouse. The love, then, of which We are speaking is not that based on the passing lust of the moment nor does it consist in pleasing words only, but in the deep attachment of the heart which is expressed in action, since love is proved by deeds. This outward expression of love in the home demands not only mutual help but must go further; must have as its primary purpose that man and wife help each other day by day in forming and perfecting themselves in the interior life, so that through their partnership in life they may advance ever more and more in virtue, and above all that they may grow in true love toward God and their neighbor, on which indeed "dependeth the whole Law and the Prophets." For all men of every condition, in whatever honorable walk of life they may be, can and ought to imitate that most perfect example of holiness placed before man by God, namely Christ Our Lord, and by God's grace to arrive at the summit of perfection, as is proved by the example set us of many saints.

24. This mutual molding of husband and wife, this determined effort to perfect each other, can in a very real sense, as the Roman Catechism teaches, be said to be the chief reason and purpose of matrimony, provided matrimony be looked at not in the restricted sense as instituted for the proper conception and education of the child, but more widely as the blending of life as a whole and the mutual interchange and sharing thereof.

For the full text: [https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf\\_p-xi\\_enc\\_19301231\\_casti-connubii.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-xi_enc_19301231_casti-connubii.html)

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#### **Regular Confession Times:**

Sundays: 7:20-7:50am; 9:50-10:20am

Thursdays: 10:30-10:50am

First Fridays: 6:30-6:50pm

Saturdays: 8:30-8:50am

Liturgical Offices		
<b>Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> May: Fifth Sunday after Easter (II cl) <i>St Pius V, Pope</i></b>		
8:00 am	Low Mass	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Church &amp; Priory Repairs</b>
10:30 am	Sung Mass	
5:30 pm	Vespers followed by Rosary and Benediction	
<b>Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May: St Dominic Savio, C (III cl)</b>		
7:15 am	Low Mass	
8:50 am	Sung Mass and School Sermon	
6:00 pm	Rosary and Benediction	
<b>Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May: St Stanislaus, BM (III cl)</b>		
7:15 am	Low Mass	
9:00 am	Low Mass	
6:00 pm	Rosary and Benediction followed by Low Mass	
<b>Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May: Vigil of the Ascension (II cl)</b>		
5:45 am	Low Mass	
7:15 am	Low Mass	
9:00 am	Low Mass	
5:30 pm	First Vespers followed by Rosary and Benediction	
<b>Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May: THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD (I cl)</b>		
7:00 am	Sung Mass	
8:50 am	Low Mass and School Sermon	
10:00 am	Holy Hour for Vocations (No Mass follows)	
5:30 pm	Second Vespers followed by Rosary	
7:00 pm	Low Mass	
<b>Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May: St Antoninus, BC (III cl) <i>Ss Gordian &amp; Epimachus, Mm</i></b>		
7:15 am	Low Mass	
9:00 am	Low Mass	
6:00 pm	Rosary and Benediction followed by Low Mass	
<b>Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May: Ss Philip &amp; James, Apostles (II cl)</b>		
7:15 am	Low Mass followed by Novena to the Infant of Prague	
---	No Mass at 9:00 am due to Men's Working Bee	
<b>Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May: Sunday after the Ascension (II cl)</b>		
8:00 am	Low Mass	
10:30 am	Sung Mass	
5:30 pm	Vespers followed by Rosary and Benediction	

**Eucharistic Crusade May Intention:** For the conversion of sinners and unbelievers through the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Save the Date:** The annual Corpus Christi Procession will take place in Singleton on Sunday, June 2. A bus will be arranged for transport. Fr Curtis will be coming from Goulburn for the event.

**Easter Duty:** Time is running out. Trinity Sunday is on 26 May this year.

Parish Help		
<b>Cleaning Roster – 11<sup>th</sup> May – Maja Sweeten</b>		
<b>Morning Tea and Cakes: Sunday - 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2024</b>		
8:00am	Mr & Mrs Gonzales	Coffee: Sophia Macapagal & Daniella Gabriel
10:30 am	Mr Devaux	Coffee: Josephine Amituanai
<b>In your charity, please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time</b> Bernada Ockerse; Charles Portelli; June Elizabeth MacDonald; Robert Murphy; Maurice Shaya; Muriel Bailey; Marie Anne Reincastle; Stanislaus Daly; Marianne Charmaine Lawrence.		
Other Mass Centre Sunday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May		
Singleton	10:00 am	Dubbo 9:00 am

**Sunday Catechism:** Classes today for all ages.

**Adult Catechism:** There will be adult catechism this Friday at 7:30 pm. Topic: Hope and Forgiveness in Marriage.

**Hymns at 8:00 am Mass:** At the prior's request a hymn will be intoned before and after the 8:00 am Sunday Masses. Please feel free to join in (2 verses).

**Mary's Month of May:** Rosary and Benediction will be held daily in honour of Our Lady whenever possible during May. Families should recite the daily Rosary to honour Our Lady and to seek her protection. Join us at the chapel if possible.

**Men's Working Bee: This Saturday, May 11** from 9 am- 4 pm. Please sign up in the vestibule or send us an email! Lunch will be provided. Please bring shovels and wheel burrows for moving dirt. Questions? Please contact Mr Peter Baxter at 9586 1837 or [baxterpeter284@gmail.com](mailto:baxterpeter284@gmail.com).

**13 May, Procession in Honour of Our Lady of Fatima:** Come and honour our Mother next Monday at 6:00 pm by a procession around the property followed by benediction, rosary and the consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**Singleton Parish May Pilgrimage** to Our Lady Rosa Mystica Shrine on Sat, 18th May. 10:30 am Low Mass and visit to the shrines of the saints. Picnic lunch/BBQ follows. Bring a plate. Location: 2KM off Commission Road, from Putty Road entrance. [https://maps.app.goo.gl/jR8PfJUjYACrTaQ8?g\\_st=iw](https://maps.app.goo.gl/jR8PfJUjYACrTaQ8?g_st=iw)  
All are welcome to attend. For more details, please contact Fr Taouk.

**St Dominic Savio School Pentecost Fundraiser:** Tickets on sale after both Masses (13+: \$25, children: \$15). Come and join us on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> for a BBQ lunch followed by an afternoon of Bingo. Raffle tickets will also be on sale (\$2 for one, \$10 for 6). Wonderful prizes!

**Digital Danger Series:** There is a new series of talks available from the SSPX on this important topic. <https://sspypodcast.com/digital-dangers/>