

❖ **The Fifth Sunday after Easter** ❖

Commonly called Rogation Sunday

May 21, 2017

FATHER POTHIN'S REFLECTION

Faith is trying

The early Christians had faith that worked wonders. These believers performed signs, prayed, shared everything, heaped generosity, worked hard every day, praised God, and won new recruits. They even got along with each other, judging from the accounts of the early chapters of the book of the Acts of the Apostles. Later chapters, however, prove that the long labor of faith was only beginning. It was not all sweetness and light, but that these Christians were “trying” days and nights to please God. Faith is trying.

The experience of faith is not the absence of pain or sorrow or loss. It is, rather, the bearing of pain or sorrow in faith. Faith does not take away the wounds; it transforms them. In faith, flaws are not obliterated; they are refined and purified

Through your faith, God's power will guard you. ... This is a cause for great joy, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold—only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire. **Fr Pothin**



NOTE: You can follow the entire Mass in the spiral-bound Missalette (in the pews), pages 6-23, except the readings and the hymns. Below are listed page numbers for the readings in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the numbers of the hymns and liturgical music in the hymnal. For those who prefer to use the BCP, the liturgy for the Mass starts on page 67.

Readings and Music

Processional hymn	(Kingsfold) Hymn 101
<i>Kyrie Eleison</i>	Hymn 702 or Missalette p. 7
<i>Gloria in excelsis</i>	(old Scottish chant) Hymn 739 , or BCP p. 84
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The Collect	BCP, p. 175
The Epistle	BCP, p. 176
The Holy Gospel	BCP, p. 176
Offertory Hymn	(Elbing) Hymn 287, v.1 & 3
Doxology	Hymn 139 or Missalette p. 10
<i>Sanctus/Benedictus qui venit</i>	Hymn 797 or Missalette p. 16
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	Hymn 706 or Missalette p. 20
Communion of the People	
Communion hymn	(Picardy) Hymn 197, v. 1 & 3
Recessional hymn	(Royal Oak) Hymn 311



Thank you for worshiping with us at St. Michael the Archangel Anglican Catholic Church. Please join us after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

The Wednesday service continues at 11 am.

The Church of the Ascension sends an invitation to a special celebration in honor of our military members' service to our nation on Sunday, May 28th at 5:00pm. A reception will follow the service. The church is located at 13941 Braddock Road, Centreville, Virginia.





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The river of God is full of water: thou preparest
their corn, for so thou providest for the earth. (*Ps.65*)

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