

## Fifth Sunday of Easter | Year A

May 07, 2023 (Acts 6:1-7 | 1 Pt 2:4-9 | John 14:1-12)

As the number of disciples continues to grow, the early Church begins to face challenges in its management. Let us turn to God and ask him to guide us in our faithfulness.

1/ Let us ask that God's mercy be upon us, as we place our trust in him. For all Christian Churches, especially the Catholic Church. We pray that the message of God's mercy be clearly preached to all the faithful. Let us pray.

3/ Jesus has become the cornerstone, so whoever believes in him shall not be put to shame. For Pope Francis, pastors, and deacons of the flocks. We pray that their faith may be firmly built on the cornerstone of Jesus, so that the faithful can see and follow God. Let us pray.

3/ Jesus reaffirms Philip that whoever has seen him has seen God the Father, because Jesus is in the Father and the Father is in him. For all those who are seeking God. We pray that they may find God through the Gospel stories about Jesus. Let us pray.

4/ Jesus promises that he will prepare a dwelling place for each of us in God's house. For our sisters and brothers who survived tribulations of this world but have now departed from us. We pray that God may give each of them a dwelling place in his heavenly home. Today we remember **[at 4:30 PM]** Frances Bruner, Bradley Rhodes, Martha Nell and Kenny Barger, and Joe Jarboe; **[at 10:00 AM]** Bob and Joan Whelan, Red and Libby Lucas, and Joe Jarboe. Let us pray.

God and Father in heaven, you have revealed to the nations your saving power and inspired people of all ages with the good news about Jesus being the way the truth and the life. Give us, we pray, the wisdom to understand this Gospel message of your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever.