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ecause Easter was so early this year, May is going to be a busy month. There are three special days in May. May 1 is the feast of St. Philip and St. James. Most of what we know about Philip comes from the Gospel of St. John. Philip was from the city of Bethsaida Contributing Editor



and was called by Jesus soon after Andrew and Peter. Philip was present at several important events in the ministry of Jesus, including the feeding of the multitude (St. John 6:5) and the Last Supper (St. John 14:8).

At least three Jameses are associated with Jesus's life and ministry in the synoptic Gospels. This one is often identified as James the Less and is commonly known by that name in church tradition. He is also "the minor", "the little", "the lesser", or "the younger," depending on the translation. He is distinct from James, son of Zebedee, and, in some interpretations, from James, brother of Jesus (James the Just). He appears only four times in the New Testament, each time in a list of the twelve apostles.

May 5 is Rogation Sunday. In the Middle Ages, the Rogation celebration lasted for three days. It was a time to ask God to bless the crops in a primarily agricultural economy. It was also a time of repentance and rededication as well as supplication. Notice that the Collect for The Rogation Days reflects this theme. (pg. 261)

I hursday, May 9, is Ascension Day. This day marks the day Jesus returned home to the Father. His personal earthly ministry done. St. Luke records this in Ch. 24 of Continued on page 3

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We're formal, and we're friendly.

St PATRICK Anglican Church REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday - 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, 8:30 am

Men's Breakfast Sunny Street Café 6021 Walker Blvd, North Richland Hills, 76180

Wednesday, 6:30 pm Evening Prayer & Bible Study

> Thursday, 10:00 am Morning Prayer

Friday 10:00 am Morning Prayer



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his Gospel and in the first verses of Acts. St. Mark also describes the event in Ch. 16 of his Gospel. Ascension Day is one of the holy days that come with an Octave. This means that the Collect for Ascension Day will be said on each of the next seven days, along with the Collect for that day.

Jesus told the disciples that he must leave them and return home. He repeatedly assured them that He would not leave them alone. In St. John 14, He says the Father will send them the Comforter, the Holy Spirit. Sunday, May 19, is Whitsunday, The Feast of Pentecost.

Love Yall, Don Jim



We most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.





The most effective prayer in the Bible is the one spoken by the Tax Collector in Luke 18:13:

God have mercy on me, a sinner!

God will always respond to a repentant sinner guaranteed!

MOTHERS' DAY - MAY 12

A day to honor mothers which is celebrated in many countries throughout the world. In its modern form, the holiday originated here in the United States, where it is observed on the second Sunday in May. Many other countries also celebrate the holiday on this date, while some mark the observance at other times of the year. During the Middle Ages, the custom developed of allowing those who had moved away to visit their home parishes and their mothers on Laetare



Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent. This became Mothering Sunday in Britain, where it continued into modern times, although it has largely been replaced by Mother's Day.

MEMORIAL DAY - MAY 27



We celebrate Memorial Day this year on May 27. To many people, this weekend marks the "unofficial start of summer" and an extra day off work; however, the real meaning of Memorial Day is to remember those service members who made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedom and this country. While celebrating this weekend, here are a few things you can incorporate to honor the true meaning of the day:

Honor Those Who Made the Ultimate Sacrifice. Whether

you have a personal connection to this or are simply a grateful, patriotic citizen, take a moment to remember the service members who gave their lives to protect your own.

Be Sensitive to the Meaning of the Day. Often you will hear service members say they feel uncomfortable when people come up to thank them for their service - This is especially true on Memorial Day. While it is always a kind gesture to thank a veteran and active-duty service member, many service members feel Memorial Day should focus solely on their brothers and sisters who lost their lives defending our country.

**Please do not get me wrong - Thank service members for all they do, just be mindful of what Memorial Day represents to them.

By the American Flag. The American flag is flown at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day to honor the fallen then "at noon, their memory is raised by the living, who resolve not to let their sacrifice be in vain, but to rise in their stead and continue the fight for liberty and justice for all"



St PATRICK

may parish happenings

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Sundays	10:00 AM	Mass and Holy Eucharist	
	11:05 AM	Fun, Fellowship, and Tasty Treats	
Wednesdays	8:80 AM	Men's Breakfast, Sunny Street Café,	
	6:80 PM	Evening Prayer, followed by Bible Study	
Thursdays	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer	

May 9 6:80 PM Mass

10:00 AM Fridays Morning Prayer

MAY BLESSINGS

We pray that our Lord watches over you and blesses you on your Special Day.



May 10 FRED CUSTOR Birthday Ordination into Fr COPE May 28 the Priesthood May 80 AVERY JONES Birthday

IT'S A TEXAS THING...

Someone once said that when you visit Texas, you need a translator. It's true, we do have a mouthful of sayings that only Texans understand. However, if you're from Texas, you know that sometimes there's just no other way to get your point across. If you're trying to be nice, but you just can't quite let it go, "bless your heart" is a go-to. When you've met the girl of your dreams, chances are she is "pretty as a peach." If you just heard your mama come home and you haven't finished your chores, she will be "madder than a wet hen." Take a look at some of these favorite Texan slang and sayings that we just couldn't live without.

IF I HAD MY DRUTHERS

"Druthers" roughly translates to "I would rather," meaning, "If had things my way..." The phrase is celebrated in song in the hilarious, Southern-inspired Broadway musical LiT Abner, in which the title character sings "If I had my druthers, I'd druther have my druthers than anything else I know." And really, wouldn't we all druther have our druthers?

HANKERING

When you have a hankering for a tomato sandwich, you're in the mood for it. What's for dinner tonight? I have a hankering for chicken potpie.

FIXIN' TO

I'm fixin' to tell you that this phrase is as Southern as sweet tea. When you're fixin' to do something, it's going to happen, but you also may decide to take your sweet time.

IF THE CREEK DON'T RISE

Translated, this means: "We'll be there unless something out of our control stops us."
Unlike the United States Postal Service, whose motto proclaims 'Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night' will keep them from their routes, sometimes a Texas visit is thwarted by a rising creek or other unexpected bump in the road.

GUSSIED UP

This means you are dressing up and looking nicer than your everyday look. Whether you're going to church, a wedding, or some other special event, you'll wear your best for the occasion.

I RECKON

I reckon "I reckon" can replace any number of phrases, such as I guess, I suppose, I think, and I imagine. It is a quintessential Texan (and southern) phrase, said by friends and family on porches and in rocking chairs all across the South.

QUIT BEING UGLY

No, we don't mean you need to go fix your hair. This phrase isn't about physical appearance. Rather, when this phrase is used, we'd like you to mind your manners and stop misbehaving. You'll most often hear it coming out of Mama's mouth when the kids are running amok.

HE AIN'T GOT THE SENSE GOD GAVE A GOOSE

This is another nice way to say that someone is ignorant or isn't using their brain.

THAT'S CATTYWAMPUS

While this phrase may sound made up, it's simply that our multisyllabic manner of saying something is askew. This 19th-century phrase was once used to refer to some fierce, imaginary beast until we went off course and adopted the current meaning of "awry."

HISSY FTT

If you've ever had a tantrum because Grandma's mac and cheese ran out before you got a second helping, you know what a hissy fit is. Even if there's nothing left to scrape in that pan, use your manners and move along. A proper Southerner behaves—no hissy fits allowed.

PIDDLIN'

A piddlin' is a small amount that's not worth bothering with. Someone who is piddlin' in the yard is wasting time and not doing a whole lot.

A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

If you haven't seen your mother in a month of Sundays, it's been too long. This expression is another way of saying something has taken a long time or that something is unlikely to happen. Better visit your mom.

Courtesy of Southern Living Magazine

DUTIES FOR MAY 2024

DATE	DEACON	LAY MINISTER	FLOWERS	COFFEE
MAY 5	JONES	WHITE	MONK	DUMBLE
MAY 12	WHITE	MONK	DYKES	WARNKY
MAY 19	JONES	WARNKY	WHITE	CUSTOR
MAY 27	WHITE	JONES	CUSTOR	WHITE

READINGS FOR MAY 2024

MAY 5	ROGATION SUNDAY	MAY 12	SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION
†	Ezekial 34:25 Psalms. 65, 67 (Pg 416, 418) St. James 1:22 St. John 16:23	†	Isaiah 33:5-6, 17, 20-22 Psalms 21:1-6, 24 (Pg 365) I St. Peter 4:7 St. John 15:26
MAY 19	WHITSUNDAY / PENTECOST	MAY 26	TRINITY SUNDAY
†	Joel 2:28 Psalms 145 (Pg. 520) Acts 2:1 St. John 14:15	*	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalms 29,99 (Pg 377, 462) Revelations 4:1 St. John 3:1

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us, your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

II Corinthians 9:11