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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2013

Collect:

Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy,
which we keep in honor of the risen Lord,
and that what we relive in remembrance
we may always hold to in what we do.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection:

Each and every day of our lives we give example to the world of the power of God's transforming love. It is because of God's love that we face adversity with great hope and joy.

It is in these days of joy that we celebrate with fervent hearts Christ's victory over sin and death. As we live in this broken world amidst suffering, hardship, trials, violence, and even death, we never lose sight of what God has already done, what God is doing, and what God has promised for all of eternity – salvation.

This is why we celebrate!

Our celebrations lead us to renew our baptismal commitment to develop a deeper and more spiritual relationship with the Lord. The Lord whose Body and Blood satisfies our hunger and thirst has saved us from our sins. May our response be sung with great joy, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer:

O, Most Holy and ever-living God, you alone are worthy of our praise. Pour forth your Spirit upon us so that we may never cease to praise and give you glory.

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