

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MAY 29, 2022



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

“You are witnesses of these things.”
- Lk 24:48

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:
8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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WELCOME

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The Gospel Reading today is from the Gospel of Luke (24:46-53). Immediately before the actual event of the Ascension, Jesus gives all Christians a message. No, more than a message, it is a commission, a command that is often lost on us who just read this passage without letting it sink in. He is *"sending the promise of the Father upon you (meaning us, today's disciples)"* to go out and share the **"Good News"** that Jesus Christ is risen and has returned to His throne in Heaven. It isn't enough to be joyful over the event of the Ascension, but it should motivate us to see the importance of the event which proves the authority and teachings of Christ and His pivotal role in God's Plan of Salvation.

We should spend a fair amount of time in meditating on the Ascension of Christ. It is not a time to be sad. Some people might ask: *"If He was God, why couldn't He stay with us forever?"* Two reasons come immediately to mind: **(a) Jesus as man was subject to all the limitations that all human beings have, including life span; but more importantly, (b) as He tells the apostles in the Gospel of John (16:7ff), "It is better for you that I go [back to the Father in heaven]. If I fail to go, the Holy Spirit will not come to you."** Thus, Jesus continues to guide us and the Church through the Holy Spirit.

Something to think about during your prayer time this week!

-Rev. Edward J Smith



Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me." — Jn 17:20-21

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling.

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING:

"Behold, I see the heavens opened & the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." (Acts 7:56)

PSALM:

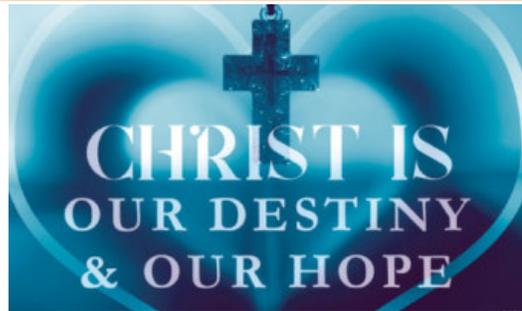
The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth. (Ps 97)

SECOND READING:

The one who gives this testimony says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen! Come, Lord Jesus! (Rev 22:20)

GOSPEL:

That they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you loved them even as you loved me. (Jn 17:23)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK MAY 29, 2022

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26



Sunday - May 29th - The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 am - †Gary Obermiller

Requested by: Obermiller Family

Servers: Liam K, Rose K & Gracie O

Monday - May 30th - Memorial Day

8:30 am - †For the Living & Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday - May 31st - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am - †Agnes Staveski

Requested by: John Smitek

Saturday - June 4th - Sunday Vigil

4:00 pm - †John A. Doslak

Requested by: Marge Thomas & Marie Schweinberg

Sunday - June 5th - Pentecost Sunday

10:00 am - †Ignatius Gonzales

Requested by: Carol Gonzales



Memorial Day Prayer

Gracious God, on this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe. We ask this through your name. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY REPORT

Amount Budgeted Weekly..... \$4,691.00
 Sunday Collection (5/15/2022)..... \$4,240.00
 7/1/2021 to Date +/- Budget..... +\$31,012.82



MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME.

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.



ST. ANTHONY PARISH OFFICE & ADORATION CHAPEL WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEK!

The Parish Office & Adoration Chapel closed at 3 pm on Friday, May 27th. **We will be closed for the entire week of May 29th to June 5th.** **We will reopen Monday, June 6th.** Adoration Chapel will open at 8 am & the Parish Office will open at 9 am. Thanks for your understanding!

Prayer REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Charlie Sherry	Gilbert Amador	Vicky Aring	Gloria Badillo	Lindsey Marie Ballas	Janet Baxter
Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton	Lynn Coscho	Ann DiFrancesco	Alfredo DiLuciano
Evelyn Donovan	Jerry Donovan	Anna Mae Ebinger	Denise Ellis	Deacon Jose Flores	Scott Friges
Bea Giacobbe	Virginia Glass	Barbara Glick	Brian Grace	Renee Golowenski	D'Arie Gonzalez
Delores Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.	Dawn Smith-Hathaway	Carl Hartman	Nancy Hartman
Tim Haupt	Clara Hodorowski	Kevin Holley	Phyllis Holomuzki	Jennifer Humphrey	Al Jacobs
Devin Jarvis	Beatrice Johns	Sylvia Johnston	Johnna Kuhar	Pepsi Lachowyn	Deacon Luis Maldonado
Rita McConley	Dolores Melley	Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer	Ellen Morgan	Mary Nazario
John Pavic	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell	Amy Schmidt	Patricia Smith	Sheila Strauser
Geraldine Terpone	Marge Thomas	Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres	Rosa Torres	Peter Uies
Stacie Velasquez	Sherri Wedgeworth	Velma Weichman	Cathy Weston	Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

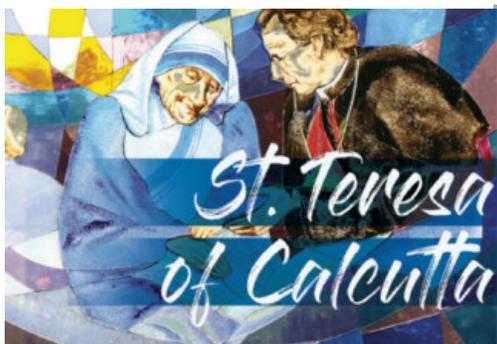
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 Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests, **Georgianna: 440-288-1644**

ADORATION CHAPEL

"Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament" is the channel by which Jesus comes to us. She is also the channel by which we go to Jesus as heaven has ordained it thus. Our heavenly Mother is our most powerful intercessor with her Son Jesus, our most persuasive advocate. When we pray the Holy Rosary we ask her to pray for us and pray she does. Mary Mariologists have noted that devotions to Mary lead us to Jesus in the Eucharist. Wherever there are shrines dedicated to Mary, her Son reigns in the Holy Eucharist where He is received, worshipped and adored. Our Holy Father, Pope St. John Paul II wrote in his Marian encyclical of 1988, "*The piety of the Christian people has always rightly sensed a profound link between devotion to the Blessed Virgin and worship of the Eucharist.*" he later stated in a public address in Rome in June of 1994 while talking about the Eucharist, "*I would also like to repeat my invitation to you to make Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament a habitual practice in all Christian communities.*" Only heaven knows for sure if the May 13, 1856 founding of the "*Congregation of the Most Blessed Sacrament*" was a prophetic foreshadowing of her May 13, 1917 Fatima apparition. What is of importance is that we receive and adore Jesus in the Eucharist. Pope St. John XXIII codified the title of Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament when he declared St. Peter Julian Eymard a saint on December 9, 1962 at the end of the last session of the second Vatican Council.



- L. Bracey



PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. That is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion"

~ Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD SEE THIS VIDEO

Watch "Explaining the Faith - Ukraine, Russia, Fatima: What Is Heaven Telling Us?" on YouTube By Fr. Chris Alar, MIC

Fr. Chris Alar is the Director of Association of Marian Helpers & a Marian Father of the Immaculate Conception (MIC)

What is the prophecy from heaven at Fatima and other apparition sites telling us about the current events regarding Russia and Ukraine?

Fr. Chris explains what it means according to Church teaching.

Watch this must see video at:

<https://youtu.be/wMi6iKhgdpl>

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CHURCH FLOOR UPDATE

I just wanted to give you an update on how the work in the Church is progressing. **As all of you can see, the new carpet is very nice, and I have had overwhelmingly positive feedback about it.** The installer is very good and methodical in his installation progress.

I have had a few questions regarding the pews that I wanted to address:

1. Handicapped Seating - The handicapped seating will only be the first two pews on both sides of the main aisle. **They have intentionally been spaced 6 feet apart to accommodate wheelchairs and walkers.** I had two of our wheelchair-bound parishioners provide their wheelchair dimensions and feedback regarding that seating area. The 6 feet allows for a wheelchair to move into the area and maneuver. It also allows for anyone using a walker to easily move in and out of the pew, as well as for a Eucharistic Minister to provide communion to those in that area. My favorite part of the new handicapped area is that it allows for our parishioners who utilize walkers and wheelchairs the ability to sit with their family and loved ones. So often in Churches these wonderful people are forced to sit on the ends of pews or in aisleways. I believe this new setup affords them the dignity and respect they deserve.

2. Regular Seating - **The regular seating area will look very similar to before the project, except that each pew will receive an additional foot of leg room.** Not only will this provide more comfort and ease of movement between the pews, but it also meets an essential maintenance need. This additional foot of room means that we will now be able to setup scaffolding to address the Church lighting. Now when bulbs burn out, we will be able to address this in a timely manner. This is a big improvement in our ability to maintain our Church.

Once again, I am pleased how the project is going, and I hope it will be complete within the next couple of weeks. There was a great deal of thought and consultation that went on prior to the start of the project, so that we can meet the needs of all our parishioners, as well as helping in the maintenance of the Church building. **In the end, I believe we will continue to have a beautiful Church in which to worship, while also meeting the needs of our wonderful parishioners.**

-Rev. Edward J Smith

“Memorial for the Unborn”

Knights of Columbus James L. Martin Council 637 invites everyone to the dedication ceremony for a newly installed “Memorial for the Unborn” on **Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th, 2022 immediately following the scheduled 9:00 am Mass that takes place in the Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery, 555 N Ridge Rd West, Lorain.** This memorial is and WAS NOT created solely for aborted children but all who may have died as a result of miscarriage, an accident where the child and/or mother died, medical condition in the uterus, etc. Light refreshments and deserts will be provided after the ceremony at the K of C Council Hall, 4720 Oberlin Avenue, Lorain. *Please join us!*



ST. ANTHONY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH DINNER JUNE 4, 2022 FROM 4:30-6:00 PM

Menu includes:

Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Garden Salad, Dinner Bread & Dessert.
(Beverage is also included when you dine in.)

Cost is \$12.00, payable at the door.

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PLEASE call 440-288-0106 or sign up in church vestibule to make reservations.

*There will not be any Saturday dinners in July, August or September due to Holidays.
We will continue dinners in October.*

ST. TERESA'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY IS SPONSORING A PANCAKE BREAKFAST June 5, 2022 from 9 am to 1 pm

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Cost is \$7 per person at the door

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