



Rev. Eric Asante, Administrator

SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE

of Sweden Parish

Sixth Sunday of Easter

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Lords Day

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 10:00 AM

NOON (African)

Weekday

MON, TUES, WED & FRI 9:00 AM

Holy Days

See Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration/First Friday

9:30am - 5:30pm

Confessions: Every

Saturday 3-3:30pm



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Food Pantry Hours: Thursday

9:45am - 2:30pm and

Saturday 10am - 1pm

Prayer Shawls Ministry

call the rectory

Bingo: Every Friday 6:30-10pm
lower church hall

596 Cambridge Street Worcester, MA 01610

WEEK OF May 25 & 26, 2019

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. May 25 – Vigil: 5th Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM - Parishioners of the Parish

Sun. May 26 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM – James F Conway – 5th Anniversary ~His Family

11:00 AM Recitation of the Rosary

12:00PM (African Mass)

Sat., June 1 – Vigil: 7th Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM - Parishioners of the Parish

Sun., June 2 – 7th Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM Ladies Guild

May 26, 2019
6th Sunday of Easter

Theology has two words to describe the space between God and us - transcendent and immanent. When we say God is transcendent, we speak of the One whose ways are not our ways, the placer of stars and maker of mountains. This is God who transcends our understanding, whose being goes beyond what we can know. When we say God is immanent, we mean His nearness to us. This is the way Jesus speaks of himself in today's Gospel. "Whoever loves me keeps my word...and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

The Hebrews saw God as intimately involved with the fate of their people. But for all His care, God was still distant to most. He spoke through prophets and was represented in blazes of fire and pillars of cloud. Priests offered animal sacrifice to atone for the nation's sins. While we still know that God is transcendent - any morning's resplendent sunrise confirms this - Jesus introduces us to himself in a new way. Not only does Jesus walk among us, but the Holy Spirit dwells within us. "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit...will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you!"

How do you tend to view God? For many of us, the transcendent sense of a distant God might fill our perception. Today's Gospel reminds us of something altogether different, something more intimate. Our God remains with us. He overcomes the confusion of the world and speaks peace to our troubled hearts. Our God is not far from us. The more we remain connected to Him and love as He loved, the more we will experience His nearness. We can have confidence in His presence and rest in His encouragement: "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
None Listed

We will not be calling UMass Memorial as they don't have a system to give us the information we need. If you or a loved one is in one of those hospitals please let us know so we can be sure to visit them and pray for them.

Please continue to pray for all of our service men & women who serve to protect us.



(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

Saturday, June 1

Lector: Deb Durnin

Commentator: Kathy Hannon

Ministers of Holy Communion: Sandra Kucharski, Eileen Lohnes

Sunday, June 2

Lector: Daniel Fullen

Commentator: Lisa Villa

Altar Servers: Noah Sulminski & Vanessa Sulminski

Ministers of Holy Communion: Mike Buffone, Jean Dawson, Glenn Gibson, Elaine Halpin, Rose Kempton, Patricia Reardon

The Ascension of the Lord—Holy Day of Obligation

The Ascension of Our Lord, **May 30th**, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter, is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven.

Mass will be celebrated at 9am & 7pm

Memorial Day Worship Service

All Faiths Cemetery will hold a Memorial Day worship service at the Pavilion at the center of the cemetery on Memorial Day, May 27th, at 10:00 am. The service will be followed by coffee and pastry. All are welcome.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us Sunday, **June 2nd**, immediately following the 10:00 am Mass for our *Annual Pancake Breakfast*. We will begin selling tickets this weekend. Adults \$6.00, Children 5-10 \$3.00, under 5 are free.

BINGO

May 31, 2019

Team # 5 — Alma Sheehan, Eileen Kaminski, Dave Dubey, Donald Ducharme, Tony Halpin, Elaine Halpin

The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Emma Lusignan, Patricia Wassel, Joan Lorusso, Pat Markiewicz, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Ed Wall, Julie Carrigan, Paul Levesque, Donna Niles & Michael Burgraff

**Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:
Elaine Marcoux, Jo Luikey**



**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
May 18-19, 2019**

Ascension \$45.00; Current Expenses \$140.00; Weekend Offerings \$3,000.25

Did you forget your envelopes? Did you attend Mass somewhere else and forget to send in your missed envelope? You can sign up for online giving or use the app to never miss a stewardship giving. The app is called

ConnectNow Giving or visit our website to sign up for online giving. Any questions please call the rectory.

Partners in Charity

Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2019 Partners in Charity Appeal. If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pews, or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it online.

No gift is too small, any donation is greatly appreciated



Upcoming Events

May

- 30th—Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass 9am and 7pm

June

- 2nd — Parish pancake breakfast immediately following the 10am Mass
- 22nd — Parish Cookout at noon

Scholarship Committee Raffle

The Scholarship Committee is holding a 50/50 raffle to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Tickets will be sold before and after the Masses for the next few weekends. The drawing will be held on Sunday, June 2nd. Tickets are \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. Please support this worthy cause.

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications will be available starting on May 29, 2019. Students who are parishioners attending Catholic elementary school, middle school, and high school are eligible to apply. Students who are parishioners attending college are also eligible to apply. The scholarships awarded are in the amount of \$500. Applications are available at the rectory.

PARISH COOKOUT

Mark your calendars—our parish cookout will be *Saturday, June 22nd at noon*. Tickets will be on sale soon. We will need help setting up, cooking and for clean up. For more information, please contact Lynn or Mark Lorusso (LynnHGP@gmail.com).

MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

*Dear Lord,
On this day, we remember those
Who have served us by protecting our freedoms
When we celebrate our long weekend
With our friends and family, help us remember,
That our freedom to speak of You,
And our freedom to worship You,
And our freedom to do that which we ought to do,
Have all been bought at the price and sacrifice
Of many lives
Your Son died for our eternal life in heaven.
So too, your children died protecting us here on earth,
Help us be mindful this weekend and always
Of the sacrifices made by those in uniform
For all our freedoms,
Amen.*