

May 1, 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter



The Time of Presence in Absence

Jesus' time on earth was very brief. He spent only a little time among us, but in that time he taught us about the Father and passed on to us the assurance of his love, as well as the knowledge of how to respond to it. Loving the Lord and keeping his word are the same thing. Jesus is the Word of God. To receive the Word is to receive the Father and the Son, since it testifies to their presence.

Today's Bulletin is printed in thanksgiving to God for our C.C.D. Teachers.

MASS INTENTIONS



- Wednesday, May 4
8:00 a.m. Frank Wendel
- Thursday, May 5
10:30 a.m. Shady Oaks – Willie Bartos
- Friday, May 6
8:00 a.m. James Hoepfl, Georgie Okruhlik,
Alice & Albert Pilat
- Saturday, May 7
6:30 p.m. Sp. Intention: Specially Remembered Mothers
- Sunday, May 8
6:30 a.m. Sp. Intention: Specially Remembered Mothers
9:30 a.m. Sp. Intention: Specially Remembered Mothers

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Ascension of the Lord*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

- First Reading: Acts of the Apostles: 1:1-11**
- Responsorial Psalm: 47**
- Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23**
- Gospel: Luke 24:46-53**

Bulletin Sponsors Needed

May 29 June 19 & 26

Sanctuary Light Bookings Available

May 29 June 19

2016 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2016 Assessment \$17,080.00
 Contributions So Far \$ 2,785.00
 Amount Yet to be Contributed \$14,295.00

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

- Joyce Pavlicek*
- Richard Kalisek*
- Karin & Kenneth Filipp*
- Niki & Chad Chaloupka*

Do please consider making a donation.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

- 8:30-9:00 am – Sharon Etlinger, Doris Foster, Cleo Nieto
- 9:00-9:30 a.m. – Sharon Etlinger, Doris Foster
- 9:30-11:00 a.m. – Anna & Michael Fishbeck
- 11:00-11:30 a.m. - *Adorers Needed*
- 11:30-12:00 p.m. – Gussie Machalec, *open*
- 12:00-12:30 p.m. – Eleanor Wagner, Gussie Machalec
- 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Eleanor Wagner, *open*
- 1:00-2:00 p.m. – Mary Ann Wenske, *open*
- 2:00-3:00 p.m. – Lisa Rothbauer, *Open*
- 3:00-3:30 p.m. – Linda Pilat, *open*
- 3:30-4:00 p.m. – John, Scott & Cathy Wenske, Linda Pilat
- 4:00-4:30 p.m. – Rose Rothbauer, *open*
- 4:30-5:00 p.m. – Mike Janecek, Rose Rothbauer
- 5:00-5:30 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, Mike Janecek
- 5:30-6:00 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck

Come spend some time in prayer before the Lord.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS TO TOUR PAINTED CHURCHES - MAY 9

The St. Joseph's Altar Society members will be taking a tour of the Painted Churches on their regular meeting day, May 9th. The tour will include Dubina, Ammansville, High Hill and Praha. They will also visit Raphael's Refuge. Members are asked to meet at the Church parking lot. They will leave the parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will have lunch at one of the restaurants. If you are interested in going, please enjoy the day with us as a treat from the Altar Society. Please call Dolores Scott (596-7490) or Gussie Machalec (596-4034) by Friday, May 6th.

SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY MASS – MAY 8

Submit your envelope by May 2.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- MONDAY – Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
- TUESDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
- WEDNESDAY – First Communion Practice, 3:30 p.m.
– Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
- THURSDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
– KC Bingo, KC Hall
- FRIDAY – First Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30 a.m. –
6:00 p.m., Family Room
– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Office at any time.

REFLECTION

A New Manner of Living In Christ's Peace

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another as Jesus loved us. This sounds so simple, and yet it is so radical. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God. It has assured us that regardless of outward appearances we have even here and now a foretaste of this heavenly city, if we but choose to live in the power of the resurrection. We will be recognized as resurrection people by our active faith and our unselfish love.

The final gift Jesus promises to give is his own peace. This cannot be a reference to safety from distress because the one who promises it is the one who faced humiliation and crucifixion. The peace Jesus bestows is a peace he has won by overcoming sin and death. It issues from the union Jesus enjoys with God, a union we are now invited to share. It is a peace in which we can rest even while in the throes of life's struggles. Jesus bequeaths his peace on us just after he has assured us that God will send the Spirit to be with us in his absence. This is the greatest of his farewell gifts.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



May 1 – Tyler Rothbauer, Casie Zimmerman
May 2 – Kenneth Hanzel, Stephanie Yanez
May 4 – Lillian Hrnecir
May 5 – Dennis Berckenhoff
May 6 – Lorene Fishbeck, Mary Alice Lewkoski,
Windi Michal
May 7 – Irena Fikac, Mark Pilat

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May 1 – Patricia & Harold Kuntschik
May 2 – Elizabeth & Benedict Wenske
May 3 – Barbara & Eugene Anderle
May 5 – Shannon & L.A. Simper
May 6 – Congratulations Albina & Clarence Bohuslav
on your 60th Wedding Anniversary

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Today – Youth Mass (10th - 11th Grades); Last Day of C.C.D.; C.C.D. Breakfast/Awards Program
May 2 – After School Program (K-2nd Grade)
May 4 – After School Program (Grades 3-6): 9-11 CCD. First Communion Practice
Next Sunday – 1st Communion
May 21 – Confirmation Retreat; Baccalaureate
May 22 – Confirmation
July 10 -15 – Vacation Bible School

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Retired & Needy Priests of the Diocese



Priests devote their lives to furthering the mission of the Church and bringing people closer to Christ. In retirement, they continue to serve. They are the living roots of our sacramental community. *Please be generous.*

THE FEAST OF ASCENSION



The feast of Ascension which is traditionally celebrated forty days counting from Easter will be celebrated on Sunday, May 8 in the Diocese of Victoria.

2015-2016 C.C.D. YEAR ENDS

Today is the last day of C.C.D.: We thank Donna Perez the C.C.D. coordinator, all the Sunday School and C.C.D. Teachers and helpers, and the Library staff for their continued dedication to our youth. We also thank Sharon Etlinger for helping with the Youth Masses.

Parents and families of C.C.D. students and all parishioners are invited to the Parish Hall after Mass for breakfast to mark the end of another C.C.D. year. Awards will be presented to deserving students. Come support our youth.

Perfect Attendance at Class: Judson Anderle, Jillian Anderle, Madison Rothbauer, Hunter Anderle, Landon Chaloupka, Reese Nieto, Addison Simper, Jodie Raabe, Hope Kirkland, Lily Simper

Perfect Attendance at Mass: Jaxon Bartos, Addisyn Greive, Madison Rothbauer, Hunter Anderle, Karsyn Blahuta, Landon Chaloupka, Reese Nieto, Addison Simper, Jessica Fikac, Jodie Raabe, Cecelia Fikac, Lily Simper, Catherine Wenske, Colby Blahuta, James Fikac, Erin Blaschke, John Wenske, Jayden Pustejovsky, Hannah Siegel, Sheridyn Nieto

C.C.D. Library Readers of the Year:

Kindergarten: 1st Place (tie) - Greyson Anderle,
Judson Anderle
1st Grade: 1st Place - Madison Rothbauer
2nd Place (tie) – Brooke Rothbauer,
Addisyn Greive
Second Grade: 1st Grade - Karsyn Blahuta
2nd Place – Landon Chaloupka
Third Grade: 1st Place – Jaxon Bartos
2nd Place – Jack Cinadr
Fifth Grade: 1st Place – Cecilia Fikac
Sixth Grade: 1st Place - Cathy Wenske
Seventh Grade: 1st Place - Colby Blahuta