



# Seventh Sunday of Easter ~ The Ascension of the Lord

## May 28, 2017



*He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. ~Acts 1:9*

### Weekly Mass Intentions



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#### Saturday – May 27

8:00am- † Isabel Maria Quiñones  
5:00pm- † Red” Nemechek  
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

*Offered by:* daughter, Marta  
*Offered by:* Linda Graves

#### Sunday – May 28

8:30am- ~Birthday Blessing for Johnathan Codipilly *By:* OLMC Parish Ministry  
10:00am- †Gregorio Benavides & Jose Maria Posada *Offered by:* Family  
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions  
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

#### Monday – May 29 ~Memorial Day~

8:00am- † Carlo Fortunato *Offered by:* Joan Fortunato  
12:05pm-† NO MASS

#### Tuesday – May 30

8:00am- † Janice Blanchard *By:* Sister Marianne Robertson  
12:05pm- †James & Victoria Crowdell ~Anniversary~ *Offered by:* Alexis Crowdell

#### Wednesday – May 31

8:00am - † *Offered by:*  
12:05pm- † Peter & Pop Pop *Offered by:* Mom

#### Thursday – June 1

8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
12:05pm- † *Offered by:*

#### Friday – June 2

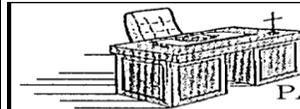
8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
12:05pm- † *Offered by:*

#### Saturday – June 3

8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
5:00pm- † “Ronnie” Krause *Offered by:* Rosalia Patterson

#### Sunday – June 4

8:30am- † Fredrick & Emily Bienz *Offered by:* Cappucci Family  
10:00am-† Hilda Touchey *Offered by:* Ronnie Siriani



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

**Memorial Day.** The start of summer – barbecues, beaches, fun outdoors! Do any of us take time this weekend to remember the purpose of Memorial Day – to honor the men and women who served and died in our name in conflicts throughout the world?

We are a nation at war. Many members of the military are frustrated today because very few people recognize this truth. Members of the United States military are engaged in military actions in Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria. There have also been military actions taken by members of the United States military in Yemen and in different African nations. A significant number of American military personnel have served multiple tours of duty in Iraq and in Afghanistan as the United States continues to determine its role in those countries and assist in efforts to stabilize them. The sad truth is that the majority of Americans are ignorant of the breadth of military engagements that now put American service members at risk because less than 1 percent of the American population has been on active duty in the United States military.

All of us should take time this weekend to acknowledge the debt we owe to the members of the United States military. Every day they accept challenges that few military forces are prepared to accept and they carry out their work with exceptional skill and dedication. Our appreciation of their sacrifices and their service should not prevent us from challenging our political leaders to justify the use of military force and to explain how the use of military force serves our national interests and advances the cause of peace. We can support our troops while vigorously challenging our political leadership to examine our continued dependence on military solutions to complex international problems.

Before you open that beer this weekend, or eat that hot dog or hamburger, pause and pray for the members of our armed forces. Pray for their safety. Pray for wisdom for our national leaders that they might support our troops by asking less of them and more of our diplomats.

**Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J**

### Weekly Memorials

**Bread & Wine**

**Tabernacle Candle**

**Memorial Candle**



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~ † **Susan Obermayer**  
*Offered by:* **Family**  
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### Liturgical Minster's Schedule JUNE 2017

#### Saturday 5:00 PM

*Lector:* Linda Graves & Lindford Smith (*carry Gospel Book*)  
*E. M.:* Lindford Smith, Nancy Velez & Cinderella Wonschwitz *Sub:* Peg & Tom Ventrudo

#### Sunday 8:30 AM

*Lector:* Joan Fortunato (June 18<sup>th</sup>/ June 25<sup>th</sup>) & Maria Oliveras (*carry Gospel Book*)  
*Sub:* Ceferino Albarracin (June 2<sup>nd</sup>/ June 11<sup>th</sup>)  
*E.M.:* Delmeter Carey, Maria Oliveras & MarAnn Ugboode *Sub:* Linda Torres

#### Sunday 10:00 AM

*Lector:* Thelma Washington (June 11<sup>th</sup>, June 18<sup>th</sup>/ June 25<sup>th</sup>) (*carry Gospel Book*)  
*Sub:* Victoria Garay (June 4th)  
*E.M.:* Theresa Contardo, Beverly Maryshow & Crescensia Pascua *Sub:* Emmanuel Fode

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page ([www.olmcsi.org](http://www.olmcsi.org)). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

### **May 28: Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14  
1 Peter 4:13-16  
John 17:1-1

### **June 4: Pentecost Sunday**

Acts 2:1-11  
1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13  
John 20:19-23



**BUY YOUR TICKET FOR THE \$2,500 RAFFLE!** –We have begun our \$2,500 Raffle. There will be only 300 tickets sold at \$25 each. We will have the grand prize of \$2,500, a second prize of \$250 and a third prize of \$125. We need your help. If you can sell tickets to family, co-workers, or neighborhood merchants, please leave your contact information in the parish office and we will contact you. Please support this raffle that will help us sustain the good work of our parish. *Thank you!*

**HAP -HIGHER ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM** - The program will help students improve their physical activity, strengthen their faith and engage them in different extracurricular activities during a five-week course. The program is for students who range from six to eleven years of age (presently in 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>). Applications can be filled out ONLY Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays in the parish office from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Deadline is June 6th. For further information, call to speak with Jessy: 718-442-3411 (after 4 p.m. Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Fri.).

**Volunteers:** Positions available as Assistant Volunteers, currently in 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> Grade and helpers presently in 7<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> grade. If interested, please visit the parish office after 4 p.m. on Mon., Tues., Thurs. or Friday.

**A PRAYER to the HOLY SPIRIT:** Spirit of love and compassion, grant us hope. Spirit of wisdom and understanding, grant us hope. Spirit of counsel and fortitude, grant us hope. Spirit of knowledge and truth, grant us hope. Spirit of peace and reconciliation, grant us hope. Spirit of transformation and renewal, grant us hope. Spirit of justice and clemency, grant us hope. Holy Spirit, Comforter, grant us hope. Holy Spirit, Gift of God, grant us hope. Holy Spirit Who fills the universe, grant us hope. *Education for Justice.*

**REFLECTION on the RESURRECTION - POPE FRANCIS:** Pope Francis celebrates the appearance of the Risen Christ to Mary Magdalene who recognized the Risen Lord when he called her by name, 'Mary.' Pope Francis: How nice it is to think that the first apparition of the Risen One — according to the Gospels — took place in such a personal way! And Jesus calls her: "Mary!": the revolution of her life, the revolution destined to transform the life of every man and every woman begins with a name which echoes in the garden of the empty sepulcher. The Gospels describe Mary's happiness. Jesus' Resurrection is not a joy which is measured with a dropper, but a waterfall that cascades over life. Christian life is not woven of soft joys, but of waves which engulf everything. You too, try to imagine, right now, with the baggage of disappointments and failures that each of us carries in our heart, that there is a God close to us who calls us by name and says to us: 'Rise, stop weeping, for I have come to free you!'. This is beautiful.

**NEW YORK CATHOLIC BIBLE SUMMIT 2017:** -Missionary Disciples: Bringing God's Word to the Entire World! – June 17, 2017 – New York Catholic Center – 350 East 56<sup>th</sup> Street – 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$25 includes box lunch (you must register before June 9<sup>th</sup> in order to receive a box lunch). Featured speakers include: Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, Roy L. Peterson, President of the American Bible Society. Included in the day are fascinating workshops. Registration information and information concerning the workshops are available in the vestibule.

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**ADULTS (18 Years or Older) SEEKING THE SACRAMENTS** – If you, or someone you know, is 18 years or older and has not received First Communion and/or Confirmation, please leave your contact information in the rectory for Mr. Coin Vautrinot, our Director of Adult Faith Formation. He will gladly outline what needs to be done to receive the sacraments next year. Thank you!

**COLLECTION:** May 21: \$4,972. *Thank you for your continued support of our parish!*

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**SHARE THE HOPE** - Today's readings for the celebration of the Lord's Ascension once again reminds us that we Christians are people of hope. In the second reading, St. Paul eloquently exhorts the Ephesians to enlighten their minds so that they may know the hope and glory that comes from being people who put their trust in the Lord Jesus. In the story of the Ascension, narrated in the first reading, the Lord Jesus assures the disciples that the power of the Holy Spirit will come upon them. Finally, in the Gospel, the Lord makes known to the disciples that their mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all nations. This wonderful feast keeps our eyes focused on the hope in which we take hold since the day of our Baptism.