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Holy Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass:

Sunday: 11:30 am

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday: Noon

Thursday: Noon

Reconciliation:

Before all Masses.

Also by an Appointment.

11 Hour Adoration:

First Friday of every month

7 am to 6pm

Daily Adoration/ Rosary

Mon – Sat 11:00 am to noon

Sunday 10:45

Ascension of the Lord

New to the Parish? Welcome! To register as a parishioner of St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, please contact the office.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Church law directs that Catholics receive marriage preparation and be married in the Church. Please contact the office at least four months prior to the wedding. Advent and lent are penitential Seasons: weddings are discouraged during these seasons.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism should take place A.S.A.P. following birth. Expectant parents should contact the office for baptismal preparation.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Anyone in danger of death or the elderly should receive this sacrament. Anyone anticipating a surgery or a stay in the hospital should request the sacrament before surgery.

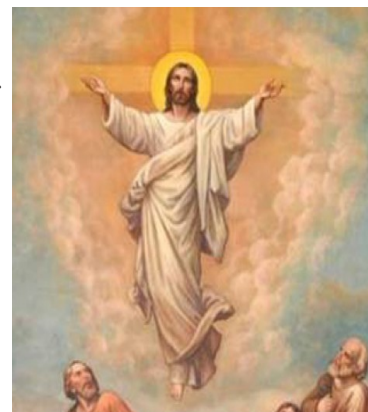
Religious Education Classes [CCD]: Is available for Grades Pre-K-10 10:00 am on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall.

WHY THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD MATTERS

The feast of the Ascension of the Lord, which the church celebrates at the end of the Easter season, is, Jesus passed, in bodily form, from this world to heaven.

The key to understanding both the meaning and significance of this feast is a recovery of the Jewish sense of heaven and earth.

Jesus' great prayer, which is constantly on the lips of Christians, is distinctively Jewish in inspiration: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Notice please that this is decidedly not a prayer that we might escape from the earth, but rather that earth and heaven might come together. The Lord's prayer recapitulates and raises to a new level precisely what the prophet Isaiah anticipated: "the knowledge of the Lord will fill the earth, as the water covers the sea."



The first Christians saw the resurrection of Jesus from the dead as the commencement of the process by which earth and heaven were being reconciled. They appreciated the risen Christ as the heavenly ruler of the nations, the one who would bring the justice of heaven to this world. And this is precisely why people like Peter, Paul, Thomas, Andrew, and John went to the ends of the earth to proclaim just this new state of affairs: "Jesus is Lord!" What began in the Lord's resurrection is now ready to burst forth and flood the world through the work of the disciples. Accordingly, just before ascending to heaven, Jesus said, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." It is fascinating to note how the Ascension and Pentecost are linked: in the Ascension, something of earth moves into the heavenly sphere, and at Pentecost, something of heaven—the Holy Spirit—invades the earth. The two events constitute, in short, a foretaste of the great reconciliation for which the entire Jewish religion had for centuries yearned.

The Church, guided by the Holy Spirit down through the ages, is meant to be the privileged place where this coming-together happens. Think of the moment at Mass, just before the singing of the Sanctus, when the priest invokes the angels (the realm of heaven) and encourages us: "may our voices be one with theirs in their triumphant hymn of praise." What he is suggesting is that earth might, with Christ, ascend to heaven and that heaven, in the person of the Holy Spirit, might descend to earth—and that the two dimensions might sing together in harmony.

What I hope has become clear in the course of this discussion is that the Ascension of Jesus has nothing to do with a literal journey into the stratosphere, for that would involve simply a transfer to another position within "the world." The Ascension is Jesus' journey, not to another place, but to another dimension. But this dimension to which he has gone is not alien to us. It is instead a source of inspiration, power, and direction. And this is why the angels (denizens of heaven) who appear to the disciples just after Jesus' departure say, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?" What they are hinting at, none too subtly, is this: under the influence of Jesus' spirit, get to work! Do all that you can to foster the marriage of heaven and earth! Get on with the mission of the church!

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio

<p align="center"><u>First Friday Adoration</u></p> <p>Many of us are busy with family, work, obligations, and etc that we forget to stop and take an hour to sit with the One who makes it possible for us to have all that keeps us busy. He gives us all that we need and more, including the hours we have each day. Each month we have 744 hours. Please sign up to sit with the One who gave this time to you for one hour in June. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hall.</p> <p>Beginning with the month of June, on the first Friday of each month The Light Ministry [De Luz] has invited our Spanish Community and anyone else [meditations and teachings will be in Spanish] to come and sit with Jesus in Adoration from 7:00 until 8:00.</p>		<p align="center"><u>Mass Intentions</u></p> <p><u>Sunday, May 28</u> Mass 11:30am</p> <p>+ Andres Perez By Henry & Haydee</p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 30</u> Noon Mass Garcia Family</p> <p><u>Thursday, June 1</u> Noon Mass Encarnacion Gomez & Family</p> <p>Antonio Ramirez</p> <p><u>Sunday, May 28</u> + Andres Perez By Haydee & Henry</p>															
<p>The office will be closed on Monday, May 29. Everyone have a safe holiday.</p>																	
<p align="center"><u>Looking Ahead</u></p> <p>There will be no Mass Tuesday, June 6 and Thursday, June 8 as Father Michael will be out of town.</p>																	
<p align="center"><u>Rosary Makers Meeting</u></p> <p>All are invited to come and see what is happening this month with the Rosary Makers. They will meet at noon after Adoration, have a light lunch and then the meeting. In April the rosary makers were able to send 400 rosaries to places in need of them. At their last sale they made 476.00 which will go towards purchasing more supplies and shipping out more rosaries.</p>																	
<p align="center"><u>Charismatic Mass</u></p> <p>Sunday, June 4, 6:30p.m. St .Ignatius of Antioch Church, 601Bell Rd., Antioch. Mass will be celebrated by our own Fr. Michael Baltrus Refreshments follow Mass, please bring snack to share. Info: Deacon Doug Shafer 615-459-9331 or Bob Schwartz 615-889-8728. All are invited</p>		<p align="center"><u>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</u></p> <p align="center">May 28 thru June 4</p> <p>Sunday: Acts 1:12-14 1 Pt 4:13-16 Jn 17:1-11a</p> <p>Monday: Acts 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33</p> <p>Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11a</p> <p>Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a Lk 1:39-56</p> <p>Thursday: Acts 22:30;23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26</p> <p>Friday: Acts 25:13b-21 Jn 21:15-19</p> <p>Saturday: Acts 28:16-20,30-31 Jn 21:20-25</p> <p>Sunday: Acts 2:1-11 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13 Jn 20:1-23</p>															
<p>Due to Father Michael being on a retreat , the Mass at Signature Care Health Center will be moved to the second Monday of June. The new date will be Monday, June 12 at 2:00pm. All are welcome to celebrate Mass with our brothers and sisters at the nursing home.</p>																	
<p align="center"><u>Potluck Date Changed</u></p> <p>The potluck date has changed from Sunday, June 4 to the following week Sunday, June 11. The potluck will be to celebrate Father Michael's Anniversary of his Ordination. This will be Father's 10th year Anniversary!</p>																	
<p>The new Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lector schedule is available on the table in the vestibule.</p>																	
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ALL OF OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

For health and recovery of our parish family: Rosalie Boyd, Dorothy Pezzi, Bob Eberle, CD Merklng, Charlie & Ann Schaeffer, Ali Gomez, Marlene Edwards, Michiko Eberle, Iris Browning, Michelle Burney, Wanda Parrish, Mary Kortez.

For all of our Other Prayer Intentions: Dolores Chesser, Kay Harris, Jimmy Lee, Juanita Gray, Gary Zumbro, Gerri Warden, Chris McNabb, Anita Kentner, Naomi Sakaguchi, Joe Henicle, David & Carrie Hall, Vicky Shamberger, Jean Mapes, Codi Walker, Deann Miracle, Gene Powell, Joshua Bolton, Callie Jo, Jennifer Gonzales, Judy Grace, Connie Bunio, Tony Kelleher, Wanda Rye, Jorge Ruiz, Jose Galaviz, Jacob Thiboutot, Ronnie Bryant, Gary Herbst

For the repose of the soul of: Bonnie Snyder, Billy Dee Ross, Joan Erwin, Louisa Murga, Ronnie Kreger, , Nina Finley, Gordon Schaezner, Ryan Arthon, David Backsay, Hazel Laxton, Fred Finley, Angus Crissinger, Colleen Martin, Tina Smith, Valerie Maisch, Bo Greenwood, Donald Williams, Lynn Hannah

For our members at Signature Health Care: Llewellynn Jebellion, Marguerite Barnhart, Bobby Waller, Patty Harrell, Connie Keith, Mary Kortez.
For the members of our armed services on active duty especially: Jameson Andro, Austin Joiner, Nick Chesser.

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