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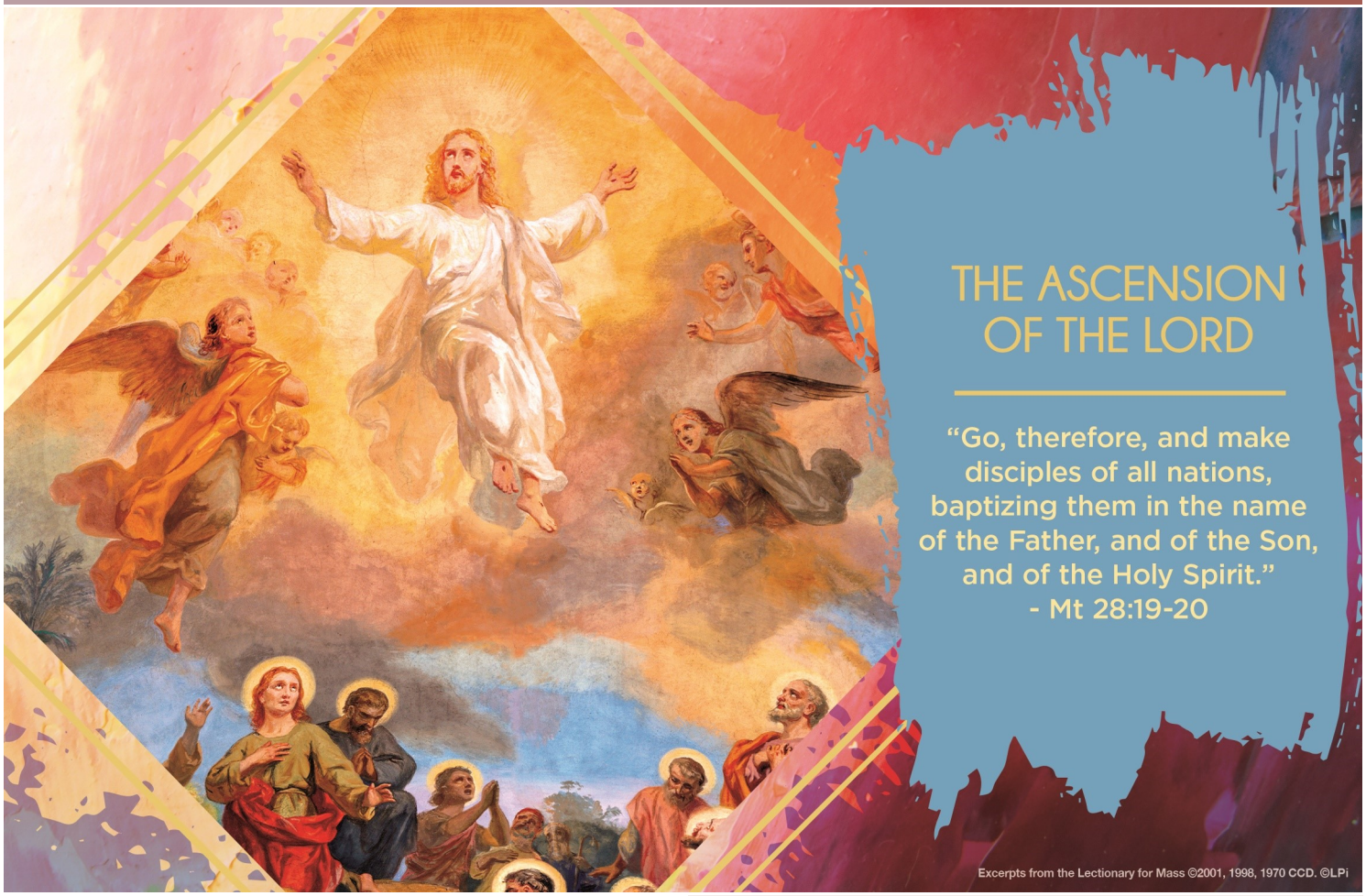
May 21, 2023



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MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:00 pm
Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm
Weekend Mass may be viewed online: www.saintjosephparish.org
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Friday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS….. 920-735-9380

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.
Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.
Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office anytime.

REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

Br. Ray's Reflections

On this Feast of the Ascension, we remember that the Lord ascended into heaven but promised to send the Spirit to us as comforter, advocate and guide. We are not alone in our journey through this life but the Spirit reminds us that there are a cloud of witnesses who root us on each moment as we make our way.

I found this short poem entitled "Ascension." It speaks not just to the Ascension of our Lord but to all those we have loved who have "ascended" for home.

Ascension
By Colleen Hitchcock
And if I go
While you're still here…
Know that I live on,
Vibrating to a different measure
-behind a thin veil you cannot see through.
You will not see me,
So you must have faith.
I wait for the time when we can soar together again,
-both aware of each other.
Until then, live your life to the fullest.
And when you need me,
Just whisper my name in your heart,
….I will be there.

Parish Office Hour Changes

Starting on Friday, May 26, our Parish Office hours on Fridays will be from: 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon.

There will be no cookies and donuts Memorial Day Weekend, May 27 & 28.

Save The Dates

- ***Fall Festival—September 9 & 10***
- ***St. Joe's "Nook & Cranny Sale"—June 10***

On June 10, from 8 am - Noon, St. Joe's will be having it's first ever 'Nook & Cranny Sale' in Holly Hall! We have cleaned out and sorted through each and every attic, every room beneath the Church and every storeroom, closet and nook in the St. Joseph complex! It's exciting, it's necessary and best of all, it's FUN!
So, SAVE THE DATE, and we'll get more information out later!

Victorias Italian Cuisine
920-730-9595

Please Support This Week's Sponsor

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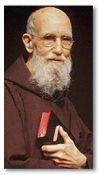
SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



Blessed Solanus Casey
Pray for Us

Tuesday, May 23
12:05 pm The Amanda Olsen Family
12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions
Wednesday, May 24
12:05 pm Intentions of the Art, Phyllis & Gary Malchow Families
Friday, May 26
12:05 pm Dec. Joe & Evelyn Barczynski
Saturday, May 27
4:00 pm Dec. Al Tyczkowski
Sunday, May 28—Pentecost Sunday
8:00 am Dec. Joyce Indest
10:00 am Members of St. Joseph Parish
6:30 pm Dec. Katherine Van Vreede

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, May 22
10:00 am GriefShare, Rooms 209-211, All are welcome to attend anytime
Tuesday, May 23
6:30 pm Finance Council Mtg., Rm. 210
Wednesday, May 24
6:30 pm Mission Trip Mtg., Holly Hall
Saturday, May 27
9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

May 7—Joe Bertram—$25
May 8—Mori Fager—$25
May 9—Jeff Catlin—$25
May 10—Nicholas Wilz—$25
May 11—Jacob Branson—$25
May 12—Pam & Paul Opichka—$25
May 13—Richard Tappa—$25

Please Pray For…

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: ***Lynn Bayness, Dave Hendricks, Anne Kidd, Hunter Prill***

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died.

MAY 21, 2023 / THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Graduation Mass

On **Sunday, June 4th at our 10:00 am Mass**, we will be honoring our St. Joseph Parish High School Seniors, College, and Graduate School Graduates. We are hoping you will wear your cap and gown and attend this Mass. Please contact Dana Schmidt at: dschmidt@StJoesParish.org or 920-734-7195 by ***June 1st*** to let her know if you will be attending. Thank you!

Blood Pressure Screening

We are looking for additional trained blood pressure screeners to help us after weekend masses once a month. We will be once again offering this service to our parishioners who need their blood pressure monitored. If you are qualified and would like to help, please contact the Parish Office at: 920-734-7195.

Book Club

The next St. Mary/St. Joseph book club discussion will take place on ***Tuesday, June 13 at 6 pm*** in Room L4 at St. Mary. The book selected for discussion is ***Finding Chika*** by *Mitch Albom.* The author has done it again with this moving memoir of love and loss. You can't help but fall for Chika. A page-turner that will no doubt become a classic.

For July 11, our book selection is: ***The Butterfly's Daughter*** by Mary Alice Monroe. Four very different women embark on a transformational journey that follows the migrating monarchs across the United States to Mexico. The story begins when Luz Avila's grandmother, the local butterfly lady, purchases an old, orange VW bug for a road trip home to Mexico. When she unexpectedly dies, Luz is inspired to take her grandmother's ashes home.

Looking further ahead to August 8, our book selection is: ***The Stationery Shop*** by Marjan Kamali. The author's second novel channels love in the time of coup d'états. For more information, please contact Mary Schulz at: 920-809-4474. New members are welcome to attend anytime.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to those that have already contributed to our 2023 Bishop's Appeal. Our target for this year is **$89,899**. So far, 355 parishioners have contributed $67,492.12, which is 75% of our target. If you have not offered a gift, please help us. There are additional donation cards and envelopes in the back of church if you need one. Thank you!

Christmas Stars Auditions

Christmas Stars, an annual holiday-themed musical revue, will hold open auditions on Sunday afternoon, May 21 and Thursday evening, May 25 at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre in Appleton. Students entering Kindergarten through 12th grade in the 2023-2024 school year and adults of all ages who enjoy singing and dancing are invited to audition.

An online application and audition scheduling instructions are available at the "Join Our Cast" link on the production's website: www.christmasstars.org. Auditions are by appointment. Music and accompaniment are provided by the producers.

Financial News

Tithing Needed..... $17,670.00
Last Week's Tithing $14,914.25
Auto Withdrawal $24,603.00
Children's Collection $10.00

Parish Support Through Collections
(7/01/22—4/30/23)

Budgeted
$780,833.33

Actual
$734,846.48

April Outreach Programs

Milk Money $775.00
St. Joseph Food Program $150.00
LEAVEN.....$374.00

Green contribution envelopes for our Outreach Programs are on the radiator in back of Church.

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for the Week of May 21

Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/ Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a
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: *Morning:* Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday: *Vigil:* 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 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/ Jn 20:19-23

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