

May 8, 2016

## The Ascension of the Lord



### **Christ Raised to Heaven Present in the Church**

**Christ, who ascended into heaven in his body, carries on what he began on earth through his new body – the community of believers. The Church is the place of manifestation of the invisible, though active presence of the Risen Lord. Jesus continues to teach, heal, and comfort us. We do not live without him as we wait. He is present with us in a new way, in a new body, in the Church.**

Today's Bulletin is in memory of Larry Seifert,  
sponsored by his family.



**Flowers for the Altar this weekend  
are donated in thanksgiving to God  
for all mothers of our Parish.**

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Wednesday, May 11  
8:00 a.m. Larry Seifert  
Thursday, May 12  
8:00 a.m. Geraldine Toth  
Friday, May 13  
8:00 a.m. Raymond Wenske  
Saturday, May 14  
6:30 p.m. Elvin Mikulencak  
Sunday, May 15  
6:30 a.m. Evelyn & Walter Schoenvogel  
9:30 a.m. The Deceased of the Catholic Life Ins.  
Branch #16

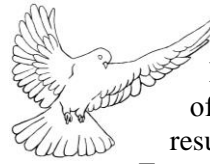
### **PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY**

Next weekend is *Pentecost Sunday*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.  
**First Reading: Acts of the Apostles: 2:1-11**  
**Responsorial Psalm: 104**  
**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13**  
**Gospel: John 20:19-23**

**The Sanctuary Light  
will be lit this week  
for the First Communicants.**

## **PENTECOST – NEXT SUNDAY**

### **Veni Sancte Spiritus Come Holy Spirit**



As its name indicates, Pentecost is the feast that takes place fifty days after Easter Sunday. It is the crowning finale of the celebration of the Lord's resurrection, which lasts throughout Eastertime and ends with the pouring out of the Spirit over the apostles and in the Church. Pentecost is the final manifestation of God that has given birth to the Church. The liturgy commemorates the Pentecost that occurred in Jerusalem fifty days after Easter, yet transcends time. In fact, the liturgical celebration constantly makes this event present; from year to year. It allows those who celebrate the feast to share in the grace of the mystery. The celebration encompasses two Masses: one on Saturday evening, the other on Sunday. The liturgy for Pentecost offers a richly spread table, where everyone can feed on the living bread of the Word, entering into the mystery and taking its best fruits. Come, Holy Spirit!

**Take time this week to pray for the outpouring  
of the Holy Spirit on our parish family.**

#### ***Prayer***

*Come Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of thy faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of thy love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.  
And thou shall renew the face of the earth.  
O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation,  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

### **Resurrection Chapel Stained Glass Window Under**

**Repair:** A section of the stained glass window has been taken down for repairs. The paint in the lower part of the window was failing. Hopefully it will be back in a month.

**Memorial Donation Needed:** We need one more memorial donation to complete a block. Each granite block contains four individual memorials.

### **THE WEEK AHEAD**

**MONDAY** – Altar Society Tour of the Painted Churches, leaving from the Church Parking Lot, 8:30 a.m.  
**TUESDAY** – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room  
**WEDNESDAY** – Christian Mothers Prayers After Mass  
**THURSDAY** – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room – KC Bingo, KC Hall  
**FRIDAY** – Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Office at any time.

The Catholic Daughters will lead the Saturday evening rosary during the month of May.

## REFLECTION

### Witnesses of Christ Taken Up To Heaven

Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with him. Listen to the words of the Apostle: "If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." For just as he remained with us even after his ascension, so we too are already in heaven with him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" and when he said, "I was hungry and you gave me food,"

Why do we here on earth not strive to find rest with him in heaven even now, by way of the faith, hope, and love that unites us to him? While in heaven he is also with us; and we, though on earth, are with him. He is here with us by his divinity, his power, and his love. We cannot be in heaven, as he is on earth, by divinity, but in him, we can be there by love.

— St. Ignatius of Antioch (martyred in 107)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



May 9 – Brooke Rothbauer  
May 11 – Emily Fikac, Oscar Tousek  
May 12 – Grant Barta, Helen Machart  
May 14 – Julia Beran

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May 9 – Lindsey & Kenneth Kirkland  
May 12 – Debbie & Marlon Novosad

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**Today – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion**

**May 21** – Confirmation Retreat  
– Baccalaureate

**May 22** – Confirmation

**July 10 -15** – Vacation Bible School  
(Registration Forms will be distributed this week.)

**Youth Ministry Center Closes For The Summer:** This week the Gold Star and Champion Club members met for the final time together for the 2015-16 year. We thank Pat Lawrence and Laura Pustejovsky for coordinating the weekly gatherings; Angie Jalufka for preparing the delicious food for the children; and Will Lawrence for assisting at the Center. We wish the children of the community a happy and relaxing Summer break.

*Don't forget to register for Vacation Bible School*

## Happy Mother's Day

### Prayer for Mother

Thank you, God for my mother. How many times have I said that I will be different from my mother – "better," unusual – not like her. Yet here I stand, morally and lovingly hers.

Thank you, God for all that she said and all that she did not say, for all that she did and all that she left undone.

Thank you, God for letting me become so many of those good things that were my mother—the things I had not the wisdom to see in earlier day. Thank you, God for my mother.  
— Donna Schaper



**Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet – See Insert**

## C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

### To Our First Communicants

Hunter Bradley Anderle

Karsyn Renae Blahuta

Landon Reed Chaloupka

Brandon Colchado

Almaleigh Maria Lowe

Marisol Manzano

Reese Abigail Nieto

Valeria Pindeo

Addison Leigh Simper

Abigail Tinajero

Araceli Nicole Vazquez

Madelynn Kate Wagner

### NO TAKING OF PHOTOGRAPHS DURING MASS

Pictures are not allowed to be taken during the Liturgy. You will have the opportunity to take pictures after mass.

### Prayer For Our First Communicants

Lord Jesus, bless all those who are receiving you in Holy Communion for the first time today. May each one of them know your love and mercy in a personal way. May all your people open their hearts to you and be transformed by this sacrament. May we become a sign of your love for the whole world. Amen.

