

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Good Shepherd R.C. Church

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**Saturday, May 28, 2022**

5:00 PM Ann Marie Barry

Sunday, May 29, 2022

7:30 AM Patrick Fallon

9:00 AM Steven Sammarco

11:00 AM Antonio Cetani, Rosalyn King

Daily Mass May 30 - June 3 @ 8:30 AM**Monday** (No Mass - Memorial Day)**Tuesday** Robert Zeleski**Wednesday** People of the Parish**Thursday** Sally Capobianco**Friday** Vincent Colpaert**Saturday, June 4, 2022**

5:00 PM Msgr. Richard Steiger

Sunday, June 5, 2022

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM Hugh & Eleanor DeGhetto

11:00 AM James & Anne Wall

The community of Good Shepherd
joyfully welcomes our
Newly Baptized:

✠ Samantha Jolene Ormond ✠

Daughter of Kimberly & Joshua

Rejoice, for now you are truly a child of God.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Meets 2nd Saturday of each month.
Download the registration form
on our website.

June 11 • July 9 • August 12 @ 10:00 AM**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Please remember in your prayers,

✠ John Fett ✠

Father of Ralph Fett

Who entered into eternal rest.
May his soul eternally Rest in Peace.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS****First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11**

We hear of the ascension of Jesus into heaven,
and of his promise to send the Holy Spirit to
his disciples.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23**

Paul sets out the meaning of the ascension: God raised
Jesus above all earthly powers, and made him head of the
Church and Lord of creation.

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53


Before ascending into heaven, Jesus promises to send
the Holy Spirit to his disciples.

Scripture Reflection with Fr. Tim
+ Pause + Reflect + Act +

1. Why do you suppose the two men appeared and spoke to them?
2. The author speaks of Christ as the leader of the Church. What areas of your life do you find it difficult to let Christ lead?
3. If you were one of the Apostles who watched Jesus ascend into heaven, how do you think you would react? Would you feel a loss? Would it be excitement? Would you be thrilled with the call of spreading his word to all nations?

COLLECTION BREAKDOWN: May 17- 23, 2022:

We thank you for your constant support which enables us
to continue our ministry during these challenging times.
May God bless you.

 Online Giving <small>from the Sunday Visitor</small>	IN- PERSON & MAIL	ONLINE	TOTAL
1st Collection	\$ 4,248	\$ 1,841	\$ 6,089
2nd Collection Maintenance	\$ 1,315	4 398	\$ 1,713

PRIEST'S MASS SCHEDULE

MAY/JUNE	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
5/28 - 5/29	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Martin	Fr. Joe
6/4 - 6/5	Fr. Joe	Fr. Joe	Fr. John	Fr. Przemek
6/11 - 6/12	Fr. Joe	Fr. Tim	Fr. Martin	Fr. Tim
6/18 - 6/19	Fr. Joe	Fr. Joe	Fr. Ed	Fr. Ed

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Today, we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord! On the Feast of the Ascension, the church celebrates the return of Christ to the Father, his physical body leaving the earth behind.

The Ascension of the Lord took place 40 days after Easter, which this year, is celebrated on Ascension Thursday, May 26th.

However, in most dioceses in the United States, the celebration of this solemnity and holy day of obligation is transferred to the following Sunday, May 29th. The Ascension of the Lord is detailed in the Scriptures and in our creeds.



Every Sunday, we profess it in the Nicene Creed: "(Jesus) ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end." Jesus' ascension concluded his work on earth to bring about our redemption that he began on Good Friday. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 662) "Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever."

THE PROMISE WE CLING TO

Wondrous God,
you have given us much to celebrate.
Jesus' rising from the tomb offered victory
over death, giving us hope for eternal life.

As we celebrate Jesus' returning to you,
we pray for the enlightenment
of our hearts that we will continue
to be witnesses of Easter joy
in all the places you send us.

When challenges beset us,
may we remember the promise of
Jesus to remain with us always.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION



Please join **His Holiness, Pope Francis**, who has chosen the following intention to be prayed for during the month of **June**.

For families - We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in their daily lives.

PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

May 30, 2022

God of power and mercy,
You destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away
our tears, That we may all deserve to be called
your sons and daughters.

Keep in your mercy those men and women who
have died in the cause of freedom and bring them
safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen
- from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers

CNS Nancy Wischni



PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Offices will be closed on
Monday, May 30th in Observance of
Memorial Day.

ALSO, THERE IS NO DAILY MASS
ON MONDAY.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2022!

May your perseverance and strength carry you through all
of your life experiences, from the challenges, to the
heartaches, to the joys and celebrations.

We wish you happiness and success in your future!



Help us Restock our Food Pantry!
1st Sunday of each month, June 4 - 5



* If you bring a reusable shopping bag with your food donations, you can either empty the items onto the tables in the parish hall and take your bag with you, or staple your name to the bag, and we will keep the bags in our parish office to be picked up during office hours.

Thank you!

- Crackers
- Tuna fish
- Oatmeal
- Beans
- Canned soup & fruit
- Laundry detergent
- Paper products
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss
- Deodorant, shampoo

Faith Formation Notes



One aspect of the Confirmation program is to ask our Conformandi students to write a saint reflection paper on their chosen Confirmation name. Below are some of the newly confirmed excerpted submissions.

...For Confirmation, I am choosing the saint name of Carmela, ... a name given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel/St. Carmela dedicated herself to the protection and needs of the Carmelites. I can relate to this fact because as a big sister it's my job to protect my younger brother throughout life. I can follow Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's example and become a better Christian by speaking up more for the protection of others, more so out of my inner circle.

...Finally, I want to be confirmed because it is God's will. He has chosen for this to be my path. To me receiving the sacrament of Confirmation means gaining a closer bond with the Catholic Church and more specifically God and Jesus. Receiving Confirmation means I will become more of an adult in terms of my faith. Through Confirmation I will experience all that the Holy Spirit has to give. This sacrament is also an extension of the grace given by God when we were baptized...(G.D.)

...Peter was the saint name I chose because I thought he had an interesting and amazing background story. Something I learned about Saint Peter is that even though you are weak sometimes, you can still become strong and powerful. I can relate to St. Peter's life by the things we do in life and the struggles we go through.

...To me being confirmed in my life as an adult in the Church means doing things you should do to show that you are Catholic, such as going to Mass regularly, making Jesus proud by the things I do for others, doing nice things for other people, and practicing the ways to be Catholic to show that you are a mature member of the Church. (A.C.)

I chose Joseph as my saint because he was a good man. He was caring and kind to those around him. I learned that even though he was not wealthy, he still gave to those less fortunate. His faith was strong and his commitment to Mary and Jesus was something to be admired. I aspire to imitate his actions and strong commitment toward others in life.

...Confirmation is a very important sacrament in showing my commitment to God and the Church, as well as myself. I intend to continue my faith journey...(E.G.)

... When we were first told to choose a saint, I was feeling pretty overwhelmed. There were hundreds of different names and stories but St. Anastasia's story just stuck out to me. I chose this saint because even throughout all her struggles in life she still stuck with God and helped those who needed it.

...St. Anastasia felt this overwhelming need to help people who truthfully needed it. I have always wanted to go into the medical field not just because it seemed cool, but because helping someone in a way that they cannot help themselves can be one of the greatest joys.

... I am excited to be confirmed because this is my next step in the Church and to be closer to God. (E.C.)

...St. Helena, is my choice because she is a sign of strong devotion to God and a quality that stood out to me was she became devoted later in life. I learned that from her that no matter where you are in life God will always have His arms open.

...I can imitate St. Helena in her persistence and devotion of spreading God's Word and become a better Christian.

After receiving Confirmation I plan to continue lecturing at Mass and helping in the Church...(E.F.)

A REMINDER ABOUT OUR CEMETERY...



We are truly blessed to have a cemetery at Good Shepherd. The location, the tranquility and peacefulness connect us in a special way with our Creator, God.

This is sacred space at all times and needs to be respected. We encourage people to please, please be aware and to obey our guidelines. Please remember that no pets are allowed and that this sacred place which holds the bodies and remains of our loved ones, is not to be used for picnics or a dog park.

We would appreciate very much your stewardship in carrying out our guidelines. We have to always think of the larger picture and the safety of all. Thank you for your patience and care of our parish family.

ASK A FRANCISCAN...

Can Drums be Liturgical Instruments?

I'm a drummer who has been told by many clerics and laypeople that drums cannot be used during liturgies because they are "savage" and "demonic." Those reasons sound racist and/or demonic. Can I use my drumming abilities as part of a Catholic liturgy?



The Catholic Church allows drums at liturgies. Some Masses celebrated at Vatican II (1962-65) used drums, and many places now employ them. I'm sorry for the misinformation that you have received about this. Unfortunately, some people easily assume that their personal preferences or dislikes automatically reflect what the Catholic Church allows or does not allow.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DONATION BIN

Please help support our Catholic Charities programs by donating gently used clothing, shoes and small household items.
(Located in the rear of the parking lot.)

2022 - 2023 SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Beginning May 29, 2022 (Memorial Day)
- September 4, 2022 (Labor Day):
7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM

Beginning September 11, 2022 - May 21, 2023
8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon

Beginning May 28, 2023 (Memorial Day)
- September 3, 2023 (Labor Day)
7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE...



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Ministry Schedule

Please remember to sign in.

Date	Time	 Lectors	 Altar Servers	 Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 6/4	5:00 PM	Pat Reardon	Addyson Ortiz Madeline Ridge	Carol Miller Jim Capobianco
Sunday 6/5	9:00 AM	Bob Harclerode	Connor Kovach	Eunice Howley Steve Trentanelli
	11:00 AM	Linda Gray	Joseph Lubrano Aden Nguyen	Marie Margiotti Irene Finnan

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