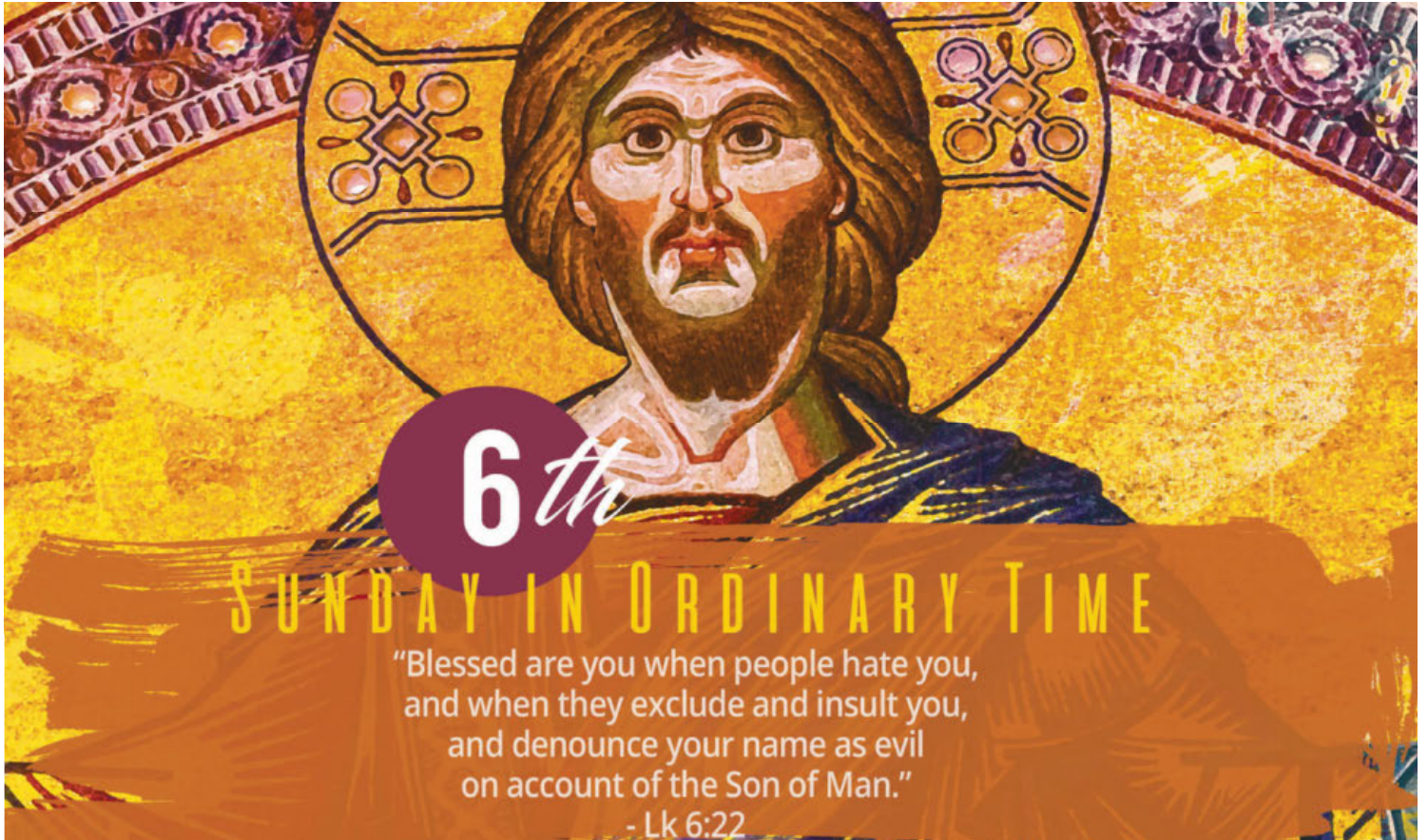


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- February 13, 2022 -



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Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am-12:00 Noon

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 am
Tue.-Fri. 8:00 am

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Tues.-Fri. 7:30-7:50 am
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

PASTORAL STAFF

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BAPTISMS

Contact the Parish Office three months in advance to schedule. Baptism classes are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.

OUR MISSION

As a people of God, of Ascension Catholic Parish, we are united by Baptism and committed to meeting the needs of our faith community. In union with the whole Church, we will build the Kingdom of God by proclaiming the Good News, worshipping God, creating community, and promoting social justice.

NEWCOMERS

Contact the Parish Office or go online to register. Welcome to the parish!

WEDDINGS

Call the Pastor nine months prior to the wedding date to make arrangements.

ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH

BISHOP KAGAN'S PASTORAL LETTER

In the upcoming weeks, the Faith Formation column will provide excerpts from Bishop Kagan's May 23, 2021, **Pastoral Letter "... Live a Life Worthy of the Calling You Have Received, Part Five: Some Conclusions**

...continued: "Third, what is the specific duty of the lay faithful in this regard? Just as it is for all and for the clergy and religious in particular, the lay faithful have a serious obligation before God and the Church to know, understand and live our faith in their homes, where they go to school, where they work and wherever they travel. With the teaching and guidance of the Church, the lay faithful must know what the moral law of God requires of them in all matters of life – marital, single life, political, work, social charity, and true human sexuality.

Understandably, the lay faithful have not had the same type of training and education in Catholic philosophy and theology as the clergy, but they can study beyond the basics as noted above. There are many good programs for Catholic Studies that can be taken, and I urge our clergy to provide regular Adult Faith Formation classes for their people and I urge the laity to attend these classes. There are excellent Catholic organizations for the laity to join and strengthen their faith so as to live it better in their daily lives. I have listed some of them in the Appendix section of this Pastoral Letter. All of this works together for the strengthening of the faith and the Church's mission to the world.

One of the most misunderstood and misrepresented statements from the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council was that the Church in the world must be attentive to and interpret the "signs of the times". What the Fathers meant then and what that means now is one and the same. The Church is not to adopt the world's ways, but it is to bring to the world the light and truth of the Gospel and thereby transform and elevate it according to the will of God. Regrettably, that has not always been done but, again, we have the assurance of the Lord that He is with us and thus, we can do this, and we must do this according to our own vocations.

Finally, how do we take up this God-given mission and mandate? I suggest two things to begin, first, test your knowledge of our faith. Use the test I have included in the Appendix, first without any helps and then check your answers for correctness and then take it again. Second, commit to some time every day to prayerfully study our faith and then apply what you have learned to your daily life. These two things are personal to priest, deacon, lay man and lay woman; then commit to being as engaged as you can in your parish life and that can take many forms, all good.

In closing, meditate on the final question Jesus asked St. Peter. It gives every Catholic much to meditate on and to examine the life of faith. "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" (Jn 21: 17ff)

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 16th/Classes for grades K - 8.
Ascension's Youth Group (Grades 9-12)
will meet from 7:00 to 8:15 pm.

DINING IN FAITH

Wednesday, February 16th

4:45-6:45 pm

Taco in a Bag



LITURGICAL MINISTERS: FEBRUARY 19TH AND 20TH, SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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to the family of
Jim Schmidt.
May he rest in eternal peace.



Thank you for a Successful 71st Annual SM Carnival!

One thing has remained the same for all 71 years of this Carnival... it is the incredible people who volunteer, serve and work together to make it happen. It is the community support of people playing midway games, buying baked goods, meals, books or cotton candy and concessions - creating memories for generations to treasure. We are so grateful for the folks who dreamed big to create the Carnival all of those years ago...and *for all of you who keep the legacy alive today*. Perhaps you worked a game booth, swept the floor, served a meal, scooped the goldfish, made the cotton candy, served concessions or worked the Bingo room. Maybe you bought raffle tickets, enjoyed meals with your family or purchased something at the live or silent auctions. Whatever you did to help make the Carnival so fun - for all of these 71 years - we appreciate you! We look forward to the 2023 Carnival and will welcome you all back for the good, old-fashioned family fun again next year!

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The St. Mary's Carnival Committee

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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

WEEK	COLLECTIONS	BUDGET
February 6, 2022	\$21,185.48	\$14,061.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$470,524.50	\$449,952.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	February 14 Communion Service
Tuesday, 8:00 am	February 15 †Dennis Sebastian by Margo Wetzel
Wednesday, 8:00 am	February 16 †Lorraine Martin by Ben & Jan Sitter
Thursday, 8:00 am	February 17 †Michael Horner & †Darlene Wolfgram by Hilda Horner
Friday, 8:00 am	February 18 †Bob Krogen by Dianne Krogen
Saturday, 5:00 pm	February 19 †Eric & †Justin Sellers by Leo & Julie Ternes
Sunday, 8:00 am	February 20 †Joseph & †Elizabeth Kuntz by George & Leona Kuntz
9:30 am	†Lorraine Martin by Deacon Bob Nutsch
11:00 am	People of the Parish

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, 8:30 am	February 14 Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday, 12:00 pm	February 16 Finance Council meeting
4, 5:30, 7:00 pm	Faith Formation Classes
4:45-6:45 pm	Dining in Faith/Community Room

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

There is special happiness in returning to God, through gifts to Church and charity, a grateful portion of the time, talents, and treasure God has given to us. Doing so is called stewardship.

VOCATION MESSAGE

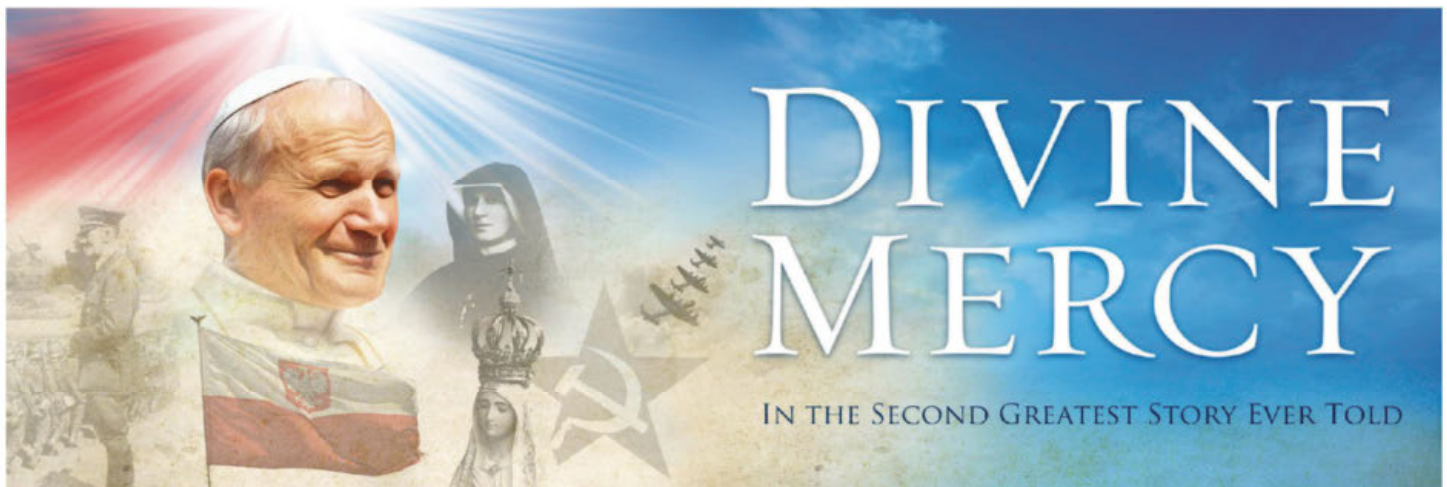
God brings us through difficult experiences and always leads us to life. Depend on the Holy Spirit to guide you on the path of life. (Luke 4:1-13)

If you or someone you know in our parish community is ill or has a family member or friend who could use our prayers, please call our parish office at 223-3606 or Pauline Mueller at 226-9471. Our Prayer Line is a group of parishioners who pray for requested intentions.

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