

The Ascension of the Lord

Mass Intentions



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Saturday, May 23

5:00 p.m.

St. Louis Parish

Sunday, May 24

8:00 a.m.

Margie and Roy Glass (D)

Catherine and Frank Glass

(D)

10:30 a.m.

Robert Hodapp (D)

Tuesday, May 26

6:00 p.m.

Gladys DeLeon (D)

Wednesday, May 27

8:30 a.m.

Jack Hodapp (D)

Thursday, May 28

6:00 p.m.

Duane and Carrie Duant
and family (L)

Friday, May 29

8:30 a.m.

Margarite and Ben
Hodapp (D)

Saturday, May 30

5:00 p.m.

Rolando DeLeon (D)

Sunday, May 31

8:00 a.m.

Wilbur and Elden Glass
(D)

10:30 a.m.

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In today's Second Reading Saint Paul reminds us of what Our Lord won through his victory over sin and death. The Lord returns to Heaven in glory for what he suffered and endured for us. Taking his place at the Father's right hand is taking the

Dear Parish Family,

After forty days of being with the highest place of honor next to the disciples after his Resurrection, which Father's, not only as his Son but as his we have celebrated during these forty Son who has pleased him. Our Lord days of the Easter season, Jesus has does not just receive glory. He crossed into Heaven to take his place receives a reward as well. Even as he at the Father's right hand, as the was preparing to ascend, he told his prophecies foretold for the Messiah. disciples that all authority had been The Father has crowned him with the given to him by his Father (see glory he merited by his Passion, Matthew 28:18). He doesn't just rest Death, and Resurrection and, in turn, on his laurels. He puts that influence he is eternally asking the Father for to work for us and our efforts to help each of us--by name--to receive the share his Gospel with the whole graces we need to join him one day in world.

eternity and to help others get there In today's Gospel Our Lord imparts a blessing even as he is taken up into

In today's First Reading Saint Luke Heaven. He doesn't stop imparting recalls why he decided to make his blessings, even today. In a little over a writings a two-volume set. The work week, he'll impart once again the gift of salvation is not done until everyone of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The has an opportunity to be saved. The Easter Season is longer than any other Lord's Ascension is just as important season except for Ordinary Time, and, for the Church as his Incarnation, before his Ascension, the days he Passion, Death, and Resurrection. spent risen from the dead were some Like the disciples in today's First of the most precious on earth for his Reading, we are awaiting the Lord's faithful disciples. It was quality time return in glory, but we also know that just for them. He's looking forward to in Ascending to Heaven, he is not just spending that quality time with us in sitting up there on his hands. He and Heaven, and from eternity he is doing the Father are preparing to send the everything in his power to make sure Holy Spirit to his Church, just as we that happens. As the Easter season await on Pentecost Sunday a week nears its conclusion in ten days, we and a half from now, and then our part too should be rejoicing as we recall all in his saving work goes into high the blessings he has imparted to us gear, as attested to by the Acts of the during these forty days. We should Apostles. Our Lord also speaks on our also rejoice over the blessings to behalf to the Father for all eternity, come.

interceding for us. We need the whole Trinity's help in fulfilling our mission throughout history: to help Our Lord in Heaven to continue his saving work on earth.

Peace to you and yours,
Fr. Stevens

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OFFERTORY REPORT (for Sunday, May 17)

Offertory this week: \$5,141.00

Target: \$4,601.15

Collected vs. Target for month -\$3,698.16

Collected vs. Target for Fiscal Year -\$12,783.58

Projected Offertory for year: \$255,700.33

Annual Budget: \$270,000.00

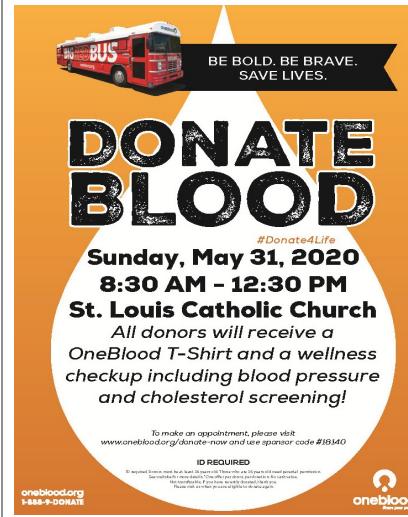
Building Fund this week \$654.00

Collected this month: \$1,422.00

Target for the month: \$2,713.00

Improvements Collections \$48.00

Total collected to date: \$6,875.50



MEMORIAL DAY



The parish office will be closed on Monday May 25, for Memorial Day.

BURSE CLUB

When using the Burse Club envelopes, please use cash or make your checks payable either to St. Louis Church, indicating in the memo line "For Burse Club", or to DCCW Burse Club, Please remember St. Louis Church in your will.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS



Please consider donating non-perishable food items for the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. Please place donations in the collection box located in the old kitchen of the church.

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WE WANT YOUR CANS!

Please remember to save and bring your emptied aluminum cans for our recycle program. You may drop them off and place them in the bins inside the dumpster's gated fence (left side), located on the church grounds' parking lot. Since its inception, we have raised much funding towards continued building and grounds improvements at Saint Louis. Your devoted support is very much appreciated!!



BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop, or his delegate, if desired. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. The Victim Assistance Coordinators in our diocese are: James Gagnon, Ph.D., MSW, LCSW Tallahassee/Panama City, 850-877-0205, and Louis M. Makarowski Ph.D., P.A. Pensacola/Fr Walton, 850-477-7181.

