

# Ascension OF THE LORD

**May 12, 2024**



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Thursdays: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm (St. Mary's)

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Mondays: 7:00 to 7:25 pm (St. Mary's)

Saturdays: 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm (St. Mary's)

Saturdays: 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm (Holy Trinity)

## Sacraments

### Baptism:

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

### Anointing:

Please call to make arrangements with a priest

### Marriage:

Couples who are registered members of the parish should contact the pastor at least 6 months in advance of the intended date.

## Office Hours

**All parishioners are welcome  
to call or visit us at either office.**

### Avon Catholic Community Office Hours

Mon - Fri 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (*Holy Trinity*)

Tuesday.....8:00 a.m. to Noon (*St. Mary's*)

Thursday.....12:30 to 4:30 p.m. (*St. Mary's*)

## MASS INTENTIONS

HOLY TRINITY		ST. MARY
Mon. May 13 <b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>		
7:45 A.M.	Bill & Will Simbeck (Family)	No Mass
7:30 P.M.	No Mass	Jerry & Joyce Plas (Clements & Plas Families)
Tues. May 14 <b>St. Matthias, Apostle</b>		
7:45 A.M.	Daniel Siegfried (Tim & Lee Hohman)	No Mass
Wed. May 15 <b>St. Isidore</b>		
7:45 A.M.	Matthew Roggenburk (Family)	No Mass
8:30 A.M.	No Mass	Parish All Souls
Thurs. May 16		
7:45 A.M.	Morning Prayer	
7:30 P.M.	No Mass	Parish All Souls
Fri. May 17		
7:45 A.M.	John Lengen Sr. (Family)	No Mass
8:30 A.M.	No Mass	Clara Guzik (Family)
Sat. May 18 <b>St. John I, Pope and Martyr; Armed Forces Day</b>		
8:30 A.M.	No Mass	Parish All Souls
4:00 P.M.	No Mass	Stanley & Phillis Raymond (Family)
5:00 P.M.	Jennie Thomas (Adelaine Jacono)	No Mass
Sun. May 19 <b>Pentecost Sunday</b>		
7:30 A.M.	Parishioners	No Mass
8:00 A.M.	No Mass	Parishioners
9:00 A.M.	William T. Saar (Gary & Mary Saar)	No Mass
10:00 A.M.	No Mass	Parish All Souls
10:30 A.M.	Greg Shmelter (Shmelter Family)	No Mass
Noon	Hedwig R. Doepker (Family)	Cecilia Tillie Nagel (Connie Hricovec)

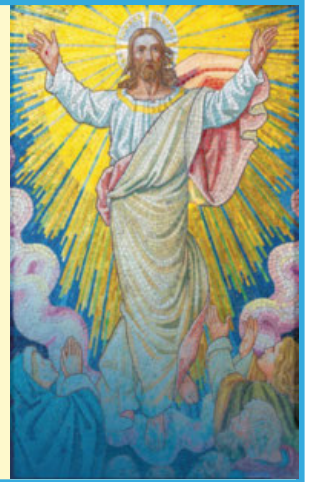


Congratulations to the following who are receiving the sacrament of **First Holy Communion** this weekend:

**Liam Kabat** - St. Mary's  
**Ellie Hamel** - St. Mary's  
**Layla Hamel** - St. Mary's

### The Ascension of The Lord

We celebrate today, The Ascension of The Lord, which provides for us a hope that, after whatever trials of this life we experience, there is rest in the Savior's arms. The Incarnation, God made flesh, rose from the dead and now is with the Father so that we could rise from the dead and live eternally with the Father. This is good news!



### Readings for the week of May 12, 2024

**Sunday:** *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

**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 *Day:* Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15





~GOSPEL REFLECTION ~  
Ascension

May 12, 2024

"O Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything."

Have you ever prayed the Surrender novena? This novena has been on my heart for weeks, and I completed day nine this weekend. I found myself in conversations repeatedly, and it was clear I needed to pray this novena. Thankfully, I have a dear group of friends with whom I could share in this novena and prayer. It is all about trust. While preparing for what I would share this week, I felt unsure. My mind kept going back to this novena. It is the Ascension of the Lord, and the joy of Easter still fills my heart. Yet, the one thing that kept coming up in my prayer was surrender. At first, this bothered me. When I think of surrender, I typically envision the white flag in an old war movie. I feel a sense of defeat, even a bit of failure. However, for weeks, God has been reminding me through many conversations that He is God, and it is not a weakness to surrender to Him but freedom. This surrender is life-giving; I give thanks for this. Jesus does not just ascend, and then that is the end. It is quite the opposite. Jesus proclaims that He will always be with us; he prepares his apostles for the Holy Spirit and commands them to bear witness to Him through their lives and preach the gospel to all nations. In many ways, He says do these things, surrender your lives, and promise I will take care of everything. Die to the things of this world so that you may have eternal life. A new energy fills the earth, fills our hearts. In fact, in many ways, in this moment of surrender, we are made new, heavenly power shines light and hope, the culmination of God's divine plan as the son returns to the father, music plays - mission accomplished. That is my kind of movie, but better, it is God's truth. I want to surrender, renounce fear, and declare faith, rejoicing in the Ascension, praising the Glory of God in all of His goodness.

*Desi*

Desi Gould, Director of Evangelization

Pre-Planning Seminar  
St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1 hour pre-planning seminar on **Saturday, June 8th, at 1 p.m.** in the Cemetery Office at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon.

Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite. We kindly ask that you R.S.V.P. to this event. Call (216) 641-7575 ext. 8 or email: [bstrauchon@clecem.org](mailto:bstrauchon@clecem.org).



**Office of Catechetical  
Services Collection,  
May 11 & 12, 2024**



Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland, a special collection is taken up in all the parishes. **It is this weekend, May 11-12; please use the envelope in your monthly or bi-monthly packet.** This special collection is to support the ministries of the Office of Catechetical Services. This Diocesan Secretariat focuses on providing guidance and support that promotes the evangelizing mission of the Church through the catechetical efforts of all parishes and Newman Campus ministries in the Diocese. Ministries that will benefit from this collection include faith formation for adults, teens and children, and family-based faith formation, as well as the ongoing formation of Parish Catechetical Leaders and catechists as missionary disciples. Newman Catholic Campus Ministries provides opportunities for students to deepen a relationship with Christ through prayer and worship, community, faith and Bible studies, retreats and service. A contribution to the Office of Catechetical Services is an investment in the faith formation of people of all ages throughout the Diocese of Cleveland. Please encourage giving to this very special collection.

**THANK YOU**

**The Knights of Columbus Father Ragan Council** would like to thank all those parishioners of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception and Holy Trinity that have so generously donated to the "Measure Up" collections on April 27-28 and May 4-5. A total of \$2,878 was collected! The funds will be used to help people with developmental disabilities in Northeast Ohio. Thank you so much!



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**Pray for the Sick at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception:**

Allen Arendt ■ Edward Bahr ■ Fr. Lawrence Bayer ■ Pat Beckman ■ Anne Benisek ■ Arlene Bores ■ Natalie Butchko ■ Ryan Case ■ Patricia Cernac ■ Irene Chrulski ■ Elaine Citro ■ Kerry Coleman ■ Elizabeth Conners ■ Kurt Cummings ■ Patrick Fahey ■ John Matthew Gibson ■ Ann Gomos ■ Anita Grant ■ Gwendolyn Gurney ■ Wendy Hallier ■ Brenda Hazelwood ■ Louis Holley ■ Jeffrey Hostottle ■ Norma James ■ Alexa Jennings ■ Gerald Laco ■ Lamb family ■ Kate Liauw ■ Ann Lopez ■ Brian Madia ■ Kathleen Mahoney ■ Bob Mayton ■ Timothy McCarthy ■ Barbara Milota ■ Vicky Motes ■ Jessica Mueller ■ Carey Neal ■ Marcia Notarberardino ■ Mildred Ondrus ■ Sandra Pitts ■ Thomas Richards ■ Judy Richardson ■ Joel Rivera ■ Tina Roach ■ Joan Rodger ■ Arthur Rossi ■ Matt Svec ■ George Szocs ■ Diane Urig ■ Gerda Vanthoor ■ Dylan Vega ■ Joan Votes ■ Owen Winters ■ Celia Zegarec ■ Joe Zvosecz and for all of our homebound parishioners.



**Pray for our Troops from Holy Trinity:**

Patrick Bergen ■ Paul Bohnert ■ John Camp ■ Ethan Cuthright ■ Cayden Fischbach ■ Dillon Franciscus ■ Grace Fryer ■ Emma Kennelly ■ Ryan Kennelly ■ Alex Leigh ■ Jacob McCann ■ Dominic Opron ■ Hannah Price ■ Katie Schlather ■ Michelle Kennelly Sweeney ■ Daniel Vrablic ■ David Vrablic ■ Ethan Williams

**Pray for our Troops from St. Mary's:**

Amber Derryberry ■ Riley Oldenburgh

We invite all families to include their sons and daughters to our prayer list. Please call the Parish Office with their name and branch of the military. You can also email the information to: [bulletin@avoncc.org](mailto:bulletin@avoncc.org).

**We thank them and you for your sacrifice.**

**Westshore Single Seniors' Group**

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.**  
St. Brendan's Kenny Center  
4242 Brendan Lane, North Olmsted

**Please join us!** We are Christian adults who are single or have become single as a result of separation, divorce or death. Our mission is to provide social opportunities for friendship and fellowship to individuals of all denominations through meetings, dinners and other social activities.

We meet on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Contact Cindy D at (440) 915-2804 if you have any questions about our group. Please leave a message.



The last **METRO** program will be held at St. Christopher on May 15th at 7 p.m. Please scan the QR code for more information.

**Attention Women**  
an area event just for you

***"Sisters In Faith: A Women, Wisdom & Wine Gathering"***

**Thurs., May 16 at 6 p.m.** at the Cleveland Yachting Club.

Featured speaker will be **Sr. Mary McCormick, OSU, PHD.**

To purchase dinner tickets go to [elyriacatholic.com/women-for-excellence](http://elyriacatholic.com/women-for-excellence).

Those affected by cancer are welcome to attend a special Mass in honor of, St. Peregrine, the patron Saint of cancer.

**St. Peregrine Mass,**  
**Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.**  
will be held at St. Raphael Parish,  
525 Dover Center Road, Bay Village

All are welcome!  
A reception will follow after the Mass in the Community Room at St. Raphael's.  
Call (440) 871-1100 for more information.



## Here's the Scoop!

Buy ice cream and help the Boy Scouts of Avon Catholic Community, Troop 462.

**Each ½ gallon**, of delicious Country Parlour Ice Cream, is **only \$12!**

Deadline for ordering is **TODAY Sun., May 12th.** Credit Card/Bank Cards only.  
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**PICK UP ORDERS in Holy Trinity Church parking lot WED, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 4-7 p.m.**

**THANK YOU** for supporting our campouts, activities, and Eagle projects!



## Care & Consolation - Upcoming Events

**Senior Saints**  
**Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 9—10 A.M.**  
All 55yrs and older are invited.  
We are talking about the Sunday readings.  
Bring a Bible and a friend.

**"Grandparents @ Prayer"**  
**Tuesday, May 14th, 9:30—10:30 A.M.**

Meetings are held in the Holy Trinity Parish Office meeting room. Please call Tammie at 440 937 5363 or 440 934 4212 with any questions.

## CATHOLICS COMING HOME

The last session for **Catholics Coming Home** is **TONIGHT, Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.** The 1 1/2 hour session will provide the chance to ask questions and learn about our Faith in a non-threatening, supportive group format.

The meeting is at **St. Raphael Church,**  
525 Dover Center Road,  
in Bay Village.

Please call (440) 871-1100 ext. 7738 for more info.





# HT School News

## The Holy Trinity School “House System” Fosters Leadership and Character

The Junior High experience at Holy Trinity is **brought to life** through our **House System**, a Partner-Based Incentive System, fostering leadership development and a dynamic student culture. Originating in universities like Oxford and preserved by the Harry Potter series, this model now thrives at Holy Trinity School, drawing inspiration from the prestigious Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta, Georgia.

As forerunners among Ohio’s Catholic elementary schools, Holy Trinity School introduced the House System in 2022, **igniting a vibrant school culture**. Each of the six distinct houses has it’s own unique values, colors, symbols and mottos which form a cohesive tapestry symbolizing our shared faith. **This system cultivates:**

**Character † Academic Achievement † School Pride † Mentorship † Healthy Competition † Inclusivity**

**The six houses are: Altruismo Amistad Nukumori Onraka Protos Reveur**

Guided by Holy Trinity teachers and elected eighth graders as “Heads of House”, students convene twice a day. They hone leadership skills, engage in collaborative projects and compete in various domains, from service to athletics, aiming to accrue the most house points for the coveted House Championship. Celebrating the past champion, House of Reveur, Holy Trinity’s House System perpetuates a legacy of excellence and camaraderie, enriching the Junior High School student’s journey with lasting memories and invaluable experiences.

We need your support at this year’s **Holy Trinity Gala**, where we hope to raise \$125,000, so that we can renovate the Junior High Wing in ways that revitalize our classrooms and corridors, while using the colors, symbols and mottos of the six distinct houses. This will elevate our Junior High Wing to support the “House System” program which motivates our students, builds their character and improves their leadership skills.

Each month we recognize **House Star Students**, who accumulate the most points in their house for service and academics. Here are our six House Star Students for April.

### House of Nukumori

#### **Nathan Shaker**

Nathan is responsible, kind and goal oriented. He works hard to do well in his classes and has a positive attitude.

(Mrs. Jaeger - Jr. High Reading Teacher - not pictured)



### House of Onraka

#### **Madison Campbell**

Madison is helpful & always ready to lend a hand. She is also a very strong writer, sharing her talents in Power of the Pen.

(Mrs. Julie Novak - Jr. High Language Arts Teacher)

### House of Amistad

#### **Ari Dimacchia**

Ari has an infectious smile and amazing laugh. She is a leader in the classroom and on the volleyball court.

(Mrs. Carolyn Triplett - Jr. High Science Teacher)

### House of Altruismo

#### **Maggie Fox**

Maggie’s actions speak louder than her words. She is an excellent role model for the younger members of the house.

(Mrs. Sara Martin - Jr. High Math Teacher)

### House of Reveur

#### **Riley DelVecchio**

Riley is kind to others, reverent during prayer and makes being her teacher effortless & enjoyable.

(Mr. Patrick Basista - Jr. High Social Studies Teacher)

### House of Protos

#### **Ellie Aylward**

Ellie is new to junior high, but has made an impact with her positive attitude & radiant smile. Ellie always has something kind to say.

(Mr. John Nunney - Jr. High Health & Religion Teacher)



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### Time + Talent + Treasure

April 7.....	\$9,293.00
April 14.....	\$10,729.00
April 21.....	\$7,515.48
April 28.....	\$6,578.90
April Faith Direct.....	\$29,501.34

**Bulletin Deadline**—If you have information you would like to include in the weekly bulletin, please submit your information to: [bulletin@avoncc.org](mailto:bulletin@avoncc.org) by **Monday at Noon!** Michelle Krieg is our new bulletin editor and will be happy to get your information included.



## SCHOOL NEWS

### ***“Jesus and Me Day” at St. Mary’s School***

In preparation for their First Holy Communion, the 2nd graders at St. Mary’s School celebrated their anticipated First Communion with a **“Jesus and Me Day.”**



The students watched a reenactment of the Last Supper, learned about how the hosts are made and practiced various parts of the Mass. They also made banners for the students’ homes, made prayer boxes and “I am strong with God” bracelets. The day culminated with a special treat and a short prayer service that prepared their hearts and minds to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.



St. Mary’s students  
singing for  
**First Holy Communion**



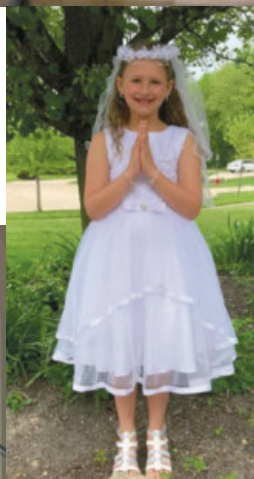
## PARISH NEWS

This past weekend, we celebrated the **First Holy Communion** of our 2nd grade St. Mary parishioners. It was a day filled with abundant joy as our young ones took the next step in their faith journey.

Months of preparation, guided by dedicated instructors and supported by loving families, culminated in a beautiful ceremony where our students approached the altar to receive the body and blood of Christ for the first time. It was a sight to behold as they embraced this sacred sacrament with reverence and humility.

As we look back on this memorable day, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who played a role in making this day possible and for their continued commitment to nurturing the faith of our students. We ask that you pray for our children that the grace

of God continues to guide and bless them as they grow in faith, love and discipleship.







**Please join us for our annual May Crowning**  
**Where:** St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception  
**When:** Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following 7:30 pm. Mass

### Time + Talent + Treasure

April 7.....	\$13,240.05
April 14.....	\$6,043.07
April 21.....	\$7,807.13
April 28.....	\$6,082.10
April ACH Contributions.....	\$9,330.50

### Year-End Cookout for the Edge Youth Group

Come join the Edge Youth Group for our year-end cook-out on **Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.** at St. Mary of The Immaculate Conception Parish. All 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome and feel free to bring any 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade friends! Please register yourself and any others you are bringing using the link below so that we have plenty of food and drink for all. We will have hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks for \$5 per person.  
<https://pavit.nelnet.net/form/MJSmTOS8>

Adults who are Registered Parishioners of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish - Would you consider volunteering a few hours a month to count our Sunday collection? Volunteers will need to be available either on Sundays at 11:00 AM or Mondays at 9:00 AM or 12:30 PM. Please call Karen in the office for more details if you are interested in helping out. 440 934 4212 x239.



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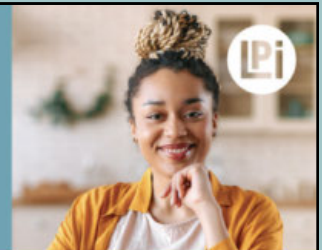
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