

May 13, 2018
Ascension of the Lord

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Serving the People of God
Spiritually and Physically since 1848"*

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:45 am

Holy Day - 5:15 pm



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Dottie Carpenter (260) 705-1690
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Jennifer Hayes (260) 450-2193

Sacraments

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made with priest at least 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required.

Sick and Communion Call

Please keep the Church Office informed of the sick and homebound, particularly when there is serious illness.

Baptism

For details please call the Church Office. Baptismal Preparation is required for parents.

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:00am-10:30am OR
Anytime by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Call Parish Office for information.

Parish Pastoral Council

Nov, Jan, Mar, May, 1st Sunday, after Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 pm
Call or email submissions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Believing in faith in action, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church strives to reach out to others through the joyful celebration of Word and Sacrament, embracing diversity, and working for peace, justice, and non-violence."

Parish Membership Welcome

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. *We thank God for you.* If you wish to register, please call the parish office, pick up a registration form in the pew, or complete below and place in collection basket.

Name _____ Phone No _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one:

New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Moving, remove from list

The Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension is an interesting feast when you think about it. We celebrate Jesus leaving! Jesus' first departure from the earth was sudden and unexpected, at least to his followers. That Good Friday departure was characterized by sorrow, confusion, and loss. This departure has a different feel: anticipation.

Today's Gospel is full of the mighty deeds Jesus predicts for his followers. "In my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents [with their hands], and if they drink any deadly thing it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." Mark's account of the Ascension is abrupt and succinct. "Then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven." Jesus ascends and the Apostles go. "But they went forth and preached everywhere." The real moment likely had a bit of lag time. Realis-

tically, the Apostles had quite the task in front of them. Can you imagine those first few moments on the hilltop after Jesus disappeared, as the Apostles met each other's eyes? "This is it. He really is gone this time. It's up to us now." Mark's abrupt transition from Ascension to action makes his meaning clear. The Ascension isn't just about Jesus. It's about us. Are we ready to go? Are we ready to be commissioned? This is the heart of the Ascension message -Jesus leaves so we can go. We might not "go into the whole world," but we all live in a corner of it. The command to "proclaim the Gospel" isn't a call for everyone to be formal preachers of the Word. We do, however, proclaim our beliefs with the way we live our lives. Do our lives proclaim Easter joy?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy;
A blare of trumpets for the Lord.*



Sunday, May 13

Sacristan: Sue Jehl

Commentator/Petitions: Tom Rumschlag

Servers: Katy Parrott, Kera Parrott, Payton Hinsey

First Reading: John Brennan

Second Reading: Carmen Doyle

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Jehl, Tom Vodde, Carol Vodde, Rosemary Mausser, Kate Brogan, Maxine Stovall, Jane Wick, Theresa Spencer

Ushers: Dennis Doyle, Liz Peterson, John Peterson, Christine Myles

Greeters: Sue & Irv Arnold

Coffee & Donuts: Katrina & Andy Johnson, Chuck Luther

Sunday, May 20

Sacristan: Sue Koester

Commentator/Petitions: Greg Gemperline

Servers: Michele Obioma, Michael Obioma, Val Vorndran

First Reading: Melinda Reyes

Second Reading: Maxine Stovall

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Koester, Joanne Miller, Jennifer Hayes, Maureen McCon, Barb Chmiel, Pat McBride, Alex Andorfer, Judy Wagoner

Ushers: Adam Huth, Jim Huth, Julie Huth, Gary Grider

Greeters: Marilyn & Jim Horrell, Ben Horrell family



So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs. - Mk 16:19-20 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970

*"to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose
under heaven"*

"a time to be born..."

"a time to love..."

"a time to be healed..."

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

"a time to die"

"and a time for peace"

*and in our world, all people, both military and civilian who are
in the midst of war, or natural disasters.*

Ecclesiastes 3:1f

Readings for the Week of May 13, 2018

Sunday: 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

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

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/ 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 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/ Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/



Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 13

10:45 am Joan Gospodarek

Sunday, May 20

10:45 am Gregg Herman



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

Please mark your grocery lists for our Soup Kitchen. This week we are asking for ...RICE.

Soup Kitchen Weekend Volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 -1:00 pm

Saturday, May 12: Owen & Elliot R., Kaylee E.

Sunday, May 13: John's friends

Saturday, May 19: Bob & Deb, Jim Schmidt

Sunday, May 20: Larry C., Shanebrooks

Saturday, May 26: John's friends

Sunday, May 27: Nina Gery, Liz & John P.

Thank you for volunteering at the Soup Kitchen. Please call me if you are unable to make your scheduled day.

Val Vordran 625-5757 or 450-5170

AVE MARIA HOUSE PANTRY NEEDS:

Peanut Butter and Toilet Paper

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Do you feel a calling to minister to our shut-ins? Please call the church office at 424-8231 or Sue Koester at 493-4282 for more information, or if you know of a parishioner who may be homebound and in need of communion brought to them.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, May 13

- Recitation of the Rosary begins at 10:20 a.m.
- Second Collection is for Catholic Charities and St. Vincent de Paul Society.

WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM THIS SUNDAY

of Jack Christopher Hatcher

Son of Christopher and Kathleen Ashby Hatcher

Deacon Jim Tighe will officiate at NOON

Sunday, May 20

- Come early and recite the *Rosary for Mary* beginning at 10:20 am. Lead by Dottie Carpenter.
- Second collection is for the support of our Diocesan Seminarians.

Parish Announcements

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME

Our annual *TinCaps* outing will be Monday, June 11th at 7:05pm. This will be a Family Feast Night, so hot dogs, popcorn, pizza slices, and small drinks will cost \$1. Tickets will cost \$10, and will be sold before and after Mass every Sunday until May 27. Cash and checks will be accepted. Tickets will be available for pickup at church on June 3rd and 10th. We hope to see you there!

THANKS TO CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HS

We wish to thank the students and faculty of Concordia Lutheran High School for a very generous donation to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen. This donation is a result of the recent "Serving Bowls Chili Fundraiser" using hand-crafted ceramic bowls made under the direction of their art teacher, Treavor Campbell. Their thoughtfulness and efforts in helping feed the hungry of Fort Wayne are appreciated.

SUPPORTING OUR SEMINARIANS

Next weekend is the Solemnity of Pentecost. The annual Pentecost collection will help fund the education of our seminarians. We ask all parish families to please be generous to this important collection. Please use your Pentecost Collection envelope, or feel free to donate online, at the diocesan website, www.diocesefwsb.org/diocesan-donations.

RETREAT FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The Diocesan Office of Worship will be hosting "Mornings of Reflection" for liturgical ministers on Saturday, June 9. Led by diocesan seminarians, these events can serve as an annual retreat for diocesan extraordinary ministers and lectors, although anybody is welcome to attend. They are free of charge, but pre-registration through the diocese is necessary. View the 2018 Morning of Reflection registration form here: <http://www.diocesefwsb.org/Trainings-And-Retreats>. SIGNUP SHEETS also available on the table in gathering space. Mail to diocese.

CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK

Join the Catholic Business Network on Friday, June 1 for our First Friday Breakfast. We will begin with Mass in the St. Mother Theodore Guerin Chapel (by the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception) at 7 a.m.. This will be followed by networking, breakfast, and our featured speaker at 8 a.m. in the Cathedral Center. June's featured speaker is Mike Kelly "The Accidental Leadership Theology of Mary Poppins." His talk will begin at 8:00 a.m. Mike Kelly is the president of Calienté LLC in Fort Wayne, INCost: Free 1122 S. Clinton St.
Contact: Stephanie Patka spatka@diocesefwsb.org

BABY SHOWER DURING MAY

The St. Martin dePorres Society is sponsoring a baby shower to benefit young mothers from Ave Maria House and Vincent House. They are accepting items of clothing, blankets, and diapers size 2 and up (please no preemie or size1). Donations are being accepted through June 3.

