

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 29, 2022

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.

— *Psalm 47:6*

SENT FORTH

Today we celebrate Jesus' return to heaven. If we struggle to know how to feel about this event, we take our cue from Jesus' disciples. These disciples are first-hand witnesses to the Ascension, returning afterward to Jerusalem, where "they were continually in the temple praising God." Long-time companions of the Lord, they surely feel the pain of physical separation from Jesus. Yet they praise God continually. They accept God's plan, looking forward to the day when Christ will come again. As our reading from Hebrews affirms, Christ will return to "bring salvation to those who eagerly await him." This Good News is almost too much to take in; the Acts of the Apostles explains that an angel has to wake the disciples from their stupor, reminding them to start the Lord's work. Today's readings are our own angel, sending us forth in joyful hope.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or *Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23*.

Gospel — As Jesus blessed his disciples he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The sky is not always serene. It is sometimes crowded with thick clouds; and after beautiful sunshine often comes rain and storm. It is the same with the family life, and every other situation in which many persons are forced to live together.

At certain moments all seems to darken around us; everyone wears a sour look; we get nothing but reproaches, and hear nothing but ill-natured jests; our good services are repaid by coldness or even disdain; all that we say is contradicted; all that we do is pronounced defective; our most innocent movements are interpreted ill. In fact, we are crossed in every possible manner. What are we to do in such painful circumstances? Are we to give way to discouragement, to spite, to indignation, to anger? Nothing of the sort. This would be throwing oil on the fire, wounding our own heart and the hearts of others. For this there is only one remedy: it lies in the words of Jesus; "Learn of me, for I am meek and humble of heart."

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Camelot in thanks for her on her 6th Birthday;
2. the Wife and Daughters of Jim Carroll in loving memory of him on his 82nd Birthday;
3. the Family of Bryan L. Gorman in loving memory of him on his Birthday;
4. and a Parish Family member in thanks to St. Expedite.

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Offertory Development

Last Week's Collection	\$3,845.00	\$4,014.00
Number of Families contributing	99	79
Total Pledge for 2022	\$160,375.00	\$163,292.00
Pledged to Date (20 Weeks)	\$65,161.00	\$66,279.00
Received to Date	\$55,135.00	\$45,017.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$10,026.00	\$21,262.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$355.00	\$3,720.00

Thirty-seven ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$200.00	\$71,330.00

One person made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$69,865.00

POOR BOX totaled \$135.00

20 **CHILDREN** contributed \$74.00.

BAA totaled \$65.00.

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in honor of St. Joseph, the Infant of Prague, and St. Expedite for a miracle needed; and to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed this Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

OUR LADY OF PEACE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2022-2023 REGISTRATION

Early Registration ends on June 8th - \$375

Regular Registration begins June 9th - \$475

Financial Aid Applications are available and must be completed by June 30th.

State sponsored 4K scholarships available

In South Carolina, Kindergarten is a compulsory grade for children who are 5 years old on/before September 1st of the academic year. OLP will not be allowing any 5-year-old to remain in/or enroll in 4K.

Contact the School Office for more details at 803-279-8396 ext. 100.

August 15, 2022 School Start Date

SUMMER ADORATION will begin Monday June 6th and will be held on Monday and Thursday from 10:30a.m. to 2:30p.m.

TRUE RICHNESS

Whenever you want to know how rich you are...

Don't count your money...

Drop a tear and count how many hands reach to wipe it...

That's TRUE RICHNESS.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection this weekend will be for the *Catholic Communication Campaign*. Please be generous.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER SCHEDULE

MORNING PRAYER	Monday thru Friday	9:30 a.m.
EVENING PRAYER	Monday thru Friday	3:30 p.m.

BEAUTIFUL LINES

- ❖ *Often when WE LOSE HOPE and THINK this is the END, GOD SMILES from ABOVE and SAYS, "RELAX, SWEETHEART; it's JUST a BEND, NOT THE END.*
- ❖ *When GOD SOLVES your PROBLEMS, you HAVE FAITH in HIS ABILITIES; when GOD DOESN'T SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS, HE has FAITH IN YOUR ABILITIES.*
- ❖ *A BLIND PERSON asked GOD: "CAN THERE be ANYTHING WORSE THAN LOSING EYESIGHT?" HE REPLIED: "YES, LOSING YOUR VISION!"*

JOKE OF THE WEEK The open-air evangelist warning his hearers to escape the wrath of God, said that they had been fully warned of the perils of sin. "Without doubt," he said, "on the Day of Judgement there would be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

"But I ain't have teeth," said a little woman.
 "Never mind," the evangelist shouted, "teeth will be provided."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; World Communications Day
Monday:	Memorial Day
Tuesday:	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday:	St. Justin
Thursday:	Ss. Marcellinus and Peter
Friday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions; First Friday
Saturday:	First Saturday

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday:	For Pete Suedle and for Mary Louise on her 70 th Birthday.
Tuesday:	In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus; in honor of St. John Paul; and in thanks for Camelot on her 6 th Birthday.
Wednesday:	In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory.
Thursday:	For Petie and Mary Louise Carroll.
Friday:	For the repose of the soul of Mikey Joe Riley on his 75 th Birthday.

THE GIFT OF LAUGHTER

*Thank God for the gift of laughter
 It's a wonderful thing;
 And for a brief, happy moment
 There's joy that it can bring.
 It washes away all sadness
 If only for awhile –
 It does away with loneliness,
 So we can find a smile.
 It's a gift quite nice from Heaven –
 I'm sure God sends it, too;
 So I thank Him for all the laughter,
 Which soothes my soul anew!*

READERS

Sat. May 28th, 4:00 P.M. Ritz & Savannah	Sun. May 29th, 10:00 AM. Taniel & Lauren Ashley
Sat. June 4th, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Julie Ann	Sun. June 5th, 10:00 AM. Taniel & Lauren Ashley

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	- Ivana
Tuesday	- Dominique
Wednesday	- Cathy Lisa
Thursday	- Julie Ann
Friday	- Ashley Carroll

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	- Winnie Ann
Tuesday	- Nora
Wednesday	- Catherine Ann
Thursday	- Mary Cat
Friday	- Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	May 28th
Right	Winnie Ann
Left	Bridget Rita
Sunday 10:00 A.M.	June 5th
May 29th	Rose Marie
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GOOD DEEDS

**You good deeds might seem invisible,
 But they leave a trail that is imprinted
 on the hearts of others.**

5 TIMES TO MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

- **DURING PERSONAL PRAYER.**
As an introduction/invocation to the Blessed Trinity.
- **WHEN PASSING A CHURCH.**
To honor the Blessed Sacrament present inside.
- **WHEN YOU HEAR A SIREN.**
To heal those who are in danger of dying.
- **WHEN PASSING A CEMETERY.**
As a prayer for the Holy souls.
- **WHEN YOU SEE AN ACCIDENT.**
As a protection for those who are in peril.

WHY & WHY NOT

Don't look back and ask **WHY**.
 Look ahead and say **WHY NOT**.

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

*Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ Your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.*