



# May 16, 2021

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### FROM OUR PASTOR

As much as we look forward to things it is important to look back at times. Lent may seem like a long time ago but there was some fruit that I would like to share with you. Part of my Lenten prayer was to find 15 minutes of silence and listening. It can be easy to shut off a device or go to another room in the house for silence. But to truly listen is more difficult. For all of us, we have so much going on and even more so in our heads; plans, thoughts or mental to do lists. So truly and deeply listening to the Holy Spirit takes that focus and effort.

So over time during Lent I had some thoughts come together. Part of it is a challenge to myself and I offer it to you if the Holy Spirit is calling you to be a part of it. Many say I don't have time to pray or what would that look like if I did? So I am looking at a time of prayer in church at 9 pm on Wednesday nights. Perhaps that sounds too late. If the Spirit gets you out of the house to be there, wonderful. That is part of the point. This is not meant to be convenient. (For me either!)

So listening during the Lenten season the following fell into place as a way of praying for our parish, school and all of our families. As St. Patrick is our patron, it seemed right to have his prayer: St. Patrick's Breastplate as the opening. Then to look ahead and use the scripture readings for that coming Sunday. Lectio divina is a wonderful way to listen to God speak to us through His Word.

From there we would draw prayers from a booklet titled "Catholic Revival prayers", it deals with spiritual warfare; we all face temptations and so to pray against them is important. Then some petitions people may have. By my listening, Psalms 68 and 62 would follow. Then a little time of silence to see what the Holy Spirit is up to in our lives. Then a thanksgiving prayer, followed by an Our Father and a blessing.

Perhaps you are thinking that sounds like a lot. I believe it is about a half an hour worth of prayer. So if you are making the effort it may as well be worth your time. So that will begin on Wednesday May 26th. That is the first Wednesday after the feast of Pentecost, perhaps the Spirit will stir things up for you. The front doors of the church will be open, so come on in.

It is not directly a time of adoration, that opportunity is on Fridays from 3-4 pm. And for the summer, after Mass on First Friday all day until 4 pm. That concludes with benediction.

We will give this prayer opportunity a chance for the rest of the calendar year. So it will happen every Wednesday at 9 pm unless you see something in the bulletin or an announcement that says otherwise. So do not feel obligated to be at every Wednesday, but if the Holy Spirit is moving your heart to such a prayer time I encourage you to try and make it happen.

Prayer can help us look to the future or better understand the past and where God was during that time in our lives. If this isn't for you that does not mean you are not called to prayer. This Pentecost, let the Holy Spirit speak to your heart. You never know what may be there for you.

*Father John*

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturdays ~ 5 PM  
Sundays ~ 8 AM & 10 AM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 5:30 PM  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM  
First Saturdays 8:00 AM

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM  
& Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

#### **EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION**

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass  
Benediction at 4:00 PM  
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM  
Benediction at 4:00 PM

**Mass Intentions for the week of May 16, 2021**

Sat. May 15	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Art Vinopal</i>
Sun. May 16	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Henry Janecek</i>
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue. May 18		NO MASS
Wed. May 19	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Andrew Petrowitz</i>
	2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the repose of the soul of <i>Mary Lechleiter</i>
	6:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Joan Struble</i>
Thu. May 20	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Dennis Kolba</i>
Fri. May 21	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Art Vinopal</i>
Sat. May 22	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. May 23	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i>
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Shannon Bishop DeVee</i>

**Pray for the health of** Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Bernadine Seitz, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Bob Penzkover, Patrick Moore, and Marty.

**Pray for those in the military serving our country:** Jason Witkowiak, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson and Ethan Jasin-ski.

**Congratulations to Joel Swanson and Bridget Kelly** who were married here at St. Patrick's this weekend. Let us all pray for God's blessings for the newlyweds as they begin their life together.

**Mass will be celebrated at 8 AM** on Monday, May 31st (Memorial Day) here at the church.

**Stewardship Corner ~ May 8th & 9th, 2021  
(523 Registered Families)**

	<b>WKLY BUDGETED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$12,868.42	\$ 8,201.25
On-Line Giving		4,706.25
Children's Envelopes	15.67	8.00
Loose Offering	688.68	219.50
<b>Total Weekly Offering:</b>	<b>\$13,572.77</b>	<b>\$ 13,135.00</b>
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 350.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$637,920.19
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$457,844.38

\*Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to current date

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

**Weekly Calendar**

Tuesday	May 18	7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
Wednesday	May 19		Religious Ed Classes
Thursday	May 20	2:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		6:00 PM	Parish Council Mtg.

**Knights of Columbus Meeting**—Tuesday, May 18th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

**Rummage Sale Items Wanted:** If you are doing your spring cleaning and have some items that you would like to donate to our summer rummage sale, please save them for us. We will be collecting items on Wednesday evenings from 6—8 PM. You may bring your items to the rectory garage at those times. Please do not bring clothes as we will not be accepting them for this sale. Also, if you have larger items or furniture, please give Therese Gunther a call (847-6744) before bringing it to make sure that we will be able to use them. If you cannot drop your items off during these times, please let Therese know and she will make other arrangements to meet you. The rummage sale will be mid to late summer.

**Growing our Ministries** ~ As we move towards comfortably and safely growing our Mass attendance, we would also like to grow the participation in our ministries. The liturgy committee is asking for everyone to prayerfully consider sharing their time and talent in the following important Mass ministry areas: lectors, servers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters and musicians. We are extremely grateful for those parishioners who helped us in the past and those who continued to serve in these areas during the global health emergency. We will continue to ask for their service going forward, but as we grow in attendance, it will be important to share the responsibilities. Please consider how you would like to serve our parish family and call Cassandra Thayer at the rectory 608-747-2681. Thank you so much.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 15th & 16th

### Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Howard Boppart  
Servers: Aedyn & Owen Lubinski  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Cassandra Thayer  
Usher: Eli Boppart  
Cleaning: The Boppart Family

### Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Larry Moore  
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary  
Usher:  
Cleaning: The Moore & Bailey Families

### Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Lisa Pouillie  
Servers:  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Carla & Jacob Brunner  
Usher: Clinton Pouillie  
Cleaning: The Pouillie Family

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 22nd & 23rd

### Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jerilynn Kolba  
Servers:  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Carla & Jacob Brunner  
Usher: Bill Powers  
Cleaning: The Ryan Family

### Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Paul Schaller  
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky  
Musicians: Cristina Becker  
Usher: Matthew Gunther  
Cleaning: The Bailey Family

### Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Steve Hesprich  
Servers:  
Musicians: Anna Boppart, Sharon Kelly  
Usher: Steve Powers  
Cleaning:

**The Fall Festival is just around the corner—September 12th!** Raffle tickets are now available. They are located near the entrances of church and on the rectory porch. Please help out with our biggest fundraiser of the year by taking a few books to sell. Tickets are \$5.00 each and come in books of 10.

**As another school year comes to a close,** we would like to remind everyone that if you are changing your address (moving to college or moving from college, etc.) please let us know what your new address and contact information will be. We would like to keep as current as possible. Thank you!

**If someone you know becomes hospitalized** and would like a visit, please call Cassandra at the church office. To be included on the prayer line or to be listed in the bulletin prayer list, you may also call the church office at 847-6054.

**Are you willing to sponsor one of the large flower pots** that decorate the front of the church for the summer? The cost is \$45.00 per pot. Please contact the rectory if you are interested.

**ON LINE GIVING**—If you have not tried on-line giving, please check it out! It's safe, secure and simple. You can find the link on our website: [stpatricksmauston.com](http://stpatricksmauston.com)

**Congratulations to our Religious Education students** who will be confirmed this Tuesday, May 18th at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Necedah. Let us offer our prayers and congratulations to these young people on this very special day.

**There will be a Memorial Day Service** at St. Patrick Cemetery at 11 AM on Monday, May 31st. Let us remember those who have sacrificed to keep us safe.

**Scrip is sold during the week at the rectory office.** You can stop by to purchase it during our office hours or call or e-mail ahead and we will have your order ready for you to pick up.

**Can you help with watering our flowers this summer?** We will soon be putting out our flower pots to decorate outside of the church and are in need of people to help keep them watered. If you can help out, please give the rectory a call.

**Receive the Holy Spirit and let Him** lead you to an encounter with the "Friendly Fire" at St. Theresa's in Union Center on Saturday mornings. Confession/Rosary/Mass at 9 AM. For more information, call Bev at 608-572-1266.

*As spring arrives and the temperatures rise, remember to support and pray for those who grow our food and fulfill God's command to "till the earth and keep it."*

### Prayer to St. Isidore ~ Patron Saint of Farmers

Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread and wine, are brought and offered to God by the priest. Then, in the Consecration, Christ Himself, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread and wine. And in what was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value and beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can. Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, and offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The more often we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good Saint Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may someday reap the reward of good works with you in heaven. Amen.

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