

May 17, 2015

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord



CLAP YOUR HANDS: "All you people, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of joy." A member of our human team ran the race and won the prize, to be seated at the right hand of the Most High, sovereign of the earth. Together, the Most High and Christ Jesus promise us, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes." Resurrection, Ascension and Pentecost: can this three-in-one paschal mystery be glory for us, the answer to our cry for wholeness, our powerful key to justice and joy? Yes.

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Today's Scriptures: While the Church attributes many titles to Jesus Christ this season, today's liturgy emphasizes one in particular. In this solemnity, Jesus is the "Lord," the beginning and the end of all history and time. Glorified by the Father, he lives forever at his right hand, with the Holy Spirit. Today's Gospel describes the signs that are to accompany the disciples of the Lord Jesus. The assembly should reflect on and respond to the following key questions; doing so might reveal how serious we are about the resurrection and new life that the Church proclaims throughout Easter. What are the demons that have been thrown at us this season: prejudice, resentment, envy, blame? What forms of healing has the community experienced? Has there been a noticeable change among parishioners regarding the love and justice to which this season calls us?

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Memorial Day Mass: There will be a 10 am Memorial Day Mass, Monday, May 25, offered by Bishop Sirba at Calvary Cemetery in Duluth near the mausoleum. Those attending should bring their own chairs.

Please Help Update Our Records. We would like to confirm and update our records to be sure we have current addresses, home and cell phone numbers, and email addresses for all of our members. Please call or email (hspirit@mchsi.com) to give us your information at your earliest convenience. We appreciate your time and effort.

Holy Spirit Library: Are you aware that our Church library is available for all of us to use? The library is located downstairs. It has been recently organized, and is ready for YOU. A great opportunity to learn and grow, to energize your mind, heart, and soul. Come and enjoy this great resource.

Bring God's hope to those in need. Next weekend there will be a special collection for relief to the Nepal earthquake victims. The Diocese of Duluth has called for a special collection to assist those affected by the Nepal earthquake. Please be generous.

Save the Date...WEEKEND RETREAT for the Separated and Divorced... "Putting RELIGION into Your RELATIONSHIPS" Hope and practical help for healing your family relationships. The retreat will held on July 24-26, 2015 at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. This retreat is open to all single, divorced & separated Christians. Presenter, Rose Sweet, is about relationships, helping others to incorporate authentic love in a practical way into family, work, school and church. Rose has gone through divorce and annulment and loves to share the often misunderstood Church teachings on love, sex, marriage and annulment. For two decades she has worked to bring hope to the divorced or separated who face the trauma of broken relationships. For more about Rose Sweet go to: www.rosesweet.com or www.catholicsdivorce.com. For questions on the retreat details call 763-497-8278. Space is limited, sign up early

"COMING HOME BASKET": The basket sitting to the right of the Sanctuary is a "Coming Home Basket." If you know of someone who has drifted away from their Catholic faith, write their name on one of the sheets provided, fold it, and place it in the basket. As a faith community we are encouraged to pray for the people whose names have been placed in the coming home basket as well as to encourage those we are aware of to return.

PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARDS FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS.

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Saturday	WEEKDAY DURING EASTER	05/16/15
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † Steve Beyering Reader: Harold Ek Plate: Beth Egan Chalice: Carol Anderson & Kathy McMahon Servers: Karly Fleischer & To be assigned	
Sunday	7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	05/17/15
11:00 a.m.	Mass—Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Shannah Groothausen Plate: Shari Hendren Chalice: Nancy Olsen & Jeanie Shaw Servers: Livy & Sid Hendren	
Monday	SAINT JOHN I	05/18/15
Tuesday	WEEKDAY DURING EASTER	05/19/15
5:45 p.m.	Choir Practice	
Wednesday	SAINT BERNARDINE OF SIENA	05/20/15
8:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
8:45 a.m.	Holy Hour with Exposition	
Thursday	SAINT CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES & COMPANIONS	05/21/15
6:30 p.m.	Men's Prayer Group	
Friday	SAINT RITA OF CASCIA	05/22/15
8:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
Saturday	WEEKDAY DURING EASTER	05/23/15
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † Patricia Harrison Reader: To be assigned Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Beth Egan & Liz Scheidt Servers: Hayden Johnson & Spencer Ross	
Sunday	PENTECOST	05/24/15
11:00 a.m.	Mass—Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Harold Ek Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Chris Lemke & Gina Lemke Servers: Anthony Lemke & Jasmyn Uremovich	

† **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Ron Kor, Joann Ostendorf, and Ron Ostendorf.



† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Bill Carlson, Patty Harrison-Isakson, Ray Weeks and Betty Westaby .

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray and Christopher Uremovich.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed by calling the church office 834-4659.

Youth Happenings

Check out our Youth Bulletin Board
"Like" us on Facebook: Holy Spirit Youth Group

Mark your Calendars!!!

V.B.S. : We are looking for parents and kids (7th & up) to assist in teaching Vacation Bible School June 21st-25th, 5:30—7:30 p.m. If interested, please contact Connie, 834-4433 or Cheryl, 830-0578. We are also in need of adults to serve a light meal each of these nights.

We have some great opportunities coming soon for our youth!

June—Vacation Bible School

July—D-Week

Steubenville Mission

August—Camp Survive

Watch for further details.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

Superior Sound, choral group under the direction of Daryl Johnson, will perform their spring concert at Bethlehem Lutheran on Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 p.m. A free will offering will be taken. An ice cream social will follow the concert. There will be only one concert this spring, so mark your calendars—we hope to see you then!

Funeral Dish Reminder: Please remember to pick up your dish outside the parish office. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped with this very important ministry!

Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection.....	\$2,235.90
Bldg. Fund.....	\$235.00
UCA.....	\$4,415.00
Youth Fund (New Bibles).....	\$100.00