

**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Saturday May 27, Vigil

4:00 p.m. - Remembering
those who made the
ultimate sacrifice*(John & Mary Husek)*

Sunday, May 28, 2017

9:30 a.m. - Doris Yedlicka

(Julie & Andy Yedlick)

Monday, May 29, 2017

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 30, 2017

8:45 a.m. - Howard & Lilyan
Rarick*(Jim Rarick)*

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

8:45 a.m. - For a blessed marriage
for Bradly & Katherine Eardley*(Dave Eardley)*

Thursday, June 1, 2017

8:45 a.m. - Al & Ethyl Walcutt
(The Family)

Friday, June 2, 2017

NO MASS

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Saturday June 3, Vigil

4:00 p.m. - George & Shirley
Lassnick*(Ruth Polzer)*

Sunday, June 4, 2017

9:30 a.m. - Peter Dragonette

*(Dave Eardly)***Daily Scripture Readings****MAY**

29 Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33

30 Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a

31 Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/
Lk 1:39-56**JUNE**1 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/
Jn 17:20-26

2 Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

3 Acts 28:16-21,30-31/
Jn 21:20-254 Acts 2:1-11/1Cor 12:3b-7,
12-13/Jn 20:19-23**MAY 28, 2017: ASCENSION OF THE LORD***Dear Parish Family,*

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The apostles watched as our Lord was taken up into heaven. The Acts of the Apostles (cf. 1:1-11) tells us that men in white garments said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?" The apostles were told that Jesus would return in the same way as he was seen going into heaven. I suppose it could have been very appealing to remain where they were. To continue to look up at the sky and marvel in what they had just witnessed. Nevertheless, they were called to be witnesses in a broader sense. They were to be our Lord's witnesses "in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." They had received their mission from the Lord. They looked up, but then they had to look to one another, remain in Jerusalem and wait for "the promise of the Father." In a few days, they would be "baptized with the Holy Spirit."

As they returned to Jerusalem prior to Pentecost, I often wonder what the apostles were thinking and what they were feeling in light of all that had happened. The scriptures tells us that they "returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God (Luke 24:53)." They could have understandably had some apprehension as well. There may have been some concern about certain authorities who would have viewed them with suspicion and hostility.

Through it all, they had great trust in the promises of Christ. They would not be abandoned. The Holy Spirit would work through them and many of them would make the ultimate sacrifice in remaining faithful to their Master. They would come down the mountain and carry out the mission of the Church for the salvation of souls.

As we reflect on our relationship with God, perhaps we too have had those "mountaintop" experiences. These might have been times when we felt the presence of God in a powerful way as we live our faith. We also know that we cannot stay on the mountain indefinitely. Still, the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit can be found and experienced in the daily challenges of life. As we come down the mountain to the valleys and plains of everyday living, Christ comes to us in our workplaces and schools. The Spirit inspires us to generously give of ourselves in our families, our churches and wider communities. We become instruments of our Lord's compassion as we respond to those in need.

I see this every day in my Priestly ministry. I see and experience the Holy Spirit at work in the lives of so many generous, faith-filled people. I am always thankful for your generosity. As we anticipate the Solemnity of Pentecost, perhaps we can recite the prayer "Come Holy Spirit" each day.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

God bless you,

Fr. Dan Redmond

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for JUNE 3 & 4

	June 3	June 4
LECTOR	Dana Shuttly	Joddi Savage
EMHC	Brenda Brcak, Muriel Martin	Jean & John Denison
PLA	Mark & Kathy Oravec	Dan & Carole Doyle
SERVERS	To Be Announced	
COUNTING CREW	C Team	

From the Good Sams...

Sunday, June 4 is Donut Sunday & Bake Sale. Come on down to the church hall for great fellowship and delicious donuts ... and take home some delightful baked goods and support our church!

Religious Education: Parish School of Religion

Experience hands-on creativity this summer, discovering God's purpose for our lives. Join us for **St. Patrick's Vacation Bible School!** Kids will learn they're lovingly created by God during our Maker Fun Factory Vacation Bible School program. The theme for this year's program is "Created by God, Built for a Purpose". **The Maker Fun Factory is July 11, 12, and 13th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. each evening.**



New this year is a preschool program at VBS for children that are 3, 4, and 5 years (not yet entering kindergarten). Students entering Kindergarten through grade 5 will learn together in their groups and **students entering 6th and 7th grade will serve as crew helpers for all groups. We need adults of all ages and teenagers (entering grades 8 through 12) to join the team!** Register your little builders now! The deadline for registration is June 30.

VBS Volunteers - Adults, teens and youth: Please mark your calendar for our ONE organizational meeting to prepare for VBS on Tuesday June 20 from 6:15 to 7:30 pm in the church lower hall. Thank you for your time and efforts for the children who will participate in VBS!!

PSR registration forms are available in the church vestibule for the 2017-2018 school year. Please register by July 31. PSR will resume on Tuesday, September 12, 2017.

Pro-Life:

Our babies are now 20 weeks old. He/she is now about 10 inches long from head to heel and weighs 11 ounces. Fetal movement commonly known as 'quickening' can usually be felt by the mother. The baby has unique waking and sleeping patterns and even has a favorite position to sleep in. Keep praying for the child you have spiritually adopted.



Holy Family Prayer Vigil: Wednesday, May 31

Let your Family become A Holy Family by consecrating your Family to the Holy Family of Nazareth at the Knights of Columbus, St. Mary Council #15942 Holy Family Prayer Vigil, on **Wednesday, May 31, 2017**, at 7:00 p.m. on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, here at St. Mary Church, Chardon.

Over the last two years, the Holy Family Icon has been traveling throughout the counties where the Knights of Columbus are present. In the State of Ohio, four Holy Family Icons have been traveling the State. We are honored to host the last presentation of the Holy Family Icon for 2017. May the Holy Family watch over all Families, our biological family and our parish family. J+M+J

**Offering for:
May 21, 2017**

May 21:	\$3,983.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 44.00
Capital Improv.:	\$ 1,325.00
Mother's Day:	\$ 41.00
Catechetical Services:	\$ 10.00

101 envelopes and loose checks

Thank you for your generous support of our parish ministries and operations.

St. Patrick, pray for us!



WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL.

In a special way, we pray for Chris Barber, Barbara Bock, Don Caserta, Joan Catalano, Cathy Colvin, Cheryl DeFrancesco, Frank Foote, Laura Gyorki, Kim Hamilton, Don Holt, Rick Kawalec, Delores Lynch, Mella McCain, Andrew & Anthony Mihalic, Joe Misosky, Virginia Perlik, Joseph & Hildegard Redmond, Melissa Rhodes, Connor Sayers, Fr. Paul Sciarrotta and Katy Sirna.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED.

May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

