

WE THANK everyone who shared a portion of their blessings to God through your church.

May 8 & 9, 2021: Regular Collection: \$2,937.00, Building Fund: \$100.00, Cemetery: \$467.00, Seminarians' & Priests' Ed: \$1.00, Easter: \$50.00. Thank you!

NOTE:

Although we must continue to pray for our sick, our elderly and their families, some names have remained on the list indefinitely, so we have removed all for now. Please inform us if you know of someone who is ill and needs prayers.

In the future, names will be removed after two weeks, unless we are notified that they should remain for another two weeks.

MONEY COUNTERS (Note your day):

Monday, May 17: Dorothy Bielski, JoAnn Horton, Mark Jozwiak, Alvin Malinowski.

Monday, May 24: Barbara Malinowski, Joanie Correll, Doug Elder, Jenny Tobin.

**WEDDING
ANNIVERSARIES**

Best Wishes and Congratulations to:

Elizabeth/Larry Gurka, May 4— 47th
Janie/Albin Mikolajchak, May 6— 49th
Janice/Marty Kubiczka, May 18— 36th
Diane/Brennan Peterson, May 18— 36th
Virginia/Alvin Malinowski, May 21 — 55th
Janis/Edward Kmiec, May 23 —40th
Patricia/Gerald Novak, May 24—52nd
Bebe/Joe Gurka, May 26—59th
Jenny/Kieran Tobin, May 27—20th
Susan/Joe Gutkowski, May 31—35th

The Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be pleased to provide Marriage Certificates, signed by Bishop Joe Vasquez, to any of our parishioners who, in the year 2021, are celebrating a milestone anniversary of 25 years, 50 years, or 60-plus years (60 plus any year greater than 60). If you wish to have one of these certificates, please call our Parish Office during normal office hours (8:30 am to 3 pm on Thursdays or Fridays).

OUR EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED!

Please note that the parish email address has changed. The new email address is:

saintstan405@gmail.com

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, Who has this day exalted Thine own self, with great triumph, above all the heavens, leave us not orphans; but send unto us the Promise of the Father, even the Spirit of truth. Alleluia.

Roman Breviary, Antiphon at Second Vespers (Liber Resp., 6th to 8th cent.)

BAZAAR INFORMATION

We are working to finalize our Raffle Book; the deadline to go to print is June 1st. Please consider donating to the Raffle, either with an item, or with money towards cash prizes (Virginia 979-836-0080). We also need sponsorships for our Live Auction (Crystal 979-251-4048), our Children's Booth, or our Outdoor Booth. Keep those gift cards coming for the Target the Card booth, by dropping them in the collection plate, marked in an envelope.

Thoughts for Your Meditation

On this seventh Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Christ's Ascension into heaven. (...) As a church and the Mystical Body of Christ, we rejoice because today we celebrate the final victory of Jesus over Satan and this world. This is a sign of hope that, as Christ our head defeated Satan and defied the forces of this physical world to ascend to the father, we too shall one day overcome the forces (of sickness, poverty, humiliation, wars, disasters, starvation, hunger, injustice, oppressions, et cetera) that try to subdue us in this world. This is certain because the same Holy Spirit that raised Christ, is in us (Rom 8:11). Thus, the Ascension reminds us that we are on a journey, and that heaven is our final destination, rather than this world.

In our first reading, Luke gives us a brief summary of the life of the historical Jesus up to the point of his dramatic ascension into heaven. There are two messages of hope for us here. The first is the promise of the Advocate: "...But you will receive the Holy Spirit...and you shall be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth." This means that Christ is not leaving us as orphans. Instead, he remains with us through the Holy Spirit "till the end of time." Therefore, the ascension of Christ does not mean his absence from us. Rather it means his continuous presence through the Holy Spirit. The second is the promise of his return (the Parousia). So, today we also celebrate hope, because Christ has gone to prepare a place for us in his kingdom. And the hope that one day [we shall see Him face to face].

However, it is important to note that while we wait and prepare for Christ to return, we are not supposed to remain idle or gaze endlessly like the apostles did at the scene of the ascension before they were awakened to consciousness. Instead, we are expected to live productive lives. This is the why both our second reading and Gospel reminds us of our missionary vocation. So, while we wait for the return of Christ, we have to make an effort to fulfill this call and vocation by living appropriately. Paul tells us the best way to do this: "Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness and in patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the spirit by the peace that binds you together." Brothers, this is what we are supposed to be doing rather than remain idle in the name of waiting for the Lord.

Brethren, rather than stand idle and gaze, we have to strive to carry out this missionary calling given to us by Christ in our gospel: "Go out to the whole world; proclaim the good news to all creation..." As Christ evangelized and commissioned us, it is now our duty to evangelize our brethren.

Finally, as we rejoice today that Christ has ascended into heaven and, that one day he will return to take us with him, let us strive to fulfill our missionary calling. Together with the psalmist let us acclaim the Lord: "God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast." Alleluia, alleluia!

Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwumeka, C.S.Sp.

Our condolences to Willie and Bernice Lewandoswki, on the passing of her sister, Elizabeth Krolczyk, on May 12.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon her.

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

“So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.’ Christ’s body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys. But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus’ final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God’s right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul ‘as to one untimely born’, in a last apparition that established him as an apostle.”
(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 659)

ASCENSION SUNDAY—THE SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER

Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking in the sky? The Lord will return, just as you have seen him ascend, alleluia.

Sat. May 15	6:00 PM	ALVIN & VIRGINIA MALINOWSKI, for Blessings—55th Wedding Anniv.
Sun. May 16	9:00 AM	+BARBARA GURKA by Denise/Tim Murski ASCENSION SUNDAY
Wed. May 19	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. May 20	8:00 AM	+Deceased members of the BEAUMAN FAMILY by Patricia/Michael Huse
Fri. May 21	8:00 AM	MIRIAM JONES by Patricia/Michael Huse

PENTECOST SUNDAY, and EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by his Spirit living in us, alleluia.

Sat. May 22	6:00 PM	+MAGGIE FATERKSOWSKI by Doris/Harvey Faterkowski
Sun. May 23	9:00 AM	+PAT & HEDWIG STEMPUHOWSKI by JoAnn Horton
Wed. May 26	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. May 27	8:00 AM	THE HOLY SOULS by Patricia/Michael Huse
Fri. May 28	8:00 AM	+Deceased members of the PINKNEY FAMILY by Patricia/Michael Huse

From the Office of the Bishop

“Effective May 23, 2021, Pentecost Sunday, the temporary protocols for the celebration of the sacraments initiated during the COVID-19 pandemic will be rescinded, and the temporary dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which I granted because of the pandemic, will be lifted. I joyfully invite all Catholics back to in-person participation in the sacraments and the life of the parish. [...] Although the COVID-19 dispensation will no longer be in effect. [...] anyone for whom attending Sunday Mass would pose a serious health risk is excused from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.”
Most Reverend Joe S. Vasquez, Bishop of Austin

Father Jozef is continuing the ongoing study on the Catholic Faith, each Wednesday at 6:30 pm (following the 6 o'clock Mass) in the rectory. This is a great opportunity to increase your knowledge of the Bible and the riches of our Catholic Tradition and doctrine.

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MAY 15TH & 16TH, 2021

ASCENSION SUNDAY



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Regular Mass Schedule:

Saturday :	6:00 PM
Sunday:	9:00 AM
Wednesday:	6:00 PM
Thursday & Friday:	8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat. 5-5:45 PM/ Sun. 8- 8: 45 AM and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

Sacrament of Marriage: Call at least 6 months before the planned wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Parish Office at least 2 weeks in advance.

Parish Boards and Councils / Chairpersons:

Parish Council: Mark Bilski
Cemetery Board: Kenneth Kettler
Building & Maintenance: Lloyd Stelter
Altar Society: Gertrude Nowak
Religious Education: Peggy Husky
Knights of Columbus: Darrell Loukanis
Hall Committee: Janie Mikolajchak

