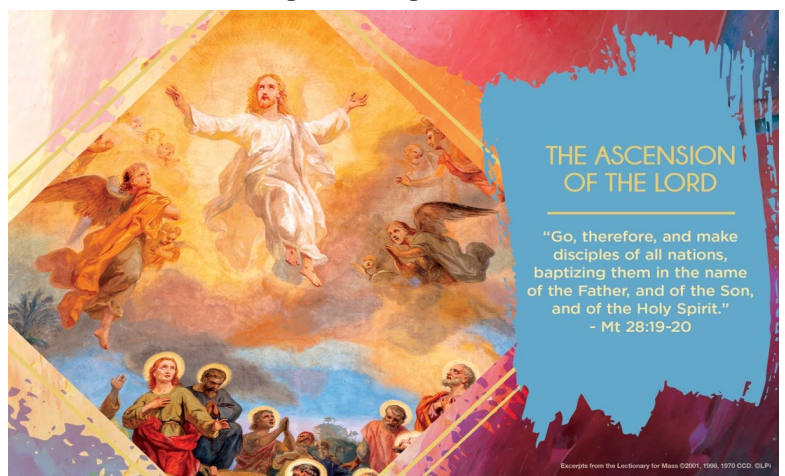


Rev. Jacek Kryn, S.A.C.
Pastor

Liliana Haynes
Office Administrator



Sunday, May 21st, 2023



Sat. May 20	4-4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
	5:00pm	✠ Nicola Colangelo (Rosa Colangelo)
Sun. May 21	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Angelo Albanese (Vince Addario)
Mon. May 22	9:30am	No Mass
Tues. May 23	9:30am	✠ Bill Young (Mike & Anne Young)
	7-8pm	HOLY HOUR & Confessions
Wed. May 24	9:30am	Reparation for all offences Committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Colin & Teresa Walters)
		✠ Steve Lenik (Bill & Mary Podolyak)
Thurs. May 25	9:30am	✠ Rudy & Mary Lawson (Douglas Martin)
Fri. May 26	9:30am	✠ Ralph Biancaniello & Gerard Gosselin (Vince Addario)
		Health & Salvation of Marilyn Kirkness (Douglas & Alexandra Martin)
Sat. May 27	4-4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
	5:00pm	Intentions of Dallas DiMartile (Colin & Teresa Walters)
Sun. May 28	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Mary Wood (Joan & Tim Crowther)

Confessions from 9-9:25am before all weekday Masses.
Offertory May 7th, 2023 \$1,103.00
Offertory May 14th, 2023- \$1,886.35
Maintenance- \$550.00
Hall Floor Renovation Collection To Date: \$3,910.00
Special collection for hall renovations

The hall renovations are going well. A major cost is the flooring. If anyone would like to make a donation to help defray this cost, there are special envelopes at the back of the church. E-transfer is also available for this. stanfendons@cogeco.net. No passwork required.

The Ascension of the Lord

Have you ever noticed how often we use “up” and “down” to judge things? Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony is “high” art, while professional wrestling is “low.” If I’m having a good day, I’m on “cloud nine.” A bad day means I am “down in the dumps.” A successful career is “moving up the ladder.” Failure in work or personal life can be “falling from the heights.” Life is filled with “ups and downs” — no one has the slightest problem understanding that means life has both “good and bad.” Now consider Jesus’ ascension. He ascends not just to some level slightly higher of goodness, but “above all the heavens.” to use the words of Saint Paul (Eph.4:10). That expression means to the source of all goodness. He has gone all the way down — to the farthest depths of human suffering, and death. And now he has taken our humanity all the way up into God. In doing so he has demonstrated what he says in the Gospel of John to the Father: “Everything of yours is mine.” He now reigns over every possible aspect of creation in and through his human nature. That’s what the ascension is all about. So what? No matter what the lows and highs, ups and down we face this week, we are totally encompassed by the one who descended and ascended. So, we should happily and confidently entrust ourselves to him. He has shown us not only his power, but especially his love, in filling all our ups and down with his presence.



Congratulations to our Grade Two students who received the Sacrament of First Eucharist on May 7th.

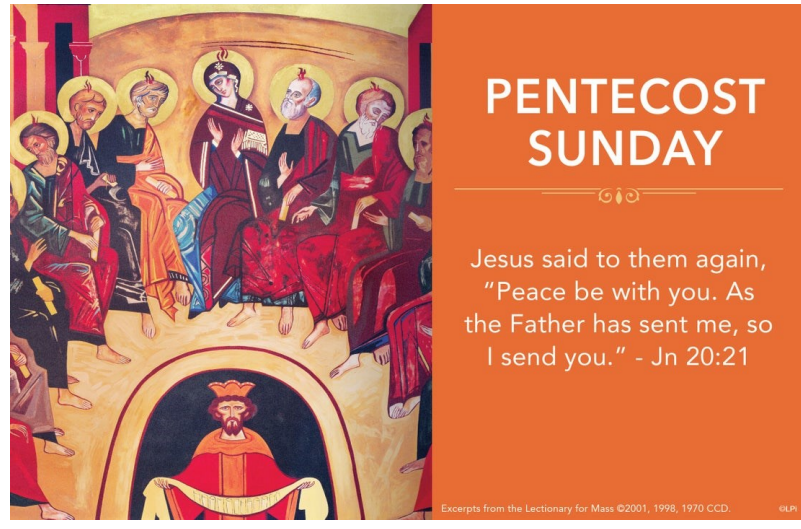
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| <i>Archer Mollo</i> | <i>Layla Whalen</i> |

World Communications Day May 21: Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (films, radio, television, newspapers, audiovisuals, internet, social media) and how these influence our lives. The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church’s ministry is twofold. The media can be used to help promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth.

The month of May is traditionally dedicated to Our Blessed Mother Mary. Let us continue to seek Mary’s prayers for our diocese and promote devotion to her as Mother of God and the model Christian. The following quote is attributed to the Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen: “God who made the sun, also made the moon. The moon does not take away from the brilliance of the sun. All its light is reflected from the sun. The Blessed Mother reflects her Divine Son; without Him, she is nothing. With Him, she is the Mother of men.” Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Youth Ministry cancelled May 22nd and will resume May 29th. The last session before the summer break will be June 12th.

Sunday, May 28th, 2023



Mon. May 29	9:30am	No Mass
Tues. May 30	9:30am	Special Intention Emma Mate (Adelaine Nohara)
		HOLY HOUR & Confessions
		Health & Salvation of Alexandra Martin (Douglas Martin)
Wed. May 31	7-8pm	✠ Frank Mullin (Colin & Teresa Walters)
	9:30am	Intentions of Vern & Donna Walters (Colin & Teresa Walters)
Thurs. June 1	9:30am	✠ Anthony, Sybil & Wayne Rebeiro (Rebeiro Family)
Fri. June 2	9:30am	6:00pm
		7:00pm
		8:00am
Sat. June 3	4-4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
		Happiness & Salvation of Vulcan & Arwen (Colin & Teresa Walters)
		Missa Pro Populo
Sun. June 4	9:30am	✠ Wladyslaw & Emilia Rajda & son Lezek (Danuta Mazur)
	11:00am	

Confessions from 9-9:25am before all weekday Masses

Pasta Take Out Dinner Fundraiser: Thursday June 8th 3-7pm. Take Out Menu \$15 Penne, 4 Meatballs, Salad, Bun
Also available: Dozen Meatballs - \$15, 30 oz Container of Sauce - \$8. **Advance tickets will be sold following all Sunday Masses prior to June 8th. Or phone/email the office.** The hall kitchen will need to be cleaned to prepare for the pasta dinner. If you are available we are meeting on Saturday, May 27th at 9am.

The Pope’s Pastoral Works Collection May 21st: This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One third of the funds collected are used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need throughout the world, as well as for support of the Holy See and its activities. Two thirds is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church.

Pentecost Sunday

I hope you’ll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it’s not normal to have tongues of fire “part and come to rest” on people. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it’s no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.



How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That’s precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

Catholic Book Sale weekend of May 27/28: We welcome the Legion of Mary to our parish for a Catholic Book Sale. Available will be a great selection of adult and children’s books for all ages. These books are a wonderful way to deepen your faith and the faith of your children, grandchildren, and others in your life. Cash only. The proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase supplies for rosaries. The rosaries are carefully handmade by a recently formed Rosary Guild. Over the past two years some 4000 rosaries have been made and sent off to missions around the world including India, Philippines, Cuba and Africa. Thank you in advance for supporting this most worthy cause.

St. Vincent de Paul: The St. Vincent de Paul Society needs a new executive and other volunteers in order to continue to operate in our parish. If you would like more information or to volunteer, phone the office. Three people are needed for the executive. A decision as to how we will proceed will be made at the end of June.

Invitation to a Byzantine Catholic Holy Mass 29 May -- Father Jacek has been invited to concelebrate Divine Liturgy (Holy Mass) with Father Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Pastor of Saints Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church at 14 Rolls Avenue (Niagara Street and the QEW) in St Catharines, Monday, May 29, 2023 at 9am. All are invited to come experience the Catholic Liturgy according to the Byzantine tradition. This will be an all English Divine Liturgy followed by a short reflection and a question and answer period. Please come !!

Collection for the Education of Seminarians & Clergy (Diocesan Needs). Please continue to pray for our seminarians and support the funding of their education. **This collection will take place in our parish on the weekend of June 3/4.** Envelopes are in your offertory boxes or you can use e transfer to make a donation. If donating by cheque, please make payable to St. Ann’s Parish. Thank You!

