

MAY 31 - SATURDAY

Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56

Vigil Readings: *See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JUNE 1 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24:46-53

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JUNE 2 – MONDAY**

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

JUNE 3 - TUESDAY

Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

JUNE 4 - WEDNESDAY

Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

JUNE 5 – FEAST OF ST. BONIFACE

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JUNE 6 - FRIDAY**

Acts 25:13B-21; Jn 21:15-19

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy**JUNE 7 - SATURDAY**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

Vigil Readings: Gn 11:1-9; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JUNE 8 – PENTECOST**

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Sunday Readings:

9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**English Mass Ministry Schedule: June 8-9**

Lectors: 4:00 PM – S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – S. Orth

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – L. Ashbrook/D. Mercer

11:00 AM – J. Chesher/L. Washam

Servers: 4:00 PM – Z. & M. Nintrup

11:00 AM – J. Ruter

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Keller

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6,729

Offerings received to-date: \$385,626

Amount needed to catch up: \$22,374

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. ***Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.*** To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Caitlin Strotman (31), Josephina Danner (02), Linda Grause (03), Mary Ann Reinert (04), Jamie Davis (04), Bonifacio Dominguez (05), Renate Sheblessy (06).

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 40 winners: David Balnes, Vickie Stubenrauch, and Mary Kay Berning. Each won \$25.

Make a long-lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Boniface Church in your Will. For more information contact Jenni Lindgren at 513-541-1563, ext. 151.

FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION: This Sunday, we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord—a moment both mysterious and magnificent. Imagine standing on that hillside with the disciples, watching Jesus rise into the sky, not vanish, not fade—but rise, in his glorified body, ascending into heaven. Can you feel their awe? Their wonder? Maybe even their confusion?

Here's something worth pausing over: Jesus didn't just disappear. He ascended. He didn't float away like some magic trick—he rose, body and soul, into heaven. As Peter Kreeft points out, "the physical direction of Christ's Ascension is significant." That word "significant" starts with "sign." His movement upward is a sign, pointing to something greater. It's not just about location—it's about destination. It tells us where we are meant to go.

Think about that for a moment. Have you ever considered heaven not just as a hope, but as your true home? Not a vague spiritual place, but a real one, where Jesus, in his glorified body, now dwells? Christianity has always been both physical and spiritual. Jesus was born into our world with a real body. He touched the sick and healed them. He wept. He suffered. He bled. He rose from the dead—not as a ghost, but in a glorified body that ate fish and bore the marks of the nails. And now, he ascends in that same body.

What does this mean for you? It means your body matters. Your daily life, your struggles, your joys—they matter. It means heaven isn't an abstract idea—it's a promised reality. It means that we are not meant to stand around, staring at the sky, but to go out and live the mission Jesus left us: to witness to his love, to be his hands and feet in the world, to prepare our hearts for the day he returns.

The Ascension isn't the end of the story—it's the beginning of our chapter. Jesus goes to prepare a place for us, but he also sends us the Holy Spirit, so we're not alone. He is with us, still working through us, drawing us upward, onward. So today, don't just commemorate the Ascension—enter into it. Let it lift your thoughts, your hopes, your life.

As St. Augustine said so beautifully: "Today our Lord ascended into heaven. Let us ascend with him."

PRIEST OFFICE HOURS: Fr. Rudy will be in the Parish Office on Fridays, 10:30 a.m. – noon and again, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Fr. Samuel will be in the Parish Office on Wednesdays, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY: Our special request during June is for paper towels and toilet paper. Any and all donations are appreciated, and we especially thank you for participating in our monthly special items program. Thank you so much for your generosity to our SVDP pantry.

FREE VIDEO SERIES FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Deepen your faith with five short (less than 14 minutes each) videos called "Mission of the Family" produced by the Knights of Columbus. This dynamic series proclaims the truth and beauty of the Catholic vision of marriage and family life in the modern world. These videos are available free of charge on the Knights of Columbus website: <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>. This page also features the well-known original "Into the Breach" video series, which is also available free of charge.

SU CASA HISPANIC CENTER VACACIONES ÚTILES 2025: This bilingual academic summer camp for Hispanic children grades K-3 runs from June 23 to August 1 at St. Clement School in St. Bernard. Volunteers are needed to assist. Volunteers must be 16 years or older and help for 2 shifts a week for the 6 weeks. To learn more or to register a camper or volunteer, email educationservices@ccsloh.org.

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES: The next session of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes hosted by Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio begins on June 2. Classes are available in both the mornings and evenings with options for in-person or virtual attendance. Interested students should register via this link: <https://www.ccswoh.org/esol-classes>. Please email questions to EducationServices@ccswoh.org or call 513-672-3750.