

ST. JOAN OF ARC ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 17, 2026 / SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

DAILY MASS TIMES

M,T,W,Th,F,Sat 8:30am
Monday: 6:00pm/English
Wednesday: 6:00pm/Sp

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 4:30pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am
12:30pm Sp

CONFESSION/CONFESION

Mon-Sat 8am-8:25am
Mon 5:30pm-5:55pm
Wed 5:30pm-5:55pm
Sat 9am-10:30am
or by appointment on above
listed days

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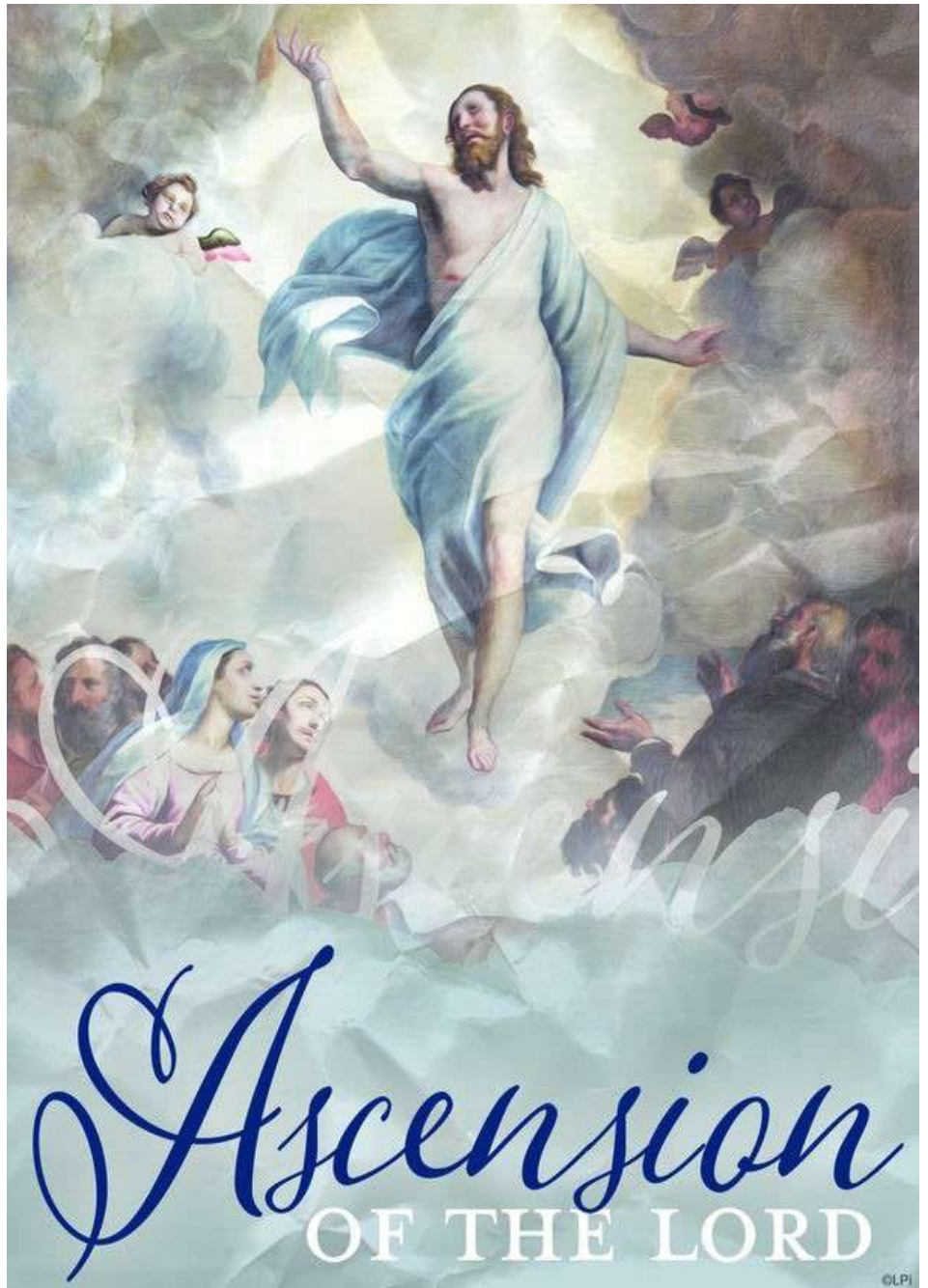
Mon-Thurs 9am-12pm
1pm-5pm
*closed 12pm-1pm
Friday 9-12pm
Saturday & Sunday closed

24 HR ADORATION CHAPEL

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Mission Statement

**Courageously following Christ by
serving the community through
Catholic liturgy, gospel values,
charity and education.**



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WELCOME VISITORS

We are happy to have you join us today and every Sunday. You enrich our Masses by your presence and your participation. We hope that you find our liturgies here to be an inspiring celebration of our faith. Please come back again...and often.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter

John 17:1-11a

Not long after my brother's first child was born, a beautiful little girl named Mary Elise, I asked him what it was like. Was he nervous? Overwhelmed? He said, "When I first held her, I was in such shock. I think I just said, 'I am your dad. I am your dad.'" That moment marked a deep transformation for him. He was not just holding a baby; he was stepping into a new identity. Over the years, I have seen him live his fatherhood with quiet sacrifice, joy, and faithfulness. It started with that moment of truth.

This, I propose, is a glimpse of what Jesus means when he prays, "Consecrate them in the truth." (John 17:17) To be consecrated is to be set apart in love, not taken out of the world. Consecration sends us into it with a new identity, always one that binds us to him and to others in love.

Our bond to Jesus and others is the deep truth that he continually renews.

Whenever we speak deep truths about ourselves, we experience this renewal: "I have sinned;" "I need help;" "I forgive you;" "I take you as my husband;" "I believe in one God..." Whether in confession, in the liturgy, or in a recovery group, truth heals and transforms.

And the deepest truth of all? That we belong to the Risen and Ascended Christ.

Our lives are no longer just ours. We are his and he is ours.

Name one truth you need to step into more deeply, about yourself, someone else, or God.

Maybe put it on a note on your mirror. Let that truth consecrate you this week.

— Father John Muir

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA (Gospel Meditations)

17 de mayo de 2026
VII Domingo de Pascua

Juan 17:1-11a

Jesús ora por el nuevo pueblo de Dios y encomienda al Padre a sus hijos, que se quedarán en el mundo. Nos dice que la vida eterna consiste en conocer al Padre, único Dios verdadero, y en reconocer que Jesús viene de Él. Estas verdades nos ayudan a seguir adelante en medio de las tribulaciones. El sufrimiento existe en el mundo y nunca desaparece, pero está unido a la esperanza de llegar a resucitar como Jesús; alienta el corazón y fortalece la oración: "El mensaje que recibí se lo he entregado, y ellos lo han recibido y reconocen de verdad que yo he salido de ti, y creen que tú me has enviado" (Juan 17:8). Sin duda alguna, el mensaje de Jesús es que experimentemos la vida eterna desde aquí, en la tierra. San Carlo Acutis decía:

"La Eucaristía es mi autopista hacia el cielo". "Cuanto más recibimos la Eucaristía, más nos haremos semejantes a Jesús, de modo que en la tierra tendremos un anticipo del cielo". ¿Qué piensas tú de esta oración de Jesús a su Padre?

"Jesús reza, pide para que la tristeza y el aislamiento no nos ganen el corazón. Nosotros queremos hacer lo mismo: queremos unirnos a la oración de Jesús, a sus palabras, para decir juntos: 'Padre santo, cuídalos con el poder de tu nombre... para que estén completamente unidos, como tú y yo', y que 'su gozo sea completo'. Jesús reza y nos invita a rezar, porque sabe que hay cosas que solo podemos recibir como don; hay cosas que solo podemos vivir como regalo". (Papa Francisco, 20 de septiembre de 2015) Señor, ayúdame a experimentar tu presencia en mi corazón.

PRAYERS, READINGS, AND ADORATION

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 16

8:30am †Lynne Rapp
4:30pm †Mark Farrington

Sunday, May 17

8:30am SJA Parishioners
10:30pm SJA Parishioners
12:30pm SJA Parishioners

Monday, May 18

8:30am Melania Trump
6:00pm Jill Jennings

Tuesday, May 19

8:30am †Erwin Charles Taft

Wednesday, May 20

8:30am Lou Vulovich
6:00pm †Christian Bravo

Thursday, May 21

8:30am †Dick & Ann Lawrence

Friday, May 22

8:30am †Unborn Children

Saturday, May 23

8:30am Sonia Taft
4:30pm †Charlotte Malone

Sunday, May 24

8:30am †Jonathan Hanks
10:30am SJA Parishioners
12:30pm †Maria Rodriguez

ADORATION CANDLE SPONSORS FOR WEEKEND OF MAY 17

GLORIA PEREZ

In Memory of

MATTHEW PEREZ

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

WHY SHOULD I BE AN ADORER

There are many reasons! Most importantly is to visit and spend time with Our Lord Jesus Christ who is ever present in the Holy Eucharist (also called the Blessed Sacrament). Like any relationship, what we put in is what we will get back and our Lord is not outdone in generosity! As a committed adorer you also have the amazing responsibility to keep the Lord not only company but also safe in the Adoration Chapel. Coming to adoration is a perfect way to draw ever closer to Jesus and to intensify our spiritual life.

For more information, please call
Desiree Schlangen at 763.807.7015 or
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PERPETUAL ADORATION CANDLES

Our Adoration Chapel Candles allows parishioners to honor/ memorialize family/friends with lighted candles in the Adoration Chapel. Please come to the Parish Office to set up your sponsorship of a \$10/candle. Each sponsorship is for one week. (Sunday thru Saturday)

WEEKLY MASS READINGS

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 104:1-2, 24 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/
Jn 20:19-2

Observances for the week of May 17, 2026

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day

Monday: St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Thursday: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Friday: St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Saturday:

Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

24 HOUR ADORATION CHAPEL

ADORERS NEEDED:

Sunday: 2am, 9am, 12pm,
& 1pm

Monday: 9am, 12pm, 1pm

Tuesday: 8am

Thursday: 3am, 4pm

Friday: 6pm

Saturday: 5pm



Prayer partners are
always needed.

For more
information, please
contact Desiree at
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PRAYERS AND READINGS

PRAY FOR OUR TWO SEMINARIANS!

Please keep our two seminarians, John Miller and David Wilmowski in your daily prayers as they continue on the most important path of their lives.

Ascension of the Lord Question:

Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

Answer:

This is an interesting question! During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit. Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost - the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us. Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth!

SJA PRAYER LINE

The Mission of the SJA Prayer Line Ministry is to provide an opportunity to support others in our community with special prayer requests. Members of the SJA Prayer Line offer their own prayers on the requestor's behalf. Please contact Margo Enfield: 4prayeronly@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following requests that have been recently received by the Prayer Line (4prayeronly@gmail.com)

BILL BUERGER... dealing with health issues

For bulletin only submission requests, please email SJAbulletin@stjoanofarc.com

Hail Mary, Explained

The words of the Hail Mary — undoubtedly the most recognizable Catholic prayer after the Lord's Prayer — are deeply rooted in scripture. The opening lines of the prayer are taken from the words of the angel Gabriel at the Annunciation — "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee." This line is known as the Angelic Salutation. The following words — "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus" — echo the sentiments expressed by Elizabeth at the Visitation.

The Angelic Salutation is regarded as the earliest devotional prayer to Mary, since it forms the very first words spoken to her as the Mother of God, but Catholics did not begin to utilize the Hail Mary prayer in its current form until around the 11th century.

7th Sunday of Easter / May 17, 2026

First Reading:

When they entered the city they went to the upper room where they were staying. (Acts 1:13)

Psalm:

I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. (Ps 27)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. (1 Pt 4:14)

Gospel:

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people,

Blessing for Communications

Dear Jesus,
On this World Communications Day, bless each of us as we communicate, whether by conversation, email, text, post, letter, or phone. May our words bring peace, comfort, healing, promise, joy, and love. May we bring your blessing wherever we go.
Amen.

MINISTRY NEWS PAGE



SJA SENIORS

(*note ministry name change per Barbara)

Please join our Seniors for their next luncheon on Thursday, May 21 at 11:30am in Weidner Hall.

The speaker will be Christy DiMuro from Life Choices.

For more information, please contact Barbara Matthews at 602-867-9171 x312.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY STATISTICS (April, 2026)

- Number of People served With Food Calls (total number of people in all families served) = 507(395)
- Number of People Provided Financial Aid = 7(1)
- Number of Food Calls (number of families served) = 110(66)
- Number of Food Boxes Provided = 276(204)

THE NUMBERS IN THE PARENTHESIS ARE FOR APRIL 2025.
WE WERE MUCH BUSIER THIS APRIL THAN APRIL 2025.

The food items we need this week are

- Box of Cereal
- Package of Mashed potatoes
- Can of Fruit



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR WEEKLY FOOD DONATIONS.

The times when the pantry is open is below.

Mondays - 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
Wednesdays - 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
6:00 PM- to 7:30 PM
Saturdays - 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Thank you for your support and generous donations to our ministry. Our pantry is only able to accept donations of non-perishable food items.

If you would like to donate other items such as clothing, household goods, furniture, sporting equipment, or similar items, we encourage you to take them to the Hope Chest Thrift Store, 4857 E. Greenway Rd where they can also benefit local families and community programs.

We sincerely appreciate your generosity and continued support.

Small Church Community

The ministry meets every Wednesday at approximately 9:30am in the Senior Lounge in Weidner Hall following the morning Mass and recitation of the Rosary.

COME JOIN US!

KNIGHT'S KORNER



LET'S PLAY BINGO!!!



WHERE: Weidner Hall
WHEN: Thursday, May 28
TIME: Doors open at 5:30pm
First Game starts at 6:30pm

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PRAY + Play

MOM'S MINISTRY

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY 29

PENTECOST PARTY

JUNE 17, 19, 24, 31

FREE PLAY IN SANTA MARIA

JUNE 26

ADORATION FOR KIDS



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AROUND THE PARISH



Dear St. Joan of Arc Parishioners,
We are excited to again host VBS for about 100 children of the parish this summer! Many of you ask how you can donate to support this special week for our children - Thank you!! Firstly, we would love your prayers for the children attending, volunteer leaders and the staff - that this week may be completely focused on Jesus!

Our theme this year is prayer, travel, and St. Francis of Assisi. We invite donations related to those themes! (such as broken suitcases that you do not want back and can be used for decoration!) Please only donate things you do not need back!

Please bring your donations before JUNE 1 to the Parish front office during the office open hours and ask that they be put in Laura Gallant's office.

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DONATED ITEMS SO FAR!!

Specific items that we will need for the activities during the week are:

- Glue bottles
- Glue sticks
- Religious foam stickers
- Religious regular stickers
- Blue Painter's tape
- Scotch tape (single-sided)
- Rolls of contact paper
- String for rosaries
- White cardstock
- Travel-related craft items and decorative items
- Cultural items (such as flags) related to Italy, Poland, Mexico and France.
- Religious items that students can take home for a sacred space for prayer (small stand up crucifixes, small religious icons of Christ, Mary or the saints, rosaries, etc.)
- Items related to Saints Francis of Assisi, John Bosco, Faustina, Bernadette, and Juan Diego.
- Dress-up items related to travel (we cannot return these) - pilot hat or suit or clip on wings, etc.)
- Hula hoops

TROUBLE HEARING THE PRIESTS or LECTORS?

St. Joan of Arc has EIGHT (8) AUDIO AIDS for use by those who are hearing impaired. Ask one of the ushers to sign one out for you before Mass and please return the device to the ushers after Mass.



The gift of the Holy Spirit is vital because it empowers the newly baptized and confirmed to live out their faith as mature, active Christians. It provides the spiritual strength to resist temptation, the courage to be a witness for Christ. Through the Holy

Spirit, the recipient is endowed with seven transformative gifts that guide and direct their spiritual life: Wisdom and Understanding: To see things from God's perspective and grasp the truths of faith. Counsel (Right Judgment): To make good, moral choices. Fortitude (Courage): To stand up for the faith and persevere through trials. Knowledge: To recognize the value of faith and creation. Piety (Reverence): To deepen one's love for God and prayer. Fear of the Lord (Awe and Wonder): To develop a deep respect for God's majesty and a desire not to offend Him.

Please call Dcn. Jaime 602-867-9171 x316 or email: dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com for more information.



**ALEX TORRES, JR. &
LAURA MARLENN ENCINAS
MAY 8, 2026**

**TROY LEO BRESCH &
CRISSANI LISANDRA SABIDO
MAY 9, 2026**

Congratulations!

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Are You a Registered Parishioner?

We are so glad you're part of our worshipping community! While attending Mass is the heart of our faith, official registration is the best way for us to support you and your family.

Being a registered, active member is essential for:

- Serving as a Godparent or Sponsor.
- Accessing in-parish tuition rates for our preschool and Diocesan schools.
- Planning weddings and funeral services within the parish.

Take a moment today to register at www.stjoanofarc.com.

For questions, please contact the Parish Office at 602-867-9171.

ST. JOAN OF ARC'S FEAST DAY - MAY 30, 2026 NOVENA BEGINS ON MAY 21, 2026



St. Joan of Arc | May 30

St. Joan of Arc (1412 – 1431) has had her story told throughout history through many books, movies and plays. She was born in the village of Domrémy, near the province of Lorraine, to a French peasant family. At a young age, she began to experience visions and voices, which were later identified to be of St. Michael, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and St. Margaret of Antioch. At the age of 13, all three saints told her that she was to drive the English from French territory, and that she must bring the Dauphin to Reims for his coronation. Trusting in God, she did as she was told.

During the Hundred Years War, St. Joan of Arc led French troops against the English and recaptured the cities of Orléans and Troyes. Captured near Compiègne the following year, she was sold to the English and placed on trial for heresy and witchcraft, eventually being found guilty and burned at the stake in Rouen.

St. Joan of Arc was canonized by Pope Benedict XV on May 16, 1920, and is the patron saint of military members.

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Novena to Saint Joan of Arc

Glorious Saint Joan of Arc, filled with compassion for those who invoke you, with love for those who suffer, heavily laden with the weight of my troubles, I kneel at your feet and humbly beg you to take my present need under your special protection [state intention here].

Vouchsafe to recommend it to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and lay it before the throne of Jesus. Cease not to intercede for me until my request is granted.

Above all, obtain for me the grace to one day meet God face to face and with you and Mary and all the angels and saints praise Him through all eternity. O most powerful Saint Joan, do not let me lose my soul, but obtain for me the grace of winning my way to heaven, forever and ever.
Amen.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER PROCESSION TO MARY - 5/9/2026



Called by Name
Mary.

Even in the garden of the resurrection, Jesus goes unrecognized at first. The Gospel of John records a weeping woman, mistaking the risen savior for a gardener. Until, that is, she is called by name.

Mary.

Robert. Catherine. Joanne. Steven.
Hailey. Travis.

Jesus rises for you. He rises for me. He rises for each and every one of us. We are called by name in the garden of the resurrection. This Sunday and every Sunday, Jesus comes to meet us. Imagine sitting with him. How is he looking at you? What do you say to him? When the resurrected Lord greets you with a smile, how do you respond?

REFLECTIONS

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini-reflection: There are lots of different routes to Heaven. But there's only one Way.

The Way

A friend of mine who had family members belonging to several different religions once told me that there were as many different routes to Heaven as there were to the grocery store.

This was an analogy her family had used to remember that they all sought the same thing -God even though they were going about the search in different ways.

I've thought a lot about her words in the years since she shared them with me. It's not an untrue analogy — there are a lot of different routes to the grocery store. An infinite number, in fact. There is actually no "right" way to get to the grocery store, because it all depends on where you're starting from and what other errands you have along the way.

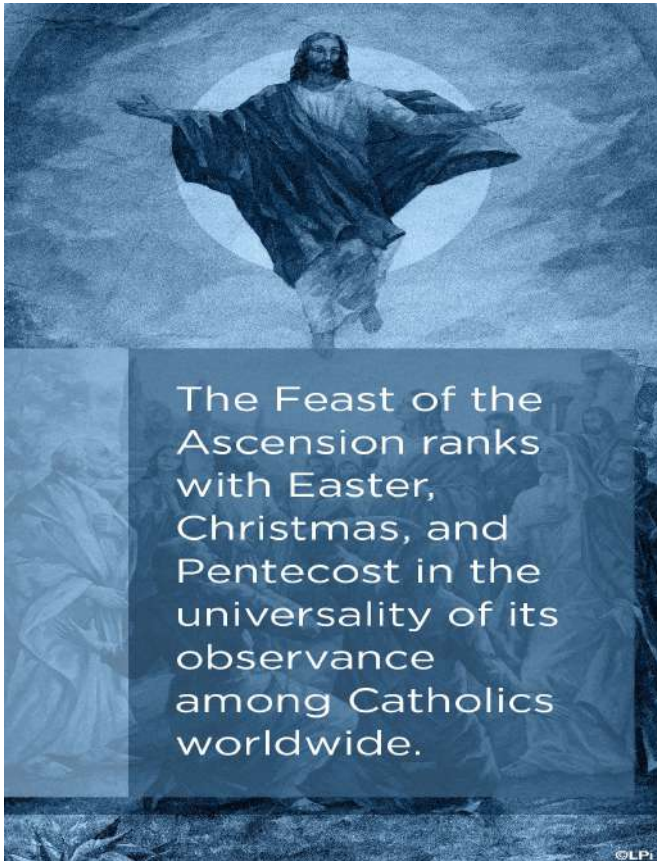
And there are a lot of different routes to Heaven — likewise, an infinite number. It all depends on where you're starting from. It all depends on what you have to do along the way.

There it is: the part that matters. The way.

Whether we're talking about Heaven or the grocery store as our destination, all routes are not created equal. Some take too long. Some are impassable. Some are hard to navigate. Some are just plain made-up — the glitch of a GPS, the promise of a false prophet. And inevitably, if you take a less-than-ideal route, you will find yourself flagging down a pedestrian, asking, "I'm lost. Which way do I go?"

See, you can meander all you want. But in the end, you have to find The Way. And there's only one. Don't worry, though.

You'll know him when you see him.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Everlasting Easter The Easter season is almost over.

This season is always a tougher one for us Catholics.

We get Advent and Lent: preparation. We are on board with Christmas, mainly because we like to keep up our decorations until someone tells us the exact day we must take them down.

But Easter as a season is a bit more difficult to observe. The rest of the world has moved on. There are no Easter eggs left in store windows and all those religious movies on television have given way to reruns or season-ending episodes. It just feels like Easter anywhere ... except in the Church

The truth is that it should feel like Easter all year-round in the Church. Every Sunday, we celebrate a mini-Easter.

Our Lord is ALIVE! He is risen and alive, and we need to celebrate. We also need to be about the work of the Lord. We are an Easter people who bear witness to his resurrection through our stewardship. If he had never risen, then we would be called to nothing by no one. But he lives! As this Easter season is drawing to a close, it is prudent to reflect on what his death and resurrection mean for each of us. How has it changed us? How does it motivate us? It doesn't look like Easter in most corners of the world, so it is up to us to bring a little Easter to every place we go and to everyone we meet.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

NOTICIAS



RICA/OCIA

El don del Espíritu Santo es vital porque capacita a los recién bautizados y confirmados para vivir su fe como cristianos maduros y activos. Les brinda la fortaleza espiritual para resistir la tentación y el valor para dar testimonio de Cristo. A través del Espíritu Santo, quien lo recibe es dotado de siete dones transformadores que guían y dirigen su vida espiritual: Sabiduría y entendimiento: para ver las cosas desde la perspectiva de Dios y comprender las verdades de la fe. Consejo (juicio recto): para tomar decisiones buenas y morales. Fortaleza (valentía): para defender la fe y perseverar en las pruebas. Conocimiento: para reconocer el valor de la fe y la creación. Piedad (reverencia): para profundizar el amor a Dios y la oración. Temor de Dios (asombro y admiración): para desarrollar un profundo respeto por la majestad de Dios y el deseo de no ofenderlo.

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¡¡Muchas gracias!! En primer lugar, nos encantaría contar con sus oraciones por los niños asistentes, por los líderes voluntarios y por el personal, ¡para que esta semana esté totalmente centrada en Jesús!

Nuestro tema este año es la oración, los viajes y San Francisco de Asís. ¡Invitamos a realizar donaciones relacionadas con estos temas! (tales como maletas viejas o rotas que ya no deseen recuperar y que puedan utilizarse como decoración). ¡Por favor, donen únicamente aquellos artículos que no necesiten que se les devuelvan!

Por favor, traigan sus donaciones antes del 1 de JUNIO a la oficina parroquial (recepción) durante el horario de atención, y soliciten que las coloquen en la oficina de Laura Gallant.

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Los artículos específicos que necesitaremos para las actividades durante la semana son:

- Frascos de pegamento líquido
- Barras de pegamento (pegamento en barra)
- Calcomanías religiosas de goma espuma
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- Cinta de pintor (azul)
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- Rollos de papel autoadhesivo (papel de contacto)
- Cordón o hilo para hacer rosarios
- Cartulina blanca
- Artículos decorativos y materiales para manualidades relacionados con los viajes
 - Artículos culturales (tales como banderas) relacionados con Italia, Polonia, México y Francia
- Artículos religiosos que los niños puedan llevar a casa para crear un espacio sagrado de oración (pequeños crucifijos de mesa, pequeños iconos religiosos de Cristo, la Virgen María o los santos, rosarios, etc.)
- Artículos relacionados con los santos Francisco de Asís, Juan Bosco, Faustina, Bernadette y Juan Diego
- Artículos de disfraz o vestuario relacionados con los viajes (estos no se pueden devolver; por ejemplo: gorras o trajes de piloto, alas decorativas, chalecos de seguridad, etc.)

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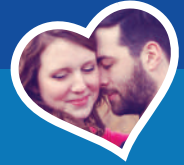
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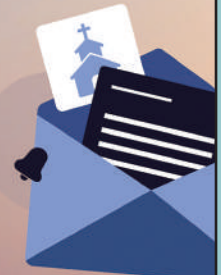
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