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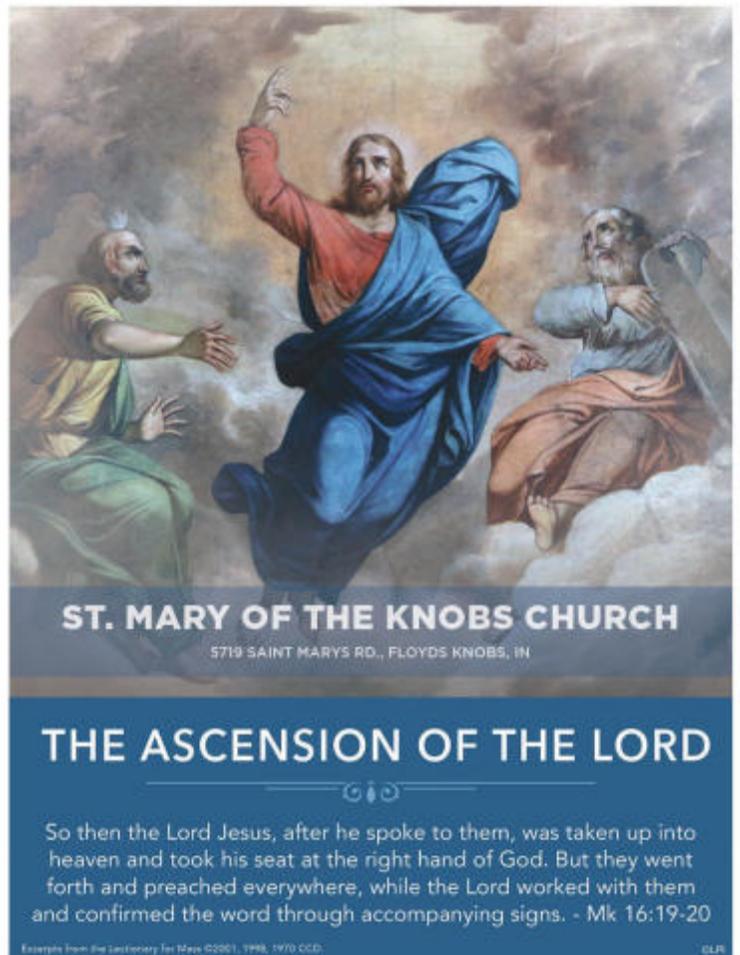
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PARISH VISION STATEMENT:

Go forth and make disciples of all nations.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

Forming Disciples and Living Disciples



Stewardship Message

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be Stewardship strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

Visit www.yoursmk.org for more information

Celebrating Our Discipleship

St. Mary of the Knobs Pastoral Plan was developed over the last 18 months with consultation from many parishioners, committees, commissions, parish staff and the Pastoral Council. A Pastoral Plan is designed to guide and adapt to changes in the community and with the direction of the Holy Spirit. Over the coming months and years, the plan will continue to take shape. Our vision is to go forth and make disciples of our nations with a mission to forming disciples and living disciples. There are four distinct phases with a timeline that gives us a roadmap to executive the plan.

Fr. Bill wrote last fall about the plan and his hope in our Pastoral Plan will:

- Make each of us a stronger disciple who knows our faith and share our faith.
- Increase involvement and volunteering in the life of our community.
- Identify and establish outreach for our parish.

Over the next couple of months, the four phases will be explained and each commission will give an update on their progress on the pastoral plan.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

There's No Place Like Home

Where do you get the best night's sleep? There's something about the texture of the sheets, the groove I've worn in the pillow. The mattress seems to recognize my shape. There's a feeling that we have when we're at home. Our bodies seem to recognize it when we walk in the door. There's a relaxation that kicks in, a peace that falls over us. I think that's what Heaven will be like. It won't be pleasure or happiness — those words aren't enough to describe what it feels like to be at home, are they? It's more than that.

If you ever wonder why there is pain in this world, it's because we're not at home. That's not to say we don't belong here. Through God's mercy, this beautiful world is where we live out our earthly existence, and those existences can be filled with amazing relationships and profound experiences. In fact, we might enjoy our time here so much that we don't want to leave. But there's a reason this life has so many things that don't make sense: loss, fear, anger, sickness, hatred. It's because we weren't made for this place. For our souls, it's like a never-ending night in a hotel bed.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Stewardship Information

Weekly Budgeted Amount.....	\$23,640
Collection of 5/9/2021	<u>\$21,714</u>
Variance to Weekly Budget.....	(\$1,926)

Budgeted total through 5/9/2021	\$1,063,790
Actual Collected through 5/9/2021	<u>\$1,018,846</u>
Variance to Annual Budget.....	(\$44,944)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Silver Rose Bilingual Prayer Service

Every year, eight Silver Roses make pilgrimages across North America from Canada to Mexico. The pilgrimages end at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City on her feast day, Dec 12. At every stop along the pilgrimage routes, the Knights of Columbus hold a rosary-centered prayer service in devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Americas. Come join the Knights of Columbus on Sat May 29 at 3:00 pm at St. Mary's in New Albany as a Silver Rose makes a stop. The K of C will hold a bilingual prayer service in a show of unity as they pray for the respect for life, the spiritual renewal of Canada, USA and Mexico, and the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Our Condolences
 To Bob & Pat Hubler on the loss of their son, Michael. May he rest in peace.

Mass Intentions



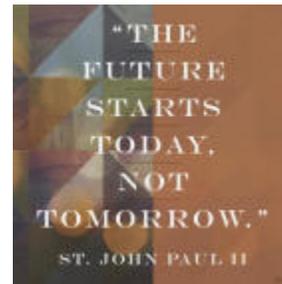
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| May 17 | 8:00am | Joyce Kroger |
| May 18 | 5:30pm | John Schmidt |
| May 19 | 8:00am | Bill Beach |
| May 20 | 5:30pm | Frances Eveslage |
| May 21 | 9:00am | Anna Frances Page |
| May 22 | 4:30pm | SMK Parishioners |
| May 23 | 8:00am | Martha Shirley |
| May 23 | 10:30am | Laura Engle |

Please drop your offering envelope in the collection basket near the baptismal font in the church.

Day Trip Planned!



Join others for a Day Trip to the Monte Cassino Shrine at St. Meinrad Archabbey St. Meinrad, IN Friday, May 21st. Leave Mount Saint Frances at 10:00 AM, return around 4:00 PM. Cost \$25 per person, includes lunch. Father Wayne Hellmann, ofm Conv. will celebrate Mass with us at Monte Cassino Shrine and explain the images throughout the Chapel. We will travel to Ferdinand to tour the Chapel at the Monastery of the Immaculate Conception. Space is limited, so call 812-923-8817 to reserve your spot.



GLOW

8TH GRADE GRADUATION DANCE | THURSDAY, MAY 27
6:30-9:30PM
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INFO & TICKETS AT:
www.catalystcatholic.org

The E6 Catholic Men's Conference, in association with All Saints Parish and The Kings Men Catholic men's group, invite you to The Glory of Masculinity, a half day free men's retreat featuring Mark Houck, founder of the Kings Men, a national Catholic men's group that has traveled, sponsored and lectured at conferences, workshops and retreats for thousands of men all throughout the United States. Featuring Fr. Jonathan Meyer of All Saints Parish, and organized by the group that brings you the E6 Catholic Men's Conference. We look forward to seeing you on May 22nd! The event starts at 9am and ends at 12:30pm. Free will offerings will be accepted. Light breakfast and lunch provided. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/e6-presents-the-glory-of-masculinity-mens-half-day-retreat-w-mark-houck-tickets-150435924901>

Save the Date

Join Us on Saturday, JUNE 26TH for Fun, Food & Fellowship for the Family! We'll be getting together in a socially safe environment as we draw the winner of this year's Corvette Raffle.

Six Weeks to Go!

We have sold 6,560 tickets – almost 2/3 to our goal of 10,000! Please **help** us shift into “Overdrive” as we sprint to our finish line on June 26th!

If you know of anyone who may be interested in purchasing a ticket please call the raffle office at 923-8192 or Pat's cell – 502-609-5497.

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WE CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

Then they gave lots to them, and the lot
fell upon Matthias,
and he was counted with the eleven apostles.
(Acts 1:26)



PSALM

The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)
Or Alleluia.



SECOND READING

Beloved, if God so loved us,
we also must love one another. (1 Jn 4:11)



GOSPEL

"Holy Father, keep them in your name
that you have given me,
so that they may be one just as we are one."
(Jn 17:11b)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad, positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart.

If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses.

Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home.

SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021 | 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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LITURGICAL AID FOR MAY 16-17, 2021
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

GATHERING SONG: Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise —#543 Gather Book

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia! To the throne above the skies; Alleluia! Christ, the Lamb for sinners giv'n, Alleluia! Now ascends the highest heav'n. Alleluia.

There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluia! Lift your heads, eternal gates; Alleluia! Christ has conquered death and sin; Alleluia! Take the King of glory in! Alleluia!

GLORY TO GOD

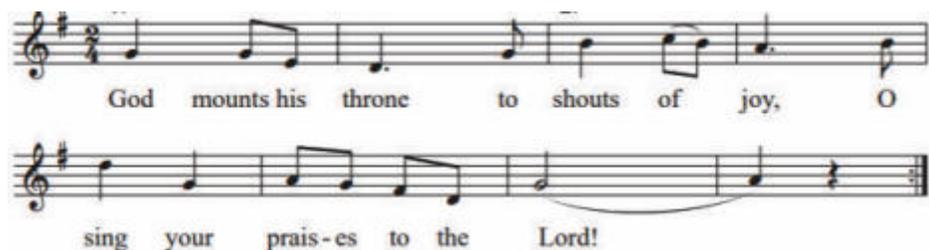
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING – Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven. The Word of the Lord. **R: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL
PSALM 47:**



SECOND READING – Ephesians 4:1-13

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

The Word of the Lord. **Response: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL – Mark 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Response: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

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NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS/PETITIONS – Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SONG DURING THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS – Be Joyful, Mary #526 Gather Book
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

MYSTERY OF FAITH ACCLAMATION – Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross
and Resurrection you have set us free.

AMEN

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION SONG – I Received the Living God — #916 Gather Book

Refrain

I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of
joy. I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

Verses

1. Je-sus said: "I am the Bread Knead-ed long to give you life;
2. Je-sus said: "I am the Way, And my Fa-ther longs for you;
3. Je-sus said: "I am the Truth; If you fol-low close to me,
4. Je-sus said: "I am the Life Far from whom no thing can grow,

to Refrain

1. You who will par-take of me Need not ev-er fear to die."
2. So I come to bring you home To be one with him a-new."
3. You will know me in your heart, And my word shall make you free."
4. But re-ceive this liv-ing bread, And my Spir-it you shall know."

Text: 77 77 with refrain; anon. Music: Anon.

COMMUNION SONG — Alleluia! Sing to Jesus —#949 Gather Book

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne. Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of every nation, Has redeemed
by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans Are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us; Faith believes, nor questions
how. Though the cloud from sight received him, When the forty days were o'er, Shall our hearts forget
his promise: "I am with you evermore"?

RECESSIONAL SONG – A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing—#545 Gather Book

A hymn of glory let us sing! New songs throughout the world shall ring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ, by a
road before untrod, Ascends unto the throne of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

"You see him now, ascending high, Up to the portals of the sky." Alleluia! Alleluia! "Hereafter Jesus
you shall see, Returning in great majesty." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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