

# St. Patrick Catholic Community

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Mission Statement: "Joyfully serving God and our neighbor with open hearts and helping hands."

May 16, 2021 Ascension Sunday

*Celebrating Fr. Jim*

*and the time,*

*faith, and wisdom*

*he has shared with us!*





## From the desk of Mary Krueger, Pastoral Leader

Dear Saint Patrick Family,

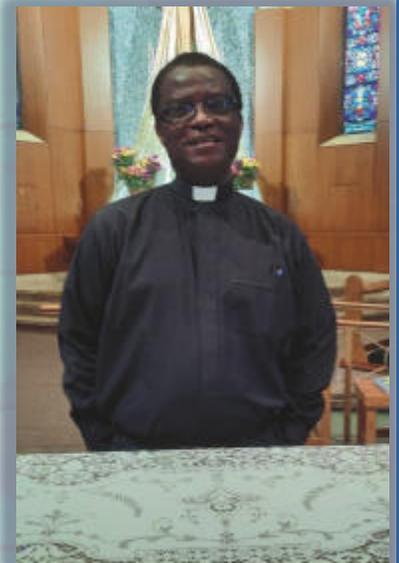
Did you ever perform (what to you) seemed a simple act ... and never thought of it again? Take a moment to ponder how one small act can brighten someone's day! I want to send another "thank you" to our Building & Grounds' Committee. Every morning when I park my car in our lot, I step into a world of beauty. Tulips 'speak' beauty to me and are one of my very favorite flowers! It is a shame their growing season is so short. We humans are wired to enjoy and crave beauty ... sunrise and sunsets ... flowers ... artwork ... nature. Why? Because GOD is beauty ... and we are made for Him!



Father Jude came for a visit today. First, I took him over to church for a tour where he admired our stained-glass windows. He was impressed with the size of the kitchen and Geenen Hall. Next, we walked over to the Parish Center and met the staff. They gave him a two-thumbs up! All in all, we talked for more than three hours as we began the transition of my retirement and his becoming our new pastor. He shared quite a bit about himself, so I'll share some of the tidbits with you. I assure you that you are going to like him! He is a kind man with a ready smile and a delightful sense of humor.



Father Jude was excited to be starting at St. Patrick, and his joy was obvious that he was coming to an 'Irish' church, and the 'why' behind it. (I'll let him share that story.) He is 59 years old, and his birthday is in April. He was ordained in 1990. He noted the size of his staff now at St. Bernard in Appleton (about 9-10) vs. the size of ours (only 2 full-time with 3 part-time). Father talked about his dog, Tracy, who had to stay behind with a good friend in Nigeria. He misses her a lot! When we went over to the Rectory with Erin, Sasha (Joseph's dog), got lots of petting and loving from all three of us!



Both Father and I have a dream of taking a vacation to Kenya to experience a safari and see elephants, lions, tigers, and giraffes.

One more 'thank you' to our Mothers,

Motherhood is a rewarding and often difficult job. A mother is a child's first teacher and affects a child's life like few others can. Loving and selfless mothers can inspire their children to love themselves and others, work hard, make healthy choices, serve causes greater than self, and achieve their dreams. Mothers who protect, teach, and nurture their children with all their hearts strengthen their families, pass on their faith, and help build a better future for our country. Mothers, we love and appreciate you for all you do and for who you are! When you leave this earthly life, may you hear God's words, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Come, share your master's joy.'

Happy Easter to all, May hope find a permanent home in your hearts!

~Mary K.

'All things are possible for God.' (Mark 10:27)



*Wedding Banns III*  
*Ben Perkey & Megan Thiel*  
*May 22, 2021*

*Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, May 22, 2021**  
 Wedding: Ben Perkey & Megan Thiel  
**Sunday, May 23, 2021**

**Pentecost Sunday\***  
 8:30am Nicolo Sollena  
 10:30am Jan Van Dinter

**Confirmation Mass\***  
 1:00pm Maddisen Keeley, Estreya  
 Padilla-Hernandez, and  
 Jensen Rymer

**\* 8:30 Mass and Confirmation Mass  
 will be livestreamed**

*Readings for the Week*

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-7ab/Jn 16:29-33  
**Tuesday** (St. John I, Pope and Martyr): Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a  
**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19  
**Thursday** (St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest): Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26  
**Friday** (St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs): Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19  
**Saturday** (St. Rita of Cascia, Religious):  
*Morning:* Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4-5, 7/Jn 21:20-25  
**Sunday** (Pentecost 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, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
**Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/ Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52-53, 55-56 or Ps 19:8-11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
**Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/ Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**Sunday May 16, 2021 — Ascension Sunday**

**Acts 1:1-11; Psalms 47:2-3, 6-9; Ephesians 1:17-23 or Ephesians 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mark 16:15-20**

Our readings today remind us that we are called to be set apart as disciples of Christ.

In our Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that as Christian disciples, we do not belong to the world.

We must stop and ask ourselves, "Who do we belong to?" We belong to our Loving and Gracious God. How we spend our time, what we do with our talents and how we spend our treasures are a good reflection of who or what we belong to.

Being a disciple of Christ will not always be easy. As our early disciples experienced, "I gave them your word, and the world hated them." But it is because we were not made for the world. We were made to be saints, truly a calling that is out of this world.

Although we do not belong to the world, Jesus clearly prayed, "I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one." We are called to live in this world and to not become consumed by it. We need to keep our minds and hearts fixed on our goal — eternal life.

Jesus' ascension is a good reminder for us that we, too, are called to heaven. Let us strive to live our lives as a reflection of this goal in mind.

~Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants



**REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

**First Reading:** Luke opens his story of the early Church (the Acts of the Apostles) with Jesus' ascension into heaven and Jesus' final command to be witnesses to the faith. In what ways do you pass your faith onto others?

**Second Reading:** Paul urges the Ephesians to use the gifts that God has given them to "build up the body of Christ" and to attain the "unity of faith." What are the gifts you use to foster unity in your faith community?

**Gospel Reading:** Mark's account of the ascension of Jesus includes a final commissioning of the disciples to proclaim the Gospel, baptize believers, drive our demons, and heal the sick. How well do you think the Church fulfills this commission today? ©LPi



**What do you have planned for the morning of Memorial Day?**

How about a walk thru Menasha-Neenah showing off your St Pat's pride? St Patrick's parish family will be walking in the parade. 😊

We will meet at our

designated spot in Menasha around 8:40 (notify when we have been assigned) and walk to downtown Neenah. We are also open to having people that would like to walk half way (to St Pat's or join us when we get to St Pat's). Contact Katy Shaffer [katyshaffer00@hotmail.com](mailto:katyshaffer00@hotmail.com) with any questions.

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