



**MAY 16, 2021**

## **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday: 5:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am  
Weekday Masses at St. Matthew:  
Tuesday and Friday: 7:45 am  
1st Friday: 6:30 pm

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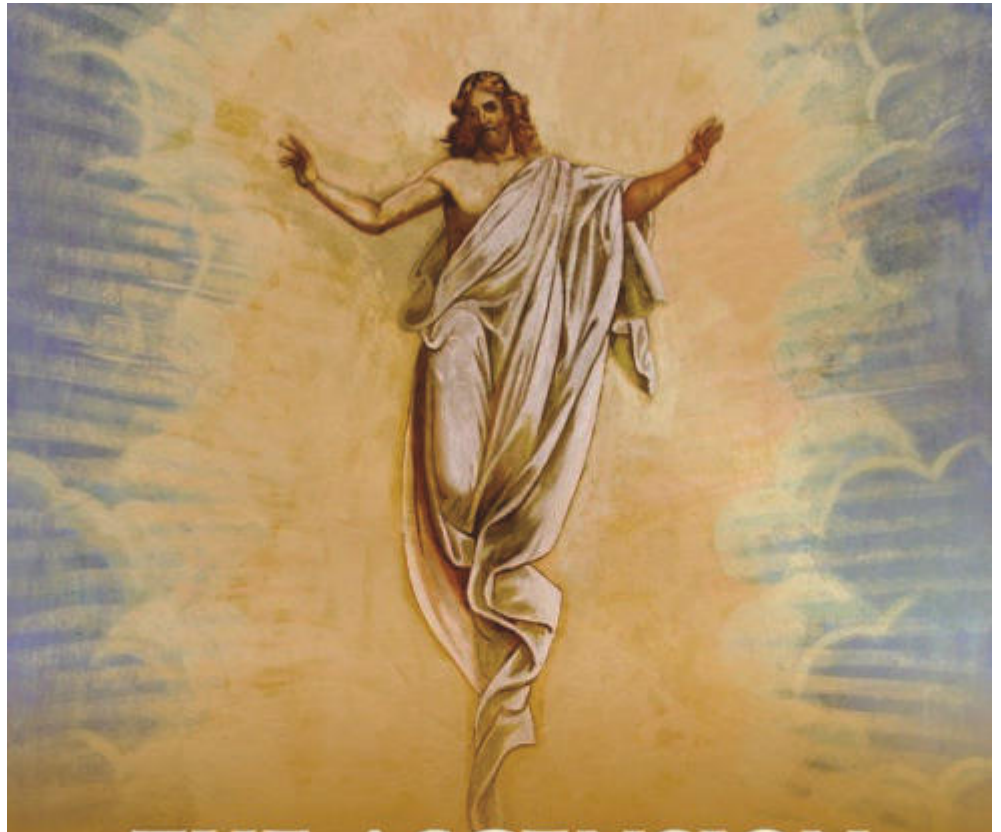
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## **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

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." - Mk 16:15-16A

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**BAPTISMS:** A class for both parents is required before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office.

**MARRIAGES:** Registered, practicing members, call the pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

**RECONCILIATION:** Anytime by appointment

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Forms are available in the vestibule or contact the parish office.

# MASS Intentions

## This Week

Saturday 5/15/2021 5:30pm Dr. Maurice Healy

Sunday 5/16/2021 8:30am Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake and St. Matthew Parishes

## Next Week

Saturday 5/22/2021 5:30pm Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake and St. Matthew Parishes

Sunday 5/23/2021 8:30am Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake and St. Matthew Parishes

## MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

Mass intentions can be scheduled for \$10 each by contacting the Parish Office. Dates are first come, first served and are only considered scheduled when payment is received. **There are still a lot of dates available in 2021!**

Please contact the Parish Office with any questions or if you are interested in scheduling a Mass.



## APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY WEEDS!



Our flower beds around St. Mary by the Lake are in need of a little TLC. Volunteers are needed to weed the flower beds, perform Spring pruning, some planting of annuals and mulching. If you can help, please contact Heather Warner in the parish Office 639-3616.

## FOOD PANTRY

The North Side Food Pantry that we support is in need of supplies. They are humbly asking us to "come thru again" with these specific items:



- Jelly/Jam
- Dry/instant potatoes
- Soup (no cream of)
- Laundry soap
- Dry pasta (shells, elbow, egg noodles)
- Spaghetti O's
- Pork & beans
- Pancake Syrup
- Pancake Mix

Food may be dropped off in the blue barrel at the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. If you know anyone who needs food, please send them over to the Food Pantry.

## LOVE THEY NEIGHBOR...CONTINUE TO WEAR YOUR MASK AT MASS



On April 28th the Archdiocese of Milwaukee updated its CoVID-19 Catholic Comeback Matrix. In addressing masks at Mass and on parish grounds it states, "Best practice - and the expectation - is to wear a face covering, not only for personal protection but to be respectful of others."

Additionally, the current CDC guidance is for even fully vaccinated individuals to wear a mask when in indoor public gatherings.

Our parish family at St. Mary by the Lake consists of many individuals with compromised health conditions. As a parish family, it is important that we continue to follow best practice directed by our faith and governmental leaders in order to maintain a safe worship space and keep our parish family healthy. When we do this very simple act, we are embodying Christ's greatest commandment... Love thy Neighbor (Matthew 22:36-40).

## ATTENTION LECTORS AND USHERS!



**A schedule to sign up for May is available in the Vestibule, or you may call or email Jen in the Parish Office to be put on the schedule.** Please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to Mass.

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Are you ready to return to Mass as a Eucharistic Minister? We are ready to have you back! Please call the Parish Office to let us know, and get a quick training. You will then schedule yourselves, along with the Ushers and Lectors, on weeks when the Deacons do not preach.



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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### There's No Place Like Home

Where do you get the best night's sleep? For me, it's in my own bed. I don't even really know why. There's something about the texture of the sheets, the groove I've worn in the pillow. The mattress seems to recognize my shape. I've got a job that sees me traveling often and I've stayed in plenty of nice places. But there's just no sleep like the sleep you get at home.

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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## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



The one who came from heaven now returns to heaven. Today celebrates the completion of the Divine-human story. When God became one like us, humanity was divinely kissed.

The message was clear: mortal human beings, once seen as insignificant and expendable, radiated with the presence of God and revealed the intimacy of the Divine Mystery. The poor were raised up and given dignity, the sick healed, and justice proclaimed. The human story is understood as a partnership, a true and new covenant, celebrating a love relationship between all created beings and things and their Creator. Jesus now sits at the right hand of the Father as the Christ of God. In this ascended state, we see what we are all meant to become and have before us the transformed life that awaits all of creation. While we are still moaning and expressing sighs of incompleteness as we continue our journey, we see and know the glory that awaits us and the inheritance that will one day satisfy the longing of our souls. This feast of the Ascension is truly a celebration that can bolster our faith, deepen our love and renew our hope.

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## REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

### First Reading:

In the immediate aftermath of Jesus' ascension, and as a means for healing within the group, Peter and the apostles discerned Matthias as the replacement for Judas. What are some areas in your faith life that need healing in order to feel whole?

### Second Reading:

John testifies that his community has "come to know and to believe in the love God has for us." Do you think your faith community shares a similar conviction of faith in the love of God?

### Gospel:

We hear Jesus' prayer to his Father for the protection of the disciples, especially against "the evil one" in the world. Where do you personally experience evil in the world today?

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We remember in prayer all who are sick or suffering. If you or a loved one would like to be added to this list, please contact the Parish Office. To maintain privacy, please confirm the person submitted is aware their name will be published.

Patricia Bladzick

Kevin Burgey

Eryn

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James (Jamie) Michael

Carolyn Potter

Joyce Ramczyk

Julie & Scott S.

Barbara and Dan Schuster

Calvin Sustachek

William & Diane Wagner

For the children who are not in school, that they continue to receive school support, love and sustenance.

That all affected by the pandemic stay safe, especially the elderly.

For the swift end to this crisis.

For all first responders in Racine County.

For a good friend of Kathy S.

For the daughter of the Guertin family who is volunteering her nursing services in California.

*Please remember to notify the Parish Office of any updates to the prayer list, including when to remove yourself or your loved one from the list.*





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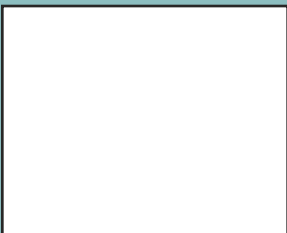
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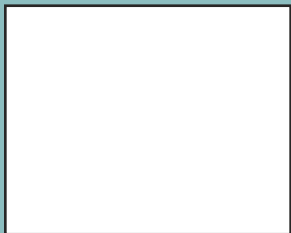
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