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CONGRATULATIONS Lynda Marshall on 12 Years as DRE
Lynda Marshall's thanksgiving reception was held on May 22nd at the Parish Hall. We thank Lynda for her selfless dedication, love, and caring she so graciously gave. Pictured above are Victoria Adkisson, Lynda, and Fr. Tom. Pictured below are Lynda, Gigi DeSa, and Kim Leininger, who will be assuming Lynda's duties on June 1st.



Pastoral Musings: Ascending in Christ



Dear Friends:

Jesus gave his parting blessings to the disciples before his ascension: "I am sending the promise of my Father upon you but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high". As he blessed them, he parted from them and taken up to heaven." (Lk24:48 & 50). Descending and ascending are the two spiritual processes of our faith. Jesus descended into the world to help us ascend to the Father and lead humanity to a great future. The feast of Ascension reveals to us the spiritual evolution Jesus went through in and through his life, death and resurrection giving us the trajectory of our own spiritual journey towards the Father. The scripture gives us the clue to this journey towards wholeness of life through our own brokenness and redemption in and through Christ. The promise of the Father was fulfilled in Christ especially in his preaching of the Kingdom, repentance of the heart, and the final destiny of the resurrection of life. We need to realize it in our life as we walk with Christ day by day.

Last week, I was blessed to visit with Bud Jorgensen, who is a Master Farmer and is now 95 years old. He is still driving around and comes to weekend Masses. He told me that the State of Iowa identifies and awards a few Farmers as Master Farmers each year. It was delightful to learn that Bud and his wife carried the basket of corn and presented it to Pope John Paul II during the Papal Mass when he visited Iowa in 1979. I asked him what makes one a Master Farmer? Bud said, "Two things: One should be successful and should also be community minded". Similarly, what makes us great disciples? Jesus tells two things to the disciples: To be my witnesses and wait until clothed from power from high. Bud is a great witness of his faith as he is faithful to his family in the ups and downs of life and served the community as a parish leader, dedicated farmer, and faithful disciple.

For fifty years he supervised the farm dedicated to the parish and the proceeds were offered to the parish. Bud unfortunately lost his only son in a farm accident when he was in forties and he placed his big loss in the hands of the Lord with great trust and he helped to raise the grandchildren. Inspired by his example, they embraced farming and are looking after the farm very well. Bud told me as he walks with a walker now, some days he says, "it hard to keep one foot in front of the other", however, he said the Lord gives me power to carry on and live the gift of life given to me with great joy and faith nearly for a century. Bud is a great inspiration and example of how to ascend with Christ every step of the way whether it is in good times or in bad times. Bud is a great example of descending into commitment, embracing pains, and ascending in faith, which are possible with Christ. May the stalwarts of our communities continue to inspire us to be more community minded, committed, and ascend in and through Christ to our great destiny.

Blessings of Peace!

Fr. Tom

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Sunday 6:30 am 10:30am	May 29nd <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>
Monday No Mass	May 30th — <i>Memorial Day</i> <i>Fr. Tom's Day off</i>
Tuesday 12:10am	May 31st
Wed 12:10pm	June 1st + Donald Gibson
Thursday 12:10am	June 2nd + T. J. Gibson
Friday 12:10pm	June 3rd
Saturday 3:30pm 4:30pm	June 4th <i>Confessions</i> + <i>Parishioners</i>
Sunday 6:30am 10:30am	June 5th <i>Parishioners</i> <i>Parishioners</i>

Knights of Columbus Council 1479 meets the second Tuesday of each month. Meal @ 7pm followed by meeting in the St. Mary's Parish Hall in Shenandoah.

Legion of Mary group meets @ 10:30 am on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall. Contact Joan Bloom for more information @ 712-534-2645.

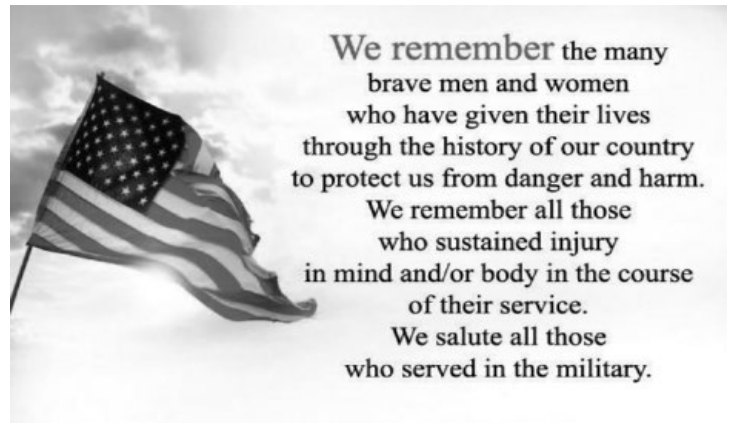
St. Mary's Ladies Guild will meet on the fourth Monday of each month @ 6:30 pm in the St. Mary's Parish Hall.

Bible Study has resumed on Mondays at 10:30 am in the parish hall. All are welcome.

Adoration will be the First Friday of every month from 11:00am-5:00pm

St. Mary's Choir Party

There will be a special choir pizza party on May 29th after 10:30 am Mass in the Parish Hall. Choir members and their spouses are invited!



Lectors for Next Week
 June 4th —4:30 pm — Terry Engelmeyer
 June 5th —6:30 am — Dick Hunt
 June 5th —10:30 am — Joan Bloom

Financial Offering

May 22, 2022 Tithes	\$1,816.88
ADA 2022 Goal	\$32,042.00
Gift paid	\$25,807.00
Remaining Goal	\$6,235.20
Total Donors to date	50

God bless you for your generosity. Those who have not yet given, please prayerfully consider your gifts for the Annual Diocesan Appeal to complete our goal for the year 2022.



Homebound Parishioners:

- Evelyn Pontius
- Betty Wells
- Ken DeBaere
- Helen Lewis
- Mary Berning

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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Readings for the week of May 29, 2022

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/
Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
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: Morning: 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, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/
Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or
Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Parish Office Arrangements

Parish office will be open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 to Noon. Sue Hanna will be in the office. Bulletin dead line is Monday, at 10:00 am. Please contact Fr. Tom at frtomcc@gmail.com or call him at 715-410-7465. He will get back to you as soon as possible.

Parish Mission Statement

*"In the heart of Mary,
our parish community welcomes all
people as Christ,
offering a place of peace, love and
prayer."*



WHAT: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WHO: YOUTH 4 years to 6th grade in Shenandoah and surrounding area

WHEN: 4-day event; July 31-August 3rd evenings

WHERE: St. Mary's Catholic Church Classrooms

WATCH: for registration forms coming in July

WHY: Because God loves you and wants to celebrate with you!

For More Information Contact: Kim Leininger;

jkleininger@mchsi.com or 712-215-1505

SAVE THE DATE Saturday, June 18th

St. Mary's Youth Ministry is sponsoring the "Fill-a-Truck" event to benefit the Shenandoah Community Food Bank. More details to follow. Please contact Gigi with questions.
Peace, Ms. Gigi and the Youth Ministry



Cristian Ramos	June 4
Mark Feller	June 4
Carter Sells	June 7
Jonathan Adkisson	June 8
Kristy O'Rourke	June 8
Lindsay Campin	June 15
Anthony Meyer	June 19
Michelle Adkisson	June 22
Jason Goltz	June 24
Kendrick Hodges	June 24
Rita Paar	June 26
Lyla Mather	June 27
Noli Danao	June 28
Josh Fuxa	June 28
Ali Fuxa	June 29

Thank you from Lynda Marshall

As my time is coming to an end as Director of Education here at St. Mary's, I would like to thank all our families that have allowed me to be a part of their child's education and I hope they have taken at least two things away with them: God loves you and church can be fun. If they feel this way, I did my job. I wanted to thank everyone that came to my reception and wished me well. I want to thank all of those who took time to send me a card and nice gifts. And a huge thank you to those who organized such a lovely reception! The family I have grown to know and love in our parish is so wonderful. Once I get my new normal up and running, I am sure you will be seeing me again! I know Ms. Kim Leininger will do an amazing job—please welcome her! Thank you again for everything!! Lynda





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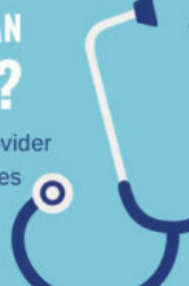

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