



Ascension Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

ALL MASSES ARE IN THE CHURCH

Weekends

Saturday — Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday — 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 12:00 pm

Weekdays

Mon -Wed, Fri -Sat — 9:00 am

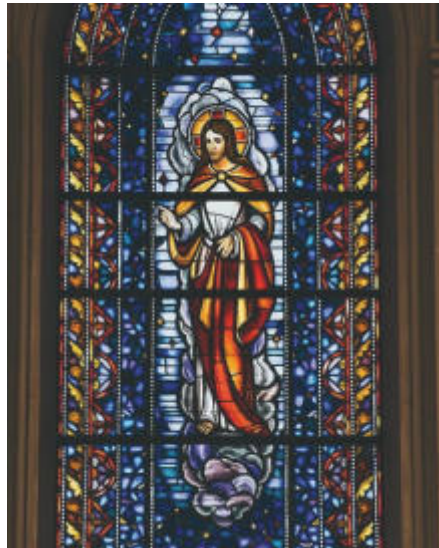
CONFESSION SCHEDULE

ALL CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD IN THE CHURCH

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri — 8:40-9:00 am

Tuesdays — 5:45-6:45 pm

Saturdays — 8:40-9:00 am; 3:00-3:30 pm



MASS INTENTIONS (MAY 17-23)

Monday (9:00 am) Mother's Day

Tuesday (9:00 am) Mother's Day

Wednesday (9:00 am) Mother's Day

Friday (9:00 am) Fr. Beau Braun

Saturday (9:00 am) Special Intention

(4:00 pm) +Cheryl Carvalho

Sunday (8:00 am) +Bill Chesnick

(10:00 am) Parishioners

(12:00 pm) Special Intention

Ascension of the Lord

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.

Mark 16:19-20

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—Greetings from Fr. Tim—

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Solemnity of the Ascension! Especially for us!

Most parishes are named after saints: St. Edward, St. Pius, St. Mark, St. Hugh... Others are named after mysteries of the Lord's life: Sacred Heart, Holy Redeemer, Nativity. When the feast day of that saint or mystery comes about, a parish should celebrate it as a solemnity -- on the same level as, for example, Christmas, Easter, or the Immaculate Conception.

Well in our case we fall into the latter category: we are named after the Ascension, a mystery of the Lord's life. But since the Ascension is already a solemnity, that is, a feast that should be celebrated with great reverence by every parish throughout the world, we have to ask: should we just celebrate this day like everyone else, with a little more incense than a typical feast day?

No. In a more normal time, we could and should celebrate with some kind of food, games, music, etc. But as Ascension Catholic Church, we should also -- and more importantly -- try to cultivate a deeper understanding of this mystery, knowing that in God's providence we are called to appreciate it in a deep way.

Hopefully my homily will help a little toward that goal, but to summarize the essential points: Christ does not leave; He is in fact more present to us than before, governing all as King. And by ascending to the Father, He takes us, "His Body, the Church" along with Him, so that we who are united with Him by Baptism can now enjoy the life of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit enriching us with His gifts (cf. the second reading, Ephesians 4:1-13; also Eph 1:1-17).

The mystery thus calls us to look "up" -- toward the new life made possible by the Holy Spirit, accessed in the Church and lived out in a life of sanctity. All of us are urged on by this vision:

“All the faithful of Christ of whatever rank or status, are called to the fullness of the Christian life... The forms and tasks of life are many but holiness is one — that sanctity which is cultivated by all who act under God’s Spirit and... follow Christ, poor, humble and cross-bearing, that they may deserve to be partakers of his glory” (Lumen Gentium, 40-41)"

God bless,

Fr. Tim

Vaccination appointments in Bowie: The City of Bowie is now offering vaccine appointments to all County residents, age 16 and up. Getting vaccinated at the Bowie Senior Center is quick, simple, and it's close to home. The clinic operates three days a week on Sundays, Mondays, and Wednesdays. We have approximately 750 openings available each week. Individuals who pre-register on our website (www.cityofbowie.org/vax<<http://www.cityofbowie.org/vax>>) will receive a call from one of our schedulers usually within 24 hours.

Diaper Drive! Ascension's American Heritage Girls Troop MD0340 is collecting donations of baby diapers and baby wipes to gift to the Gabriel Network and to the Bowie-Crofton Pregnancy Clinic, which serve and house local women in crisis pregnancies and their babies. **All diaper sizes needed—especially *newborn*, 4, 5, & 6**

Please place donations in the portable crib in the vestibule from now until May 30. Thank you for your generosity!



Inside of Ascension before the fire of 1977



**Congratulations! This week's raffle winner is
Mary Dickie!**

If you live or work in Prince George's County, you do not need to pre-register for an appointment:

Schedule your first-dose vaccine appointments at all vaccination clinics operated by the Prince George's County Health Department by visiting mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine.

- Individuals who do not have internet access can book vaccination appointments by calling 311 and pressing # for assistance.
- Prince George's County is holding a 24-hour Vaccine-a-Thon on May 14- 15, starting at 9am (see attached flyer for details):
The Wayne K. Curry Sports and Learning Center
8001 Sheriff Road
Landover, Maryland 20785

Individuals are also able to get vaccinated through the State's mass vaccination sites and the FEMA site at Greenbelt Metro Station. Residents can schedule appointments directly for these sites online at covidvax.maryland.gov or by calling 1-855-MD-GOVAX (1-855-634-6829).

- The FEMA Greenbelt site is now offering walk-ups (no appointment needed) during the following days/times:
 - o Monday – Tuesday, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 - o Wednesday – Thursday, 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM
 - o Friday – Sunday, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Registration for the Knights of Columbus Summer Camp has begun! We are preparing for our twentieth summer in College Park, MD. We offer swim lessons, arts and crafts, games, sports, and free swim at our extensive facility. The registration form can be downloaded at <http://kofccamp.wordpress.com> . Please direct any questions to Jamie Morris at (240)389-2267 (voice or text) or kofccamp@gmail.com.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

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