

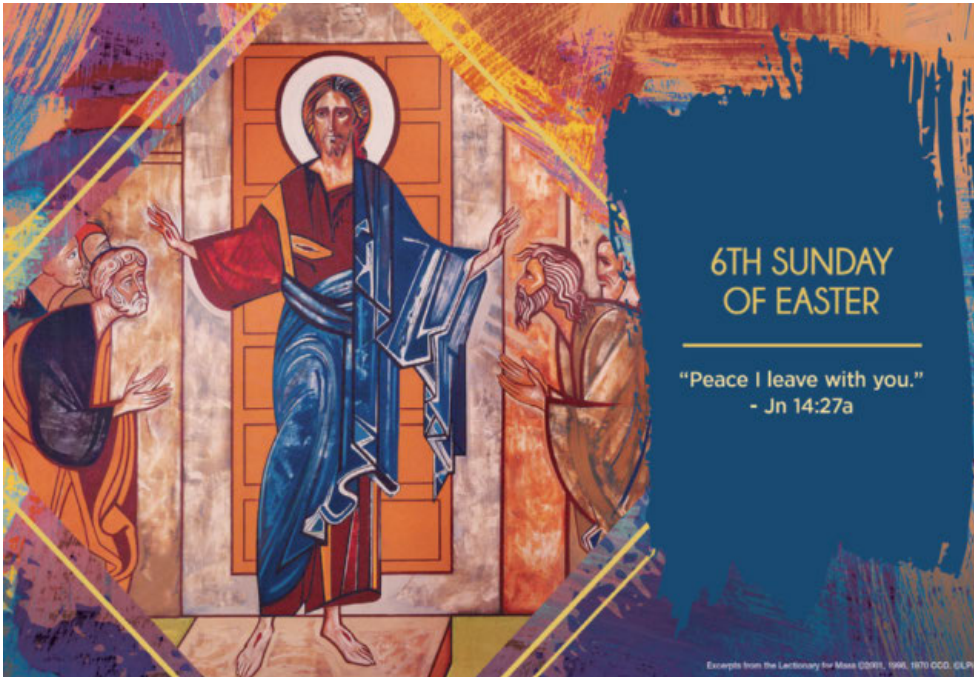


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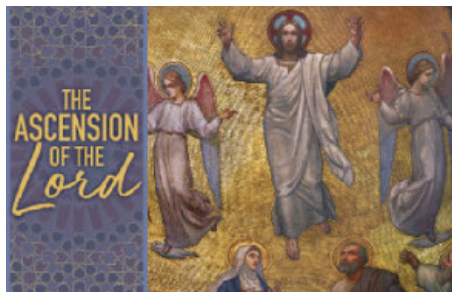
May 22, 2022



Rectory Closed

The Rectory will be closed
Monday, May 30
for Memorial Day.

We will reopen at
9:00 am on
Tuesday, May 31.



Thursday, May 26
7:00 am, 8:30 am, 11:30 am
Vigil:
Wednesday, May 25 at 5:30 pm

This Week's Readings - May 22, 2022

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/
Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20

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

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ /Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

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For more information on our Parish, how to become a Parishioner, or for Letters of Recommendation, please call the Rectory or head on to our website.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 23

- 7:30 am For the People
- Fr. Greg
11:30 am Mary Pasco
- Wally & Barbara

Tuesday, May 24

- 7:30 am All Souls
11:30 am Alice Owczarczak
- Marcia Rutowski
& Family

Wednesday, May 25

- 7:30 am All Souls
11:30 am Tom Griffin
- Family
5:30 pm All Souls

Thursday, May 26

St. Philip Nevi

Ascension of the Lord

- 7:00 am Stanley P. Harezga
- Daughter, Nancy
8:30 am All Souls
11:30 am Arlene Browne
- Family

Friday, May 27

- 7:30 am All Souls
11:30 am Louis & Arlene Benz
- Family

Saturday, May 28

- 4:00 pm Shawn Coady
- Patricia Stephens
& Gary Dickson
5:30 pm James Sperduti
- Bob & Pat Ward

Sunday, May 29

Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am Cynthia Borowski
- Leo & Josieanne
Gorkiewicz
9:30 am Elizabeth Batt
- Tim & LuAnn Batt
11:15 am Francis Yeomans &
Deceased Members of
the Yeomans Family
- Phyllis Yeomans

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

This past week certainly has been gut wrenching for many as we struggle to deal with **the horrible tragedy of a mass shooting at the Tops store on Jefferson Avenue** in Buffalo. The anger and hatred that fueled that senseless calamity certainly stand in striking contrast to the gospel message of Jesus that we hear each time we come to Church. Last Sunday's Gospel was most striking as we heard Jesus giving us "a new commandment: love one another." In these difficult days, may our thoughts and actions be guided by following the example of Jesus' sacrificial love for all!

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, often called Ascension Thursday. In the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, it records that Jesus presented himself to his disciples during a forty-day period following his resurrection. He promised that they would be baptized with the Holy Spirit in a few days. They would receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they were to be his witnesses in Jerusalem and to the ends of the earth. After Jesus had said this, he was lifted up and taken from their sight. Ascension Thursday, therefore, is celebrated forty days after Easter, and the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples is commemorated ten days later on Pentecost. **Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation, and we have four Masses to celebrate the Holy Day at Queen of Heaven. On Wednesday, May 25 we will have a 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass, and on Thursday, May 26, Masses will be at 7:00, 8:30, and 11:30 a.m.** It is important to note that **the second Mass on Thursday, May 26 is at 8:30 a.m.** This will be the Mass attended by our school children, and it is at 8:30 a.m. instead of the usual 9:00 to accommodate their schedule that day as they will be having their annual picnic following Mass. Please note that the back parking lot will be closed during the picnic. Consequently, all those coming to the 11:30 a.m. Mass that day will need to enter the parking lot from our Mill street entrance.

Next week **Monday, May 30 is Memorial Day** in the United States. It is a federal holiday and a special day for remembrance of those who have died in the service of our country. Originally called Decoration Day from the tradition of decorating graves, it was first widely observed to commemorate the sacrifices of Civil War soldiers on May 30, 1868. After World War I it became a holiday honoring all who died defending our country in times of war, and it became more widely established as a national holiday throughout the United States. On Memorial Day we are having a **special Memorial Day Mass** to which all are invited. It will be the only Parish Mass that day, similar to what we do on Thanksgiving Day. **The Memorial Day Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. in the Church,** and it is a great opportunity for us to gather to honor and pray for those who have gone before us sacrificing their lives in dedicated service of our country.

God Bless!

Fr. Greg



Carnival 2022 Volunteers

Friday, July 8th from 5 PM - 12 PM
Saturday, July 9th from 12 PM - 12 AM
Sunday, July 10th from 12 PM - 8 PM
with "Super Cruise Night" on
July 7th from 5 PM - 10 PM

Carnival 2022 is in need of Volunteers!

You may sign up online at qofhcarnival.com and click on the "Volunteer Sign Up" button or you may fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Date/Time available _____

*You will get a call from one of our volunteer coordinators for scheduling.
Thank You!*

Memorial Day Mass

Monday, May 30

at 9:00 am

**This is the only Mass this day*



2022 MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions are still available for requests to celebrate special hallmarks, birthdays, anniversaries, and remember your loved ones both with us and those we have lost.

Stop in the Rectory to see if your special dates are available!

The donation is \$15 per Mass.



Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Daily: 7:30 am; 11:30 am

Saturday: 4:00 pm; 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:15 am

Confessions: 3:00 pm Saturdays

Holy Days: See Bulletin & Website

Rectory

Weekdays: 9:00 am - Noon

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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Upcoming Second Collections

May 22

**Church in Latin America
& Africa**

May 26

Ascension

Please remember
in your prayers

Our Dearly Departed

Marie Leone

Richard Schwartz

Our Newly Baptized

Carmela Marie Cellino

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ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET IN PERSON.****

SUMMER PROGRAM

Queen of Heaven and Fourteen Holy Helpers are offering
a Summer program for Grades 6-10 from June 23rd to June 29th.
Cost is \$60 per child.

To register, contact the Faith Formation office at:
youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org

Congratulations to those who made their First Communion last weekend!



First Saturday Mass

**Saturday,
June 4
8:00 am**

Please join us for a
Holy Mass dedicated to
the Blessed Mother
celebrated on the first
Saturday of the Month.





Ladies Sodality extends an invitation
to all ladies in the Parish to join us
Thursday, July 21,

as we head to Skaneateles for a leisurely cruise aboard the
Mail Boat, followed by lunch at the historic Sherwood Inn.
There will be time to browse the unique shops before
we depart for home.
Seating is limited, and deadline to register is June 6, 2022.
Cost is \$110.

For more details
or to sign up,
please contact:
Gail at 716-674-8720
or Maureen at
716-609-1657.



The Carnival Committee is looking
for basket donations for the basket
raffle held during Carnival weekend.

If you have a basket you
would like to donate,
please contact Ann at 716-867-0176.



One day St. Teresa of
Avila heard someone
say:

“If only I had lived
at the time of Jesus...
If only I had seen
Jesus...
If only I had talked
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Saint of the Week

**St. Rita of Cascia
May 22**

St. Rita of Cascia had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community.

Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.

Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.

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QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Today's reading offers an excerpt from the "dissension and debate" taking place at the first Church council in Jerusalem over the question of male circumcision.

How often do you experience conflict within your faith community?

Second Reading: Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

One of John's final visions depicts the heavenly Jerusalem where God's presence is fully known in all its splendor.

Why do you think this vision of heaven was revealed to John?

Gospel: Jn 14:23-29

During his farewell discourse, Jesus reassured the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the promise of divine peace. When do you experience God's presence this way in your life?

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Vocation View



Sometimes guys think:

"I could never get up and preach in front of everybody, I wouldn't know what to say!"

But today Jesus tells us:

"The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything."

**God will give you the words.
Step into the unknown!**

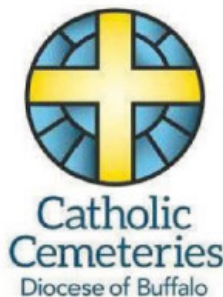
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Catholic Trivia



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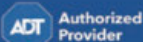
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