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May 29, 2022



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Memorial Day Mass

Monday, May 30

at 9:00 am

**This is the only Mass this day*

This Week's Readings - May 29, 2022

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

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

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

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 30

Memorial Day

- 9:00 am Rose Pasquarella
- Husband & Family
Neil Hourihan
- Family

Tuesday, May 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:30 am George Sniderhan
- John & Lois Riccardi

11:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, June 1

St. Justin

- 7:30 am David Atzrott
- Al Browne
- 11:30 am Daniel J. Losardo Sr.
- Daniel J. Losardo Jr. & Family

Thursday, June 2

- 7:30 am Mom & Dad Anniversary
- Kenny & Family
- 11:30 am Leonard Romance
- Family

Friday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga

- 7:30 am For the People
- Fr. Greg
- 11:30 am Cecelia Feeley
- Maureen Kicinski

Saturday, June 4

- 8:00 am David Kistowski
- Marsha Kistowski
- 4:00 pm June Cotter
- Amico Family
- 5:30 pm Wallace S. Piotrowski
- Pat Hughes

Sunday, June 5

Pentecost Sunday

- 8:00 am Howard & Sandy Voss
- David Zielinski
- 9:30 am Alexander Giuliana
- Family
- 11:15 am Pasqualina Ferrentino
- Anniversary

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

We are in the final week of our fifty-day celebration of the Easter season. This weekend we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter, and **Jesus offers a special prayer to God the Father for his disciples** in today's gospel. His invocation includes a petition for those who will believe in him through the words of the apostles, which embrace all of us who have followed in the footsteps of those first followers. Jesus prays: **"that they may all be one, as you Father, are in me and I in you."** Jesus also wishes that his disciples might be with him and see the glory that the Father has given him. He beseeches that the love with which the Father has loved him might be "in them and I in them." **Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday.** It is hard to overemphasize the importance of Pentecost in our liturgical year. It is a critical feast, which is often overlooked in the life of most Catholics. **The Holy Spirit came upon the apostles at Pentecost, bringing them and our Church to life. That same Holy Spirit continues to enliven and enlighten us each day!**

Rev. Mr. Joseph Franz is going to be ordained as a priest by Bishop Michael Fisher for the Diocese of Buffalo this coming Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Joseph Cathedral. It certainly is a great day for him and for our Diocese. Joe was with us at Queen of Heaven for his Pastoral year from September 2019 until June 2020. He was with us during the time of the initial shutdown due to COVID-19, which was a very unique experience of Church during a pandemic. For a period of time Fr. Luke, Joe and I were having Mass by ourselves in the Rectory basement before we transitioned to having Masses live streamed from the Adoration Chapel and eventually coming back into the main Church with an initial limit of only 25 people. While the pandemic is still with us, much has changed from those early months when Joe was finishing up his Pastoral year with us. **We ask for your prayers for Joe and his classmate Rev. Mr. Joseph Tokasz, who will both be ordained to the Priesthood this coming Saturday. Congratulations to both new Fr. Joe's! May God bless them on their ordination day, and may they serve God's people well as Priests!**

This **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. At Queen of Heaven 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

P.S. - **The 2022 Queen of Heaven Carnival is less than two months away (July 7-10), and many volunteers are needed** to help out with this major Parish event. The volunteer portal is open to sign up for volunteering at the Carnival at qofhcarnival.com.

Rectory Closed

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

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

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.



Dear Queen of Heaven Family,

This pastoral year has been remarkable in countless ways. God has blessed me abundantly by sending me here. Not only has there been numerous outlets for me to share my God-given gifts through Mass reflections, prayer videos, school presentations, and music ministry, but the amount of love and support I've received has been beyond measure. Without a doubt, this year has strengthened my vocation and it's thanks to you.

We have nothing to give that hasn't been given to us by God. And so, I can only be grateful for the opportunity to share the gifts God has given me and can't take credit for the gifts themselves. No one but God deserves praise for what has been accomplished during my time here. So you and I can do nothing more than praise and glorify God for these precious moments. Whether it be working the food booth at the Carnival, helping to coordinate the Light of the World retreats, being called "church guy" by the children I taught, or simply serving at Mass, I will treasure all of these things as I move onward in my journey to the priesthood. You may think that I have taught you a lot through my reflections and videos, but trust me when I say that you all have taught me much more. Please know that I have compiled all my reflections to be accessible on our parish website for your reading pleasure (or cure for insomnia).

Although my service at Queen of Heaven has officially ended, during the summer I will continue to live at Queen of Heaven rectory as I complete a Clinical Pastoral Education program (CPE) at Sisters of Charity Hospital. I have no doubt that you will see me from time to time (such as weekly Mass and the Carnival), although I'm not sure how often. But whatever time I am or am not given, I'm utterly grateful for the time we've had. I feel bad asking for anything from you since you have already given me so much, but all I ask is that you please keep me in your prayers during hospital ministry.

With a grateful heart and joyful spirit,
-Seminarian James-

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 29

**Support for the
Victims & Families
of the Tragic Shooting
in Buffalo**

Please remember
in your prayers

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Thomas Sheehan

Our Newly Baptized
Luca Thomas Cislo

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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



Loving God, our hearts are troubled by the violence and hatred that surround us. We are called in this moment to wrestle with the devastation, grief, and fear that remain.

We acknowledge the sinfulness of any act of racism, discrimination or hatred, because we know it is not of you. We repent of any part we may have had in allowing this evil to continue, and ask your forgiveness for those times when we failed to support each other—when we failed to see you in our brothers and sisters. As your children, we seek your grace and the courage we need to demand dignity and justice for all people, regardless of race, creed, or color. Heal us as your family in this tragic moment; may those affected by this horror in any way,

whom we commend to you,
remind us of the ten commandments
you give us,
and the greatest commandment of all—
to love one another.
Amen.



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Fill out the form below or on our QR Code.
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Carnival 2022 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 _____

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Phone# _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Date/Time available _____

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



As we prepare for the Ascension of Our Lord this week let us recall Jesus' words before he rose to heaven:

"I am with you always, to the close of the age."
 Matthew 28:20

Jesus is always with us, and He is ready to change our lives.

In "Divine Mercy Prayer Book" it is written,
"If we were to sit for an hour a few feet away from a radioactive element, how much would that change effect us? The Lord is infinitely more powerful than this and if we go to Him seeking grace and mercy, how much more can we hope to be changed?"

For more information, email us at: adoration@QofHChurch.org
 or visit:
qofhchurch.org/adoration-chapel





Saint of the Week

St. Joan of Arc
May 29

St. Joan of Arc has had her story told throughout history through many books, movies and plays.

She was born in the village of Domrémy to a French peasant family. At a young age, she began to experience visions and voices, which were later identified to be of St. Michael, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and St. Margaret of Antioch. All three saints told her that she was to drive the English from French territory, and that she must bring the Dauphin to Reims for his coronation. Trusting in God, she did as she was told.

During the Hundred Years War, St. Joan of Arc led French troops against the English and recaptured the cities of Orléans and Troyes. She was captured and sold to the English and placed on trial for heresy and witchcraft, eventually burned at the stake in Rouen.

St. Joan of Arc was canonized on May 16, 1920 and is the patron saint of military members.

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QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

In Acts, we are first introduced to Saul (Paul) at the stoning of Stephen, the first recorded Christian martyr. After his conversion, Paul would look back at his persecution of the Church with deep remorse. How do you deal with regret in your life?

Second Reading: Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

We hear today the final vision that John received. How do you imagine John thought about all the visions he had received from the Lord?

Gospel: Jn 17:20-26

In his final prayer during the farewell discourse, Jesus speaks about his disciples as the Father's gift to him. What gifts have God given you?

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Jesus tells us that He is coming back!

Until He does, we need the Sacraments and that means we need priests.



Is He calling you?

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Catholic Trivia



What does the word 'Gospel' mean?

Answer: Good News!



God our creator and sustainer, today our country brings to our memory those who have defended this nation in times of trouble.

They have sacrificed their lives to protect our shores from those who would limit our freedoms or enslave us to ways that are against your will. Bring all those who have died in service to our country into your heavenly presence.

We humbly call down your blessing on those still serving; grant your heavenly protection to these men and women, and open your Sacred Heart to give them peace and comfort.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



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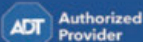
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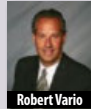
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