

Christ the King Parish

Rediscover • Reconnect • Recommit



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

May 22, 2022

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER-WORSHIP AID



The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Sent forth to preach the Gospel

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question. The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them: "The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.'''

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.





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

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(At the words that follow, up to and including "the virgin Mary," all bow.)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.



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GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT



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- As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So when you call your fam'ly, Lord, We follow and rejoice.
- With joyful lips we sing to you
 Our praise and gratitude,
 That you should count us worthy, Lord,
 To share this heav'nly food.
- Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord?
- The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
- 5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be, to serve each other in your name, in truth and charity.





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LITURGICAL LIFE



Our Prayer for Christ the King Parish

Heavenly Father,

our hearts are open to you as we discover the mystery of your love at work in our lives. Help us to **rediscover** each day the power of that same love through the sacred gift of our Catholic faith.

Jesus our Lord,

in baptism we connect our lives with you as disciples. Help us to **reconnect** each day and allow our faith life to be nourished by your Word and Sacrament through the prayer of our weekly attendance at Mass.

Holy Spirit,

breathe into us faith, hope and love as we commit ourselves to a new and bold Pentecost. Help us to **recommit** each day through our energy and resources to the life of our parish community.

Give us the grace to **rediscover**, to **reconnect** and to **recommit** to all that is good and holy. You are God forever and ever. Amen.



DAILY MASSES WEEK OF MAY 23

8:00 am	Saint Joseph Church Monday through Friday	Fr. Bill Siple
9:00 am	Saint Edward Church Thursday, Friday, Saturday	Fr. Vince Kolo
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church Monday through Friday	Fr. Dale DeNinno
SATURD	AY VIGIL MASSES—MAY 28	
4:00 pm	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Vince Kolo
5:00 pm	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
SUNDAY	MASSES—MAY 29	
8:00 am	Saint Francis of Assisi Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
9:00 am	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Vince Kolo
9:30 am	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Bill Siple
10:00 am	Saint Edward Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
11:00 am	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Vince Kolo
11:30 am	Saint Mary Church	Fr. Bill Siple
12:00 noon	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday9:30-10:00 amSaint Edward Church11:30-12:00 noonSaint Joseph Church

Every Thursday 6:30-7:00 pm Saint Scho

Saint Scholastica Church

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday—May 22 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Revelation 21:10-14	, 22-23 John 14:23-29	
Monday—May 23 Acts 16:11-15	John 15:26—16:4a	
Tuesday—May 24 Acts 16:22-34	John 16:5-11	
Wednesday—May 25 Acts 17:15, 22—18:1	John 16:12-15	
Thursday—May 26Acts 1:1-11Ephesians 1:17-23	Luke 24:46-53	
Friday—May 27 Acts 18:9-18	John 16:20-23	
Saturday—May 28 Acts 18:23-28	John 16:23b-28	
Sunday—May 29 Acts 7:55-60 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 John 17:20-26		

MASS INTENTIONS

- SAINT EDWARD CHURCH -

SUNDAY	May 22—6TH Sunday of Easter
10:00 am	† Roman Kurkiewicz (The Kurkiewicz Family)
THURSDAY	May 26—The Ascension of the Lord
9:00 am	† James & Elizabeth Hirt (Family)
FRIDAY	May 27—Easter Weekday
9:00 am	† Joyce Penrose (George Boyle)
SATURDAY	May 28—Easter Weekday
9:00 am	† Margaret & Adolph Arlotti (Anne)
SUNDAY	May 29—7 TH Sunday of Easter
10:00 am	† Florence Vitari (Katie Coban)

- SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH -

SUNDAY 8:00 am	May 22—6 TH Sunday of Easter † Anthony & Dolores Dietrich (The Dietrich Family)
SUNDAY	May 29—7 TH Sunday of Easter
8:00 am	† Byron Gee (Family)

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

SATURDAY 4:00 pm	May 21—6TH Sunday of Easter The people of Christ the King Parish
SUNDAY 9:00 am	May 22—6 TH Sunday of Easter † Mary Louise Postava (Donna Howenstein & Jeremy Meyer)
11:00 am MONDAY	 † Anna Sebal (Daughter, Anna Kopala) May 23—Easter Weekday
8:00 am	† Giovanna & Aldo Settino (Children)
TUESDAY 8:00 am	May 24—Easter Weekday † Mr. Martin Mercer (The Curilla Family)
WEDNESDAY 8:00 am	May 25—Easter Weekday † The Markelewicz & Karlic Families (Pat & Sister Thaddeus)
4:00 pm	May 25—The Ascension of the Lord † Clementine Cavaliere (Maria & Settimio Cresta)
THURSDAY 8:00 am	May 26—The Ascension of the Lord † Marilyn Carson (Shawn Curilla)
FRIDAY 8:00 am	May 27—Easter Weekday † Mr. & Mrs. Petrovic (Paula Peden)
SATURDAY 4:00 pm	May 28—7 TH Sunday of Easter † The Frost Family (Tony & Betty Frost)
SUNDAY 9:00 am	May 29—7 TH Sunday of Easter † Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Hubstenberger (John & Cindy Halicky)
11:00 am	† Domenico and Rosa Mantella (Son, Antonio Mantella & Family)

SAINT MARY CHURCH

SUNDAY 11:30 am	May 22—6 TH Sunday of Easter † Deceased of the Bruno & Rudzki Families (Carmella Rudzki) † Tommy Rios (Pat & Joe Hoffman)
THURSDAY 12:00 pm	May 26—The Ascension of the Lord † Deceased members of Christ the King Parish
SUNDAY 11:30 am	May 29—7 TH Sunday of Easter The people of Christ the King Parish † Marianne Burkarth Taylor (Mary Jane & Evelyn)

— SAINT SCHOLASTICA CHURCH –

SATURDAY 5:00 pm SUNDAY 9:30 am 12:00 Noon MONDAY

10:00 am

TUESDAY 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY 10:00 am

THURSDAY 10:00 am

7:00 pm **FRIDAY**

10:00 am SATURDAY

5:00 pm

SUNDAY 9:30 am 12:00 Noon May 21—6TH Sunday of Easter † Shawn Neville (Diane Hupp, friend) May 22—6TH Sunday of Easter

Clementine Cavaliere (Sal Patitucci)
Rocky Benton (Alan Ribar)

May 23—Easter Weekday Conard Matt Mattox, health & wellbeing (Kathleen McAndrews)

May 24—Easter Weekday Pete & May Koppel, 72nd anniversary (Family)

ESDAY May 25—Easter Weekday † Christine Harmon (Bill & Kathy Gavlak)

> May 26—The Ascension of the Lord † Deceased of the Certo Family (J. Certo) † Marilyn Carson (Maureen Griffith)

May 27—Easter Weekday † Clementine Cavaliere (Sal Patitucci)

May 28—7TH Sunday of Easter For Fr. Dale, Fr. Bill, Fr. Vince & Fr. Mike (Kathleen McAndrews)

May 29—7TH Sunday of Easter † John Hannon (The Hannon Family) † Anna Mae Phillips (Jojo & Roseann Veltri)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Oliver Murray Browne • May 15, 2022 Sadie Noel Browne • May 15, 2022 Sloane Olivia Stem • May 15, 2022



A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Church has never been without controversy. From her earliest days to the present there have always been matters of great consequence that have impacted the people of God. Today's first scripture reading from the Acts of the Apostles records one such example. The Apostles were faced with a dilemma that forced them to deal with a sensitive matter. Read of it in Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29. Their decisive conclusion resulted from honest discussion, careful listening, prayerful discernment, and reliance on the Holy Spirit.

I propose that in our time and faced with the controversies of our day we respond in the same way. The matter of Madonna of Jerusalem Church and its deteriorating front facade has been a topic of concern and discussion for the past several months. Speculation, gossip and rumor have fueled the conversation. It's hard to get ahead of social media and what's being spoken on the streets. Nonetheless, I want to update the members of Christ the King Parish and inform you that the decision has been made to proceed with repair work and the eventual re-opening of Madonna Church for regular worship.

The discussion initiated at a March 28^{TH} meeting with the Finance Council was followed by a May 5^{TH} meeting with the parish staff, administrative assistants, the members of the Finance and Pastoral Councils, along with representatives from the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Then on May 16^{TH} , I invited Mrs. Linda Ritzer, the Director of Parish Services in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, to meet with me and a few members of the Finance and Pastoral Councils for a follow-up conversation: Maria Durrant, Fred O'Brien, Charlie Szymanski and Ben Urso.

Linda was very informative and insightful. Honest questions were asked, concerns were raised, and the emotional and spiritual connection of parishioners to Madonna Church was addressed.

The decision to move forward with the repair work will now proceed through proper diocesan channels with bids from contractors sought and permission granted to spend the money. The total cost is yet unknown. I will keep you informed as things become known to me.

My dear parishioners, just like the experience of the early Church, so in our time we need honest discussion, careful listening, prayerful discernment, and reliance on the Holy Spirit . . . all in the spirit of patience, kindness and charity.

My prayer is always this—may Christ the King lead us to *rediscover*, *reconnect and recommit* to all that is good and holy.

Father Dale DeNinno

Start Thinking Red!

The great feast of Pentecost is soon upon us (June 5^{TH}) when the Church celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles who "were all in one place together . . . then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them."

When you come to Mass on Pentecost Sunday wear your red clothing—your shirt or blouse, your pants or skirt, your shoes and your socks. Children, young people and adults, color the churches of Christ the King Parish with the brightness of red. Invoke the Holy Spirit to symbolically inflame our commitment to Jesus Christ and help us to **rediscover, reconnect and recommit** to all that is good and holy.



Ascension Thursday May 26TH

Forty days after His resurrection and following many appearances to His disciples, Jesus returned to the glory of heaven where He took His seat at the right hand of the Father. The Church celebrates this feast as a holy day of obligation and all Catholics must be in attendance at Mass. The schedule of Masses for Wednesday and Thursday, May 25-26:

Wednesday Vigil, May 25 ¹¹ :			
4:00 pm	Saint Joseph	Fr. Dale DeNinno	
Thursday, May 26 TH :			
8:00 am	Saint Joseph	Fr. Bill Siple	
9:00 am	Saint Edward	Fr. Vince Kolo	
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica	Fr. Dale DeNinno	
12:00 Noon	Saint Mary	Fr. Dale DeNinno	
7:00 pm	Saint Scholastica	Fr. Bill Siple	

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



Holy Hour and Benediction: On the First Thursday of every month in Christ the King Parish you are invited to come before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for quiet prayer and reflection. A whole hour of silence might scare some people away, but it is a time filled with grace and power from God. You are invited to gather on Thursday evening, June 2^{ND} , from 6:30 to 7:30 in Saint Edward Church in Blawnox. Remember the synonym: A.C.T.S.- adoration, contrition, thanksgiving and supplication.

Missionary Cooperation Sunday: One of the ways the Roman Catholic Church is deeply inspirational is through her missionary work. For millennia, the Church has sent forth innumerable Catholic missionaries to bring relief to the poor, serving women, children, and men of all races and religions. The Church pursues the poor and serves them because poverty is painful. There is no other litmus test.

This year, **Missionary Cooperation Sunday is the** weekend of June 4-5. As with the past couple of years, because of restrictions we will not host a missionary but instead will hear a homily written by a missionary.

Christ the King Parish has been asked to support the **Sister Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary** with their motherhouse in Scranton and their mission work in Peru. IHM Sisters have been serving the needs of the marginalized poor in Peru through food distribution, education, health care, and pastoral outreach. IHM Sisters have ministered to the people of Peru through difficult periods of political instability, food shortages, the COVID pandemic and natural disasters. They have also established

and now run a boarding house for girls from remote villages so that these young women can attend high school, the only educational opportunity available to them.

Realizing that it has been a difficult few years for all of us, we can only imagine how difficult it has been for people who live in countries with no or very few safety nets. Please be as generous as possible through prayer and financial support to offer the safety nets that the Sister Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary provide for the people of Peru.

Celebrating First Holy Communion: This weekend the children of Christ the King Parish who are in the second grade come to the altar of God to receive their First Holy Communion. May they grow in their love of Jesus as they receive Him in the Holy Eucharist. And may they return to the altar of the Lord every Sunday with their parents and family to be fed with the Bread of Life.

Respect Life Genesis Collection: Many thanks to all who took a bottle to fill with your loose change to help support single moms through Genesis, and to those who helped pass them out. There may be a few more left in the vestibules of the churches. Please return them on or near Father's Day weekend.

Saint Joseph Preschool is hiring new teachers and assistants. If you are interested in applying or learning more, please contact the preschool at <u>tweir@christthekingpgh.org</u> or 412-963-8885 ext. 107.

Around the Diocese . . .

Do you want to learn how to share your faith in a non-confrontational, joyous way? St. Paul Street Evangelization has mobilized thousands of Catholics to fully participate in the work of the New Evangelization through its workshops. That doesn't mean you have to become a street evangelist. The workshop focuses on basic methods for evangelization that anyone can use. The Diocese of Pittsburgh Office for Evangelization has invited St. Paul Street Evangelization to lead their one-day workshop for all active parishioners on Saturday, May 28, 2022, 8:00am–4:00pm, at Assumption Parish Hall in Bellevue. The cost of the workshop is \$25, which includes both lunch and materials. To register, visit stpaulse.com/ pittsburgh-bet or contact: adam@stpaulse.com

Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center will sponsor its twelfth annual Villa Maria-thon 5-K Run and 2 -Mile Walk on Saturday, June 4, at 9 am at Villa Maria Community Center in Villa Maria, PA. The event includes activates for the entire family! Go to <u>www.vmesc.org</u> for registration and additional information. All proceeds from this event benefit the Center's youth and adult programs.

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Students 8th through 12th grade, join us for Faith Night at PNC Park! Saturday, June 5, 4:05pm game time. We will have the opportunity to hear from Pirates players and coaches as well as receive a special message and musical selections from Pittsburgh's own, singer-songwriter Chris Jamison. RSVP to Meredith Troyan by May 31.



JOIN US FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 13-17, 2022 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon at Saint Joseph Church

Campers are children ages 4 years (by June 1st) -5th grade (Fall 2022)

Register by June 1 online at ChristtheKingpgh.org/vbs or use the forms located in the church entrances.



Cost is \$40 per camper (Family Discount \$5/child if registering 3 or more children in your family)

SPACE IS LIMITED-(NO WALK-INS)-REGISTER TODAY!

We are always looking for volunteers. To register to help out go to ChristtheKingpgh.org/vbsvolunteers

Questions or concerns? Contact Sara Octave, Director, at 412-676-7211 or soctave@christthekingpgh.org



Congratulations to our 2nd grade students who are receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend.

CDTCA is still enrolling for **Pre-School** and **Kindergarten**. We offer Pre-School programs for 3 and 4 year olds and all day kindergarten for 5 year olds. Call the school office at 412-781-7927 to schedule a visit.



Creation Care Corner

Laudato Si' Week 2022, May 22-29, will mark the seventh anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on creation care. This global celebration will unite Catholics to listen and respond together to the cry of creation, rejoice in the progress we have made in bringing *Laudato Si'* to life, and intensify our efforts for the future. A slate of events based all over the world will address dimensions of care for our common home. You can learn more and

sign up online at https://laudatosiweek.org/.

Laudato Si' Week also gives us an opportunity to pause, celebrate, and kick-start new habits to help preserve and care for our common home. Here are just a few ideas.

- May is the perfect time to plant a garden to honor Mother Mary while caring for Mother Earth. Cultivating a garden with flowers, fruits, and vegetables provides you and your loved ones with healthy food and supports the world's food sources while enriching the soil, cleaning the air, and making use of rainwater runoff. Plus, it helps beautify the world and offers a place to experience the presence of God.
- Supporting a local farmers market is a delicious way to support and preserve God's creation, especially farmers in your community.
- Join others in advocacy. U.S. Senators are considering climate provisions in budget legislation. You can ask lawmakers to support climate and clean energy investments that reduce our dependence on fossil fuels, lower national greenhouse gas emissions, create jobs, and build the resilience of impacted communities. Learn more at https://godsplanet.us/advocacy

For more information on Christ the King's Creation Care Team, contact Andy Bechman at ABechman@ChristtheKingpgh.org

SOCIAL OUTREACH



Members of our community who are in need of short-term assistance can contact the CTK Saint Vincent de Paul Society at <u>svdp@ChristtheKingpgh.org</u> or 412-254-4446.

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry serves local families in need every month. We are always in need of non-perishable food items. We are also in need of: paper towels, Kleenex, and single-serve packages of cookies and crackers. Please use the bins in the churches or drop off at the pantry on Tuesday morning from 8:30 - 11:00 am at Saint Mary Church, Almayer Way, Sharpsburg.

The Aspinwall Homeless Ministry is not currently accepting donations of clothing. However, they are very much in need of condensed and ready to serve soups; macaroni and cheese, individual foil packets of tuna or chicken; jello, pudding or fruit cups; and bags of salty snacks such as chips or pretzels. Please leave donations in plastic bags in the gray bins at the Saint Scholastica church entrance. Donations of Giant Eagle gift cards are also gratefully accepted. They can be brought to the Saint Scholastica church office.

Christ the King Parish provides a hot meal for the women's shelter at Bethlehem Haven on the first Sunday of each month and the men's shelter at Community House on the fourth Saturday of each month. For details on how you can participate in this ministry, go to <u>ChristtheKingpgh.org/shelter-meals</u>.

Vagabond Ministry: Our teens will continue to meet every Tuesday evening throughout the summer. We are in need of volunteers to provide a meal for 15-20 teens each Tuesday. If interested please contact Pam Susi 412-781-5696 or psusi15@aol.com.

ADDICTION RECOVERY MINISTRY NEWS

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 Facebook & YouTube: Addiction Recovery Ministry
 Pittsburgh

Mass schedule change: Father Michael will be away until May 31. Weekday Noon Masses will resume on Tuesday, May 31, at 12:00 Noon in St. Francis of Assisi Church. Masses are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Our grief support group is starting a new session on Tuesday, May 14, at 7:00 pm in the church hall of St. Francis of Assisi Church. Anyone who has lost a loved one to addiction is encouraged to attend.

Upcoming events: Father Michael will hold a Holy Hour, followed by a CALIX meeting, on Sunday, June 12, starting at 1:30 pm in St. Francis Church.

On Monday, June 20, Father Michael will give a reflection at 7:00 pm in St. Francis of Assisi Church based on the Gospel of John 2:7-11. The topic is, "God is Love," and all are welcome to attend either in person or watch it stream live on our Facebook page, Addiction Recovery Ministry Pittsburgh.

Thank you to all who participated in our Six Steps to SANITY class that just finished. Look for details regarding the next class in future bulletins.

Light of Life Rescue Mission Lunches: We are in need of lunches in boxes, cookies, and gum. Thank you very much for your support!

Ascension of the Lord

Question: Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

Answer: During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost — the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us. Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth! ©LPi

PARISH INFORMATION

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Saturday, May 21	10:00am	First Holy Communion	Saint Joseph Church
Saturday, May 21	1:00pm	First Holy Communion	Saint Scholastica Church
Sunday, May 22	Following 9am Mass	Resisting Happiness Book Study	Saint Joseph, St. Joseph Hall
Sunday, May 22	1:00pm	First Holy Communion	Saint Joseph Church
Monday, May 23	6:30pm	Appalachia Meeting	Saint Scholastica Hall
Saturday, May 28	5:00pm	Men's Shelter Meal	Saint Joseph, upper parking lot



June 5: Missionary Cooperation Collection June 5: Parish Share Collection June 26: Peter's Pence



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PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Request Form for 2022

- 1. The \$10 stipend for each Mass must be attached to this form. Please bring or mail the form to one of our church offices.
- 2. Masses are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. If your first or second choice of date and time is not available, you will be given the closest day.

Your Name Telephone	BAPTISMS: Celebrated during any of the weekend liturgies or after the last Sunday liturgy (11:00am at Saint Joseph, 11:30am at Saint Mary, 12:00pm at Saint Scholastica). First-time parents must complete a baptism preparation class. Contact the parish office for details.
Address Church Requested	WEDDINGS: Celebrated at 2:00pm on Saturdays. Contact the parish office to set up a meeting with a priest at least six months before the desired date.
FIRST MASS INTENTION	FUNERALS: Offered at 10:00am, Monday through Saturday. The funeral home will contact the parish office.
NameDeceased? (Y /N) Requested by	ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Available to those who are chronically ill. Please contact the parish office to request an appointment.
Date and Time of Mass	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: See the bulletin schedule for times and locations.
1srChoice 2se Choice	MASS INTENTIONS: Offered at each Mass for deceased loved ones or for other special intentions. Please call the parish office to schedule or visit our website at ChristtheKingpgh.org/forms-and-downloads.
SECOND MASS INTENTION NameDeceased? (Y /N)	FAMILY FAITH FORMATION: Offered for grades K-8 on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings at Saint Joseph Church, September through April. Contact the Faith Formation Office at 412-963-8885 for details or to register.
Requested by Date and Time of Mass	VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: All parishioners are encouraged to contribute their time and talents to the church. We have opportunities to serve at Mass as lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, ushers, music ministers and altar servers. Please contact the parish office for information on all
1srChoice 2sn Choice	our volunteer opportunities. All staff and volunteers in the Diocese of Pittsburgh are required to obtain clearances and training to comply with the Safe Environment Policy. See diopitt.org/compliance or contact the parish office for details.
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Christ the King Parish Mem	bership Form
Name:	New Registration
Address:	Change of Address

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