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## WEEKLY READINGS

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 16, 2021

#### SUNDAY 5/16

#### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

ACTS 1:1-11/PS 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/EPH 1:17-23/MK 16:15-20

#### MONDAY 5/17

ACTS 19:1-8/PS 68:2-3AB, 4-5ACD, 6-7AB/JN 16:29-33

#### TUESDAY 5/18

ACTS 20:17-27/PS 68:10-11, 20-21/JN 17:1-11A

#### WEDNESDAY 5/19

ACTS 20:28-38/PS 68: 29-30, 33-35A, 35BC-36AB/JN 17:11B-19

#### THURSDAY 5/20

ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11/PS 16:1-2A AND 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/JN 17:20-26

#### FRIDAY 5/21

ACTS 25:13B-21/PS 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20AB/JN 21:15-19

#### SATURDAY 5/22

ACTS 28:16-20, 30-31/PS 11:4, 5 AND 7/JN 21:20-25

#### NEXT SUNDAY 5/23

#### PENTECOST

ACTS 2:1-11/PS 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13/JN 20:19-23

### 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER: ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Today we transition from Jesus' words and deeds to the disciples putting into practice Jesus' words and deeds. With the Ascension of the Lord the disciples are called to not look up to the heavens but, rather, to look at how each can proclaim the message of Jesus in their own lives, each in their own way. And what a whirlwind ministry they are doing. With their focus totally on Jesus Christ and his message, their central and core message is always the same: believe in the Lord. And with this simple message, recounting what the Lord himself did and what they are doing through him, every nation on earth comes to know and believe in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Now is the time for all who believe to go into the world and make disciples of Christ. Now is the time to proclaim the core message of the gospel of Christ and bring others back into knowing the love of God and learning how to love one another as we love ourself.

If you read Acts, you will see that the book begins with the same author as the Gospel of Luke. He begins a new book recounting the work of the Lord, his instruction to them and setting them off to continue the Lord's work with the help of the Holy Spirit. The disciples must wait for the Spirit to enter into their lives,

but when Holy Wisdom does, they go forth to all the nations as fearless preachers and witnesses to the life, death and resurrection of the Lord.

In our day and age, we too must learn to witness as the first disciples of God's Spirit. We are here to bring hope into the world and bring all back into God's loving embrace. How we do this is unique to each individual but with a few common traits. The first is that we believe in the message of Jesus Christ as the core and central value of our lives – nothing can topple this belief, no storms can destroy this belief, it is the life-force of our being. Secondly, we need to call upon the Spirit of God to strengthen us as we use the many and varied gifts of the Spirit for the good of others. Thirdly, we have to be humble servants of grace – no look at me and see how wonderful I am – rather look to the Lord and understand you too can do greater works than I do in the name of the Lord as long as you believe. And finally, for us today, we cannot look to someone else do the work God calls us to do – each of us has to engage the world in the work of redemption. We go forth to give Christ to others, to be Christ for others, to show others the love of our God which is eternal and life giving for all. This is how we make disciples in every generation.

### CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (CSA 2021) continues

Our parish has now raised \$85,704.00 for the 2021 Catholic Services Appeals, thanks to 193 parishioners who have generously shared their blessings with us. I know that if we all do our part, we will reach our target amount of \$98,361.

The CSA funds many valuable ministries, programs, and services that unleash the Gospel in our parish and throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit and beyond. Truly, these blessings help us to witness Christ to our friends and neighbors each and every day.

I urge you today and this week to reflect on how you can best help our parish meet its CSA target, our share of supporting CSA-funded ministries, programs and services. Please know that I am grateful for whatever you can do to support this effort.

Visit the homepage of the parish website to donate electronically, take one of the letters from the Gathering Space and donate by mail or offertory collection or simply visit the parish office. We're hopeful that all will help us reach our goal and let Prince of Peace be known as a church that supports the work that builds up the people of God in our six-county area.

**REV. RON JOZWIAK**  
Pastor

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, MAY 15

4:00 pm Gary Graustein

4:00 pm Clarence Weeg

#### SUNDAY, MAY 16

8:00 am Tom Zann

10:00 am Francis Arabo

10:00 am Julio Arabo

#### TUESDAY, MAY 18

8:30 am Families of Prince of Peace

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

8:30 am Families of Prince of Peace

### REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...

Lisa Caplin Anderson

Genevieve Davey

Ronn Wolf

### LIVE THE LITURGY

The one who came from heaven now returns to heaven. Today celebrates the completion of the Divine-human story. When God became one like us, humanity was divinely kissed. The message was clear: mortal human beings, once seen as insignificant and expendable, radiated with the presence of God and revealed the intimacy of the Divine Mystery. The poor were raised up and given dignity, the sick healed, and justice proclaimed. The human story is understood as a partnership, a true and new covenant, celebrating a love relationship between all created beings and things and their Creator. Jesus now sits at the right hand of the Father as the Christ of God. In this ascended state, we see what we are all meant to become and have before us the transformed life that awaits all of creation. While we are still moaning and expressing sighs of incompleteness as we continue our journey, we see and know the glory that awaits us and the inheritance that will one day satisfy the longing of our souls. This feast of the Ascension is truly a celebration that can bolster our faith, deepen our love and renew our hope.

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WE INVITE 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS TO JOIN  
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END OF THE YEAR PARTY!

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**DATE** MAY 18, 2021  
**TIME** 7 PM – 8:30PM  
**LOCATION** YOUTH GROUP ROOM  
**PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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The youth group of Prince of Peace would like to invite all the 8<sup>th</sup> graders to join us for our last meeting of the calendar year. We would like to meet you and share our experiences from this year.

Please honor us with your presence, we will have some food and drinks to share with you. (Don't forget your mask)

Please let us know if you will be able to attend. If you have any questions, contact me. Veronica Weisenberger, Youth Minister.

e-mail: [youthminister@princeofpeacecatholic.church](mailto:youthminister@princeofpeacecatholic.church)

### MAY IS FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH

Pope Francis writes in *Amoris Laetitia*: "The choice of adoption and foster care expresses a particular kind of fruitfulness in the marriage experience, and not only in cases of infertility...They make people aware that children, whether natural, adoptive or taken in foster care, are persons in their own right who need to be accepted, loved and cared for, and not just brought into this world." (AL, 180)

Many families open their homes to a child in need through fostering and adoption. This "great work of love" is a reflection of how the Father has adopted each one of us as beloved sons and daughters. The Catholic Church also admires the bravery of birth parents who entrust their children to others when they know they cannot provide the loving home their children need. Adopting or fostering a child can be a difficult process for all involved. In the United States, there are many different ways to foster and adopt and the laws vary by state. If you are considering adoption or fostering, look into the adoption services provided by your state or city's Catholic Charities Office or reach out to your diocese's Marriage and Family Life Office for referrals to local adoption agencies.  
[www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org)

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SVDP) CORNER AN UPDATE ON YOUR PRINCE OF PEACE CONFERENCE

Hello fellow-parishioners. This spring we're seeing a light at the end of the Covid tunnel. Our routines have been greatly impacted and we have passed through periods of isolation, staying at home a lot. We are now approaching a chance to move toward normal life and you may be looking for an opportunity to rejoin the world, to connect with others and to do some good in the process.

Well, we have a wonderful opportunity for you to consider. As you can imagine, some of our neighbors within the Prince of Peace parish boundaries are struggling right now. Our team has been helping these people, but we can gratefully use some extra help and talent. You'd be perfect!

Won't you consider joining us? It's not a large commitment of time, and it is very rewarding, plus we try to keep things informal, friendly and a bit humorous.

For further info (and a soft sales pitch), please feel free to contact Chris Waclawski  
([chris.g.waclawski@att.net](mailto:chris.g.waclawski@att.net); 248-977-0343)

### FAMILY DIRECTORY

The new membership directory for Prince of Peace Catholic Church should be ready for publishing in July, 2021

As we prepare to publish our Parish directory we are asking that families wishing to opt-out of the directory please email the parish office by June 4<sup>th</sup>. Also, if you have a new phone number, address or email please call or email your updated information to the parish office so we can be sure our records are current.

Anyone interested in placing an advertisement in our new directory call Jill Garner at (800) 544-6903 ext.109 toll free or email [jgarner@cathedraldirectories.com](mailto:jgarner@cathedraldirectories.com). A current ad or business card could be used or help in making a new ad.

Thank you!



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In an effort to counter prejudice a century ago, hospitality centers run by the Knights of Columbus were established.

And in times of peace, when populations were persecuted for their faith, the Knights undertook civic services to address human needs time and time again. At the turn of the twentieth century, when the freedoms of religious groups were being curtailed whether in the United States or in Cuba or the Philippines our Order spoke out. Our Knights stood against the persecution of Catholics in Mexico and the genocide against Christians in the Middle East and anti-Semitism in the 20s.

We previously touched on Father McGivney's having replaced swords with purpose and mission of service in founding the Knights of Columbus. And, since our

fraternity's inception, the Knights of Columbus has established a history for charitable fundraising and assisting its members, their families and communities throughout our nation. The Order efforts during The Great Depression serves as one of many ongoing historical examples of service.

The Great Depression was the worst economic downturn in the history of the industrialized world and had lasted nearly a decade (1929-1939). Initially, governmental safety net programs were not in place. With hunger and starvation overwhelming the soup kitchens of the day thousands of families were suffering.

The stock market crash financially impacted our Knights of Columbus Order as well as well as many of its members who needed to focus on finding income and feeding their families. Our Order undertook to meet the challenges and found a way to fulfill its mission of providing assistance and protection to Catholic families and communities throughout our nation. Attention was turned to job creation and placement with the formation of strong and active employment committees in each of our 2,600 councils. Within a few months, over 43,000 placements were made for our members. And, within eighteen months of establishing a central Bureau of

Employment an additional 100,000 full and part-time jobs were filled! Shortly afterward, President Hoover solicited the services of the Knights of Columbus and our 2,600 councils from around the nation to the government's newly established 'Organization on Unemployment Relief!'

Some 90 years later the Knights of Columbus continues to assist those in need. Today, our nations' soup kitchens are being overwhelmed and recently unemployment reached greater levels than The Great Depression. And though we are experiencing an economic upturn families have yet to return to stability with 4 in 10 children in our nation under fed.

Our Council is in need of a few good men. Will you join us? Contact any one of the following Council 12808 members

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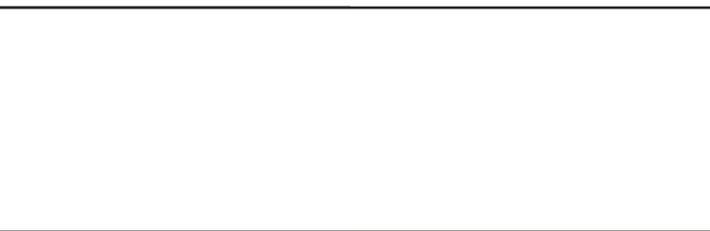
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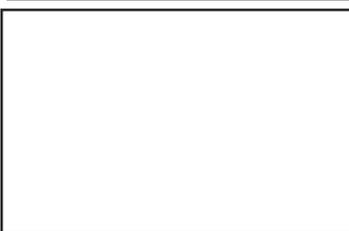
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