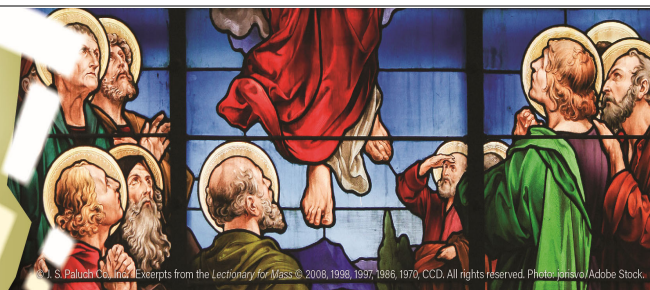


Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking up at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way.

ACTS 1:11



THE CENTRAL MYSTERIES

Throughout the season of Easter, we ponder the mysteries that are central to our faith in Jesus Christ. We reflect on Jesus' life, ministry, passion, death, and resurrection and consider the meaning of Christ's life and love. Today we celebrate Jesus' ascension and wonder with the apostles what we are to do and how we are to live as a result. As disciples, we are called to put our faith into action, grow to be more like the Lord, be united with other believers in community, and bring others to Christ through the way we live our lives. In so doing, we will live a life worthy of our call in Christ, a life of unity in the Spirit, of hope and peace.

WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT THE SKY?

"Why are you standing there looking at the sky?" We can only imagine the apostles' astonishment, not only at Jesus' ascension, but at the message from the men in white garments who appeared at that very moment. Jesus had been crucified and died, rose from the dead and spent time with them, teaching them to understand how he had fulfilled all that had been written about the Messiah, and suddenly, he was taken up to heaven. Surely they would have wondered what was happening and what the meaning of Jesus' ascension was. We wonder with them. What does Jesus' ascension call us to be or do? We rely on the testimony of those who were with Jesus to grasp the mystery of his life, death, resurrection, and ascension. Their witness calls us to believe in Jesus, grow in relationship with him, and live as his disciples in the world.

YOU HAVE SEEN AND HEARD, NOW GO DO

It isn't enough to say we believe in Jesus. We are called to live as members of Christ's body and share the joy of faith with others. We do this by discerning and fulfilling our vocation, the ways in which God calls each of us to live. Often when we think of vocation, the first thing that comes to mind is the priesthood. But each of us experience vocational calls, to our state in life and to the ways in which we live, work, and serve. Each of us has been given different gifts and are called according to our gifts. We are equipped with talents and skills through which we may contribute to bringing the mercy, compassion, truth, goodness, and beauty of God's love to the world. What are your particular gifts and talents? How may you be called to use them to bring Christ's love to others, leading them to see and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ?

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]
Mark 16:15-20



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 16, 2021

***social distancing and proper precautions should be observed by everyone attending Mass.**

Sunday May 16, For the intentions of Pope Francis

Wed. May 19, For all souls in purgatory

Church Committee Members

Chair - Joe Barcevac
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Thursday and Friday 9:00-12:00 p.m.

Pastor: **Very Rev. Martin Cornejo**

Vicar: **Fr. Emmanuel Stephen**

Deacon: **Gary Perkins**

Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m.

Confessions prior to Mass

Wednesday Mass: 9:30 a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

and Rosary: **Wednesday 9:00 a.m.**

Anointing of the sick: **On the**
First Wednesday of the month

Altar Servers (John Conner 687-2144)

May 16,

EMOHC (Teresa Stevenson (281) 772-7450)

May 16, John Stroope Jr.

Reader (Teresa Stevenson (281) 772-7450)

May 16, Emily Sanford

Ushers (John Conner 687-2144)

May 16,

Please remember to notify Teresa Stevenson or John Conner if you are unable to serve as Scheduled, even if you have arranged for someone to take your place.

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



The theological unity, or perhaps even the temporal experience of the early community, made it seem that Jesus' resurrection and his ascension were inseparable aspects of a single mystery. Only in the later writings of Luke and John has further theological reflection helped the Christian community to distinguish different dimensions of the mystery. Liturgical tradition has followed the forty-day chronology formulated by Luke. We would miss the point, however, if we were to demand a precise historical chronology of events such as the Resurrection-Ascension that are primarily spiritual in nature and that clearly surpass the bounds of time and space as we know them.

What is important for us to grasp is the significance of the Ascension. For Luke, it is the decisive turning point that marks the end of Jesus' earthly ministry and the beginning of the disciples' Spirit-led ministry and thus the ministry of the whole church down to our own day.

our parish
mission
statement

We are a community that comes together to model Jesus to all peoples by addressing physical concerns and spiritual matters, and to do as Jesus did, giving everything to bring people into a closer relationship with God, in celebration.

Jennifer Madl,
Ceci Borunda,
Leonor Rubalcava,
Elia Medina,
Helen Rigger,
Yvett Tomeo,
Margaret Bevins,
Dieter deBeyer,
Velia Perea,
Lourdes Blette
Brendan Cronander-Ford,
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May is the



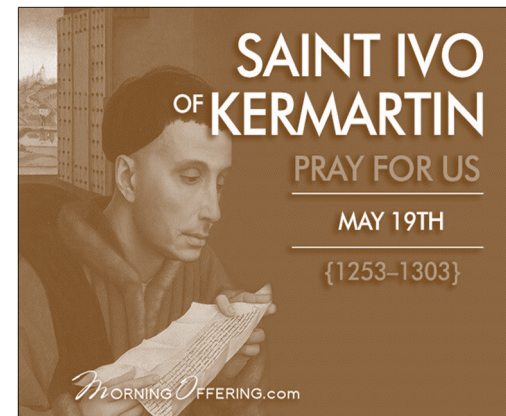
Weekly
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May 9, 2021

General Collection	\$570.00
Catholic Home	
Missions Appeal	\$79.00

Today's second collection goes to **United in Ministry**.

Next week's second collection goes to **Catholic Communication Campaign.**



We pray to you, O Lord to continue to help and enrich your Church with the gift of vocations.

We implore you that many may desire to welcome your call and bring joy to your Church at the generosity and faithfulness of their response. We pray, O Lord, for those in the Diocese of Las Cruces who are opening their hearts to your call to the Priesthood; may your Word enlighten them, may your Grace guide them. Listen, O Lord to our prayer and through the intercession of Mary Star of the New Evangelization, Mother of the Church, Your Mother and ours, grant us this favor we implore. **AMEN.**

Is Jesus inviting you to become a priest?
Contact: Fr. Ruben Romero, Vocations Director
(575) 523-7578 VOCACTIONS@rcdlc.or

SUGGESTION

We have a suggestion box for any new ideas or questions you may have for our church. The box is located on the table next to the kitchen.