

A Place to Share God's Word, Faith, Family Life & Fellowship
St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Catholic Church – “One in the Spirit”



Seventh Sunday of Easter - Ascension

May 21, 2023

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Mondays 8:00 a.m.
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.
Thursdays 8:00 a.m.
Fridays 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

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Religious Education

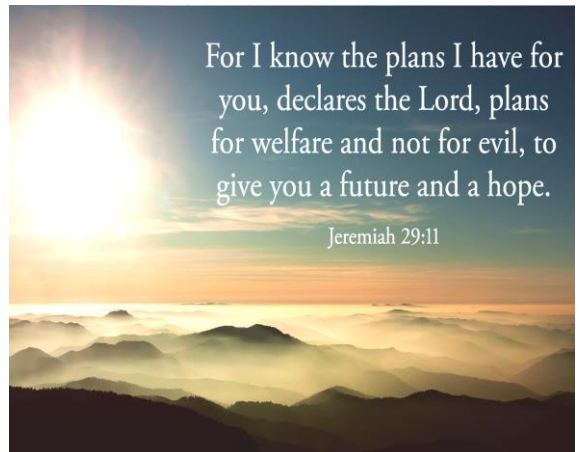
Elementary & First Communion
Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation
2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

RCIA – 1st & 3rd Wednesdays – 7 p.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays – 11 a.m.

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment



Thank You

Our church door is always open to everyone. Thank you for attending, and we hope to see you again soon!

“Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”

Mark 11:24

PASTOR'S CORNER

“LITANY OF LIFE (LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO. . .)

1. Life is too short to waste your precious time worrying about why people don't appreciate or acknowledge your good deeds!!
 2. Life is too short to not spend quality time with your family and friends!!
 3. Life is too short to spend your entire time on earth always complaining about things you don't like, because nobody is listening anyway!!
 4. Life is too short to be disgruntled about things you can't change!!
 5. Life is too short to want/desire a better life but never wanna work for it!!
 6. Life is too short to be indifferent about things that really matter!!
 7. Life is too short to store plenty kind/good/loving words for those you love, but leave them unsaid until it gets late!!
 8. Life is too short to procrastinate what can, and should be done today, now, at this hour until it because late!!
 9. Life is too short to allow your past mistakes to control your present, and determine your future!!
- Yes, Life is too short. . . !!”

Upcoming Events/Meetings

May 24 – Emergency Food Distribution

May 25 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

May 27 - Pastoral Council Meeting

June 1 – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

June 2 – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

June 3 - Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

June 8 - Health & Wellness Exercise Class

June 10 – Harpers Helper/Extraordinary Ministers Meeting

Weekly Readings



Sunday: Acts 1:1-11 / Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 / Ephesians 1:17-23 / Matthew 28:16-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8 / Psalm 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab / John 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27 / Psalm 68:10-11, 20-21 / John 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38 / Psalm 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab / John 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Psalm 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 / John 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21 / Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab / John 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / Psalm 11:4, 5, 7 / John 21:20-25

May 13, 2023

Total Attendance - 124

Total Collections - \$4,457

Year-to-date Collections - \$105,243.02

The Ascension

Jesus rose into heaven at the end of his earthly ministry, an occurrence known as the Ascension. With his birth, Jesus began his time on earth. His Crucifixion and death caused a three-day break in it. He went into the realm of the dead at that time and spoke the Gospel to the righteous people who had passed away before Him. This made it possible for the righteous dead, as we refer to those good and pure souls who received Christ as their Savior, to ascend to heaven. The Resurrection, often known as the raising from the dead, took place on the third day following Jesus Christ's death and burial. He preached for the next 40 days while instructing His followers on how to preach and baptize everyone.

There are various reasons why the Ascension of Jesus Christ is significant:

(1) His earthly ministry came to an end at that point. The Son was now making His way back to the Father, whom the Father had lovingly sent His Son into the world at Bethlehem. Human limitations were no longer in effect.

(2) It represented His earthly work's accomplishment. He had completed everything He had come to do.

(3) It signified the return of Jesus' heavenly glory. With the exception of one brief moment at the Transfiguration, Jesus' splendor had been hidden during His time on earth.

(4) It represented the Father's exaltation of Him. The person in whose favor the Father is pleased was elevated to a position of dignity and given the name above all names.

(5) It permitted Him to get ready a place for us.

(6) It signaled the start of His new role as the New Covenant's High Priest and Mediator.

(7) It established the framework for His return. Jesus will literally, physically, and clearly return in the clouds to establish the Kingdom just as He did when He first came.

On June 3, there will be three (3) new Josephite priests: Rev. George Agwu Liwhuliwhe, SSJ; Rev. Wisdom Ini-obong Umanah, SSJ; and, Rev. Ugochukwu Henry, SSJ. The ordination will be held at St. Luke, 4925 E. Capitol Street, SE, DC at 10:00 a.m.



Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? *Please call the rectory so that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the entire parish together can bring peace to those who are hungry.*

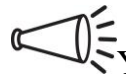
OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries. Today, the Gospel reveals that Jesus' disciples still struggled with doubt even after He rose from the dead. He didn't rebuke them this time. Instead, Jesus gave them the mission to "Make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Jesus knew they needed help to believe Him, even after seeing Him rise. He knows us, too. Seeing is not enough! Many of His would-be followers abandoned Him despite miracles. That's why Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to strengthen our weak faith.

We ask you to make an act of faith by giving to our Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries. Like the disciples in today's Gospel, after worshipping Jesus atop a mountain, we worship Jesus at the "source and summit" of our Eucharistic faith. After worshipping, He sends us out to make disciples. The word Mass comes from the Latin word *missa*, which means "sending." We make disciples in our homes, workplaces, and our neighborhoods. We need your prayers and generosity to fulfill our commission to make disciples in our community. Help us fulfill it so that he will find us busy with the good work when He comes back. God be with you.

All are welcome to join a celebration dedicated to Mary our Mother at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart in Mount Washington. Each night through May 31 at 6 p.m., we gather to pray the rosary and a Novena, and make a floral offering at our Grotto of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mother Mary Lange 10th Anniversary Celebration – Join the Oblate Sisters of Providence as they have a Mass of celebration commemorating the anniversary of bringing Mother Mary Lange's remains for internment at the motherhouse. It is happening on June 3 at 10:00 a.m. The celebration will include a Mass celebrated by Fr. Paul Zaborowski, OFM Cap. at Our Lady of Mount Providence Convent, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore. The celebration is open to the public and will be live-streamed on the Oblate Sisters of Providence facebook page: [oblate.sister.of.providence](https://www.facebook.com/oblate.sister.of.providence).



You have three (3) ways to submit bulletin items/church announcements: email to saintpeterpius@gmail.com; contact form on the church's website; or text to (443)527-5478. All announcements must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

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