

# ***I AM ASCENDING TO MY FATHER & YOUR FATHER.***

## **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**St. Antoninus Church**

**May 29, 2022**

**Sunday Mass: 8AM in Rectory; 10 AM in Church**

(Sunday Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 9-10AM)

**Confession Available:** Sundays 9-9:45AM (in church) Also available after daily noon Mass.

1st Friday after Noon Mass, 1st Sat. 2-3PM (lower church)

**Daily Mass & Benediction:** Tues. thru Sat. noon (rectory Chapel)

**Religious Education:** Sunday 8:15-9:15 AM in convent basement.

**RCIA:** Thurs. 7:15PM (Google Meet) & in person

**Bible Study:** Tuesdays 8PM. (Zoom & in person)

**Real Love Ministries Prayer Group:** Last Saturday of month, 5-7 PM (Zoom)

**First Friday Devotions:** Sacred Heart Mass Noon, Alliance for 2 Hearts 2-5PM Rectory Chapel

**First Saturday:** 2PM Adoration & Immaculate Heart Devotions, (lower Church)

3PM Chaplet & Healing Mass (lower church in person & live-streamed)

**Divine Adoration Prayer Group:** Saturdays at 3-6PM in person & live-streamed.

**Daily Rosary: 7PM** (Zoom) 6:30 PM Fridays during Lent.

**Young Adults:** 2nd Thurs. 8PM. (Zoom)

**Prayer Meeting:** Wednesdays 7:45PM Rectory Chapel (Zoom & in person)

**Adoration: Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel** Tues. through Sat. 9AM-8PM. Email office to get code

**Men's Prayer Vigil:** (pending) 3rd Friday, 7-9PM (lower church)

**Healing Ministry:** 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month after Mass.

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## Mass Intentions & Readings

Note: Mass Stipends are \$10



Sunday: 5/29/2022	Parishioners & Friends of St. A's	Acts 11:1-11, Eph 1:17-23, Lk 24:46-53
Monday: 5/30/2022	Memorial Day	Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: 5/31/2022	Visitation of the Bl. Virgin Mary	Joan Burrell Zep 3:14-18, Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday: 6/1/2022	St. Justin	Merle Lynn Friday Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11-19
Thursday: 6/2/2022	Sts. Marcellinus & Peter	Sr. Divina Acts 22:30-23:11, Jn 17: 20-26
Friday: 6/3/2022	Charles Lwanga et al	Sr. Divina Acts 25:13-21, Jn 21:13-21
Saturday: 6/4/2022	Thomas Ifedioramma	Acts 28:16, Jn 21:20-25

Repose of the souls of: *Benedict Okafor, Phyllis Farren, Joseph Asaa, Albert Rhodes, Colette Gnakouri, Fr. Bill O'Brien, Tony Hudak, Nikolas Szymanski, Theresa Flemming, Affoue Ouffouet. Terese Dempsey, Fr. Bill Halbing, Gnakouri Collette, Merle Lyn Friday, Louisa Thomas, Philip W. McGinn*

Pray for healing for: *Alice Murray, Fr. Joseph, Eric Augustus, Femi Kuye, Ebelechukwu & Kamidchukwu Emenike, Tess Reyes, Cynthia Singh, Torchia Family, Georgina & Norbert Aminzia, Botolere Vertil, Horace Victor, Fr. Louis, Marco Pineda, Ronnie Wood, Teresa Disla, Telesha Paillere, Laureen Esekenege, Norbert Sorhaindo, Rebecca Faith Luperkin, Tawnie Scymanski, Michael Joseph, Joseph Alliotta, John Alliotta, Deborah Andrews, Richard Ikwuegbu, Angela Wright, Derek Scymanski, George Anderson*

**GROW IN THE SPIRIT & DRAW CLOSER TO GOD IN THESE OMINOUS TIMES.** Some great opportunities are available:

**Singles Encounter** weekend June 10-12 for young adults ages 19-39.

**Solo Encounter:** June 25-26 for older singles, divorced, widowed, those whose spouses do not want to do the Marriage Encounter or are not available to do it.

All the above Encounters will be at the CYO Center in Kearny. Go to [bldnewark.com](http://bldnewark.com) & click on the appropriate Encounter to register on-line or see Eileen. Register NOW before they fill up.

**Teen Encounter** will be July 29-31 in Basking Ridge at Deaconry Fellowship Retreat Center.

**FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY** this weekend. Very important devotions we can do to assuage the two Holy Hearts by rendering them much needed reparation & love.

May 22, 2022 \$1694.00      Building Fund: \$1186.00      Thanksgiving: \$0.00

### **NEW SCHEDULE** (On-line links are available on website)

**SUNDAY:** Mass at 8AM in rectory. 9AM Adoration & Mass:10AM in church. For live stream go to <https://www.youtube.com/> Enter Saint Antoninus on search.

**DAILY MASS & BENEDICTION** : Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.: Noon. In person.

**SCRIPTURE STUDY** : Tuesday 8PM. In person & Zoom. In rectory.

**ROSARY:** Daily 7PM Zoom

**PRAAYER MEETING** 7:45PM in person in Rectory & Zoom

**DIVINE ADORATION MEETING:** Tues. 6:30-8PM. On Line Prayer & Bible Study, Thursday: Healing Prayer 7-30PM, Sat. 3-6PM in person & live streamed. Go to <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/divineadoration> to download the app . ID: divineadoration. Or dial in at 978-990-5403 Access code: 169025#

**REAL LOVE MINISTRIES** : Last Saturday 5-7PM, meets in different venues & ZOOM

<https://zoom.us/j/2919282319> Meeting ID: 291 928 2319 One tap mobile:+16468769923,,2919282319# To download flier for month's speaker, go to <https://realloveministries.org/>

**YOUNG ADULTS:** 2nd Thurs. 8PM in person & Zoom

**NJ CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE:** Prepare for Pentecost! 3 day conference, June 2-4, 2022 at St. Mary, Mother of God, 19 Cherry Tree Road in Middletown, NJ. Sunday June 5th is Pentecost! So gear up! Register on-line at [www.DOTCCOR.org](http://www.DOTCCOR.org) NOW. Coupon code is “antoninus” for half off.

**CONTINUE TO PRAY THE NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** which started on May 27th. Open wide the doors of your soul to receive the MORE He wants to give. Repentance is the key that opens the door. Get to confession, pray & fast!

### **BEHOLD I AM COMING SOON.**

In God’s domain there is no space or time, but in our time that could be anytime. So we must be ready at all times. He promised He would not leave us orphans & He hasn’t. He is with us literally at every Mass & He indwells us so that we are living tabernacles. During this time leading up to Pentecost, we prepare our hearts & souls to receive Him. First of all we need to want Him & then we need to ask for this greatest gift the Father can give us. Jesus came to prepare the way for Him as the surest vehicle to the heart of the Father. The Spirit in His gentle indwelling *brings knowledge of the future, understanding of the mysteries of faith, insight into the hidden meaning of Scripture & other special gifts.* No intelligent souls wants to be citizens of this world, satan’s domain, forever..we are only here to get there. *Through the Spirit we become citizens of heaven, we are admitted to the company of angels, we enter into eternal happiness & abide in God. Through the Spirit we acquire a likeness to God & abide in God; indeed we attain what is beyond our most sublime aspirations—we become God* (St. Basil the Great)

So what right minded soul would not want to receive the very Spirit of God? He gives it freely if we both want & ask for it & prepare our hearts to receive it. And the key to receiving Him is humble repentance.

*And the soul bears the fruit of holiness when repentance has made it worthy of receiving the Holy Spirit.* (St. Cyril of Jerusalem.) So use these few days fruitfully, humbly preparing your heart & soul for the very Third Person of the Blessed Trinity.

### **GLORY, GLORY, GLORY**

That is what we about to plunge into if we want it & prepare ourselves to receive. Glory belongs to our God but He, in His great love, wants us to share in it. Glory is the force that unites & bonds the Trinity & the unity of the Trinity is so great that it is one...in three...pure mystery. *Now the bond that creates this unity is glory. That the Holy Spirit is called Glory no one can deny if he thinks carefully about the Lord’s words: “The glory You gave to Me, I have given to them.” He gave this glory to His disciples when He said to them: “Receive the Holy Spirit.” And though He has always possessed It, even before the world existed, He Himself received this glory when He put on human nature. Then when His human nature had been glorified by the Spirit, the glory of the Spirit was passed on to His disciples (& us, if we want it!) This is why He said: “The Glory You gave to Me, I have given to them, so that they may be one as we are One. With me in them & You in Me, I want them to be perfectly one.* (St. Gregory of Nyssa)

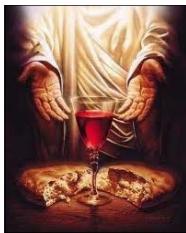
He ascended & as much as His disciples wanted Him to stay, He knew He had to ascend to His Father, Who, upon receiving the ransom for the world His Son had dutifully paid, would send the Holy Spirit to protect, lead &



anoint the ones His Father had given Him. And He knew that the ones He had come to save would only be able to know & call the Father Abba through the power of the Holy Spirit, Who like the Father & the Son is Love, the Love that would bring them home.

*In place of earth, the Spirit reopens heaven to us & gladly admits us into paradise, giving us even now greater honor than the angels.* (Didymus of Alexandria)

***GLORY!***



# ST. ANTONINUS CHURCH CALENDAR

## JUNE, 2022

JESUS IS LORD TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER

SUNDAY	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>29</b> Ascension of the Lord Mass 8QAM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM 7PM Rosary	<b>30</b> 7PM Rosary	<b>31</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 8:00PM Scripture Study	<b>1</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:45 Payer Meeting	<b>2</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Charismatic Conference 7:15 PM RCIA	Noon Mass & 1st Friday Devotion to Sacred Heart 7PM Rosary Charismatic Conference	<b>4</b> Noon Mass 2PM Devotion to Our Lady 3PM Healing Mass Rosary 7PM Conference
<b>5</b> Pentecost Sunday Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM  Healing after Mass 7PM Rosary	<b>6</b> 7PM Rosary	<b>7</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 8:00PM Scripture Study	<b>8</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:45 PM Prayer Meeting	<b>9</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:15 PM RCIA Young Adults 8PM	Noon Mass 7PM Rosary  <b>Singles Encounter</b>	<b>10</b> Parish Council Noon Mass Singles Encounter Div Adoration 3-6PM
<b>12</b> Trinity Sunday  Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM  7PM Rosary Singles Encounter	<b>13</b> 7PM Rosary	<b>14</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8:00PM	<b>15</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45PM	<b>16</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:15 PM RCIA	Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	<b>18</b> Noon Mass Div. Adoration 3-6PM 7PM Rosary
<b>19</b> Corpus Christi 8AM Mass Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM Healing after Mass Father's Day 7PM Rosary Fr. Paul Anniversary Mass	<b>20</b> 7PM Rosary	<b>21</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8:00PM	<b>22</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45 PM	<b>23</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:15 RCIA  <b>Nativity of John the Baptist</b>	Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	<b>25</b> Noon Mass Imm. Heart of Mary Div. Adoration 3-6PM Solo Encounter Real Love 5-7PM
<b>26</b> 13th Sunday in OT Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass: 10 AM  7PM Rosary  Solo Encounter	<b>27</b> 7PM Rosary	<b>28</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8PM	<b>29</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45PM	<b>30</b> Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 7:15 PM RCIA	Noon Mass 1st Friday Devotion to Sacred heart 7PM Rosary	<b>1</b> Noon Mass 2PM Devotion to Our Lady 3PM Healing Mass  7PM Rosary

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any & all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious & lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage any one with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others & provide support to victim of sexual abuse. Although we will report all allegations of abuse immediately to the appropriate County Prosecutor, we encourage anyone with an allegation also to reach out to the Prosecutor. Individuals who report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child & Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256. The phone number for the County Prosecutors within the Archdiocese is (973) 753-1121.