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Saint Patrick's is a welcoming Catholic Community.
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The Ascension of the Lord – May 17, 2026

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass **5:00 pm**
Sunday Masses **8:30 and 10:30 am**
Coffee hour follows 8:30 Mass Weekly
Weekday Masses (Monday and Friday 12noon)
Holy Day Mass **7:00 pm** or as announced

Pastoral Staff

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| Rev. Roger H. Durand | Pastor |
| Rev. Mr. Noel Sanchez | Deacon |
| Felicia Baker | Music Director |

The Office is open by Appointment only

Sacramental Information

Baptism

Congratulations! At the family's convenience after consultation with the Pastor usually during a weekend Mass

Marriage

Congratulations! Celebrated at the couple's Convenience after consultation with the Pastor

First Communion / Confirmation

Celebrated annually following appropriate instruction

Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick

Home, hospital, nursing home visits gladly made upon notification by the family

Anointing after all Masses 1st Weekend

YOU ARE INVITED, WELCOMED, ACCEPTED, LOVED

Parish Membership

We welcome you to join our growing parish family! Registration cards available at church entrance and offering envelopes are available as desired.

Celiac Disease

We provide Gluten Free (99%) Host for Communion if needed. Please speak with the Pastor before Mass.

Cry Area

We welcome all children, but should a child become difficult, feel free to take the child to the baptistery

Text Message Feedback Line

(401) 944-0001

We want your feedback – Good and bad

You are welcome here

***No matter what your church status, your current family or marital situation,
no matter what your personal history, age, background,
race and regardless of personal worthiness***

You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here

Reflections on the Weekend Scriptures

Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 / Matthew 28:16-20

How often have we wished that Jesus would come down from heaven and do something about the terrible things going on in the world today? Such a thought fundamentally misunderstands two lessons from today's readings. First of all, Jesus is already with us. As he promised his disciples, he is with us always, only not in the flesh any longer. Secondly, solving all the world's problems is not why Jesus came in the first place. He did not solve all the world's problems in 30 AD either. He did not bring peace between nations or harmony between peoples. He did not bring miracle cures that could wipe out diseases or disabilities. He did not bring prosperity and happiness to the whole world. No, he joined us in our human condition to share our suffering, redeem us from our sins, and lead us to eternal life with God. What he accomplished transcends the problems of every age, no matter how serious they are. It is now up to us, with the Lord's help, to do what we can to solve the world's problems, if only a little at a time.

Not only does Jesus remain with us, as he promised his disciples, but we become Christ for others by virtue of our baptism. Today we hear Jesus commanding his disciples to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit . . ." (Matthew 28:19). When we are baptized, we "put on Christ," as the priest or deacon says in the baptismal rite. We become Christ for others when we allow him to do his work through us, when we give our time, our talents, and our energy to the Lord to use as God wills. Jesus has ascended, but he is not gone.

Just before entering into his Passion, Jesus told his disciples that what they do for the least among them they do for him. Indeed, in addition to us putting on Christ in baptism, Christ is present in our neighbor in need. As Paul would say, with the "eyes of [our] hearts" enlightened (Ephesians 1:18), we can see Christ in those who are hungry or thirsty, those lacking decent clothes or shelter, those ill or imprisoned. No, Jesus is not only "up there in the sky"; he is also here on earth, in us and in the least of our sisters and brothers.

Question of the Day

What will I do this week to give witness to Christ in me and my neighbor?

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Next Weekend's Readings

Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 / Matthew 28:16-20

Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Light – In Prayer for the soul of Claire Riley

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| Sat | May 16 | 5:00pm | Soul of Mary Ryan |
| Sun | May 17 | 8:30am | Soul of Thomas Fiorio |
| | | 10:30am | For a Special Intention |
| Mon | May 18 | 12 noon | For a Special Intention |
| Fri | May 22 | 12 noon | For a Special Intention |
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| Sat | May 16 | 5:00pm | Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli |
| Sun | May 17 | 8:30am | Soul of Thomas Fiorio, Sr. |
| | | 10:30am | For a Special Intention |
| Mon | May 18 | 12 noon | For a Special Intention |
| Fri | May 22 | 12 noon | For a Special Intention |

Feeding the Flock

This past week, I viewed a story of a young man's struggle to land a plane he was piloting successfully. That is to say, to remain alive in the process. He had made an error evaluating the weather in which he was to fly and found himself "in the weather," that is, in a white cloud mess in

which he could not determine up from down nor any directional specifics. In the course of the story, he reached out desperately. I was impressed by all those who heard his call and did their best to lend a hand in the dangerous situation trying to assist in

bringing the plan to a successful landing and “living to fly another day”.

As I followed the story, my mind drifted and I began to think how we are all like this young man, We begin our journey, making mistakes along the way. Many of us reach our in dangerous circumstances looking for guidance just to survive. I was thinking how lucky we all are that there are people along the way who hear us and take the time to lend assistance. These people often make the difference in our lives. They keep us going.

When we rise each day and retire each night, take a moment and think of these kind souls along the way who took the time to impact our lives. At the same time, pray that we will have the courage when you hear a cry for help that you will make a difference to others. Such people are true heroes.

In the story I watched, while working really hard and receiving a lot of assistance, in the end, the young man succumbed to confusion and died instantly as he crashed.. His final words were a request, not for himself, but tell his parents just how much he loved them. Let us also be thankful for those who have helped us along the way.

May Birthdays God bless you now and in the year ahead! *Michael Bruni (2), Jennie Martinez (4), Joe Bruni (7), Mary Boyer (8), Pat Gathof (19), Michael Traficante (20) and Geri Bergreen (27).*

May Special Collection Our once a month special collection for May is used to help defrey parish utilities. We ask your generosity.

Clothing Collection Shed A home for your unwanted **Clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, towels, sheets, pillowcases, curtains and stuffed toys!** We appreciate your participation. The shed is emptied regularly. Thank you.

2025 Statistics: *we collected 22,965 pounds of clothing, benefiting about 4,230 people around the world. Your donations do make a difference!!*

Claire M Durand Flower Fund. This memorial fund is receiving donations with envelopes at the door to keep us in fresh flowers. Thank you so much for your kindness and for your support.

Prayer List For prayers for our loved ones: Cathy Mizzoni, Tom Jeffrey, Mary Masse, Jim Gallagher, Bettie Lombard, Rita Miller, Rebecca Eagen, Ken Ryan, Ron Nastari, Carol Zelano, Michael Lofton, Norma Marcello, Mark Garafalo, Michael, Sarah, Connie Iannuccilli, Manuel

Costa, Kathy Slater, Robert Marcoux, Michael Costa, Jean Brown, Ron Cioe, Hilda Degnan, Albert Costa, Dave Costa, Ron Kine, Lynne Montiero, Colleen Maniscalco, Don DiNuccio, Lynn Regan and Joan Pagliuca, Raymond Rounds, Lacey Hogue.

Summer BBQ Join us for a happy summer event. On Sunday, June 7 at noon at the Parish Prayer Garden Pavilion. We will all be enjoying a whole variety smoked BBQ foods from our friends at Great Northern BBQ in Providence. Further details on the bulletin Board Flier. We DO NEED to know if you are coming so we can prepare enough food and there is no fixed cost to participate. We will be accepting donations at the luncheon itself, with a rain day celebrated in the lower church. Join us!

Upcoming Summer Events

Following our BBQ in June

-July 11th, a Bingo in the lower church on Saturday following the 5 pm Mass.

--August 16th is the annual Summer picnic out of doors under the pavillion in our prayer garden.

Please make note of these events and more details will follow as we get closer to the event itself. All are invited!

Mass Intentions Needed There is no greater act of charity than to remember a loved one with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. When we have a Mass offered for someone, we pray for them and ask for a merciful judgment.

Common time to offer Masses is on birthday remembrances, special holy days and also the anniversary of someone's death. There is a form to request this at the entrance of the church.

Easter Flowers Some have expressed interest in planting Easter flower bulbs in their own yards. For this reason, rather than disposing of them, they are on the side church steps. If you plant them now, it is likely they will bloom again in July. ***Last chance this weekend!***

Parish Necrology. During the Month of May, we remember our deceased parishioner Armand Lefebvre (5/21)

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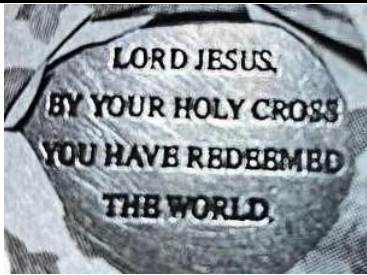
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