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Ascension of the Lord

May 16, 2021

You Will Be My Witnesses

The Ascension of the Lord is the seventh Sunday in Easter, a season celebrating the Paschal Mystery. The Paschal Mystery is God's plan of salvation, which was fulfilled through the Passion, death, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus Christ.

Through the Pascal Mystery, the gates of heaven were opened up for us. Just as Jesus returned to his father in heaven, we hope to be united with God in heaven once our life on earth is through.

However, we are not to be concerned only for our own salvation, but also for the salvation of others. Before his Ascension, Jesus instructed his disciples to continue his mission. This mission to bear witness and make disciples of all nations was not just for those first disciples, but for all of us.

Through our actions and words, we are to make Jesus' teachings known. We are to share how our faith has made a difference in our lives; how Jesus has touched and changed us. We are called to be witnesses.

"Christ has no body now but yours.

No hands, no feet on earth but yours.

*Yours are the eyes through which he looks
compassion on this world.*

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

*Yours are the hands through which he
blesses all the world.*

Yours are the hands,

yours are the feet,

yours are the eyes,

you are his body.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Attributed to Saint Teresa of Avila



COVID-19 Restrictions Update Effective May 9, 2021

New Code Red Alert restrictions for all of Manitoba came into effect on May 9, and will be applicable until May 30.

The most significant changes are that Churches are closed to the public. No religious gatherings may take place.

Weddings, funerals and baptisms continue to be permitted, with a capacity of 10 people in addition to an officiant, photographer, funeral director, etc. Masks must be worn at all times.

If you need to get in touch with the parish: please contact the office and leave a message, or email Sister Maria at cicarellim@shaw.ca, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Let us continue to pray for one another...and to stay safe.

May Jesus & Mary enfold you and your families with peace, joy and love.

Livestreaming of the Diocesan Sunday Masses and Television Masses

While you are unable to attend Mass in person during this time, daily TV Mass can continue to be a source of faith, connection and comfort. Masses are available on Vision TV, Salt and Light TV, and EWTN.

As well the livestreamed Diocesan Mass can be accessed Sundays at 10 am on the Diocese's Facebook page at: facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/live.

Marriage Tips

May is Mary's month. Do you have an image of Our Lady in your home? If not, place one in a prominent place sometime this month. Let it be a good reminder to ask for her intercession throughout the day.

Confirmation Update

Due to the Province of Manitoba lockdown restrictions, our Confirmation celebrations are postponed until the early fall. We have booked two dates in October: Wednesday, October 6 and Thursday, October 7, 2021.

Let us continue to pray for the children, their parents and sponsor preparing for this sacrament. I would also like to thank them for all their hard work and patience in this pandemic time.

New Book – *Saint Stories* Produced Locally, Available Now

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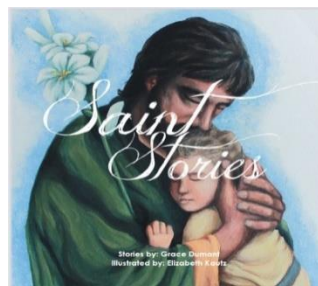
The CSE has compiled a book of stories of the saints that have been painted on the dorm room doors of the building. Each painting was prayerfully done by Elizabeth Kautz: a camper, camp staff and member for a former Missionary Family of the CSE. She, along with Grace Dumont, who is also a camp alumni who used her talent of writing to prepare the stories for this book, have used their gifts to share the stories of men and women who have had an impact on the life of the Church.

This book, available in either French or English, costs just \$20. It is the perfect gift for a young person who has just received their sacraments, a family looking for a book to use during their family devotional time, or anyone who has an appreciation for art and the CSE.

100% of the proceeds received from the sales of this book will go towards supporting the CSE and its mission of evangelization.

To place an order please go to:
<https://www.catholicway.net/banquet-en>

Also available at Stephanchew's Church Goods, 337 William Ave.



Adult Faith Growth Workshops Knowledge for the Soul May 19, 2021

Looking to spend some time in growing your personal faith? Join us for the Spring series online faith growth workshops for adults.

The next evening will be on May 19 at 7:00 pm on the theme of: *Ite Ad Joseph - Go To Joseph* with Fr. Peter Le.

Registration is necessary to receive Zoom link. Please visit the Archdiocese of St. Boniface website to register. If you have any questions please contact Mireille Grenier, mgrenier@archsaintboniface.ca

Stewardship May 16, 2021 – Ascension of Our Lord

*“Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God,
God abides in him, and he in God.”*

1 John 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.



**Please pray for the sick,
their families and their caregivers**



How to Donate to your Parish

1. We strongly encourage signing up for direct deposit, especially during this time of pandemic. To sign up for direct deposit please contact the office at 204-669-0501 or finance@hrwpg.ca.
2. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office Tuesday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
3. Donations may be sent in by mail.
4. Donations may be dropped off in the mailbox Tuesday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We recommend that donations not be dropped off in the mailbox evenings and weekends for security reasons.
5. Parishioners may donate through the Archdiocesan website using your credit card (not the preferred method as there is a 3% fee that our parish incurs).

Thank you for your continued generosity during this challenging time of pandemic.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Available by appointment; please call the office.

Baptism: Please email Sister Maria or call the office.

Marriage: Please call the office one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Available by appointment. Please call the office.





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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For May 2021

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with
governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect
citizens from its dangers.

Although we have no Masses at this time, please
continue to pray for all of our parishioners and for an
end to this pandemic.

Feasts for May 16 - 23 2021

Sunday, May 16 Ascension of the Lord

Sunday, May 23 Pentecost Sunday

Celebrate Our Lady, and Pray the Virgin Mary!

Pope Francis is requesting that during this month of May,
particularly dedicated to Our Lady, the entire Church invoke
the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the end of the
pandemic and, in a special way, he is inviting all to pray
fervently for those most closely affected by it.

During each day of May, guided by a calendar with specific
intentions, all the Shrines around the world, united in a
communion of supplication, through the prayer of the
Rosary, will intercede for an end to the pandemic.

The initiative is inspired from the biblical passage, "*from the
whole Church unceasingly ascended prayer to God*"
(Acts 12:5).

The Pontifical Council also informs that the daily prayers will
be live broadcast through the official online channels of the
Holy See.

Further details are available on the Pontifical Council's
website: <http://www.pcpne.va/content/pcpne/en.html>

