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Welcome to Holy Redeemer Parish

May 12, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord

Pastor Father Thomas Nathe



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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Church Open: 7:30am - 4:00pm daily

Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm
Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am
Monday-Saturday 8:30am

Rosary: Saturday 4:10pm
Sunday 8:10am and 10:40am
Monday - Saturday 8:10am

Confessions: Friday 4:00 - 5:15pm
Saturday 2:30 - 4:15pm
Sunday 7:45 - 8:15am and 10:00 - 10:45am

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 9:00am - Saturday 8:00am

Please remember Holy Redeemer Parish in your will.

**WEEK OF 5/12/2024
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

*Please join us 20 minutes prior to Mass to
pray the Rosary.*

Sunday: 5/12

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Mass: 8:30am & 11:00am (Church)
Confession: 7:45-8:15am, 10:00-10:45am

Monday: 5/13

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*

Tuesday: 5/14

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*

Wednesday: 5/15

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*

Thursday: 5/16

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*

Friday: 5/17

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*
3:00pm~Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Church)
Confessions: 4:00pm-5:15pm

Saturday: 5/18

8:30am~Daily Mass *Mother's Day Novena*
Confessions: 2:30pm-4:15pm
4:30pm ~ Saturday Vigil Mass

Sunday: 5/19

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Mass: 8:30am & 11:00am (Church)
Confessions: 7:45-8:15am, 10:00-10:45am
3:00pm~ **Holy Redeemer Choir Concert**
(Church)



God
mounts
his throne
to shouts
of joy:
a blare of
trumpets
for the
Lord.

Psalm 47:6

**WEEK OF 5/12/2024
MINISTRIES & MEETINGS**

*Please join us 20 minutes prior to Mass to
pray the Rosary.*

Sunday: 5/12

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

No scheduled activities

Monday: 5/13

9:00am ~ Marian Movement (Choir Practice Rm)
4:30pm~ American Heritage Girls (Parish Cntr)
5:00pm~ Spanish Endow (Annex)
5:30pm~ Women's Pinochle Game (*Back Sacristy*)
6:30pm~ Trail Life USA (Parish Center)

Tuesday: 5/14

10:00am~ Women's Bible Study with Littles
(St. Clare Room)
6:00PM~ OCIA

Wednesday: 5/15

3:00pm~ Cenacle of St. Joseph (St. Cecilia Rm)
5:00pm~ Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm)
6:00pm~ Fraternal & Fidelis

Thursday: 5/16

9:15am~ Marian Movement (Choir Room)
10:30am~ AM Bible Study –The Prophets (Parish Center)
6:30pm ~ PM Bible Study—The Holy Spirit
(Parish Center)
7:00pm~ Adult Choir Practice (Church)

Friday: 5/17

9:30am~ Pre-K Religious Education Class
(St. Francis)
10:30am~ Homeschool Co-Op meeting (Parish Center)

Saturday: 5/18

9:00am~ Sainly Women of Modern Times(St. Clare Room)
9:15am~ Sat. Marian Movement (Choir Room)

Sunday: 5/19

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Knights of Columbus Meals after Masses
3:00pm~ Holy Redeemer Choir Concert
(Church)

Please Remember in your prayers:



Sandra Bates+, Larry Bolton, Tim Brewer, Lori Burmester, Sherry Callaghan, Ramon Cano+, Natalie Cothran, Dan Coughlin+ and Mary Coughlin+, Bonnie Craig, Marianne DeMuth+, Ramute Cumming, Robert Faust, Evelyn Ferma, Lyn Florentino, Linda Fritz, Jessica Glickman, Joe Gnanasegaram+, Augustine Gnaneswarant+, Danny Harden, Emily and Joey Hart, Roman Hernandez, Denise Hertz+, Jamie Kohler, Joan Kelly, Rita Laurent, Laura Murray, Fran Plourd, Mary Quidachez, Kathy Rankin+, Matthew Reynolds+ & Family, Michele & John Romano, Fr. Joseph Rozansky O.F.M., Catherine Scott, Irene Snell, John Stewart, Peggy & Ed Uribe, Betty Wolf+

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Sunday	\$ 38,079
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Pastor's Column

May 12th, 2024

The Ascension of Jesus Christ into Heaven

Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Forever ~

This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ into heaven. I found this good summary of the Ascension, abridged for space, written by Fr. Rick Poblocki at www.thestationofthecross.com/catholic-qa-the-ascension-of-the-lord/. I hope you enjoy it.

In Christ the Risen & Ascended Lord,



Fr. Thomas Nathe

Catholic Q&A: The Ascension of the Lord

By Fr. Rick Poblocki

What is the Ascension of the Lord?

At His Ascension, the Lord Jesus ascended Body and Soul into heaven (Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-11). The Ascension took place in broad daylight on the Mount of Olives, in the presence of His Apostles and disciples.

What happened when Our Lord ascended into heaven?

The Lord Jesus gave the Apostles and disciples His final instructions (Acts 1:6-8) and promised to be with them and us until the end of time: "I am with you always, to the close of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Then, in a traditional Jewish form of blessing, He raised his hands (Luke 24:50) and continued to bless them as He ascended into the heavens by His own power, until a cloud received Him from their sight (Luke 24:50-51).

How does the Catholic Church celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord?

The Ascension of the Lord is commemorated by the Catholic Church as a Solemnity and Holy Day of Obligation. The Ascension is celebrated on Thursday 40 days after Easter in the ecclesiastical province of New York. In other areas of the United States, the Ascension is transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

How does the Ascension of Jesus complete God's saving plan?

Jesus' Ascension into heaven accomplished four things:

He entered into the exalted glory He merited.

He ascended into heaven in order to send down upon us the promised Gift of the Holy Spirit.

He ascended into heaven in order to be our Intercessor before the Eternal Father.

He ascended into heaven in order to prepare a place for us.

If Jesus is God and His Body was glorified in the Resurrection, why is His Ascension into Heaven so necessary?

It is true that Our Lord was "glorified" at the moment of His Resurrection. But in reciting these words of the Lord Jesus to Saint Mary Magdalene: "I have not yet ascended to the Father, but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God" (John 20:17), the Catechism of the Catholic Church points out: "This indicates a difference in manifestation between the glory of the Risen Christ and that of the Christ exalted to the Father's right hand, a transition marked by

the historical and transcendent event of the Ascension” (Catechism, 660). In other words, as the Lord Jesus appears to His Apostles and disciples after His Resurrection, they experience Him in a risen and glorious state. In the Ascension and exaltation of the Lord Jesus in glory at the Father’s right hand, the disciples are also able to experience Jesus’ risen glory as one of triumph and exaltation.

If Jesus possesses glory as God, why does His human nature need to be glorified?

As God, Jesus already possesses endless and infinite glory. The significance and importance of the Ascension is that Jesus’ human nature – His Body and His Soul – are exalted in the Ascension. He lets this happen because by the exaltation of His human nature, He can pass that exultation and glory on to those who become “members of His Body,” the Church, through being united to Him by the Holy Spirit in Baptism. So, by being exalted in His human nature, Jesus makes it possible for us to be exalted and to share in His exalted glory. In His human nature Jesus was exalted so that our human nature could be exalted! The Ascension is a saving act.

Would it be possible for humans to get to heaven without Jesus?

Left to our own natural powers, our unaided human nature cannot gain us “access” to the “Father’s House,” that is, God’s life and eternal happiness. By taking to heaven a body and soul like ours, Christ – and only He – can give us and anyone else access to the blessedness of heaven (the beatific vision). That’s why we speak of Christ as our “Head,” or as “Head of the Mystical Body.” The ancient peoples believed that life flowed from a person’s head into, and throughout the body. So, the head was seen as the “source of the body’s life.” Based on this understanding, the Christians refer to Christ as their “Head” or the “Head of the Mystical Body,” because he alone is the Source of this new kind of life – gained for us by His Cross, Resurrection and Ascension.

How is the Lord Jesus able to “raise” us up from the dead and brings us into heaven?

When we die, our body and soul separate from one another – and we do not have the power to reunite them – which is why those who die stay dead. In Baptism we receive the Holy Spirit, Who joins our body and soul to His Being as God. Because in Baptism our bodies and souls are joined to the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit has power and control over them – so even if our body and soul separate, both of them are still united to the Holy Spirit. On the Last Day, the Holy Spirit will reunite our bodies and souls, and we will come back to life in a resurrected state. That’s why it’s so important to be baptized.

What do we mean when we speak of Christ being “seated at the right hand of the Father?”

In this biblical world, being seated at the right hand of a King or Ruler was the mark of receiving the highest honor (cf. Psalm 110:1-2). As God, Christ is equal to the Father, but as it is stated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the exaltation of Christ – God and Man – at the Father’s right hand, is the beginning of the Messiah’s Kingdom and the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel’s prophecy concerning the Son of Man, Who receives endless dominion, glory, and rule over all the nations and peoples (Daniel 7:14). Through the Ascension, this dominion is also bestowed upon Jesus’ human nature.

How long will the Dominion, Lordship, and Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus Christ last?

It will last forever. The exalted Lordship of Jesus ascended into heavenly glory will last forever. The Nicene Creed professes: “...and of His Kingdom, there will be no end” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 664).

What does the Catholic Church mean when it professes in the Creed that Christ “will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead”?

By this we mean, that on the Last Day, Christ Our Lord will return to earth in His kingly, exalted, and glorified state to pronounce a sentence of either eternal reward, or eternal punishment upon every human being who has ever lived in the history of the world.

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Joe Cotton, Director of Pastoral Care and Outreach Ministry

PICTURED FROM TOP: Seminarians, Joe Cotton with seafarer volunteer, prison baptism

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For questions, email prepares@hrvan.org.

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NEW TO HOLY REDEEMER?

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

Contact the Faith Formation Office to meet and discuss how we can work together to build God's Kingdom in East Vancouver! Sacramental needs? Education? Let us know how we can help. Contact Mark: 360.885.7780 ext. 16, or markm@holyredeemervanc.org

OCIA (Becoming Catholic) and Learning About the Catholic Faith: Contact Mark MacKenzie

PRAYER GROUPS

Marian Movement Groups: The Marian Movement has three groups that meet on different days of the week. The first group (Monday), the second group (Thursday), and the third group (Saturday) meets in the choir practice room. All groups meet at 9:00am.

Anne, a lay apostle: Anne, the author of *The Volumes*, received a message to have a prayer group meeting once a month. The Lay Apostle prayer group holds their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 9:00am in the parish center. Contact Marilynne Belden at 503-701-2493.

St. Joseph Cenacle Apostolate: Members offer a weekly holy hour of prayers for our priests and will meet as a group on the third Wednesday of the month at 3:00pm in the parish center. Contact Sandra Koceja at ITEADIOSEPH2020@gmail.com

ADULTS

Bible Study: The morning Bible study sessions are Thursday at 10:30am studying The Prophets in the parish center. Thursday Night Bible study started on April 4 and will end on May 16. We will watch and discuss a video series on the Holy Spirit.

Men of Faith: All men in the parish are invited to attend our monthly gatherings. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 9:15am in the parish center. For more information contact Mark by email at markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Women Growing in Faith: All women in the parish are invited to attend our monthly talks. Our gatherings are on the second Saturdays of the month. For more information contact Judy at judym@holyredeemervanc.org

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May 4:

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Alan Chavez

Estelle Fitzner

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Eileen Kwizera-Masabo

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Baccalaureate Mass

2024

All Graduating High School Seniors of the Vancouver and Portland area are invited to attend the Class of 2024 Baccalaureate Mass.

May 30, 2024 - 6:00pm
Holy Redeemer Catholic Parish
17010 NE 9th Street
Vancouver, WA 98684

PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 24



Class of

2024

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PARISH HAPPENINGS

Save the Date May 19th Holy Redeemer Choir Spring Concert

Save the date and join us on **Sunday, May 19th at 3pm in the Church** when the combined children and adult choirs



of Holy Redeemer present the **2024 Spring Choir Concert**. The Concert admission is **FREE!** Bring your friends and family to enjoy an afternoon of uplifting music!

Baby Bottle Drive

Prepares Holy Redeemer Chapter is hosting their Second

Annual Baby Bottle Fund Drive during the weekend of Mother's Day, May 11th and 12th. Volunteers will be handing out bottles this weekend and will collect them May 18th & 19th. See this week's bulletin insert for more details!



Empty Nester Hiking Monday May 13th

Empty Nester Hiking Creaky Knees Club will be hiking Battle

Ground Lake and Chelatchie Prairie Railroad on Monday May 13, 2024. The group will meet at Holy Redeemer's west parking lot and car pool leaving promptly at 8:15AM. Bring lunch money. We will be hiking rain or shine, umbrellas are okay. For more information please call Bill Daudistel at 360-882-8371.



IN & BEYOND OUR PARISH

Knights Meals after Masses ~ May 19th



Next weekend after Sunday Masses our Knights of Columbus will be serving up meals in the "after Mass hospitality style. Bring the whole family!

Proceeds this month benefit Knights Community Charities.

SAVE THE DATE!

Knights of Columbus Golf July 27th, 2024

The ever popular **Annual Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament** returns on **Saturday July 27th** at Fairway Village Golf Course, with a shotgun start at 8:00am.



Mark your calendar and save the date for a great day of fellowship, golf, lunch, prizes and fun.



Registrations will be open after Masses the weekend of May 18 and 19th.

Encounter School of Ministry Summer Intensive July 12-13

Encounter School of Ministry is holding the 2024 Summer Intensive at Christ the King Catholic Church in Milwaukie, OR. The lineup of speakers includes Deacon Scott Aikin, Kevin Monette and Diane Boggs. For more information or to register click the QR code.



IN & BEYOND OUR PARISH

The Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater Tour

218 W 12th Street, Vancouver, WA
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The Proto Cathedral invites you to their monthly tour to learn of the great history of our Catholic faith in the Pacific Northwest. The tour runs from 11-1 pm on the last Saturday of each month. Please meet inside the church to



attend. You will learn how the Proto Cathedral was established and the history of the beautiful artifacts found within it.

Job Opportunity at St. Joseph Catholic Church

St. Joseph currently has an opening for two Summer Facilities Assistants. This position is temporary from June 24, 2024 to August 23, 2024. Work schedule is Monday through Thursday from 8am to 4:30pm. Duties include gardening, cleaning, light custodial work, use of hand tools, painting and working with others or independently. Must have the ability to follow verbal and written instructions.

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