

# CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

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**May 29, 2022**

*Ascension of the Lord*



#### Sunday Masses

9:15 am & 8:00 pm

#### Confessions

Sunday, 7:30 pm



#### Ascension

Last week I wrote of the racially motivated shootings. This week we think of brutal killings in an elementary school. These events restart discussion of gun control. This issue has been so hardened in the minds of the people who argue vehemently on both sides that it seems difficult to make reasonable adjustments to laws. Gun control becomes a major talking point after events.

The USCCB statement is this: “There have been too many school shootings, too much killing of the innocent. Our Catholic faith calls us to pray for those who have died and to bind the wounds of others, and we join our prayers along with the community in Uvalde and Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller. As we do so, each of us also needs to search our souls for ways that we can do more to understand this epidemic of evil and violence and implore our elected officials to help us take action.”

The call to understand more the epidemic of evil and violence by searching our souls can be a genuine mission. As we meditate this week on Memorial Day and on the Ascension of our Lord, let us be a people who try to call forth and bring forth what is best in each other. The great power of noble self sacrifice as Christ did and as those who have given their lives for the good of others have done. Let us truly take a moment this Memorial Day to search our souls and hearts for that glimmer of the Holy Spirit, that mark of peace and justice that flows through us in the power of the Spirit.

We will pray at the Memorial Day Mass especially for victims of violence and conversion of hearts and society. The mass is at 9am at Assumption Cemetery...bring your own chair.

God bless you this weekend,

frjoe



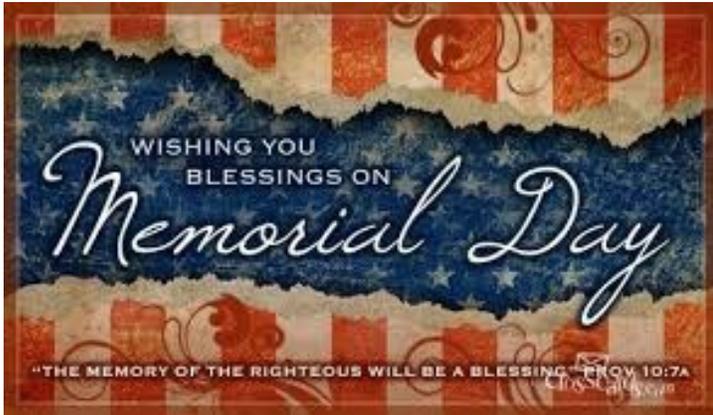
Vacation Bible School is June 13—17, 2022!! More info on other side!

#### Parish Office

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The Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30, will be at Assumption Cemetery at 9:00am. Everyone welcome! Please bring your own chair. If it is raining, Mass will be at Holy Spirit Church.



Littlemore appliances, etc.

If anyone wants an AC window unit from Littlemore, they will be sold as is for \$50. The stove, water heater, boiler, refrigerators, and freezer will also be available to anyone who is interested. Please contact the office.

The office will be closed Friday, June 10, Thursday, June 16, and Friday, June 17.

**Parish Prayers**

Anne Fields	Schroeder	+Mike Schmiesing, brother of Sharon
Nancy Huber	Kelly Hoppe's mother-in-law	+Carol Reiter
Penny Zook	Helen Trisko	+Ed Schnettler
Waletzko's grandson Isaac	Summer Danich	+Jim Pehler
Kathy Williams	Cathy Wieme's mother,	+Denise Keller
Kevin & Melissa Kruger's brother Mark	+Carol Skoien	+Mary Kelley, sister of Barb Grachek
Linda Urbik	†Katie Waletzko	+Jennifer Symalla
Dave & Caroline Williams's son Jeff	†Don Prom	+Elaine Quella
Courtney Vorell's father Paul Snyder	†Renee Miller	+Bob Huber
Grace Bellicot	†Will Ellenbecker	+Dawn Newton
Doug Nieters	†Stanley McElhone	+Roy Hoelscher, brother of Jay Schroeder
Mil Voelker	†Bill Schroeder	+Robert Surma
Tom Keaveny	†Vern Cronin	+Debra Brancale Zilka
Isla Johns	†Donald Lardy	+Geneva Cameron
Aaron Volker	†Sallie Bellicot	+Dale Baune
Gene Hoelscher	†Deborah Rodriguez	
Millie Moran, sister of Jay	†Valerie Meinz	
	†Bette Bartos	
	†Rich Theisen	

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Daily Readings are found at [usccb.org](http://usccb.org)

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**Ascension of the Lord**

ASCENSION: the act of rising to a higher level



The Ascension of the Lord takes place forty days after the resurrection of Jesus (Easter).

Technically, this day falls on a Thursday, but the celebration is transferred to the following Sunday.

On this day, Jesus was taken up to Heaven in his resurrected body in the presence of his apostles.

**BIBLICAL REFERENCES**

1 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. Luke 24:51

2 So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. Mark 16:19

3 As the apostles were watching, Jesus was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Acts 1:9-11

Jesus departs, he ascends to Heaven. He returns to the Father. But this does not mean a separation, for he remains forever with us, in a new way. By his ascension, the Risen Lord draws the gaze of the Apostles - and our gaze - to the heights of Heaven to show us that the end of our journey is the Father... Yet, Jesus remains present and active in the affairs of human history through the power and the gifts of his Spirit; he is beside each of us: **even if we do not see him with our eyes, He is there!** He accompanies us, he guides us, he takes us by the hand and he lifts us up when we fall down.... The Lord is with us!  
 Pope Francis, June 1, 2014



The ascension is also professed in the Nicene Creed and in the Apostles' Creed: "He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father..."

**Attention all Bread Bakers!**

We are in need of bakers to help with our Substantial Eucharistic Bread baking. If you signed up on the RENEWAL forms last fall or would like to be a part of this ministry please add your name to the signup sheet in the front entrance. The Community Focus group is organizing training sessions and scheduling for this lovely ministry! If you have questions please contact: Barb Pladsen: 320-252-3099 or Sandy Lawrence: 320-492-1546



*¡Hola!*

This year our parishes are jumping with excitement as we have a Fiesta! Please join us this summer for another fun-filled vacation Bible school where kids are fired up about Jesus! Our Fiesta is going to be better than ever. Each day your child will be a part of a fun scripture-based program they can see, hear, touch and even taste!

Our Fiesta begins at Holy Spirit Church on June 13 and ends June 17. The festivities start at 9:00am and end at 12:00pm. The program is for children entering grades K-5. There is a fee of \$25.00 per child.

So get ready for an exciting celebration of Jesus' love filled with lively music, colorful décor, spicy chili peppers, and warm friends. The registration form is attached and due in either the Newman Center or Holy Spirit office by May 31, 2022.