

INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK**SUNDAY, May 29, 2022**

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

9:00 am Dick Meyer (d)**11:00 am** Luu Nguyen (d)**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners**MONDAY, May 30, 2022****8:30 am** Lou Bedel (d)**TUESDAY, May 31, 2022**

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY

8:30 am Rose Littner (d)**WEDNESDAY, June 1, 2022**

St. Justin, martyr

8:30 am Julia and William Hahn (d)**THURSDAY, June 2, 2022***Saints Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs***8:30 am** Macelino Dao (d)**3:00-5:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs

FRIDAY, June 3, 2022**8:30 am** Joan Hoffman (d)**SATURDAY, June 4, 2022****8:30 am** Violet Ronan (d)**3:00-4:00 pm** Confession**4:30 am** Mary Little (d)**SUNDAY, June 5, 2022**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00 am August Rump (d)**11:00 am** Joan Hoffman (d)**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners

PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

**Priority One Insulation
5178 Crookshank Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45238
Barry Kirby
513-922-0203**

SERVERS**May 28/29**

No Servers Scheduled

LECTORS**May 28/29**

No Lectors Scheduled

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**May 28/29**

To Be Determined

May 15, 2022

\$7,020.00

Thank You for your Generosity!

Vocation View If we love, we know the presence of God. Take time to be aware of God's loving presence. Be open to the Holy Spirit. (John 14:23-29) To talk about your discernment, please contact Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer, Director of Vocations at dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org.

Thought for the Day: "The devil fears hearts on fire with love of God."

St. Catherine of Siena

Help Wanted: St. Lawrence Cafeteria is in need of a part time dishwasher, Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Requires moderate physical effort such as: standing, carrying, bending, and lifting up to 25 pounds. If interested please call Denise Dugan at 513-309-3529.

Rest in Peace: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Joan Hoffman and Carol Woodall.



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ad Orientem: The 11:00 Mass will be celebrated ad Orientem. This means that I will be facing the same way you are facing during the Opening and Closing prayers, the Offertory and Eucharistic Prayer.

Eucharistic Adoration: Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday afternoon from 3 – 5 p.m. Part of the time, during the first hour, I hear Confessions. Remember, you can gain a plenary indulgence by spending at least one half hour in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The requirements for gaining a plenary or partial indulgence are the performance of the indulgenced work and the fulfillment of three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, prayer for the pope's intentions. A further requirement for a plenary is the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin.

St. Lawrence Summer Celebration:

SAVE THE DATE! We are planning to have a parish celebration after the 4:30 Mass on Saturday, August 13th. Here are some more details.

At the Summer Celebration we will have the drawing for the Major Award. The Major Award raffle tickets will be coming in the mail, soon. There will be two early bird drawings, one in June and one in July. Like last year, there will be a catered dinner and bar. Also, a basket booth and split the pot. Some more things for the evening are also in the works. We will keep you posted as things develop.

Retirement Announcement After 21 years of teaching at St. Lawrence, Mr. Rick Hilvers has decided to retire! He has had a positive, loving impact on hundreds of students over the last two decades. Mr. Hilvers, may you have a happy and relaxing retirement. Thank you for your tireless dedication to the students of St. Lawrence. God bless you!

St. Lawrence Monthly Social

School is out for the summer! Vacation has begun! Why not take a "vacation" from your regular routine and enjoy an afternoon out with friends? Come to our WEDNESDAY JUNE 1ST SOCIAL in St. Lawrence Parish Center for a delicious dinner and an afternoon of fun and games. Our dinner menu will be:

BONELESS PORK LOIN with GRAVY
MASHED POTATOES
CALIFORNIA MEDLEY
TOSSED SALAD/DRESSINGS
ROLLS/BUTTER
APPLE PIE
COFFEE/ICED TEA/ SOFT DRINKS

Dinner is served at NOON. You are welcome to come early and enjoy socializing with friends. After dinner, we have bingo games, door prizes, instant, split-the-pot and a raffle. All who celebrate a birthday will get a candy treat.

Our Cincinnati Belles will telephone all of the Regulars to verify that you will attend the June 1st Social. We welcome others to come and it is only necessary to make dinner reservations. All dinner counts for Regulars and for those wishing to make reservations should be telephoned to Sister Helen Julia at 513-244-7376 by Monday, May 30th so that an accurate dinner count can be given to our caterer, A Taste of Class. Cost for dinner is \$15.00.

We hope to spend an enjoyable afternoon with all of you on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST. See you then!

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASSES -

Married couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2022 are invited to attend one of the following Golden Anniversary Masses.

- Saturday, August 13 at 4:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, Dayton; Celebrant: Rev. Brian Phelps
- Sunday, August 14 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains, Cincinnati; Celebrant: Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr Please register to attend one of the masses by completing the online form at <https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources/wedding-anniversarycertificate-request>.

No one has ever ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven

Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with Him. Listen to the words of the Apostle: *If you have risen with Christ, set your hearts on the things that are above where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; seek the things that are above, not the things that are on earth.* For just as He remained with us even after His ascension, so we too, are already in heaven with Him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: *Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?* And when he said: *I was hungry and you gave me food.*

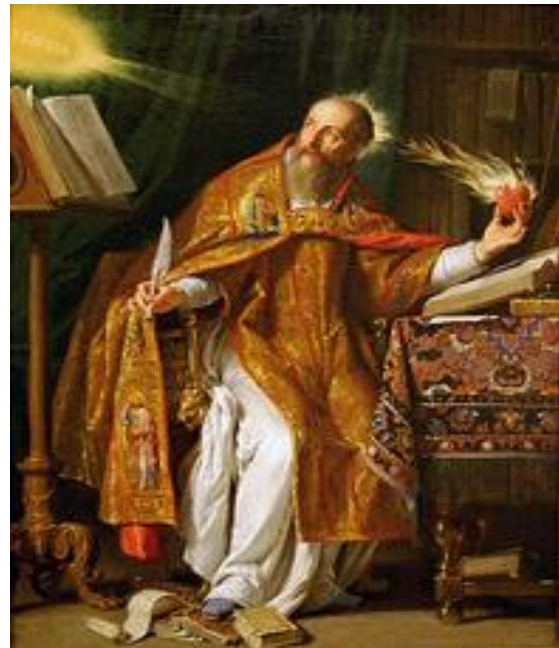
Why do we on earth not strive to find rest with him in heaven even now, through the faith, hope and love that unites us to him? While in heaven he is also with us; and we while on earth are with him. He is here with us by his divinity, his power and his love.

He did not leave heaven when he came down to us; nor did he withdraw from us when he went up again to heaven. The fact that he was in heaven even while he was on earth is borne out by his own statement: *No one has ever ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven.*

These words are explained by our oneness with Christ, for he is our head and we are his body. No one ascended into heaven except Christ because we also are Christ: he is the Son of Man by his union with us, and we by our union with him are sons of God. So the Apostle says: *Just as the human body, which has many members, is a unity, because all the different members make one body, so it is also with Christ.* He too has many members, but one body.

Out of compassion for us he descended from heaven, and although he ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are in him by grace. Thus, no one but Christ descended and no one but Christ ascended; not because there is no distinction between the head and the body, but because the body as a unity cannot be separated from the head.

by St. Augustine, bishop



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*The work of the Holy Spirit
The days between the resurrection and
ascension of our Lord*

Beloved, the days which passed between the Lord's resurrection and his ascension were by no means uneventful; during them great sacramental mysteries were confirmed, great truths revealed. In those days the fear of death with all its horrors was taken away, and the immortality of both body and soul affirmed. It was then that the Lord breathed on all his apostles and filled them with the Holy Spirit; and after giving the keys of the kingdom to blessed Peter, whom he had chosen and set above all others, he entrusted him with the care of his flock.

During these days the Lord joined two of his disciples as their companion on the road, and by chiding them for their timidity and hesitant fears he swept away all the clouds of our uncertainty. Their lukewarm hearts were fired by the light of faith and began to burn within them as the Lord opened up the Scriptures. And as they shared their meal with him, their eyes were opened in the breaking of bread, opened far more happily to the sight of their own glorified humanity than were the eyes of our first parents to the shame of their sin.

Throughout the whole period between the resurrection and ascension, God's providence was at work to instill this one lesson into the hearts of the disciples, to set this one truth before their eyes, that our Lord Jesus Christ, who was truly born, truly suffered and truly died, should be recognized as truly risen from the dead. The blessed apostles together with all the others had been intimidated by the catastrophe of the cross, and their faith in the resurrection had been uncertain; but now they were so strengthened by the evident truth that when their Lord ascended into heaven, far from feeling any sadness, they were filled with great joy.

Indeed that blessed company had a great and inexpressible cause for joy when it saw man's nature rising above the dignity of the whole heavenly creation, above the ranks of angels, above the exalted status of archangels. Nor would there be any limit to its upward course until humanity was admitted to a seat at the right hand of the eternal Father, to be enthroned at last in the glory of him to whose nature it was wedded in the person of the Son.

by St. Leo the Great, pope

