

# Our Catholic Life

June 1, 2025



**Holy Rosary Mission**  
519 Main Street  
Sistersville, WV 26175



**Mater Dolorosa Parish**  
302 East Main Street  
Paden City, WV 26159



**Saint Joseph Mission**  
64 Frohnafel Lane  
Proctor, WV 26055



**Saint Vincent de Paul Parish**  
21 Rosary Road  
New Martinsville, WV 26155



Serving the Catholic Communities of Marshall, Wetzel and Tyler Counties  
Cluster Office: (304) 455-4615

# Ascension of the Lord

## Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the Week of the Ascension of the Lord . 01 June 2025—07 June 2025

### Holy See's June Intention

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

### Sunday—The Ascension of the Lord—1 June

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20;  
Jn 17:20-26 or Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or  
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

**Mater Dolorosa** Vigil Mass

**4:00p** Confessions

**5:00p** Mass + Robert Gorby

**St. Joseph**

**8:00a** Mass + Tony Kernan

**St. Vincent de Paul**

**10:30a** Mass + Theresa Hunt

**Holy Rosary**

**12:30p** Mass People of the Parish

### Monday—2 June

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

**Food Pantry Closed @ SVdeP**

**NO MASS**

Fr. Joseph will be away from June 1 to June 6 from the Annual Diocesan Retreat. There will be **No Daily Masses from June 3 to June 6th**. Please keep him and all priests of the Diocese in your prayer during this time.

### Tuesday — Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs—3 June

Act 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11; 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

**NO MASS**

### Wednesday—4 June

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

**NO MASS**

Thursday— Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr —5 June  
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

**NO MASS**

### Friday—6 June

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

**NO MASS**

### Saturday —7 June

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25

**4:00p** Confessions

**5:00p** Mass Marie and Frank Stender +

### Sunday—Pentecost Sunday —8 June

*Vigil*

*Mass:* Gen 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1

-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

*Mass during the Day:* Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1

Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16,

23b-26

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**10:30a** Mass Bill Klug

**Holy Rosay**

**12:30p** Mass People of the Parish



June is the month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus truly present in the Holy Eucharist, I place my trust in you.

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Please visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



## The Ascension of the Lord—Solemnity

### Quote:

When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.” Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet,

which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. ~[Acts 6:1–12](#)

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord commemorates the fortieth day after the Resurrection when Jesus ascended body and soul into Heaven and took His seat at the right hand of His Father. The Ascension is believed to have occurred less than a mile east of the Old City of Jerusalem. The event is found in the Gospels and Acts ([Mark 16:19–20](#); [Luke 24:50–53](#); [Acts 1:6–12](#)) and is alluded to in [John 6:62](#); [Ephesians 4:7–10](#); [1 Timothy 3:16](#); and [1 Peter 3:21–22](#).)

The Ascension marks the completion of Jesus’ earthly mission. He first united His divine nature with human nature through the Incarnation at the moment of the Annunciation. Saint Thomas Aquinas teaches that from that moment on, Jesus, the Son of God, experienced three types of knowledge. First, being God, He had beatific knowledge, that is, a direct knowledge of His, the Father’s, and the Holy Spirit’s essence. Second, He had the perfection of infused knowledge, that is, a bestowal of all truths given to the angels in Heaven, especially those truths necessary for the completion of His divine mission. Third, He began to acquire learned knowledge, or experiential knowledge. This was the form of knowledge attained through His human nature from the senses and His human reason.

As Jesus fulfilled His mission, His learned knowledge continued to grow until it was perfected in human form. It was never imperfect in the sense of sin, but only in the sense of growth through human experience and human love. He experienced all things, allowed the perfection of His beatific and infused knowledge to guide His human experiences, and brought those human experiences and knowledge to perfection. His free embrace of the Cross manifested the perfection of divine love in human form, and His Resurrection brought that perfect unity of human and divine love to a new and transformed resurrected state of human existence. Today we commemorate that Jesus took His perfected human nature into the Beatific Vision, enabling humanity itself to follow.

The final stage of the salvation of humanity will take place when Jesus returns to judge the living and the dead. At that time, every human body will rise, will endure the final purification and transformation, and will share in the new and resurrected state in which the faithful will stand, body and soul, before the Most Holy Trinity and experience the fullness of the Beatific Vision forever. What Jesus has already accomplished in His human form is what we look forward to in hope at the end of time.

The Feast of the Ascension was celebrated annually from as early as apostolic times. When the Council of Nicaea set the date for the celebration of the Resurrection in 325, it chose to keep Easter on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the vernal equinox. This decision also placed the Ascension, being forty days after Easter, on a Thursday. Today, many ecclesiastical provinces transfer the celebration to the following Sunday to provide for a wider celebration.

*My Ascended Lord, forty days after You rose from the dead You ascended to the right hand of the Father in Heaven, taking up Your throne from which You pour forth both judgment and mercy. As we honor this great mystery, I beg for mercy upon me and upon the whole world. Free us from all sin, and open the floodgates of Your mercy so that all people will share one day, body and soul, in the glory of Your Beatific Vision. Jesus, I trust in You.*



**From the Desk of Father Joseph**

**Parish Membership**—Welcome, new members, to Our Parishes. To register as a new or returning member of the parish, please contact the Parish Office at 304-455-4615. *Make sure to identify yourself as a new or returning member to Fr. Joseph before or after Mass.*

**Baptism**—For infant Baptism, please contact Father Joseph Abraham. Pre-Baptism sessions are normally required and will be arranged with Father Joseph.

**Marriage**—The couple must contact Father Joseph Abraham at least six months in advance to begin preparation requirements. *A date cannot be set until you have met with the priest.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance**—Saturday, 4 to 5pm, Mater Dolorosa Church in Paden City; Tuesday through Thursday before evening Masses in Parish Cluster Churches; other times by appointment with Father Joseph.

**Sick and Homebound Ministry**—If you or a family member is sick, hospitalized, or homebound, please contact the Parish Cluster Office at 304-455-4615 to be placed on our Communion & Visitation list. *In an emergency or for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Joseph at 304-435-9709.*

**House Blessing**—Anyone may request this blessing by reaching out to the Parish Cluster Office at 304-455-4615 to have this scheduled.

Fr. Joseph Abraham is available for you at any time of the day or night for spiritual assistance. If you need him, call 304-455-4615 or text (or call) his phone after office hours for emergencies only: 304-435-9709. For spiritual assistance, you may also contact Deacon Bill Klug by calling or texting 304-596-1337.

**Kids's Connection**

**The Ascension of Jesus**

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| Holy Spirit | Forty Days | Jerusalem | Ascension |
| Baptized    | Apostles   | Galilee   | Samaria   |
| Kingdom     | Heaven     | Israel    | Father    |
| Judea       | Jesus      | Gift      | God       |

**No Daily Mass from June 3 to June 6th.**

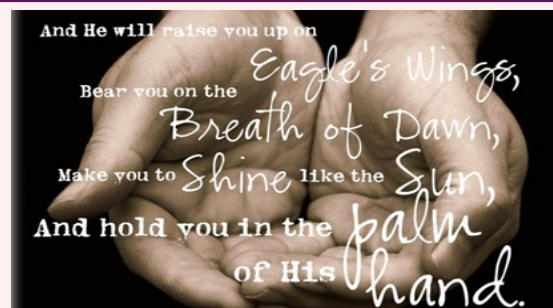
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There will be No Mass for the First Friday of Devotion.



No words can explain the Love and Respect that I have for everyone in our Cluster Family. I want to thank all of you for the Love and Appreciation that you have shown to me over the past 8 years, you have all left an indelible mark upon my soul, it has been a pleasure and a great joy to have served you all in this Ministry.

Thank you and be blessed! OX  
~Denise~



**Upcoming Social Events**  
**Trivia Night: Friday, June 6, 2025**

**St. Vicent de Paul**  
**2244 Marshall Ave. Wheeling WV 26003**

**Doors open: 6:30 pm**  
**Games begin: 7:00 pm**  
**\$10.00 per person**

**Call Jacki @ the Parish Office to sign up**  
**(304) 242-0406**

**St. Vincent de Paul**

**May 18, 2025**

Envelopes...\$1289.00

Loose...\$571.00

Maintenance...\$0.00

Ascension...\$52.00

E-giving.....\$0.00

Catholic Relief Services..\$332.00

Votive...\$4.00

**St. Joseph**

**May 18, 2025**

Envelopes...\$580.00

Loose...\$35.00

Maintenance...\$0.00

Catholic Relief Services....\$32.00

Votive...\$56.00

**Mater Dolorosa**

**May 18, 2025**

Envelopes...\$930.00

Loose...\$55.00

Maintenance...\$80.00

Votive...\$55.00

Catholic Relief Services..\$160.00

Ascension...\$25.00

**Holy Rosary**

**May 18, 2025**

Envelopes...\$220.00

Loose...\$23.00

Maintenance...\$0.00

Catholic Relief Services..\$26.00

Ascension...\$15.00

E-giving....\$0.00



Bill Abraham, Bernice and Ralph Baker,  
Dave Beckett, Joan Block, Vickie Bowden,  
Nanci Bowen, Dutton Chichick,  
Dominic Cipriani, Kathy Hawkins-Clegg,  
Bill Cline, Butch Cunningham,  
Michelle Cunningham, Fr. Kent Durig, Jack Estep,  
Gail Fagert, Rod Fagert, Ray Ferrera,  
Joey & Lisa Feronti, Cecile Fiest, Barbara Frum,  
Keith Frum, Beri Fox, Jeff Fox, Jim Herrick,  
Keith Herrick, Mike Hickman, Charlie Johnson,  
Ted & Tommy Kacor, Dave King, Kay Klug,  
Baby Koon, Jackie Laurine, Tony Laurine, Brian  
and Joan Leary, Jim Melott, John & Tulane Men-  
sore, Jeri Miller, Landon Miller, Patty Meyers, Ba-  
by Nash, Bernadette Ortiz, Jim Richthammer,  
Margie Rymer, Bertha Schrader Gary Slider,  
Mike Snyder, Nancy Stender, Dave Stevens,  
Becky Sutton, Elsie Taylor, Margie Whiteman,  
Frances Whitmore, Ike Willey  
All Shut-Ins

To add or remove names to the prayer list please  
contact the Cluster Office 304-455-4615

or email [office@svdpm.org](mailto:office@svdpm.org)

Thank You

# Happy Birthday

## June



**June**

Lynn Ellen Frohnapfel — 3rd

Kate Mossor — 4th

Lee Ann Kirkland — 7th

Shawn Meckley — 7th

Toni Cunningham — 8th

Margaret Richmond — 12th

Danny Pastilong — 13th

Jack Starcher — 13th

Mark Feldmeier — 14th

Dave Frohnapfel — 17th

Alanna Michelle Fox — 18th

Carol Hizer — 18th

Bernice Baker — 19th

Charles Fiest — 19th

Larry Prunty — 19th

Don Tuttle — 20th

Charles Smith — 21st

Mary Wright — 22nd

Kortney Frohnapel — 26th

Rosie Yoho — 28th

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

## Happy Anniversary

Cecile & Chuck Fiest — 3rd

Ron & Joanna Castro — 7th

Ted & Darlene Koerber — 11th

Brian & Joan Leary — 12th

Ralph & Bernice Baker — 15th

Rick & Mary Bertozzi — 16th

John & Karen Richmond — 18th



Heavenly Father, lift them  
up to Your  
loving care. Bring healing  
and comfort to their body,  
mind, and spirit. Grant them  
strength and surround them  
with Your peace  
during this time.





# St. Vincent de Paul Church and Mater Dolorosa Parish

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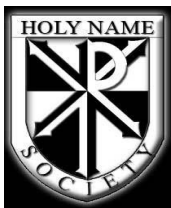


And surely I am with you always, to the very end  
of the age.

- Matthew 28:20



**Holy Name Meeting**  
**Wednesday 16 July**  
**10am**  
**de Paul Room**



**Volunteer at the Food Pantry !**  
June 2, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24  
July 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28,  
29



**Parish Council:** (HN) Joe Herrick, John Piekarski,  
Patty Potts, Therese Schoolcraft, Don Tuttle,  
(LF) Marianne Balcerak, Pat Lilkendey  
**Finance Council:** Matt Herrick, Judy Grace,  
Debra Freeland



**Our next Third Thursday Lunch is**  
**Thursday, June 19. All help is welcome and**  
**greatly appreciated.**



**Our Next First Thursday Food Giveaway**  
**will be on June 5.**

**Volunteers gather at 9:30 and the**  
**distribution time is from 9:30—10:30am.**



***OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY***  
***Saturdays @ 4:30p***

***Rosary and Pamphlets will be provided.***

**Rosary Leaders for May 31 @ 4:30 pm**  
Dick Stender, Kay Pierpoint, Judy Yeager

**NO MASS June 7**

**Ministers for May 31 @ 5 pm**

Lector: Barbara Racer  
Gifts: Chuck & Cecile Fiest  
Eucharistic Minister: Ron Casto

**Ministers for June 7th @ 5pm**

Lecture: Dick Stender  
Gifts: Terry and Judy Yeager  
Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Kastigar  
Rosary Leaders for June 7 Barb Racer,

**Parish Council:** Rod Fagert, Carolyn Hizer,  
Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer  
**Finance Council:** Rod Fagert, Kay Pierpoint,  
Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer

# Holy Rosary and St. Joseph Missions

519 Main Street, Sistersville, WV 26175

64 Frohnafel Lane, Proctor, WV 26055



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Lector: 6/1/2025 Charlene Galluzzo

Lector: 6/8/2025 Gary Bowden

**Ascension (Seventh Sunday of Easter):** Brothers and Sisters, today Jesus commands that we become more authentic witnesses to Him in all that we are and do. We accept our vocation with eagerness; for His command is, in fact, our highest privilege.

ROSARY IS PRAYED EACH SUNDAY BEFORE 12:30 MASS LED BY DONNA PETER.

**Sunday Social following Mass in the Rectory:** Come join in the fun and enjoy great food!!

**Spring Cleaning of the Sacristy:** Please join us on Monday, June 2nd. Many hands make light work. Thank you in advance!

**Altar Guild Officers** are needed in order to continue functioning If anyone would like to be an officer in the Altar Guild, please let Patty, Charlene, Becky or Margie know.



**Sunday Social:** A signup sheet for hosting Sunday Socials is on the Bulletin Board if you would like to help.

**Donations for the Food Pantry:** are needed such as dry beans, salt & pepper, Ramen noodles, graham crackers, saltine crackers, stuffing mix, sugar, flour, kidney beans, boxed mashed potatoes, boxed dinners, vanilla & chocolate instant pudding, grape jelly, canned ravioli and cooking oil. Please leave your donations in the baskets at the entrance of the Church. Thank You!!

## Cemetery Donations Plaque

We are currently work on a plaque for those that have donated to the cemetery, whether it was bequeathed or given independently. I have researched to older records and can only find what I know had been graciously given. Currently we have:

In Memory of Carol Jean Villers, In Memory of Edward J. Klug,  
In Memory of Virginia Shutler, In Memory of Eloise Herrick,  
In Memory of Mary Jean Frohnafel, Art & Anne Linger,  
Bob & Kathy Baxter and Martin & Barbara Klug.

If you know of anyone else that should be on this plaque please let the Cluster Office know at 304-455-4615. Thank You



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

Psalms 47:6



Coffee and Donuts  
June 8th, 2025



St. Joseph  
Women's Club  
June 18th @ 11 am

**Parish Council:** Jim Cavezza, Butch Fiore,  
Charlene Galluzzo, Jerry Richardson, Patty Skeen

**Finance Council:** Cathy Cavezza, Mike Galluzzo,  
Becky Meckley, Eric Peters, Patty Skeen

**Parish Council:** Alana Fox, Abel Frohnafel,  
Ken Janiszewski, Nancy McCardle

**Finance Council:** Clem Frohnafel, Lee Ann Kirkland,  
Mark Miller