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ASCENSION OF THE LORD
May 17, 2026

THE SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SCHEDULE
Weekend: Saturday 6:00 PM - Sunday 8:30 AM
Daily: Tuesday - Saturday 8:30 AM
Holy Hour: Saturdays 7:30-8:30 AM, Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm
Confessions: 30 min. prior to all Masses

PRAYER REQUESTS
MAY GOD THE SON SEND HIS HEALING AMONG US.
- Tim Pingel
- Rosemary Cloud
- Kaylee Nichole Ross
- Jackie Ballard
- Martha Gerling
- Donna Manuel
- Catherine Barragan

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	May 16	8:30am	Stephanie Bernier
Sat	May 16	6:00 pm	Kathleen Drew
Sun	May 17	8:30 am	Parishioners of St. Ann
Mon	May 18		NO MASS
Tues	May 19	**10:00 am**	Jim Bonenfant +
Wed	May 20	8:30 am	Sr. Agnes Helgenberger +
Thurs	May 21	8:30 am	Sue McCance +
Fri	May 22	8:30 am	Daiane Rogers
Sat	May 23	8:30 am	Mary & Dan Brunetti Family
Sat	May 23	6:00 pm	Tom & Joanie Zemencik

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUNERAL MASS FOR JIM BONENFANT: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jim Bonenfant. Funeral Mass will be Tuesday, May 19 at 10:00 am. *Note: There will not be an 8:30 am Mass on 5/19.*

DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETREAT: Fr. Drew will be on retreat with the diocesan priests from Monday, May 25 - Thursday, May 28. There will be no daily Masses on Tues thru Thurs morning or Thursday evening Adoration of that week. *Father WILL have Mass on Memorial Day, May 25 at 8:30 am.* Normal Mass schedule resumes on Friday, May 29 at 8:30 am.

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY:
Happy Ordination Anniversary to Father Drew on May 19th. Thank you for saying YES to God's call.

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SATURDAYS, 9:05 AM IN THE CHURCH HALL

GOSPEL ENCOUNTER GROUP
1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS - 9:15AM TO 10:15AM, FOLLOWING MORNING MASS.
Contact Ed & Maryann Barlettt terppahmeb@gmail.com with questions.

MEN'S GROUP
SATURDAYS, 7 AM IN THE CHURCH HALL (EXCEPT 1ST SATURDAYS)
For Info: Eddie VanBuskirk eddievanbuskirk11@outlook.com

LEGION OF MARY
MEETS EVERY SATURDAY IN THE HALL AT 9:15 AM
Contact Mary Lou Greim 816-645-7370

ALTAR FLOWERS AT ST. ANN'S

Thank you
Sergio Guzman
for donating to the flower fund for the Altar!

What a beautiful way to honor God!

GIVING: MAY 9 - MAY 10 ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE AT THE LINK BELOW:

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FROM FATHER DREW
SURE HOPE IN THE SPIRIT

From Saint Cyril of Alexandria, d. 444 AD

Those who have a sure hope, guaranteed by the Spirit, that they will rise again lay hold of what lies in the future as though it were already present. They say: Outward appearances will no longer be our standard in judging other men. Our lives are all controlled by the Spirit now, and are not confined to this physical world that is subject to corruption. The light of the Only- begotten has shone on us, and we have been transformed into the Word, the source of all life. While sin was still our master, the bonds of death had a firm hold on us, but now that the righteousness of Christ has found a place in our hearts we have freed ourselves from our former condition of corruptibility.

This means that none of us lives in the flesh anymore, at least not in so far as living in the flesh means being subject to the weaknesses of the flesh, which include corruptibility. Once we thought of Christ as being in the flesh, but we do not do so any longer, says Saint Paul. By this he meant that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us; he suffered death in the flesh in order to give all men life. It was in this flesh that we knew him before, but we do so no longer. Even though he remains in the flesh, since he came to life again on the third day and is now with his Father in heaven, we know that he has passed beyond the life of the flesh; for having died once, he will never die again, death has no power over him any more. His death was a death to sin, which he died once for all; his life is life with God.

Since Christ has in this way become the source of life for us, we who follow in his footsteps must not think of ourselves as living in the flesh any longer, but as having passed beyond it. Saint Paul's saying is absolutely true that when anyone is in Christ he becomes a completely different person: his old life is over and a new life has begun. We have been justified by our faith in Christ and the power of the curse has been broken. Christ's coming to life again for our sake has put an end to the sovereignty of death. We have come to know the true God and to worship him in spirit and in truth, through the Son, our mediator, who sends down upon the world the Father's blessings.

And so Saint Paul shows deep insight when he says: This is all God's doing: it is he who has reconciled us to himself through Christ. For the mystery of the incarnation and the renewal it accomplished could not have taken place without the Father's will. Through Christ we have gained access to the Father, for as Christ himself says, no one comes to the Father except through him. This is all God's doing, then. It is he who has reconciled us to himself through Christ, and who has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE: Is your family looking for something this summer to build your faith and grow together as a family? The Midwest Catholic Family Conference is just the place! Held in Wichita, KS from **Friday evening, July 31 through Sunday afternoon, August 2**, this conference has something for EVERYONE in the family. This year features well-known speakers like Jason Evert, Gianna Emanuela Molla (the surviving daughter of St. Gianna Beretta Molla), Fr. Chris Alar, and Fr. Dennis McManus and many more. Explore more at ***catholicfamilyconference.org*** and to register.

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