

ST. D PRAYER LIST:

Coronavirus Pandemic, Healthcare Workers, Victims of Abuse, U.S. Military, Unborn & Elderly, Addictions, Elaine McCain, Jane Rudd Volz, Dennis Newton, Mary Devine, Brenda Mackin, Roberta Williams, Jerry Craig, Larry Smith, Tom Miller, Margaret Faye Martin, Charlotte Disponett, Carolyn Greene, Marian & Wade Elliott, Sue Carter, Michael & Jennifer Jarboe, Debbie Hamilton, Buddy & Charlotte Smith, Wheatley Hamilton, Frank Peters, Lisa Hill (of Loretto), John Arnold, Corbin Noel, Geraldine Spalding, Dorothy Mattingly, Colin Walker, Cassie Robinson, Olivia Montgomery, Audrey Edelen, Marilyn Watkins, Sueanna Graves, Helen Parrot, Christy Caldwell & Nancy Hardin. Our church always prays for and cares for our sick sisters and brothers at home, in hospitals, and in nursing homes. You are always in our hearts, minds and prayers as we celebrate the Eucharist at St. Dominic. If any who are sick want to ask in faith for the church's prayers, please do not hesitate to contact our parish office at 336-3569.

TITHING CONTRIBUTIONS for this past week (includes contributions during the week &/or ACH contributions, etc.): \$17,308.83

MENTIONS, MEETINGS, EVENTS & REMINDERS

Our condolences in Christ to Brian & Theresa Mattingly at the passing of Brian's mother, Mary Jane Reed Cornish. May you have peace in knowing that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Parish Office will be closed on Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

Streaming/Recording of Masses: Mass will be live streamed on Saturday evenings at 4:30 p.m. on our St. Dominic Church Facebook page. This will continue each Saturday until further notice. It will then be uploaded to our parish app (myParish App) and YouTube channel and can be viewed any time after 8:00 a.m. Sunday. On the parish app click on the "video mass" button. On YouTube.com search for St. Dominic Springfield, KY.

Wanting the church bulletin always at your fingertips? St. Dominic Church has gone mobile for iPhone & Android users with myParish App! Get the parish bulletin, latest messages, prayers, daily readings, etc., all by just uploading a simple app. Go to the app store in your phone & search for myParish (it's a blue app with a cross) or you can text [App](tel:88202) to [88202](tel:88202) to download the app. Once the app has been downloaded search for St. Dominic Catholic Church by zip code (40069). Make sure you "favorite" us & "allow" notifications.

Mass Intentions: Have you been planning on scheduling a 2020 Mass Intention(s) in memory of a loved-one? If so, St. Dominic Church still has some availability for 2020. A mass stipend is \$10. Please contact Sonya at the Parish Office (859-336-3569 from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.) to see what dates are available.

**Remember those who have sacrificed this Memorial Day
Remember - Honor - Pray**



ASCENSION OF THE *Lord*

MAY 24, 2020

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19

MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

Today we celebrate the ascension of Jesus into heaven, his departure after the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, and all the appearances to the disciples. Acts and Ephesians look back at the time just before Jesus leaves and then at its immediate aftermath, still trying to understand what has happened and what is expected of those who were left behind. The readings remind us that the disciples are still not certain what all this means to them. But one thing is certain: Jesus is gone and they are struggling with what to do next. Matthew tells us that even as they believed in Jesus, they doubted. Jesus responds to their doubt with a call to work. He tells them to “make disciples of all nations.”

UP, UP AND AWAY

The reading from Acts gives us a pretty complete description of the Ascension. Jesus was lifted up and taken from their sight but not before the disciples ask lots of questions about what will happen. The disciples are still thinking that the kingdom of Israel will be restored. Jesus answers them with a promise of power from the Holy Spirit and a commission that they be witnesses not just to Israel but to the ends of the earth. But the disciples are still thinking small. Jesus knows that the meaning of his death and resurrection is not small. Ephesians offers a glimpse of the great gifts of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection. The disciples cannot even imagine what this means for them as they stand staring into the sky. Jesus tells them one more time that their work is to tell everyone about his life and work, to baptize them, and to teach them his commandments.

NEVER CAN SAY GOOD-BYE

The disciples still thought this was just about their life and their world. They are reminded by Jesus that what they have lived through with him, his life, death, and resurrection, is greater and more far-reaching than they can yet imagine. This is not just about the kingdom of Israel. This is about all nations. This is not just about witnessing in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria. This work will take them to the ends of the earth. It is an enormous undertaking that we and the disciples have been given. It seemed impossible to the disciples then and it seems impossible to us now. But it is not. It is possible because we are not alone in this work. Jesus is with us not for a day or a week or even our lifetime. Jesus is with us always, until the end of the age.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 1:1–11
Psalm 47:2–3, 6–9
Ephesians 1:17–23
Matthew 28:16–20

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Spanish Mass 2:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: See Mass Schedule & Intentions section of bulletin

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020

READINGS – ASCENSION OF THE LORD

First Reading Acts 1:1–11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

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.”

Responsorial Psalm Ps 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9

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

All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness,
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over all the earth.

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

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.
Sing praise to God, sing praise; sing praise to our king, sing praise.

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

For king of all the earth is God; sing hymns of praise.

God reigns over the nations, God sits upon his holy throne.

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

Second Reading Eph 1:17–23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

Gospel Mt 28:16–20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.”

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK (May 25 - 31, 2020)

Monday 8:30 AM: Ned Borders

Tuesday 5:30 PM: NO MASS

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday 5:30 PM: Fr. Larry Gelthaus

Friday 8:30 AM: Edgar, Teresa & Terry Mattingly

Saturday 8:30 AM: Martha Vize

4:30 PM: For the Parish

Sunday 8:30 AM: Joyce & Powell Boone

10:30 AM: Mike Haydon

2:00 PM (Spanish Mass): Presider's Intention

LITURGICAL ROLES

Weekday Lectors: (Mon.) Betty Carol Barber, (Tues.) NO MASS, (Wed.) NO MASS, (Thurs.) Ione Pinkston, (Fri.) Perry Carrico, (Sat) Mary Ann Hale

Eucharistic Ministers for Weekday Masses are not needed at this time.

Weekend Liturgical Roles for May 30/31 will be sent via email.