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SHARING IN ONE FAITH FOR 186 YEARS: 1838-2024

Catholics in Alexander & Pulaski Counties

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 12 2024

*Acts 1:1-11 *Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9 *Ephesians 1:17-23

COME AND PRAY WITH US

*Mark 16:15-20

Mass Times for Sister Parishes

St. Rose – Metropolis – Saturday 4:00 P.M. St. Rose – Metropolis – Sunday 8:30 A.M. St. Patrick – Cairo – Sunday 11:00 A.M.

St. Patrick Mass Intentions

May 12 – John & Kathleen Duggan May 19 - Carl E. Swoboda May 26 – Fr. Tom Stout

Date	Lector
May 12	Jan Stout
May 19	Mary Helen Wissinger
May 26	Tricia Smith

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

His mission accomplished and having appeared to his disciples to show them that he had been raised from the dead, Jesus prepared to return to the Father. But first he had to give his disciples a mission of their own. "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature", he instructed them. As he commanded his disciples then, he commands his disciples now. May we take this to heart, proclaiming the gospel in word and in deed today and always. Instead of "standing around", what will I do this week to put the Good News into action in my family or community?

St. Patrick Parish & St. Rose of Lima Parish

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS so that, seeing your good works, they may give glory to GOD THE FATHER who is in heaven. ~Matthew 5:6~

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE AT MASS

The LORD bless you, and keep you! The LORD let his face shine on you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! AMEN. ~Numbers 6:24-26~

PARISHIONERS & VISITORS

"Peace be with you all. The friends here greet you all; greet all the friends there each by name." ~ 3 John 1:15 ~

GOD BLESS OUR PARISH LEADERS

As I was with Moses, I will be with you, and not forsake you. ~ Joshua 1:5 ~

Happy Mother's Day! **CHRIST LOVES YOU**

May Birthdays

2 -- Joe Ruiz 29 – Jo Ellen Reichert

<u>**THE SICK OF OUR PARISH</u></u>: Danny Brown, Faye Brown, Steve Clifford, the Duenne family, Ed Hannan, Margaret Ann Hileman, Duke Jones, Larry Klein, Sally Shelton, Laurie (Taflinger) Caldwell, Jerri Thurston, Kent Webster, Ann Williams</u>**

NURSING HOME CARE & ASSISTED LIVING: George Bell, Mary Hurst, Mary Ann Simmons OTHERS WE PRAY FOR: Joe Bierbaum, J. J. Bledsoe, Steven Clanahan, Betty Dalton, Inez Donnigan, Remi Ford, Larry Grove, Sandy Kaufman, Mike Martin, Elliott Miller, Eric Oliver, Billy Pecord, Glenda Raffety, Jim Rowling, Steve Ruiz, Anthony Shelton, Monica Smith, Edward Swoboda, Donna Thomas, Richard Wilson, Sierra Wilson

THANKS FOR THE WEEKLY OFFERING: May 5, 2024 St. Patrick: Envelopes: \$1,471.00 Cash: \$45.00 Candles: \$10.00 Seminarian Education: \$397.00 Total: \$1,951.10 Refund: \$28.10 Building Fund: Envelopes: \$175.00 Balance: \$43.496.32 **THANKS FOR THE WEEKLY OFFERING: April 28, 2024 St. Patrick:** Envelopes: \$931.00 Cash: \$121.00 Candles: \$5.00 Home Missions: \$385.00 Refund: Messenger: \$30.00 Total: \$1.754.38 \$282.38 Building Fund: Envelopes: \$70.00 Balance: \$43,321.32

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR CHURCH OFFERINGS GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER ~2 Corinthians 9:7 ~ I MYSELF WILL BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY ~Hebrews 6:14 ~

<u>April Finances</u>			
Income		<u>Expenses</u>	
Envelopes	\$6,943.00	Church Expense	\$ 28.82
Cash Collection	379.00	Health Insurance	1,728.14
Candle Income	35.00	Mileage	281.65
Donation	600.00	Misc Expense	697.74
Holy Land Collection	376.00	Office Expense	68.00
Home Missions Collection	385.00	Collections to Chancery	767.00
Mass Stipends	150.00	Repairs & Maintenance	5,711.25
Misc Income	130.00	Utilities	1,303.06
Refund Income	596.74		
Interest Income	2.06		
Total Income	\$9,596.80	Total Expenses	\$10,585.66

<u>May Rosary</u>: On the Sundays in May, we will pray the rosary at 10:30 A.M. before Mass in honor of Our Blessed Mother in this month dedicated to her. We pray for priestly vocations for the Diocese of Belleville.

<u>Mother's Day</u>: Today, before Mass, we will have our May crowning of the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the garden outside the lower church. We remember that Jesus gave Mary to us all as our mother, as he gave her to St. John at the foot of the cross.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Happy Mother's Day!

<u>Catholic Communication Campaign</u>: This week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in our Belleville Diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

Respect Life Corner: "Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own." *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Radical Solidarity"*.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH + ST. PATRICK PARISH -- GOD says:

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for GOD's own possession, so that you may proclaim the goodness of LORD your GOD who called you out of darkness into his WONDERFUL LIGHT. ~*Peter 2:9*~

PRAYING FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

We pray for young men to say YES to God's call and gift of Priesthood in the Belleville Diocese. GOD says, "And I will select some of them also to be Priests and Levites." ~ *Isaiah 66:21* ~

COME HOLY SPIRIT, ANOINT OUR PARISH FAMILY - Ezekiel 36:26

We pray for God's anointing on this Church Family gathered here, to take courage and invite others to come join our Church, or to come back to our Church Family.

BISHOP M. McGOVERN'S RESPONSE TO THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT

Article & Video: on Belleville Diocese website - http://www.diobelle.org

Belleville Office of Child Protection/Safe Environment – SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE – Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel, please call the hotline: 800-640-3044