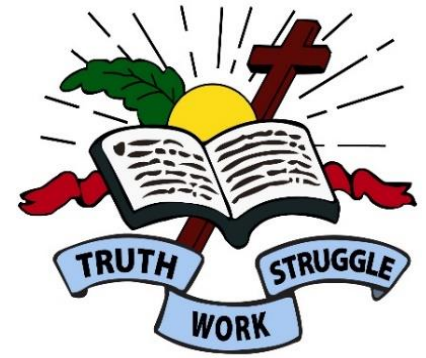




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## Solemnity – The Ascension of Our Lord

**MEMORIAL DAY**

**NEVER FORGET!**

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### A Festival Thought

This Easter season of joyous celebration now draws towards its close as we salute Jesus' return to the Father's glory. But what is the joy that marks this time? It is part and parcel of the journey from death to life.

### About Today's Bible Readings

#### ACTS 1:1-11

Even as Jesus departs, he promises the sending of the Spirit. He will not leave us orphans.

#### Responsorial Psalm:

**47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9**

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

#### EPHESIANS 1:17-23

In Jesus' resurrection and glorification, God has tipped his hand. The power at work in Jesus is also at work in us.

#### LUKE 24:46-53

In returning to the Father, Jesus leaves us neither lonely nor idle. In the power of the Spirit, he commissions his church to complete the task of redemption.

#### ENTRANCE RITE Luke 24:51-53

*V. As He blessed them He parted from them and was taken up to heaven. Alleluia.*

**R. They did Him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God. Alleluia.**

*V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

**R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

#### ALLELUIA Psalm 47:6

*V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*V. God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord, amid trumpet blasts*

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

#### GOSPEL: Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven.

They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord!**

# Worship Services

**TODAY – May 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Solemnity**

**The Ascension of the Lord  
Memorial Day Weekend**

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS**

**9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

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**WED. – JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**Special Mass In Time Of  
Tragedy for the victims of  
the shootings in Uvalde, TX  
and Buffalo, NY**

**7:00 PM – Holy Mass**

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**SUNDAY – June 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Solemnity - Pentecost**

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS**

**9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

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**SUNDAY – June 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Solemnity – Holy Trinity**

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS**

**9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

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## SIGN UP SHEETS

I want to thank all of those who helped make pierogi the last time. Much more work is needed. Sign Up Sheets for Pierogi making are on the table in the vestibule. Please take a moment and see if you are available to help. The pierogi sheets are for multiple days and there are three of them, one under the other so please sign up for as many days as you can. These are for the picnic so please help. Thank you and God bless.

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## INVITE A FRIEND

Many people say that they would attend church if invited by a close friend. Please reach out to your friends, especially those that do not regularly attend church services. Tell them about how wonderful our Parish is. Tell them about how welcoming and inclusive we can be. Always speak highly of our Parish when talking to outsiders and try to get them to be insiders.

## INTENTIONS:

### My Brothers and Sisters:

Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, our families and friends, especially Isabella Mularczyk, Edward Czechowski, Patrice Czechowski, Donna Schalata, Tom Schalata, David Wunderlich, Bernice Biroscak, Geri Piotrowski, Janet Katinowsky, Julia Urban, Sandy Pfennig, Courtney Pierce, Joseph Grossman Sr., Joseph Grossman Jr., Kyle Grossman, Damon Grossman, Donald Deihm, Janice Elaine Casperson, Frank Fisher, Elizabeth McAlanis, Skye Sadowski, Barbara Waszk, Jerry Butto, Terry Leatherman, Christine Mulutzie, Jackie Weinhold, Andy Kosak and Riley Rejniak.

**Our Father....**

**If there are any other individuals who should be on this list, please email or tell Father Senior Donald so he can add them!**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>;** The regular monthly meeting of the ANS will be held at 11:00 AM in the Library

**Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup>;** The Mission Commission will meet in the Library at 7:00 PM

**Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>;** The Book Club will meet at 7:00 PM in the Library.

**Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>;** Father's Day

**Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>;** The Picnic/Fundraising Committee will meet in the Library at 7:00PM. All are invited to attend.

**Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>;** Regular monthly meeting of the Parish Committee in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM

**If there are any other events not listed here, please email or tell Father Senior Donald so he can add them!**

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## THE KNIGHTS CLOSET

The Reading School District has informed us that the Knights Closet Project which provides items of basic necessity to students is still in need. The parish has generously participated in this worthwhile cause in past years and I hope that we will find it in our hearts to continue to do so. Please leave your contributions on the table near the windows in the Fellowship Hall and we will get them to those in need. A list of needed items can be found in the literature rack in the vestibule above the weekly bulletins. Please take one as you leave. Thank you and God bless.

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