



# Our Saviour

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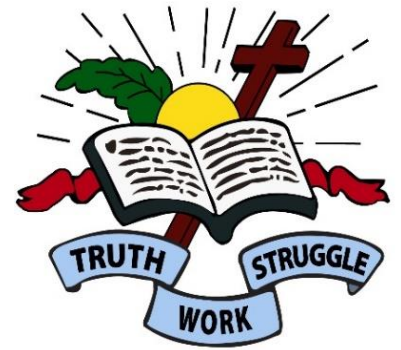
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## Solemnity – Ascension Of Our Lord

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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)

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*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.**

### THE GOSPEL LUKE (24:46-53)

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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!**

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## *Worship Services*

**TODAY – June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### *Solemnity*

### *Ascension of the Lord*

**9:00 AM – Holy Mass**

Intentions for the repose of the soul of Irene Jugan, offered by Father Donald and family.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following Mass.

Second Collection is to support the mission work of the Church.

**SUNDAY June 9<sup>th</sup>**

### *Solemnity of Pentecost*

**9:00 AM – Holy Mass**

Father Donald's last Mass at Our Saviour.

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### *PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING*

The regular monthly meeting of the Parish Committee will be held after Mass today in the Fellowship Hall. Many important issues will be addressed including the upcoming Special Synod in October to elect candidates for Bishop, but perhaps the most important of all will be the matter of the replacement priest who will be serving Our Saviour and the day and time that Mass will be held. All committee members should attend and any members who can stay are encouraged to participate.

### *THE MONTH OF JUNE*

The Church has designated the month of June as Sacred Vocations Month. During June we are asked to pray ever harder that the Lord will bless our Church with good men willing to serve Him as priests and Deacons. For too long we have been struggling to make do with the clergy available and this has come home to roost with the retirement of Father Senior Ed Ratajack and my upcoming transfer to St. Stephen's Parish in Reading, PA. Please, please pray to the Lord for relief from this drought. Pray that He will not forsake our beloved Polish National Catholic Church and its faithful people.

### *FATHER'S DAY*

Father's Day is June 16<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to honor a living father or to remember a dearly departed one with a donation of flowers, envelopes can be found on the table in the narthex. Peggy Kowalik will be happy to help you.

### *BOOK DRIVE*

We will continue to collect books that will be sold during our Annual Flea Market on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, at special events and each Sunday after Mass. If you have books at home that you no longer need or want, please bring them in and we will find new homes for them.

## **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; For the health and wellbeing of Howard Friedman, Michael and Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Ruth Pivovarnick, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterce, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Father Senior Gregory Mludzik, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Father Senior Ed and Ann Ratajack, Tom Goff, Milton Keiles, Claire Armstrong, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone and James Stenz. For the repose of the soul of Irene Jugan. **Our Father...**

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## *Today's Hymns*

**Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!**

**Signing off key is better than silence!**

**The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Book.**

### **The Asperges – Setting 2**

#### **Opening Hymn**

#1 – Hymn Of Faith

#### **Hymn to the Holy Spirit**

#144 – Come, Thou Creator

#### **Offertory Hymn**

#224 – Amazing Grace

#### **Communion Hymn**

#263 – Mother, Most Gracious

#### **Recessional Hymn**

#135 – Christ, The Lord, Is Ris'n Today