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**MAY 29, 2022**

The Ascension of the Lord  
Seventh Sunday of Easter

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekends:** Saturday - 4 p.m.

Sunday - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

**Confessions:** Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.  
or upon request.

**Marriage:** By appointment. Contact  
the office at least six months  
before the date of the marriage.  
Pre-Cana instruction is required.

**Baptism:** By appointment. The  
diocese requires instructions for  
parents or guardians.

**Religious Education (PSR):** Sundays  
during school term 9 - 9:50 a.m.  
Grades 1-12.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION: WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW

Imagine how different life would be if everyone approached each moment as a creative opportunity to see what God will do. When encountered with faith, even darkness has great potential to become light. The neighbor who gets under our skin, the demanding coworker we see every day, the person at the supermarket who is rude to us, the elderly person we met on our daily walk who seemed so disheveled, the perfect sunrise that greeted us in the morning, and the wonderful aroma and

taste of our first cup of coffee can all be used by God to awaken us, humble us, and bring us to a heightened sense of His presence.

If people really understood the power of faith, they would have a better sense of who they are and where they are going. It would be harder to take something from someone that doesn't belong to us, strike out in vengeful violence when we are hurt, allow greed to override the basic sanctity of human life, justify

behaviors that are blatantly sinful and wrong, give in to the whims of desire and passion, and live life as if we are the only ones that matter. The world needs the Good News of the Ascension of Jesus Christ. Do not be reluctant to preach and accept the truth!

Christ is our destiny and our hope. It's that simple. Alleluia!

*Excerpted: Fr. Mark Suslenko for ©LPI.*



**SATURDAY, MAY 28**

4:00 p.m. Lucy Sparks, a faith-filled, loving woman  
*Sr. Mary Ann*

**SUNDAY, MAY 29**

8:00 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.

**MONDAY, MAY 30**

8:00 a.m. Semon Prado†  
*Toni Springfield*

**TUESDAY, MAY 31**

8:00 a.m. Joanna Bierce†  
*Libby Magnone*

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1**

8:00 a.m.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 2**

8:00 a.m.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 3**

8:00 a.m. Patricia Ruby Conner†  
*Paul & Jerry Conners*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

4:00 p.m. Stephanie Phillips Eddy†  
*Mom & Dad*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

8:00 a.m. Sr. Francis Margaret,  
former principal of  
St. Michael School  
*Sr. Mary Ann*

10:00 a.m. Ellen & Joe Curia†  
*Curia Family*

**Camp for Priestly Discernment Returns**

Are you the hero God is calling? The Vocations Office of the Wheeling-Charleston Diocese is proud to announce the restarting this summer of its annual Quo Vadis camp for middle school boys, where time and space are provided to learn about and discern the heroic priesthood while enjoying the beauty of West Virginia's wild and wonderful outdoors.



*The event will be from June 20 - 23 at Priest Field Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, W.Va.* The cost will be \$50, and rising 6th graders to rising 9th graders are eligible to attend. Interested youths can

register at [WVPriests.org](http://WVPriests.org). Those with questions should contact Ross Semler in the Vocations Office at [rsemler@dwc.org](mailto:rsemler@dwc.org) or at 681-242-8449.

What is now the 38-acre Priest Field Pastoral Center has belonged to the Catholic Church by way of a donation since 1802. The diocese began in 1978 under Bishop

Joseph Hodges the mission of developing the vast property into a place of refreshment and peace that is now visited by hundreds each year. Learn more about Priest Field Center here: [priestfield.org](http://priestfield.org)



Sister Agatha sits center of a large gathering for her brother's burial celebration.

**Many Bid Bishop, Sister Agatha's Brother, Farewell**

There were several celebrations the weekend of May 20 of the life of Sister Agatha's departed brother, Bishop Emeritus Martin Munyanyi. He served the Gweru Diocese in Central Zimbabwe as bishop for six years following his appointment in 2006 by Pope Benedict XVI. Bishop Munyanyi retired from the position for medical reasons in 2012. From all news accounts, Munyanyi was a beloved and "towering figure" who will be greatly missed in a country where the Church is comprised of just two ecclesiastical territories and six suffragan dioceses.

**ALL READINGS THIS SUNDAY ARE FOR THE ASCENSION**

**Prayer REQUESTS**

- Homebound:** Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Phyllis Prado.
- Nursing Homes:** Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Mary Yanen, Raymond Pennybacker
- Recently Sick:** Bobby Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Kathryn Ferrera, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Annalyn Liette, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Georgia Pettit, Lida Schellhase, Carmina Oakland, Bob Shutler, Joe Church, Joseph Grampa, Megan Freeland Roskovensky, Suzy Lunau, Jane Klug, Jim Barker, Kathryn Helfer



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**THROUGHOUT MAY**

| SFX Gabriel Project Summer Baby Shower. Donations in the vestibule.

**FOURTH MONDAY EACH MONTH**

6 p.m. | Bereavement Group. St. John's Church Benwood. Fellowship Hall.

**WEDNESDAYS**

11:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. | Line Dancing With Lottie at the Moundsville VFW.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 1**

| Deadline - Camp Carlo Early Bird Rate. JUNE 20 IS THE DEADLINE for Scholarships. [CampCarlowv.org](http://CampCarlowv.org).

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. | E-Recycle John Marshall N. Parking Lot. No TVs. More Info at 304-780-9866.

8 a.m. - noon | St. James Yard & Bake Sale. Old BDHS cafeteria.

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Our Lady of Lebanon Wheeling Rummage Sale. Basement.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 11**

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Marshall County Spring Cleanup bins. Washington Lands.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

noon - 5 p.m. | CC Neighborhood Center Spaghetti Dinner. 125 18th St., Wheeling. Tickets \$10. Under 5 free. 304-232-7157, ext: 6

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY, JUNE 16 & 17**

| Trip to Lancaster, Pa., to See *David*. Two Seats Are Left!

**FRIDAY, JUNE 17**

5 - 11 p.m. | Marshall County Relay for Life at JM. [relayforlife.org/Marshall/WV](http://relayforlife.org/Marshall/WV)

**JUNE 22 - JUNE 26**

| W.Va. observance World Meeting of Families. [dwc.org](http://dwc.org).

**FRIDAY, JUNE 24**

4 - 6 p.m. | St. John's Home Steak Fry. Wheeling Ice Rink. Tickets: 304-242-5633

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24**

6:30 p.m. | Parish Council. Church Hall.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**

Mass @ noon | St. Jude Park. Parish Picnic. Lunch begins after Mass. Get those vegetables going for that big pot of community soup!

**OFFERING**

MAY 15, 2022

Envelopes	\$3,579.00
Loose Offering	\$454.00
Church Repair	\$75.00
Xavier Hall	\$45.00
Catholic Relief	\$50.00
Ascension	\$15.00
Pennies for God	\$24.00
Online Giving	\$65.15
Attendance	227

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THANK YOU

**SCHEDULES**

JUNE 4 & 5

4:00 p.m. Saturday

Lector: Dave Evans

Eucharistic: Libby Magnone

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8:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Loretta Remke

Eucharistic: Phil Remke

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10:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Loretta Niemiec

Eucharistic: Jane Klug

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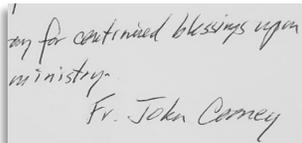
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**BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH IS SET:**

Our parish is sponsoring an event Saturday, Aug. 6, from 1- 3 p.m. to help local children and their families with supplies for the next school year. Look for more information in the coming weeks about participating.

**PAULA WHITWAM IS PUTTING** together the next schedule for Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Please let Paula know, or call the office, to say you are willing and able to participate in either of these important ministries.



**FR. JOHN COONEY** SENT THESE wonderfully

kind words following his time with us last week:

*Thank you for once again inviting FOOD FOR THE POOR to share our message of hope and charity with the people of your parish. Sister Agatha and the members of the community could not have been more gracious. I pray for continued blessings upon you and your ministry. Fr. John Cooney*



**IT'S TIME TO THINK "CHURCH PICNIC!"**

Our church picnic will be at St. Jude Park on Sunday, Aug. 28.

Mass will be at noon with lunch to follow. If you want a big pot of vegetable soup, bring your vegetables from your garden to church on Saturday, and we will have real chef cooking the soup to bring on Sunday.

**LOTTIE DURBIN IS SELLING BAGS** for luminaries this weekend in the vestibule to benefit Relay for Life. The bags will be displayed as part of the Friday, June 17, event at John Marshall High School to raise funds for cancer research. Please support this important cause!

**MARK YOUR JUNE CALENDAR**

for the Spaghetti Dinner June 12 from noon - 5 p.m. at the Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center on 18th St., Wheeling. Tickets are \$10, and children 5 and under are free. Dessert donations also are needed. Contact Betty: 304-232-7157, ext: 6, for tickets and to donate some sweet treats.



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