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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



First Holy Communicants
2021

MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

WEEKDAY MASS: CHAPEL

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00AM
(ROSARY AFTER)

FIRST SATURDAY 8:00AM
ANNONING OF THE SICK &
NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45 PM

SUNDAY: 7:15 - 7:45AM

9:45-10:15AM

(OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT)

ADORATION

TUESDAY: 8:00AM-6:00PM

FRIDAY: 8:30AM-9:30 AM
(DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

LAURA E. RHODE, SECRETARY

Gospel Reflection

The Ascension of the Savior is an integral part of our faith. As St Paul says, through the ascension of the Lord, our heart and minds are enlightened and we come to share in the riches of his glory, inherit the greatness of His power for us who believe. The ascension of the Lord enables us, as St. Augustine says, to be with Jesus because where the head is the body must also be. The Ascension of the Lord is not just the final act in the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ but it is about a new way of being here and now. Jesus has completed the Father's mission here on earth and he now rules with all authority and intercedes with all sympathy as our mediator and high priest in the presence of the Father.

Today's Gospel passage opens with a great scene. The Risen Christ appears to the Eleven and indicates the mission they are called upon to perform: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned." The Ascension is not only all about Jesus being taken up into heaven but also about our assuming Jesus's mission of saving humanity by preaching the Gospel, thereby, perpetuating his memory and continuing His legacy.

Matthew's Gospel recalls the last words of the Risen Lord: "I am with you always, even to the end of this world" (Mt 28:20). Jesus wanted to stay forever next to the disciples, though no longer in a way perceptible to our senses.

In the second part of today's Gospel passage Mark lists five signs through which the Risen Christ manifests his presence: "These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

"Today St. Mark wants to tell us that Jesus, the defeated according to people, has been proclaimed by God, "his faithful servant." He had not established the long-awaited earthly dominion of the people of Israel. He had not subdued their enemies with the sword but had started the kingdom of God, to a whole new world, offering his own life and shedding his own blood. Because of his faithfulness, God exalted him (Phil 2:6-11), made him ascend to heaven (Eph 4:8-9), has subjected all creation to him (1 Cor 15:27). Using image of the enthronement of the Messiah, the authors of the New Testament repeat: God "made him sit at his right hand" (1 Pet 3:18-22)".

The concluding sentence of Mark's Gospel: "The Eleven went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs" testifies to the belief of the first disciples of not being alone, but always having the Lord Jesus next to them. He worked miracles of salvation with them.

Today's Readings

First Reading (*Acts 1:1-11 (58B)*)

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,

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 (*Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9*)

R. (6) 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 (*Ephesians 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 (*Mark 16:15-20*)

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

Catholic Sharing Appeal

In the pandemic year 2020 did you know that the Church provided \$742,000 in housing and utility assistance? Over 2 million pounds of food was distributed to the those in need. Over 200 infants were provided with basic care items. Over 400,000 people in South Mississippi were helped in one form or another through the Church and your generosity of prayer and financial support. Thank you! Please help us continue the work of Jesus by "Witnessing the Eucharist Within Us," and supporting this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal.



Graduation Mass

May 30th, 2021
10:30am Mass

Special Collection Next Weekend Catholic Communications

Welcome Back to Mass

Bishop Kihneman has lifted the exemption given from participating in the Holy Mass from Sunday, March 28, 2021. Please come back to the church on Sundays and days of obligation. You are also allowed to listen to our broadcasting FM 91.1 and receive Holy Communion at the entrance.

Best Wishes & Prayers

Hailey C. Sellier
William J. Alligood, Jr.
Matthew H. Alligood
will be confirmed
on May 19th, by
Bishop Louis Kihneman. III



In Memoriam

Frances Adams	Larry Lind
Michael & Toddy Arceneaux	Walter Lonnbourg
Nelsie & Johnny Banks	James Lovett
Emilee Battaglia	Layla Mallett
Marge Blaisdell	Woody Mauffray
Gene Breazeale	Charles Meador
Ida Brown	Kathleen Micell
Claud Burk & Linda Burke	Shannon & Carol Moragas
Garland Cuevas	Barbara Moran
Michael Girdina	Mary Louise & Sonny Moran
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen, Tessa, Jo Ann, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo	Warren Moran
Margaret Cuevas	Belinda & Kenny Morgan
Howard Edwards	Shirley Morris
Ivan Garza	Patrick Murphy
Peggy Glynn	Bernadine Necaïse
Christine Greenwood	Janet Necaïse
Merle Haas	Tyrone & Faye Necaïse
Jennie Hoda	Christopher Nugent
Amanda Jones	Joy Patin
Mary Kenney	John Rhode III
Donald Koenenn	Brooke Rolison
Shelly Koenenn	Tina Roundtree
Barbara Ladner	Karrie Schultz
Shelia Ladner	Jerry Shavers
Willard & Cecile Ladner	Mike Shubert
Patsy Ladner	Timothy Scott Steen
	Maura Strong
	Josie Thomas
	Denise Walker
	Shaylynn Whitfield

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 15
4pm - Eva Gay Cuevas †

Sunday, May 16
8:00am—Parishioners
10:30am— Kevin J. Keifer Sr †

Monday, May 17
8:00am— Sue Leech †

Tuesday, May 18
8:00am— Ed Everatt † & Family

Wednesday, May 19
8:00am - Willard & Cecile Ladner

Thursday, May 20
8:00am - Ed Everatt † & Family

Friday— May 21
8:00am— Paula Huch †



David L. Haas (Big Dave)
9-1-1957 - 4-21-2021
Brother of Mary Ann Richards & Peggy Ladner



Lisa Marie Hall Ladner
4-1-1957 - 4-30-2021
Wife of Jacob V. Ladner, Jr.

Financial News

Insurance	\$42,034.01
Diocesan Support	\$23,058.96
School Supplement	\$23,536.83
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$140,879.28
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$229,509.08
Amount needed each Week	\$4,413.63
Last Sunday Collection	\$3,701.00
Shortfall	712.63

Annunciation Catholic Church Barbeque

June 6th, 2021
After 10:30 Mass

Pickup at the Parish Hall
Dine in or Carry out

Orders will be taken after each weekend Mass.

Or you can stop by the office, during office hours.

Plates will include a Leg Quarter, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Bread & Dessert.

Plates are \$12.00



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