

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Diocese of Charlotte



Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord May 12, 2024

Fr. Kenneth Whittington, *Pastor*
Rev. Mr. Ed Konarski, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. John Martino, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. Miguel Sebastian, *Deacon*



Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday

12 Noon

Saturday

5 PM-English

Sunday

9:00 AM-English

12 Noon/PM-English

5:00 PM-Spanish

Sacraments

Baptisms

By appointment

Marriage

Contact office at least 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation

Monday & Friday , 6-7 PM

Father Ken's office

Also by appointment

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“The Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God”

Today, on the solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, we are offered a Word of Salvation unlike any we could have imagined. The Lord Jesus has not only risen, defeating death and sin, but has also been taken up into the glory of God! Thus, the path back to the Father, the path we had lost and that was opened to us in the mystery of Christmas, has been irrevocably offered to us today, after Christ fully gave Himself to the Father on the Cross.

Offered? Yes, offered. For the Lord Jesus Christ, before being taken up to Heaven, sent His beloved disciples, the Apostles, to invite all men to believe in Him, to reach where He is. "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" (Mk 16:15-16).

This salvation that is given to us ultimately consists of living the very life of God, as the Gospel according to Saint John tells us: "Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ" (Jn 17:3).

But what is given out of love must be accepted in love to be received as a gift. Jesus Christ, whom we have never seen, wants us to offer Him our love through our faith, which we receive by listening to the word of His ministers, whom we can indeed see and listen to. "We believe in Jesus whom we have not seen: they announced Him, that saw, that handled, that heard the word out of His own mouth... And faithful is He that promised; He deceives not you: only do not faint, but wait for the promise... Keep the faith, and He keeps His promise" (Saint Augustine). If faith is an offering of love to Jesus Christ, preserving and growing it increases charity within us.

Let us, therefore, offer our faith to the Lord!

Before His ascension, Jesus tells His apostles, and us, to go into the world and spread the Gospel. To be authentic stewards we can't hang up our faith on the door as if it were a jacket we took off when we walked into the office. Rather, we should realize that living as a disciple of Christ at all times and showcasing the joy of being a Catholic is perhaps the greatest good we can do in evangelizing our neighbor.

Readings for the Week

Monday Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Jn 17:20-26

Friday Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab Jn 21:15-19

Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5, 7 Jn 21:20-25

Sunday Vigil Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5 Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39

Sunday Day Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

PRAY ALWAYS, ALWAYS PRAY!

FINANCIAL REPORT - 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR

Weekly Budget	\$ 10,000.00
Received Weeks of April 21 & 28	\$ 17,730.00
Over/(Short) Year-to-date	\$ 32,300.00

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2024

Goal:	\$ 56,682.00
Paid:	\$ 33,473.08
Pledge Balance:	\$ 19,236.92
Paid + Pledge Balance	\$ 52,710.00
Over (Bold) Under:	(\$ 3,972.00)
Donors	123

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 13

Noon Mass

Tuesday, May 14

Noon Mass

6:00 pm-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, May 15

Noon Mass

5:15 pm-Youth Schola

6:30 pm-Children's Choir

7:00 pm-Fr. Ken's Class

Thursday, May 16

Noon Mass

Friday, May 17

Noon Mass

Saturday, May 18

5:00 pm Mass-Frank Garrett, III (+)

Sunday, May 19 Solemnity of Pentecost

9:00 am-Mass-English

12 pm/Noon-English

2:00 pm-Praying Hands

5:00 pm Mass-Spanish-*Pro Populo*



**HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE SENIOR
RECOGNITION SUNDAY**

May 26 at the 9 am Mass

Call Gail Watson in the office if you are a graduating senior or you are the parent of a senior. Please let her know if you will be at the Mass and if you and your family will be attending the brunch following Mass.

TIME CHANGE! TIME CHANGE!

Members of the Ladies Guild—The next meeting will be **Monday, May 20 at 12:30 pm**. For everyone's information, the final tally for the yard sale was **\$3,654.66!** Thank you again!

Due to rising publication costs, "The Word Among Us" devotionals have become rather costly for our church. If you want a copy for June, please come to the office. If you want to support this publication, donations are always welcome.

Debido al aumento de los costos de publicación, Los devocionales "La Palabra Entre Nosotros" se han vuelto bastante costosos para nuestra iglesia. Si desea una copia para junio, venga a la oficina. Si desea apoyar esta publicación, las donaciones siempre son bienvenidas.



William Carpenter

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Abbreviated Directory

Faith Formation—10:30 AM Sunday

Faith Formation Director: *Gail Watson* 437-3108
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New Office Hours: 9AM—12 Noon
1PM-3 PM Monday-Friday

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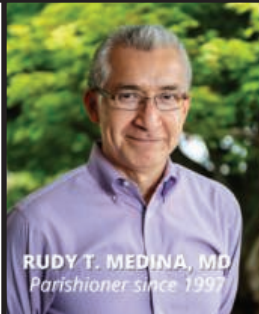
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