LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 24, 2020 - Solemnity - Ascension of our Lord (transferred from Thursday) 9:30 AM – Holy Mass (televised - streaming online via Zoom app and YouTube) [†] Bernard Minakowski - requested by Jeff & Donna Spotts 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass For all Parishioners of Our Saviour Parish in Lawrenceville, NJ (no streaming) Monday, May 25 2020 - Easter Weekday Tuesday, May 26, 2029 – Easter Weekday Wednesday, May 27 2020 – Easter Weekday Thursday, May 28, 2020 - Easter Weekday Friday, May 29, 2020 – Easter Weekday Saturday, May 30, 2020 - Easter Weekday Sunday, May 31, 2020 - Solemnity of Pentecost 9:30 AM – Holy Mass (televised - streaming online via Zoom app and YouTube) For the good health and God's blessing for Anna (Birthday). 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass For all Parishioners of Our Saviour Parish in Lawrenceville, NJ (no streaming)

ALL MASSES ARE AVAILABLE AS THE ONLINE STREAMING.

See our website and check your email for details.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Let us pray for: Ewelina Filyushchenko, Julie & Cliff Brown, Ed & Florence, Kapuscinski, Estelle McKee, Josephine Zdanowicz, Anna Mendla, Barbara Ganteski, Joseph Smith, Andy Stachowicz, Wanda Groman. If you like to add somebody to this list please let us know.

FAITH SHARING

Today's readings describe the Ascension of the Lord Jesus into his Heavenly glory after promising the apostles the Holy Spirit as their source of Heavenly power, and commanding them to bear witness to him by their lives and by preaching the good News throughout the world.

The first reading describes the scene of Jesus' Ascension, with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the instruction that the Apostles were to stay in Jerusalem until they had received the Holy Spirit, the Power from above.

In the second reading, St. Paul teaches us that God revealed His might in the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ and in exalting Jesus over all angelic forces.

Today's Gospel tells us that, with his return to the Father, Jesus completed his mission on earth. But just before his Ascension, he entrusted to his disciples the mission of preaching and teaching the Good News and evangelizing the whole world by bearing witness to him through their lives. In the descriptions of Christ after his Resurrection, we are given a hint of what life will be like in Heaven. But it is in Jesus' Ascension that we see the Son of God and Son of Man entering fully into the life and glory of God. The prospect of sharing in that glory should be the driving force of our lives.

SHARE FOOD PROGRAM AT ST. VALETNITE'S

St. Valentine's Parish participates now in the Share Food Program, nourishing program run by the City of Philadelphia to help people during pandemic COVID-19. Last Wednesday we distributed 3,105 lbs of fresh fruits and vegetables to our parishioners, people from our neighborhood and Polish people from all over.

This Wednesday there will be even more. Please spread the word and share the news on your social media. Generally it should be one box per household, but if you need more, or to get additional boxes for your friends,



relatives or neighbors, please do not hesitate to ask. Everyone is eligible. No questions asked.

Please practice all COVID-19 required rules. Face masks, gloves and 6 ft social distance are mandatory.

Also volunteers are welcome, mostly at 8:30 AM to unload the delivery truck. Distribution takes place at the door of our church hall on Melrose Street.

Distribution time: Wednesdays, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

and Wednesdays, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM for those who cannot come in the morning. For the evening distribution please make a reservation by phone 215-535-4978 (leave a message) or email us at <u>stvalentinespncc@gmail.com</u> and tell us how many boxes you need to hold for you. Please don't make reservations via Facebook.

There will be no other days and times available for picking up your order other than listed above.

MASS ONLINE ON YOUTUBE

Please subscribe our YouTube channel and participate in our Sunday Mass in live stream. Direct link is on our webpage www.stvalentinespncc.org.



MAY – THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Please join us in prayer on Sundays, right after Mass, before the final blessing the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, litany of Loreto will be recited.

On Thursday, **at 6:00 PM**, there will be a Marian Devotion with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of the Litany of Loreto and other prayers. Please join us by Zoom or YouTube. Links with credentials will be emailed to you as usually.

MALISSA AND DENNIS, GOODBYE AND REST IN PEACE...

Malissa and Dennis joined St. Valentine's right after Christmas and participated in our Sunday Masses, even those online. Now they both tragically died and will worship on the other side. Malissa & Denny, may God forgive all your sins and take you to His Kingdom. Rest in peace. Please remember them both in your prayers.



Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in

peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

ONLINE GIVING

For your convenience, our parish webpage is now equipped with ONLINE GIVING service. Please look for the tab on our page. Instead of mailing your Sunday envelopes or other donation for St. Valentine's Parish you can do it online. Your donation will go straight to our parish checking account. Please use this tool or if you prefer, continue to donate traditional way by mail.

May God bless you for your generosity and your responsibility for your Church and your parish.

BIG INSURANCE BILL IS COMING SOON

Each year at this time we struggle with the biggest bill we have to pay – for the property insurance and liability. This includes the church building, church hall, rectory and cemetery property.

Please help us and support us.

MASS STREAMING EQUIPMENT - UPDATE

More video and internet accessories came and has been installed in our church. Some other needed items are on the way if they are in stock, or will come soon if backordered. In majority I paid from it from my own pocket. Please help me to pay these bills. I cannot afford to be a sponsor for this project. We saved a lot of money for the labor because all the wiring, installing and programming I did and will do by myself.

If you can support this project please make your donation with a note on the check FOR MASS STREAMING. Thank you for your help.

MEMORIAL DAY

Please remember in your prayers about our veterans, those who are with us and those who sacrificed their lives on the battle fields fighting for our freedom and safety.

This year we want to extend our prayers and thank God for all medical staff and all uniformed and ununiformed forces and services fighting with invisible enemy – deadly virus COVID-19.

ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

Polish National Catholic Church 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137, (215) 535-4978 www.stvalentinespncc.org, stvalentinespncc@gmail.com www.facebook.com/StValentinesPNCCPhiladelphia Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)



The Ascension of the Lord Memorial Day

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