

On this day, forty days after Easter, Christ commissioned his Apostles to spread the gospel to all nations and was then "lifted up before their eyes, and a cloud took him out of their sight." We celebrate this feast not so much for the historical event but for its theological significance, for, as it says in the preface in the Mass, "Christ was lifted up to Heaven to make us sharers in his divinity."
On Ascension Day begin the nine days of waiting and preparing, together with the Apostles and Mary, the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The 2020 Mass Book is still open!

Until further notice only one Mass will be offered each Sunday and weekday, with previously scheduled Masses moved to the closest available date at the church at which it was requested.

Please call the parish office to make your request. Cards will continue to be mailed out to your requested recipients.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
And unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.*

Prayer for People Critically Ill or Facing Great Uncertainty

God of the present moment,
God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart;
bring hope and courage to all who wait or work in uncertainty.
Bring hope that you will make them the equal of whatever lies ahead.
Bring them courage to endure what cannot be avoided,
for your will is health and wholeness;
you are God, and we need you.

- Adapted from New Zealand Prayer Book, p. 765



Visit our [parish website](#) for more information.



St. George, pray for us.

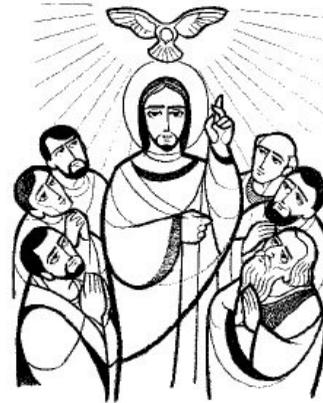
Let us ask for the intercession of St. George and St. Francis as we pray for all the victims of the coronavirus, the doctors, nurses, all healthcare workers and first responders, and the other members of our parish who continue working in high-risk environments in order to provide for our communities' essential needs.



St. Francis, pray for us

St. George ~ St. Francis

Roman Catholic in our Faith;
Franciscan in our Tradition



"He will give you another Advocate to be with you always."

Sunday May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Psalms 66:1-7, 16, 20
1 Peter 3:15-18
John 14:15-21

Sacraments

Baptism - Fourth Sunday - Private preparation two weeks in advance.

Marriages - Initial contact with Pastor six months before marriage date.

Confessions - Thirty minutes before each weekend Mass.

Pastoral Visitations

If you, or someone known to you is in an area Nursing Home, Hospital, or would just appreciate a home visit from the Pastor or a Pastoral Visitor, please notify the office.

Parish Registration

If you are moving into or out of the parish, please notify the office.

Mass Schedule:

Weekdays	8:00 AM	St. Kateri Chapel, St. George
Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM	St. George
Sunday	7:30 AM & 11:00 AM	St. George
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Francis

Serving the Catholic community in Jeffersonville and Youngsville, NY

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Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Requests for prayers will be published for four weeks, unless the requests are renewed from time to time. Please phone Roseann 482-4640.



Adina Hatch, Laura D'Ercole, Aldona Harder, Raymond, Patrick Madden, Keith Cousineau, Harriet Podbielski, Regina Wagner, Shannon Hayden, Imma Deluca, Carmen Crawford, Terry Calkin, Christina Hubert, Isabell Sander, Sr. Dolores, Joe Nosek, John O'Toole, Steve Clifford, Owen Poley, Jacqui, Charlie Pribyl, Christopher Zappola, Mike Masciola, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Terence Connolly, John Tardibuono, Yvonne Schmidt, Gerri Keane, Sam Cuda, Lilli Black, Maureen Whipple, and all those suffering with coronavirus.

Daily Mass Intentions

Mass intentions will be offered by Fr. Vu in private.

Saturday May 16th

Salvatore Ciccione
By the Lupardo family

Sunday May 17th

Magdalena Szieber
By Elizabeth Gieger

Monday May 18th

Francis Xavier Vong

Tuesday May 19th

Angelo Chimento
By Joseph & Rosemary Perez

Wednesday May 20th

Victor & Vanda Salek
By Henry & Anna Kubenik

Thursday May 21st

For the People of the Parish

Friday May 22nd

Joseph Pellegrino
By Joseph & Rosemary Perez

Saturday May 23rd

Salvatore Ciccione
By Fred & Helen Verderber

Sunday May 24th

George & Steven Flaucher
By Rose Flaucher

St. George and St. Francis will be open for private prayer during regular Sunday Mass hours.

Please respect all guidelines posted on our doors relating to the transmission of the Covid-19 coronavirus

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term Advocate to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is Paraclete, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known. [From Loyola Press](#)

OFFERTORY REPORT May 10, 2020

St. George - \$2415.
St. Francis - \$215.

WeShare Online Donations

April 1 - April 30
St. George - \$198.25
St. Francis - \$0.

Online donations will be reported monthly.

Scripture Next Weekend

May 24, 2020
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Act 1:12-14
Psalm 27:1, 4, 7-8
1 Peter 4: 13-16
John 17: 1-11a

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

All scheduled parish activities have been canceled until further notice.

- May 17 - Sixth Sunday of Easter (Archdiocesan Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe - subject to change)
- May 21 - The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a holy day of obligation
- May 24 - Seventh Sunday of Easter (fuel)
- May 31 - Pentecost Sunday (Religious Education program of the parish)

EWTN Catholic TV features quality programming, powerful faith-based films and documentaries and live news from the Vatican and around the world. Watch on Spectrum Channels 97/460, Direct TV 370, or on ewtn.com



The 2020 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal is continuing. Thank you to all who have made donations. We have reached over \$12,000. of our \$17,500 goal!

CHILD PROTECTION *Required Announcement*

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Eileen Mulcahy at 646-794-2949. Mrs. Mulcahy may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Financial Wrongdoing Hotline

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline, at 877-820-0541, or on the internet, at <http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY>.

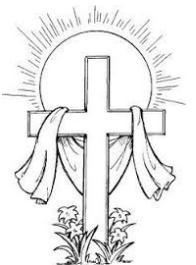
Reminder: Donations to the Parish Made by Check: Please remember that all contributions made to the parish by check should be made payable to the Parish in the Parish's name. Contributions to be made to a Parish by check should **NOT** be made payable to the Pastor, Administrator, or any Parish employee.



Mass at
**St. Patrick's
Cathedral**
On their
YouTube channel.
Or website

<https://www.saintpatrickscathedral.org/live>

Monday through
Saturday at 7am
and Sunday at
10:15am.



**St. George ~ St. Francis Parish is now on
Facebook**

Look for *Saint George & Saint Francis*
[@stgeorgestfrancis](https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgestfrancis)

GIFT SHOPS

St. George - Danielle Corcillo, Saturday Mass
Mon - Wed, see office staff
St. Francis - before & after 9:00 AM Mass
Mary Nosek (482-4292) Susan Busing (701-0907)

Use of Parish Spaces: Anyone having an event involving the use of St. George ~ St. Francis Parish must contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance.