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**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**2019**

**Sunday, June 2 The Ascension of the Lord**

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose  
 10:30 BW Barbi Fox from Joyce and Kathleen Nicholson  
 12:00 BW Elizabeth "Sherry" Burik from Kay and Bill Russ

**Monday, June 3**

*Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs*  
 12:10 Min Ruppert from The Shermans

**Tuesday, June 4**

12:10 Dave White from James and Jacquelyn Wetzel

**Wednesday, June 5**

Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr  
 12:10 Purgatorial Society

**Thursday, June 6**

*Saint Norbert, Bishop*  
 12:10 Marilyn Thurner from Peggy Jackson

**Friday, June 7**

12:10 Hilda Wedekind from the Mohr Family

**Saturday, June 8**

12:10 Patti Topmiller from Kathleen Nicholson  
**BW** 7:00 Diane Zuk from the Zuk Family

**Sunday, June 9 Pentecost**

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose  
 10:30 BW Special Intention for Kerrie Benning from Andy & Marianne Kluesner  
 12:00 BW Maureen Ruppert from Bill and Jane Stacey

Mark your calendar for the upcoming events at St. Rose Church  
 August 25th St. Rose Parish Golf Outing  
 September 8th St. Rose Parish Picnic

**Cincinnati Catholic Men's Conference:** Attention men, fathers and sons! The Cincinnati Men's Conference is Saturday, June 15th, 2019 at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish. Get your ticket today for a Faith-filled half-day where men from all over the tri-state will enjoy Catholic inspiration and spiritual growth. Speakers include Super Bowl Champ Matt Birk, Cooking Priest, Fr. Leo Patalinghug and New York Mets coach, Rich Donnelly. Get complete information on the conference and purchase tickets at [www.CincinnatiMensConference.com](http://www.CincinnatiMensConference.com)

TRIP TO FRANCE 2019

Join Fr. Barry on a trip to Paris and Lyon and points in between October 14-24. See Versailles, the shrine of St. Vincent DePaul, spend time at the Military Cemetery in Normandy and other sights in Paris. For a brochure please call the office @ 513-871-1162

The Comboni Missionaries Auxiliary will hold its bi-monthly Rummage Sale on Friday June 7th, 9am-2pm; Comboni Mission Center, 1318 Nagel Road. \$6.00 Bag Sale, Large Selection of Furniture, Clothing, Household Items & much more!"

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I tell you: her many sins have been forgiven her because she has shown great love. **Luke 7:47**

**REFLECTION.** Christians should always remember that the value of their good works is not based on number and excellence. Their value is based on the love for God that prompts them to do the works. **St. John on the Cross**

**PRAYER.** Loving Father, help me to be motivated always by true love for You. Let me not worry so much about what I do but about why I do it.

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Lectors/Lay Distributors for June 8th and June 9th  
 7:00 Joe Christmann, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ  
 8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro  
 10:30 Michael Alfieri, Roland Becker, Timothy McMahan, Bob Sheil, J. Sonnefeld  
 12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Patrick Homan, Shawn Gillete

**Rev. Barry Windholtz**  
 Pastor

**This Weekend's Hymns**

All hymns can be found in the Seasonal Missalette.  
 Opening Hymn: #323  
 Communion #290  
 Closing Hymn: #267

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**From the Pastor's Desk**

**Carlton Zesch** and **Elizabeth Carter** were united in the holy sacrament of Matrimony May 23th here at St. Rose Church.  
**Garrett Bradley** and **Laura Turner** were united in the holy sacrament of Matrimony May 25th here at St. Rose Church.

**Communion Distributors needed at St. Margaret Hall Nursing Home. Requires only an hour of your time. Please call Sr. Eulalie @513-487-3593 or Sr. Eileen @513-751-5880.**

Would you like to remember St. Rose in your will? It is one way to say thank you for the many things for which you have been given.



**Opening Prayer**

Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God,  
and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving,  
for the Ascension of Christ your Son  
is our exaltation,  
and, where the Head has gone before in glory,  
the Body is called to follow in hope.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Reflecting on Living the Gospel**

Today's reading is from the conclusion of the Gospel of Luke. The story ends where it began, in the Jerusalem temple. It's as though Luke is telling us that all has come full circle. And immediately prior to the disciples being in the temple, they had been brought out to Bethany, a village on the slope of the Mount of Olives, about a mile and a half from ancient Jerusalem. There at Bethany they witnessed for the final time the visible, risen Christ. After this, the risen Lord will no longer appear as he did.

In the Gospel of Luke the ascension of Jesus takes place on Easter Sunday evening. Later, when Luke writes the Acts of the Apostles, he says that the ascension took place forty days after Easter (Acts 1:9-11). But in the Acts of the Apostles Luke is also telling us the story of Pentecost, a Jewish feast celebrated fifty days after Passover, which we do not hear about in the gospel. So that might be part of the reason Luke gives us the extended time-frame in Acts, because it brings the narrative forward to Pentecost.

Luke is keen to indicate both in the gospel and in Acts that there was a time when the resurrection appearances to the disciples came to an end. After that time Jesus would be known in the "breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:35; NABRE).

So, the story has come full circle. What began in the temple with the appearance to Zechariah (Luke 1:9) has now been completed. The disciples are left praising God in the temple for the wondrous works he has done in and through Jesus. No longer will they witness the risen Christ, but from now on, they know him in the breaking of the bread.

**Closing Prayer**

Spirit of God, you raised Jesus to heaven where he lives and reigns forever. Continue to make us mindful of our eternal destiny to be with him. With this knowledge ever before us, we continue on the journey, eyes on our heavenly home. In the name of this same Jesus we pray. Amen.

**For Reflection:**

• The Gospel of Luke ends where it began, in Jerusalem. Often our lives seem cyclical. Where and when did your spiritual journey begin? Where is the journey taking you now?

**Suggestions for group and individual use:**

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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**Gospel**

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

**Readings for the week:**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Ascension</b> Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53 or 7th Sunday of Easter	Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5a, 6-7ab John 16:29-33	Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 John 17:1-11a	Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab John 17:11b-19	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 John 17:20-26	Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 102:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab John 21:15-19	Acts 28:16-30, 30-31 Ps 114, 5 and 7 John 21:20-25	<b>Pentecost</b> Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 1 Cor 12:5b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17 John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-16, 23b-25