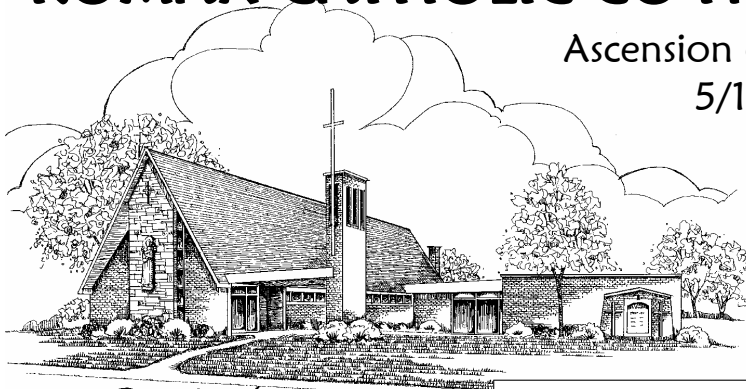


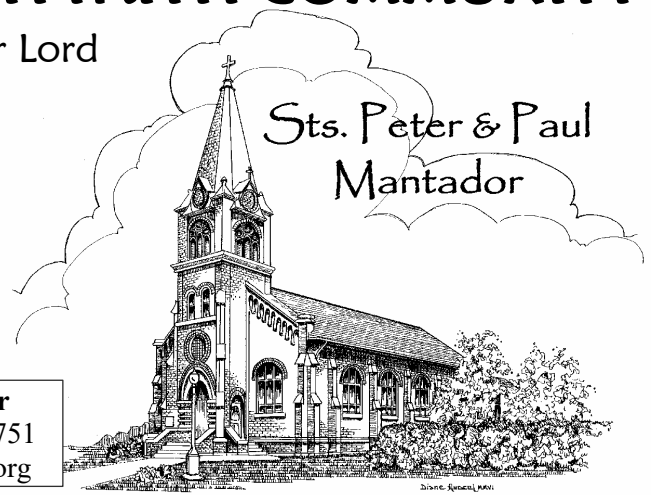
ROMAN CATHOLIC CO-PARISH FAITH COMMUNITY

Ascension of Our Lord

5/16/21



St. Anthony
Mooreton



Sts. Peter & Paul
Mantador

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St Anthony 5/22 5:00 pm

Lector Adam Mauch

Usher Joe Erbes

Servers Kriers

Sts Peter & Paul 5/23 8:30 am

Lector Don Thiel

Usher Todd Althoff

Servers Boyles

St Anthony 5/23 10:30 am

Lector Yoney Fobb

Usher Don Klosterman

Servers Fobbs

Mass Intentions

Mon, 17 StA 8:30 am Frs Fallon & Bachmeier

Tue, 18 StsPP 8:30 am John Mertes (†) - (m) St John I

Wed, 19 StA 5:45 pm Joseph Meyer & family

Thu, 20 StsPP 8:30 am Erwin Lugert (†) - (m) St Bernardine of Siena

Fri, 21 StA 9:30 am Tamee Franck & family - (m) St Christopher Magallanes & Comp.

Sat, 22 StA 5:00 pm All parishioners - (m) St Rita of Cascia

Sun, 23 StsPP 8:30 am Lawrence Lugert (†) - (S) Pentecost

Sun, 23 StA 10:30 am Leo Althoff (†)

Pray for the Sick/Elderly: Loretta Althoff, Arnie Foertsch, Kerri Giesen, Jacinta Goerger, Nargis Golwalla, Tony Heitkamp, Dennis Mauch, Diane (Jim) Mauch, Macy Mauch, Jim Mitchell, Loran Palmer, Alice Pausch, Alice Pellman, Marietta Pellman, Elizabeth Thom, Florence Trudell, Wayne Ward, Aron Waxweiler, Frances Zajac. **Send names of loved ones** needing prayer to Fr Gunwall.

Ascension

I share a reflection on the Scriptures that you can get in your email each week. Dr. Scott Hahn loves God and the Church and studies and prays with God's Word. I hope it encourages you. - Fr. Kurtis Gunwall

In today's first reading, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and he has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see Hebrews 4:14-15).

Indeed, his intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the first reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 1:5). Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" (see, for example, Hebrews 10:32) because of the light that came with God's saving grace. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread-to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem-at the first Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today. - Dr. Scott Hahn (St Paul Center)
Go to www.stpaulcenter.com to sign up for weekly emails with reflections on the Sunday readings like this.

Upcoming Events

Sun, 16 StA 6:30pm Finance-Pastoral Council
Tue, 18 StsPP 6:30 pm - Finance-Pastoral Council
Wed, 19 StsPP cemetery 6:30pm - Cemetery clean-up
Thu, 20 StsPP 2pm - Funeral Cathy A. (family only)
Fri, 21 StA 6am - Men's group
5pm StA cemetery - Tree removal, free wood

Question of the Week

What can I do today to actively witness to my faith? What specifically can I do this week to give of myself to someone else?

Verses of the Week: "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11)

Homework of the week: Pray and make a commitment to be a true disciple

**** The bread & wine along with the collection will be brought forward at the Offertory at all Masses beginning next weekend (Pentecost). ****

A Seminarian for the summer - Go to our Parish web page and follow the link to find out a little about Pat Sorrells before he arrives in our parishes for June & July. Contact me to arrange our visit to your home and get to know him personally. Pray for him, Jasper Keller, our seminarians as well as those discerning God's call to religious life. ☺



Finance-Pastoral Councils - will meet this Sunday at St Anthony rectory and Tuesday at the Mantador Fire hall for Sts Peter & Paul. Both meetings begin at 6:30 pm. If you have items for discussion or questions, contact Fr. Gunwall or a council member ASAP.

Finance-Pastoral members

St Anthony - Jane Althoff, Arnel Onchuck, Adam Mauch, Yvonne Ward, Diane Birchem, Loran Palmer
Sts Peter & Paul - Daniel Glynn, Barb Lingen, Joel Lingen, Bev Waxweiler, JoAnne Jentz, Wayne Mauch

May is Mary's month - the Rosary is prayed before Mass every weekend in May beginning 30 minutes before Mass starts. Please join us.

The Mass obligation to attend the celebration of the Eucharist is in place in the Diocese of Fargo. Do you understand this obligation of love? Read Bishop Folda's article and the Question & Answer page in the bulletin.

Pentecost is next weekend - You are invited to wear red next weekend as a reminder of the flames of the Holy Spirit given in your baptism and stirred up in your confirmation.



MANY HANDS Make LIGHT WORK **Cemetery Clean-ups** for Memorial Day - We had a very good turn-out at St Anthony this last Wednesday. Now we hope for another good turn-out at Calvary Cemetery in Mantador this Wed., May 19 at 6:30 pm. Our teens, families and all parishioners are invited to come with wheelbarrow or buckets, rakes, work gloves, garden shovels or spades to make our cemetery clean and beautiful for those visiting graves of loved ones this month.

St Anthony Cemetery Tree removal - Help remove trees on Friday, May 21, 5-8 pm. You can take home firewood.

Funeral for Cathy Ambrose - A funeral for the family of Cathy Ambrose will be at Sts Peter & Paul Thu, May 20. It will be live streamed by Vertin-Munson funeral home here: www.vertinmunson.com/obituary/Catherine-Ambrose Pray for her to live in God's joyful presence and for Jason, Nettie and the family.

Blessings of Fields - Contact me to confirm your fields and the date/time I will stop by. If you want to drive or ride with me for all or some of the blessings of your fields, call me immediately. *St Isidore the farmer pray for us.*

Stewardship Moment: "Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." (1 John 4:15)

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

In the Community

Community garden plots - St Anthony is providing the space for garden plots. Contact Fr. Gunwall.

Gently used items - Can you use the following items? fan from St Anthony after the new ones were installed, and a household thermostat. (non-programmable)



Keeping the House of God beautiful!

May - Sts PP: *Marilyn Lingen, Laura Lugert, Memory Mauch, Shirley Schultz / **St A:** *Lisa Mauch, Taylor Allmendinger, Ronna Althoff, Kari Callenius, Aimee Flaa, Alexis Peltier, Yvonne Ward.

Prayer for the Week
Dear Jesus, help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others.- *St Teresa of Calcutta*

CONGRATULATIONS
2021 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Congratulations to our High School graduates: **Haley Kjar, Isaiah Mauch, & Ellie Storbakken.**

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HAPPY Birthday This week's celebrations: Ellie Storbakken, Sue Mauch, Marlys Krump, Kevin Lingen. Todd & Caryn Klosterman.

Happy Anniversary