



Saint Joseph's Parish

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Ascension of the Lord, Year C | May 29, 2022

GOD HAS GONE UP WITH A SHOUT, THE LORD WITH THE SOUND OF A TRUMPET.

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Tues 1-4:30pm
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Sacraments:
Holy Mass
Sat 5:00 pm
Sun. 9:30 am
Saik'uz 12 noon
Daily Mass
CANCELLED THIS WEEK
Tues-6:30 pm
Wed--Fri 9:00 am
Reconciliation
 by appointment
Baptism
 Contact the Parish Office
Matrimony
 Contact the Parish Office

During times of crisis, it has always been easy to find Christians proclaiming that the end is near. Their motivation might be good, but their theology is not. In today's first reading we hear Jesus replying to the disciples, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the father has set by his own authority."

When Christians imagine that a given natural disaster or plague or politician is a sign of the end, they are usually trying to motivate other Christians to action. The crisis, real or imagined, is an opportunity to rally the troops. But Jesus' words show us the problem with this way of thinking. If it takes the end of the world to motivate us, maybe we haven't really heard the gospel yet.

After telling the disciples that it is not for them to know the time, Jesus continues: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses ... to the ends of the earth." Jesus contrasts the equipping of the disciples for worldwide mission with their desire for details about the end. In other words, what you would do to preach the gospel today if you knew the world would end tomorrow is what you should be doing anyway!

Brett Salkeld St. Joseph's Missal pg. 406



Holy Trinity
 Church
 Mission
 Saik'uz



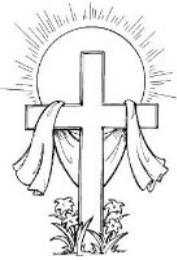
*"Men of Galilee,
 why gaze in wonder
 at the heavens?
 This Jesus whom
 you saw ascending
 into heaven will
 return as you saw
 him go, alleluia."*

Acts 1.11



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Ascension: An end and a beginning. Today we remember that Christ's ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain (CCC #665). From the reading from Acts, we are reminded not to dally "looking up at the sky," but are to get busy proclaiming the glory of God's kingdom by the witness of our lives. In Ephesians we learn that Christ will continue to work through the Church – the Church is the witness of our lives. And the Gospel from Luke recounts the ascension of the Jesus 'into heaven', not to abandon the disciples but to send 'what the Father has promised', the Holy Spirit to help us witness by our lives. **Homework:** pray that the Church is a 'sign of unity', linking the past, present, and future; linking the end and the beginning; linking the secular with the sacred.

DAILY MASSES CANCELLED May 31 to June 03. **PRIESTs on RETREAT:** Diocesan priests are on retreat from May 30 to June 03; keep us in prayer.

May is the month of MOMS, Mary and the rosary. We will be praying one decade of the Rosary as a meditation after communion to practice 'asking' Mary to help us to be closer to Jesus whom we have just received in Holy Communion.

FORMED: Morning Glory: mini retreat to get to know Mary better during May, the month of Mary; log onto the free parish platform FORMED.

FORMED: FILMS: Saint Philip Neri: I Prefer Heaven, and Joan of Arc

Transformed lives, transforming community: (mission statement for evangelization); I had suggested that people keep a journal during Lent of God's actions in your life; keep the journal going through Easter, and when appropriate, we would like to include stories of transformation on our website.

PARISH ACTIVITIES : SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION : has begun; keep the candidates for Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation in your prayers; preparation is Saturdays from 3:15 to 4:45;

PARISH ACTIVITIES- Confirmation, June 13, 7pm: please mark your calendars and come out to support our confirmandi. **First Holy Communion, June 19, 9:30am,** Feast of Corpus Christi.

PARISH ACTIVITIES- Father's Day Brunch, June 19: an assortment of menu items is being prepared; plan on attending.

PARISH ACTIVITIES : Grounds Clean-up; Saturdays from 10 to noon; we still have a little work

PARISH ACTIVITIES : YEAR END BBQ, June 26. Mark your calendar

INTERCHURCH ACTIVITY : COMIC LELAND KLASSEN, June 26 at 7pm at Gospel Chapel; see insert for QR code for purchasing tickets.

QUIET PARISH HEROS : the Franciscan Brothers Roy and Walter visit the shut-in, assist with Saik'uz mission, mow lawns, etc

The Ascension of Jesus

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ACTS ONE
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FATHER ALMIGHTY
FORTY DAYS
JESUS
RESURRECTION
TAKEN UP
TWO MEN IN WHITE

ASCENSIO IESU
CHRISTIAN ART
DEPARTURE
EARTH
FEAST OF THE ASCENSION
HEAVEN
PRESENCE OF GOD
RIGHTHAND OF GOD
THE ASCENSION



Wednesday's child is full of woe...

Grief arises out of many events.

The last two years have created opportunities for many of us to experience losses: physical, mental, social, emotional, spiritual, cultural/community.

Since we often hold losses in our bodies, movement in a mindful way can help us **heal**; and experiencing this in a group format can help us **re-connect**.

Join me as I guide you through an intentional therapeutic group process that uses movement to connect us to our bodies and the world around us. All adults welcome.



4 – one hour sessions

Wednesdays: June 1, 8, 15, 22

7-8pm St. Joseph's Parish Centre Gathering Room

\$80 email: vhfcounselling@outlook.com to register

Counselling Leigheasach

(Gaelic: sounds like Lisa, means medicine)

Go, make disciples of all nations; I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28.19, 20

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Della Morin, Eunice
Nash, Michael Nelson,
Ruby Irene Patrick,
Virginia Power,

Dorothy Ranck, Lillian
Sam, Ian Scott, Madeline
Scott, Madison Scott
Clark Todd, Bill Urquhart,
Mike Van Dusen, Martin
Walker and for all
who are in need of God's
healing grace.