

The Ascension of the Lord

May 17, 2015

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2015

- 9:00 am Barb Legs Schmid (d)
11:00 am Rosalia Lerma (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015

- 8:30 am Marcie Wagner (d)

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015

- 8:30 am Kitty & Jim (L)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015

Saint Bernardine of Sienna, Priest

- 8:30 am Helen Vogele (d)

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015

- 8:30 am Julie Niehoff (d)

3pm-5pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2015

Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

- 8:30 am Jerry & Jackie Schwager (d)

SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2015

- 8:30 am Intentions of the Lonneman family
4:30 pm Thelma Ruhstaller (d)

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2015

PENTECOST SUNDAY

- 9:00 am Sydney Wittich (d)
11:00 am Vogele family
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

St. Lawrence is Thinking of You

ARCHBISHOP LEIBOLD HOME: Irma Hornback

BAYLEY PLACE: Rita Brinker, George Claxton

TRIPLE CREEK RETIREMENT COMMUNITY:

Mary Catherine Dittrich

WESTERN HILLS RETIREMENT VILLAGE:

Donald Jostworth, Mildred Weber

WEST PARK: Ernestine Huber

SERVERS

May 23/24

- 4:30 pm O Hand
9:00 pm J Gonnella
11:00 am A Barkley
7:00 pm C Scully

LECTORS

May 23/24

- 4:30 pm G Rogers
9:00 am N Heitzman
11:00 am G Geisel
7:00 pm S Aufermann

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

May 23/24

- 4:30 pm C Hoffman, B Hornback,
L Kreimer, C Sunderman
9:00 am B Brannon, J Brannon,
B Kessler, L Kessler
11:00 am J Grimm, J Hay,
P Phan, E Prater
7:00 pm E Sweet, M Thompson

Please be sure to stop in the sacristy before Mass to let Father know you are present.

OFFERING

MAY 10, 2015 \$9,912.60

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES \$500.50

Thank You for your Generosity!

Vocation View: Jesus commissions us to go into the world and proclaim the good news. What do you need to carry out this mission? Ask for that grace. (Mark 16: 15-20)

Thought for the Day: Throughout the whole period between the resurrection and ascension, God's providence was at work to instill this one lesson into the hearts of the disciples, to set this one truth before their eyes, that our Lord Jesus Christ, who was truly born, truly suffered and truly died, should be recognized as truly risen from the dead. The blessed apostles together with all the others had been intimidated by the catastrophe of the cross, and their faith in the resurrection has been uncertain; but now they were so strengthened by the evident truth that when their Lord ascended into heaven, far from feeling any sadness, they were filled with great joy.

Saint Leo the Great, pope

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Bingo

Sunday workers: please report at 11:30am

Tuesday workers: please report at 5:30pm

Parents of the students listed below are asked to work the following Bingo:

SUNDAY, MAY 17: J Hicks, C Jamison, M Kassahun

TUESDAY, MAY 19: Z Keeton, M Ledonne, K Lee

SUNDAY, MAY 24: A Lopez-Nolasco, Y Morales, H Paxton

TUESDAY, MAY 26: J Priddy, C Richard, K Scully



Variety Booth: Please help the teachers collect the nearly 600 items needed to stock the Variety Pull-Down Booth! Handcrafted items are great, as well as: afghans, newly purchased plush animals, toys, figurines, small household items and holiday items, etc. Be creative! They are also accepting cash donations to purchase items. Items should be new and can be dropped off at the rectory or call 921-0328 between 9am-4pm. Thank you for your support of St. Lawrence Parish and School!

Basket Bonanza Booth: This booth has been very successful in past years and with your help we hope to carry on the tradition. We appreciate donated themed baskets as well as gift certificates or any new items that can be combined to assemble nice baskets. Monetary gifts to purchase items are also very much appreciated.

Booth Sponsorships: Consider investing in a booth sponsorship. Your name or the name of your business will be on the side of St. Lawrence Church the entire festival weekend. For information call Theresa Murphy at 921-0266. The booth sponsorships cover the rising cost of the bands, booth rentals, printing, stage rental and various other expenses that the parish incurs preparing for the festival.

from the Pastors Desk

The Family Rosary Rally: I encourage all of you to attend the Rosary Rally being held at the Elder High School football stadium (the Pit) today at 1:30pm. This is a beautiful profession of our faith and our love for Our Blessed Mother, Patroness of our United States.

Major Award Raffle Tickets: Congratulations to Carletta Claxton, the winner of the first \$100 Early Bird drawing held on Mother's Day. The next Early Bird drawing will be on Father's Day, June 21. So, please keep up the good work of buying and selling tickets. The Major Award is the largest source of income for the festival. Its success is vital. Thank you!

One Faith, One Hope, One Love Campaign:

This weekend is One Faith, One Hope, One Love Dedication Weekend! During all Masses we will invite those parishioners who have not yet been contacted to join us in participating in the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Campaign. We ask you to consider a sacrificial gift to the campaign – one that is right for you.

Thank you to all who have donated to make our campaign a success. Your gift to the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Campaign at any level is greatly appreciated.

Summer Festival News: Remember, we have streamlined the festival this year to Saturday, July 11 and Sunday, July 12. We will have entertainment on both days: Saturday - Bluefish and Sunday - Saffire Express. Chicken dinners will be served on Saturday and Sunday from 5pm-7pm. We will have lots of other delicious food and good beer. I hope you'll plan now to come. Parishioners have received their festival chances in the mail. Please do your best to sell your \$50 and help us to make this the best festival ever! If you need more tickets please call the rectory at 921-0328 or e-mail at festival@stlawrenceparish.org. If you would like to help at the festival, call Theresa Murphy at 921-0266 or festival@stlawrenceparish.org.



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Important! Please join us for this year's Rosary Rally. Today, Sunday, at 1:30pm we will celebrate the 10th annual Rosary Rally held at Elder High School's football stadium (the Pit). Annually, roughly two thousand attendees come to this meaningful event. This year we expect a larger crowd than ever before. The celebration starts with a procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament as the center of our devotion. The recitation of the Holy Rosary, together with worship songs and prayers, make this gathering a memorable event. We hope to have many fellow priests in our Archdiocese join in revering the Blessed Sacrament and praying the Holy Rosary. In case of bad weather, we will move indoors to the basketball gymnasium.

Panthers Jr. High Cross Country Running Club is for boys who are entering the 7th & 8th grade this fall from the west side of town. Join the team for summer. Conditioning will be on Tuesdays at 5:30pm at Fernbank Park, beginning June 23. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday practices and races will begin on Tuesday, July 28. No experience is needed to join and conditioning is free. There will be 8-10 meets for the season. For more information contact Nick Westerman at nwesterman@alumni.pitt.edu.

St. Dominic Parish 2015 summer festival will be on Friday, May 22 from 6:00pm-11:00pm, Saturday, May 23 from 5:00pm-11:00pm, and Sunday, May 24 from 4:00pm-11:00pm. Major award tickets are \$20 and only 2,000 tickets will be sold! First prize: \$10,000, Second prize: \$1,000, Third prize: \$500. Tickets are available by calling Jenny Berndsen at 921-6366. Chicken dinners are on Sunday from 4:00pm-7:00pm in O'Connor Hall with 1 piece snack \$5 – 2 piece meal \$8 – and 3 piece meal \$10. Entertainment will be "Mr. Entertainment - Mike Davis" on Friday from 7:30pm-10:30pm, Saturday, "Tressler Comet" from 7:30pm-10:30pm and Sunday, "Excalibur" from 8pm-11pm. Handicap parking is provided. There will be additional parking with continuous shuttle service on Delhi Pike in the old Central Hardware lot next to KFC and off Delhi Pike to the right of Kroger behind Allstate Insurance.

"Baskets & More" is back! Chances for baskets and other great items will be sold and the items will be raffled off on Sunday night. All items will be on display in the Big Tent on the grounds. There will also be Silent Auction Items to bid on all 3 nights in the booth right next to the Big Tent!

Cross the Bridge for Life: The Archdiocese of Cincinnati along with the Diocese of Covington in conjunction with the Greater Cincinnati Life Coalition invites everyone to the 10th Anniversary of Cross the Bridge for Life on Sunday, June 7, 2015. Festivities will begin at 1:00pm; the walk will be at 2:00pm. The walk has a new location. Festival Park grounds on the river located just behind Newport on the Levee, between the Purple People Bridge and the Southgate Taylor Bridge. There will be FREE t-shirts available at the event. JTM will provide a free picnic lunch after the walk and other food vendors will have items available to sell. There will be face painting, balloon artist and music following the walk. We hope to see you and your family on Sunday, June 7! For more information visit our website at www.crossthebridgeforlife.org.



The 14th Annual West Side Relay for Life is a 12 hour community fundraising walk with food, games and activities in a family-friendly festival-like environment where teams "camp out" around the track. It's a time to celebrate, remember and fight back with our community's cancer survivors, caregivers and everyone else affected by cancer. The day will be filled with great entertainment, fun, special ceremonies, onsite fundraisers, a kid zone and walking for a shared cause. Survivors and their caregivers are invited to a dinner reception at 5pm provided by the Incline House. Survivors can RSVP by registering as a survivor/caregiver online. All fundraising goes to support cancer research as well as provide such free ACS programs. The event is on Saturday, June 13 from noon to midnight at the Mt. St. Joseph University football stadium. To see the full schedule of events or for additional information and to register, visit www.relayforlife.org or contact Katie Lahni, event lead, at KLahni05@fuse.net or call at 324-9183. Show how the west side is the best side! Join us in the fight against cancer and see what Relay for Life is all about!

Cincinnati Catholic Alumni Club invites single Catholics to dinner at the Henke Winery, 3077 Harrison Avenue in Westwood on May 31, 2015 at 5pm. For more information call Larry at 520-1323.

The Laurentian

Congratulations to the following St. Lawrence graduates who have graduated from Mount St. Joseph University on Saturday, May 9, 2015.

Kathleen T. Hornback - Bachelor of Arts - Inclusive Early Childhood Education - Magna Cum Laude

Nicole J. Rogers - Bachelor of Science - Psychology - Cum Laude

Mary E. Wagner - Bachelor of Arts - Art History - Honors Program - Cum Laude

Memorial Day Mass Celebration: You, your family and your friends are cordially invited to the Memorial Day Mass celebration for all of our loved ones and a tribute to our veterans. This event will take place on Monday, May 25, 2015 at 11:00am at St. Joseph **old** (W 8th St. & Seton Ave.) and St. Mary cemeteries! Chairs will be provided!

If you have not visited St. Joseph **old** or St. Mary cemeteries lately you will be surprised to see all of the great changes that have occurred the past few years! Such as: new cremation areas with a variety of burial options, new monument grave spaces for unique memorialization options, new memorial commemorative bench/tree program, new U. S. veteran's commemorative program and new land development to provide burial space for the next 50 years.

Marriage Encounter: We would like to invite you to make a Marriage Encounter weekend. The weekend helps struggling marriages and enriches good ones. It connects you to other couples who realize the value of a strong marriage and its importance to a healthy culture. Please consider blessing your marriage this year by setting aside time for each other. The next Marriage Encounter weekends in this area for 2015 are July 31- August 2 at the Holiday Inn Eastgate in Cincinnati, OH, September 18-20 at the Holiday Inn Express in Georgetown, Ohio, October 16-18 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, OH and November 6-8 at Maria Stein Retreat Center in Maria Stein, OH. The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Order in the Church and in the world. Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. For details or reservations call Dave & Jan Stockelman at 251-1940 or 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or their e-mail at dj2378@fuse.net.

High School Soccer: Registration has begun for any St. Lawrence Parish boy or girl in high school interested in playing on a co-ed soccer team. For more information, please call Ernie Prater at 598-4585.

Seton High School: Seton-Elder Performing Arts Series presents "The Spring Concert" on Sunday, May 17 at 3:30pm in the Performance Hall at Seton. All tickets are \$8 and are general seating.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants Pro-life Mass and Prayer Vigil will be May 23 at 8am at Holy Name Church on Auburn Avenue. For more information call 984-6742.

Feast of Corpus Christi: We invite you to join us for our eighteenth annual Corpus Christi celebration, co-sponsored by St. Teresa of Avila and St. William Parishes. The celebration will begin with a Prayer Service at 2:00pm at St. Teresa's, followed by a procession (approximately one mile) down the side streets to St. William. The Blessed Sacrament will be carried in the procession. A bus will be last in the procession to transport those who have a difficult time walking. The service will close with Benediction and a reception at St. William.

We suggest that you park your car at St. William's school parking lot. A shuttle bus will transport people to St. Teresa's beginning at 1:00pm. For more information or any questions please call 921-9200 ext. 101.

2015 Elder High School Summer Camps: A variety of summer camps are available for boys in first grade through high school. Elder's athletic department offers ten different camps and leagues led by head coaches, current Elder athletes and alumni playing at the collegiate and professional levels. For complete details on our camps please visit our website at www.elderhs.org or contact Dee Dee Doerflein at Elder at doerfleindr@elderhs.org or call her at 921-3461.

St. Teresa's 18th annual Great Explorations Science Camp is open all students in grades K-8 and will be held June 22-26 from 9:00am-11:30am. Camp brochures and registration forms are available at www.stteresa.net. For more information or questions call Linda Collins at 451-0593 or visit COLLINS1009@GMAIL.COM. Thank you.