

Worship Aid

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mishawaka, IN

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The Solemnity of the Ascension

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 7:15am, 9:15am, 11:15am Masses, Church and Gym

**Entrance:** Organ Processional\*

**Introit: ALL JOIN**

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.

**Greeting**

**V.** In the name of the Father,  
And of the Son,  
And of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

**V.** The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your Spirit.**

**Penitential Act**

**Confiteor**

I Confess to almighty God  
And to you, my brothers and sisters,  
That I have greatly sinned,  
In my thoughts and in my words,  
In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

*All strike their breast as they say:*

Through my fault, through my fault,  
Through my most grievous fault;  
Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
All the Angels and Saints,  
And you, my brothers and sisters,  
To pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Kyrie**

**P.** Kyrie Eleison

**R.** Kyrie Eleison

**P.** Christe Eleison  
**R.** Christe Eleison  
**P.** Kyrie Eleison  
**R.** Kyrie Eleison

## **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth, peace to people  
Of good will.  
We Praise you.  
We Bless you.  
We Adore  
We Glorify you.  
We give you thanks  
For your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
O God, Almighty Father.  
Lord, Jesus Christ, only-begotten son  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One.  
You alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
In the Glory of God the Father.  
Amen

## **Collect**

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.  
**R. Amen.**

## Reading 1: Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus,  
I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught  
until the day he was taken up,  
after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit  
to the apostles whom he had chosen.  
He presented himself alive to them  
by many proofs after he had suffered,  
appearing to them during forty days  
and speaking about the kingdom of God.  
While meeting with them,  
he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem,  
but to wait for “the promise of the Father  
about which you have heard me speak;  
for John baptized with water,  
but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

When they had gathered together they asked him,  
“Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”  
He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons  
that the Father has established by his own authority.  
But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you,  
and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,  
throughout Judea and Samaria,  
and to the ends of the earth.”  
When he had said this, as they were looking on,  
he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.  
While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going,  
suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them.  
They said, “Men of Galilee,  
why are you standing there looking at the sky?  
This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven  
will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

L. The Word of the Lord

**R. Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm – Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:**

**a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All you peoples, clap your hands,  
shout to God with cries of gladness,  
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome,  
is the great king over all the earth.

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;  
the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.  
Sing praise to God, sing praise;  
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

For king of all the earth is God;  
sing hymns of praise.  
God reigns over the nations,  
God sits upon his holy throne.

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

**Reading 2 – Eph 1:17-23**

Brothers and sisters:  
May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,  
give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation  
resulting in knowledge of him.  
May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened,  
that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call,  
what are the riches of glory  
in his inheritance among the holy ones,  
and what is the surpassing greatness of his power  
for us who believe,  
in accord with the exercise of his great might,  
which he worked in Christ,  
raising him from the dead  
and seating him at his right hand in the heavens,  
far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion,

and every name that is named  
not only in this age but also in the one to come.  
And he put all things beneath his feet  
and gave him as head over all things to the church,  
which is his body,  
the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

L. The Word of the Lord  
**R. Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Procession:** Organ\*

**Gospel – Mt 28:16-20**

V. The Lord be with you.  
R. And with your spirit.  
V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.  
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee,  
to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them.  
When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.  
Then Jesus approached and said to them,  
“All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.  
Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,  
teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.  
And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.”

V. The Gospel of the Lord.  
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God,  
The Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
Of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
The only Begotten Son of God,  
Born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
True God from true God,

Begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
Through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.*

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
And became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
He suffered death and was buried,  
And rose again on the third day  
In accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
To judge the living and the dead  
And his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
Who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
And I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful)**

*Please respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."*

### **Offertory Antiphon: ALL JOIN**

God has gone up amidst shouts of joy,  
the Lord to the sound of the trumpet,  
alleluia.

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord,  
to honor the wondrous Ascension of your Son:  
grant, we pray,

that through this most holy exchange  
we, too, may rise up to the heavenly realms.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**R. Amen.**

**Preface I of the Ascension (or Preface II of the Ascension)**

V. The Lord be with you.  
**R.** And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.  
**R.** We lift them up to the Lord

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**R.** It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.  
For the Lord Jesus, the King of glory,  
conqueror of sin and death,  
ascended (today) to the highest heavens,  
as the Angels gazed in wonder.  
Mediator between God and man,  
judge of the world and Lord of hosts,  
he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state  
but that we, his members, might be confident of following  
where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before.  
Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,  
every land, every people exults in your praise  
and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,  
sing together the unending hymn of your glory,  
as they acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**Memorial Acclamation:**

We proclaim your death, O Lord,

and profess your resurrection,  
until you come again.

### **Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.

#### **Priest:**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
Graciously grant peace in our days,  
That, by the help of your mercy,  
We may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,  
As we await the blessed hope  
And the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

#### **ALL:**

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
Now and forever.

### **Sign of peace**

#### **Priest:**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
“my peace I leave you, my peace I give to you,”  
Look not on our sins but on the faith of your church  
And grant us the peace and unity of the kingdom  
Where you live for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

**V.** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R.** And with your Spirit

### **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to share in Holy Communion:

**Priest:**

Behold the Lamb of God,  
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**ALL:**

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
But only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**Communion Antiphon: ALL JOIN**

Behold, I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, alleluia.

**Act of Spiritual Communion – St. Alphonsus Liguori**

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 into 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 Vocations**

**Priest:**

Let us ask God to give worthy Priest, Brothers,  
and Sisters to His Holy Church.

**ALL:**

O God, we earnestly beseech Thee  
To bless this diocese with many Priests, Brothers, and Sisters,  
who will gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church  
and to make Thee known and loved.

**Priest:**

Bless our families; bless our children.

**ALL:**

Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work.

Amen.

**Priest:**

Mary, Queen of the clergy  
And Blessed Joseph her spouse:

**ALL:**

Pray for us;  
Pray for our priests and religious;  
Obtain for us many more.  
Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty ever-living God,  
who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries,  
grant, we pray,  
that Christian hope may draw us onward  
to where our nature is united with you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

### **Marian Antiphon: Regina Caeli**

**ALL JOIN**

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!*  
*For He whom you merited to bear, alleluia!*  
*Has risen as he said, alleluia!*  
*Pray for us to God, alleluia!*

**Recessional: Organ\***

\*There will be no organ music for the 7:15am Mass, and for Masses in the gym