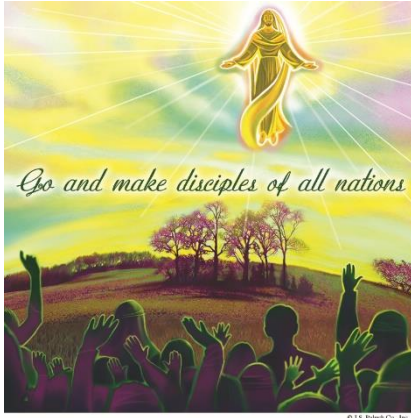


# The Ascension of the Lord

May 24,  
2020

He was lifted up,  
and a cloud took him  
from their sight.  
— Acts 1:9



## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Acts 1:1-11

**Psalm** — Psalm 47

**Second Reading** — Ephesians 1:17-23

**Gospel** — Matthew 28:16-20



William Gipson, Gabriel Rigby, Gwen Roberson, Terrance Ruhland, Bill Singletary, Barbe Trudeau, **5/24**; Bettie Rooks, Steve Kennedy, Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Eva Jean Davis, Frank/Linda Develle, James Doddridge, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Lindsay Harwood, Jodie Lencock, Steve Musil Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Kenny Skellie **5/17**; Betsy Carraway, Eugene Humphery, Kelly Kilcrease, James Lee, Jr., Charity Long, Glynn/Tonya Long, Joseph Perlick, Irene Rangel, Rita Reed, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigmenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, Wendy Williams **5/10**; John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, Teresa Kemp, John Laughlin, Helen Machost, Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith, Brenda Williams, **5/3**; **Homebound/Nursing Homes**: Rosemary Anderson, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious**: Brian Carroll, Dan Gallagher, Sam Messina, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. **Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will appear for one month.**

**PRAYERS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH FOR ALL DOCTORS, NURSES, AIDS, PT'S AND ALL THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES CARING FOR ALL WITH COVID-19!**



**Prayers for Safety** for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks,

Michael P. Collins, Nathan Darnell, Ty Develle, Lee Greco, Erling Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, Nathan Waltman. You may place a picture of the individual on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

## Sacrificial Giving this past week:

<b>Budget Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>Weekly Offertory</b>	\$2,510.00
Online	\$667.00
<b>NewLife/Neuva Vida</b>	\$700.00
Online	\$50.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$10.00

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## May Month of: Our Mother Mary

### DAILY READINGS:

**Saturday, May 23** – *Sophie & Charlie Davis*

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday, May 24** – **The Ascension of the Lord** –  
**World Communications Day**

- Gladys Rod 1<sup>st</sup> Year Anniversary of Death (5/23)

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

**Month of May Online Rosary**

**6:00pm Monday-Saturday Sunday's at 3:00pm**

**Monday, May 25** – **MEMORIAL DAY** –

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!** *St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi*

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday, May 26** – *St. Philip Neri*

Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday, May 27** – *St. Augustine of Canterbury;*

*Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sunset*

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

**6:00pm Online Adoration & Rosary**

**Thursday, May 28** – *Julian Calendar Ascension*

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday, May 29** – *St. Paul VI*

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;

Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday, May 30** –

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday, May 31** – **Pentecost Sunday** –

- All Mothers in the Hisaw, Shavel & Schwindaman Families, Mary & Stanley Shavel

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Please pray for the repose of the souls:



† *Rick Metzger* – brother of Bob (Paula)

Metzger

† *Alexander Young* – husband of Gail Young,  
father of Jocelynn, Roderick and Stephanie

† *Len Zamora* – aunt of Gail Clark

May they rest in peace, and may their families find  
comfort and consolation in the Lord.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;*

*and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful  
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!*

### Question of the Week:

Have I felt the power of the Holy Spirit  
when tackling something I did not think  
possible? What have I feared to do that  
now seems possible?

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### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today we recall Christ's ascension to his Father  
in heaven. Before he left, he promised his  
disciples that he would be with them always.  
Indeed, the Lord is with us when we gather in  
his name, as we listen to the word of God, and  
as the bread and wine are consecrated. Let us  
celebrate the assurance that Christ is with us  
always, now and until the end of time.

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Today we hear the familiar account of Jesus  
ascending to heaven while his disciples looked  
on. In the Gospel, we hear Jesus send his  
disciples on their mission. In between we hear  
Saint Paul tell the Ephesians, "May the eyes of  
your hearts be enlightened," praying that they  
may gain perception in their passion for Jesus  
Christ. Whenever we gather and listen to God's  
word, may the eyes of our hearts be enlightened  
as well.

### HEAVEN

The world is only peopled to people heaven.

—*St. Francis de Sales*

**Congratulations 2020 Graduates!**



Please send us your 2020  
graduates name, parents names,  
where they are graduating from  
and future intentions.

sttherese@jacksondiocese.org

*We are very proud of all our graduates and wish them  
God's continued blessings on their journeys.*

**SAINT PHILIP NERI**  
**(1515-1595)**

**May 26**

In a shop near the Vatican, a group of Americans  
laughed as the shopkeeper showed off his fluent  
English and latest souvenir, a key ring whose  
papal portrait, when pressed, activated a recorded  
blessing. Through the shop window, two clerics  
scowled disapproval. The shopkeeper grunted,  
"They're a very somber order who've left the  
Church. I recognize them." "By their long  
robes?" an American asked. "Many in Rome wear  
robes," replied the shopkeeper. "It's their long  
faces!" When Philip Neri arrived in sixteenth-  
century Rome, there was reason to be somber.  
Swiss Guards had been massacred on Saint  
Peter's steps defending the pope. Parts of Europe  
were abandoning the Church. But Philip resolved  
to be an "apostle of joy," drawing especially the  
young to Christ—and frequent confession and  
Communion—by his sincere interest in their  
problems, prayerful example, and gentle humor.  
His "Oratory," a movement as well as a place,  
provided recreation and devotion in a joyful  
atmosphere of companionship, service, and  
liturgy. Philip Neri challenges each of us to begin  
improving Church and world by changing  
ourselves with unending joy.

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**May Prayer Intentions of**

**Our Holy Father, Pope Francis**

**Universal Evangelization: for Deacons –**

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service  
to the Word and to the poor, may be an  
invigorating sign to the whole Church.

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:**

***Vaccine and Cure for the Coronavirus-19  
and Peace in the World!***