

Jesus has gone back into Heaven!

Forty days after Jesus rose from the dead He went with His followers to the top of a mountain, where he told them to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit, and then he went up through the clouds and returned to God the Father in Heaven.

But Jesus isn't gone forever! He is still with us every time we go to Mass, in Holy Communion. He will also come again at the end of the world.

Sometimes someone that we love goes away from us too. Sometimes people move away, or we move away from our friends. Sometimes people that we love die.

But we know that we will see our friends again, and we will be with the people who died when we die and go to Heaven.



Today let us celebrate Jesus returning to the Father in Heaven, and remember that we hope to join them some day!

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 weeks before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least 6 months before the desired date.

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The Ascension

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RISE	REPENT	PROPHETS	TAKEN
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Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.



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ASCENSION OF THE LORD - 16TH MAY, 2021 - YEAR B

The Good News.

In the first reading, Luke gives the surprising news that the story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus is the great high priest, still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

In the Letter to the Hebrews we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf. His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise today: "you, not many days from now will be baptised with the Holy Spirit".

Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention 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.

Today's Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast". 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 time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called illumination or enlightenment because of the light that came with God's saving grace. Paul speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still: "until we become the perfect man, fully mature with the fulness of Christ himself".

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.

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CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Acts 1:1-11
Second Reading
Eph.4:1-13
Gospel
Mk.16:15-20

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.
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MONDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY
12:30 & 6:00 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.
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FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
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SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.
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SUNDAY
G/Islet/G.Riviere
7:30 a.m.
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Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.
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HOLIDAY
7:00 a.m.
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Looking to Pentecost:

During the period between the Feast of the Ascension and Pentecost, the Church challenges us to consider what the power of God’s Spirit causes to happen in our lives. We should long to be filled with the Spirit so we can cooperate with God to effect the transformation of the whole of creation into the realized reign of God “on earth as it is in heaven.” The traditional prayer to the Holy Spirit can be a wonderful source of reflection:

Come, Holy Spirit: The first part of this prayer asks for the Holy Spirit to come to us. A lot goes into preparing our hearts to ask for the Holy Spirit to come, not the least of which is to acknowledge that there is a Holy Spirit and that we feel something missing without the presence of the Spirit in our lives. This is the Spirit Jesus promised to send us so that we would not feel orphaned. This is the Spirit that transformed the first disciples from people afraid and locked in the upper room.

Fill the hearts of Thy faithful: This is a request for a heart filled with the Spirit. This isn't asking for a little bit of the Spirit. This is a bold request. We are asking that we might be filled, and therefore, transformed by the Spirit. No hesitation, no doubt, no fear, no judgment, no arguments, no selfishness can remain. *Fill us. Fill me.*

And enkindle in them the fire of Thy love: Our prayer gets even more specific. We desire the love which only the Spirit can bring. We know it is a fire, and we ask for it. It is a purifying fire. It burns away all that is in the way. And it warms whatever is cold. This fire brings a new vitality and courage. Fire can be shared with others, without being diminished. *Set our hearts on fire. Set my heart on fire.*

Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created: Paul tells us, “So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come ” (2 Cor.5:17). We are asking the Spirit to make us a new creation. This is more than a new beginning or a fresh start. We are asking for a transforming renewal. Our lives can be new with the Spirit filling our hearts. *Give us/me your Spirit and make us/me new.*

And Thou shall renew the face of the earth: When we are on fire and renewed by the Spirit, we can become one with the Spirit's activity of renewing the whole world. We can be the fire that ignites other fires. We can work to bring reconciliation, healing, true justice and renewal for all the people on the face of the earth. *Let me be part of your Spirit's fire for all God's creation.*

O God, who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit: We acknowledge before God that the work of the Spirit is alive among us, enlightening our minds and hearts, helping us listen and discern with growing freedom and courage.

Grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise and ever to rejoice in His consolation: So we conclude our prayer, asking that this same Spirit will allow us to be truly wise with that discerning Spirit, and to give ourselves to enjoying - that is, being consoled by - what the Spirit gives us.

Let us pray for the Holy Spirit to come to us and to our communities.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Martha Mason
Iris Macauldy
Luvina Joseph
Nellie Hall
Rosna Joseph
Denis Augustin
Bentley Jn. Baptiste

DECEASED

Laurna Deligny
Mary Roach
Charles Hippolyte
Keith St. Clair
Christopher Auguste
Anthony Leonis

WEEKDAY READINGS

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MONDAY
Acts 19:1-8
Jn. 16:29-33
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TUESDAY
Acts 20:17-27
Jn. 17:1-11
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WEDNESDAY
Acts 20:28-38
Jn. 17:11-19
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THURSDAY
Acts 22:30,23:6-11
Jn. 17:20-26
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FRIDAY
Acts 25:13-21
Jn. 21:15-19
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SATURDAY
Acts 28:16-20,30-31
Jn. 21:20-25

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTION 5
ASCENSION OF THE LORD		
Sat May 15 - 6:00 p.m.	<i>Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. Psalm 47:1</i>	Int: Edith Eudoxie Thks: The Destang family The Crafton family
Sun May 16 - 7:30 a.m. <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		B'day: Marietta Popo
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon May 17 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Yvon Tremont	B'day: Russel Lord Thks: Cecil Graham Tyrone Chong & family
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Marie Lake, Samuel Brookes Agatha Ambrose, Egbert Jean
Tue May 18 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Gabriel Arockiasammy Sr. Bernadette Peter	Thks: Derek Glace Healing: Anthony Robinson
Wed May 19 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Lambert St. Rose	B'day: Lisa Raymond
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Reinaldo Storani Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Florius
Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu May 20 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Paul Vu	B'day: Zilta Leslie
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Irene & Joseph Destang Rosa & Antoine Glace
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Fri May 21 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. John Douglas Rev. Robert Harvey Rev. Anthony Louis	Int: Bernadette Pamphile Wedd Ann: Mary & James Jacob
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Moise & Marie Louis
Sat May 22 - 6:30 a.m.	Fr. Cecil Goodman Rev. Thomas Alexander	B'day: Alison Lewis

