

June 2, 2019

Ascension of the Lord (C) Seventh Sunday  
Acts 1:1-11 of Easter (C)  
Eph 1:17-23 or Acts 7:55-60  
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20  
Lk 24: 46-53 Jn 17:20-26

## Jesus Awaits Us

In the Nicene Creed, we pray, "He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father." Jesus lived forty days in his glorified body after the resurrection, but at the end he rose into heaven, where he awaits each of us. It was planned all along that he who came down from heaven would return there. "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man" (John 3:13).

The amazing truth is that he has opened heaven for us, cheering on each of us to join him forever! "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be" (John 14:3). So we're not only striving to get to heaven, but Jesus is there interceding with his power for "the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit" upon each of us (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 667).

### For Reflection

*Do we live like people who are aware that we're on our way to heaven forever?*

*How can I live this week with a more heavenly perspective?*



Piece: *Ascension*, 1515-1519  
Artist: Pieter van Aelst (from a design by Raphael)  
Location: Vatican Museums

Imagine Jesus as your intercessor in heaven, pleading your case as a brother before our loving Father! If God is for us, who can be against us? He is also there inaugurating his messianic kingdom. He told Pilate that his kingdom wasn't of this world. He has now taken the throne of his kingdom and will draw all peoples to himself. You and I will become witnesses to "his kingdom [that] will have no end," to quote the same Creed. So let's live with newfound confidence that Jesus reigns in heaven, interceding for us, preparing our eternal home.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

*As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven.*

*Luke 24:51*

# Assumption of Our Lady



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June 02, 2019

Ascension of the Lord— Year C

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

Mon. & Tues. 12:10 pm

Wed.— Fri. 5:30 pm

Reconciliation time: Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45pm; Sunday, 9:45-10:15am or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or funerals

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& St. Anne, Katlodeeche

Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
Jun 02	Bea Lepine Dee dee Lepine	Darm Cook Andrew Cassidy	Engen Family	Doris Coudron Tony Whittle Susan Bouchard	Brigitte Stephens Jenn Tpuesnard
Jun 09	Andrew Cassidy Sheila Ryan-Hachey	Gerry Engen Jason Morrissey	Liz Buckley Regie W.	Marie Kopp-van E. Beea Lepine Pete Boden	Grace Engen Diana Smith
Jun 16	Ashley Coombs Doris Coudron	Pete Boden Darm Crook	Coombs Family	Anrew Cassidy Shirley Gutierrez Doris Coudron	Confirmation Parents
Jun 23	Grad Mass	Grad Mass	Grad Mass	Tonny Whittle Susan Bouchard Bea Lepine	Grad Parents
	Youth-led Participation Mass	Youth-led Participation Mass	Youth-led Participation Mass	Dee dee Lepine Marie Kopp-van E. Doris Coudron	

The Announcement for Ascension Day; June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

----- We are always delighted to welcome each and everyone who has come to worship with us here at Assumption parish. If you're a new member, please take time to introduce yourself to the pastor and fill out a registration form found at the bulletin board at the entrance of the church..

----- Our parish is united with the people of High Levels, as we continue to pray God to bring the ravaging fire there under control. We also pray for the people who had to leave their homes that God will shield and protect them at this time. It is our prayer that when eventually the fire is quenched, they will be able to return to their homes safe and sound. We encourage all our parishioners to remember them in your daily prayers.

----- The retreat of the Rachel's Vineyard has been scheduled to hold from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June this year. Please consult the bulletin board for details regarding this.

----- The bishop of the diocese, Bishop Jon Hansen will be coming to Hay River/Katlodeeche on a three day visit, from 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June this year. During this time, he will administer the sacrament of confirmation to some of our parishioners who have been preparing for it, as well as the 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and baptism to few individuals at Katlodeeche; the Hay River reserve. We look forward to this visit.

----- CWL Provincial convention in Grande Prairie is scheduled to hold this weekend; 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>; We pray for the safe travels of all our parishioners who will be attending the meeting. May God grant them peaceful journey back and forth.

----- We are once again reminded that Megan documents are available for those who will like to pick some copies. Contact Fr. Innocent any time if you are interested in having copies..

----- The CWL devotional rosary for the sick and the needy every Tuesday is still ongoing. More members are encouraged to participate and the time is 11:30am..

----- Communion to the sick and home bound: Do you know of anyone who is sick and/or home bound and would like to be visited and given communion by the church, please let us know.

*Rachel's Corner*

*"Don't think about it any longer. Just go. Men need to be healed too! God is calling you to be forgiven and be embraced by Him. He wants to show you His infinite love and great mercy. You won't be sorry you went, and it will help you so much just like it helped me."*

- Testimonial

Are you tired of thinking about the day you got involved in an abortion decision? Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and let the healing begin. Life can be so much better. Give yourself the chance.

Healing after Abortion Ministry

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: <u>Weekly Revenue</u>		
\$1,192.65	Collection	
	Hall Rental	
\$1,192.65	Revenue Total	
\$1,831.00	Expenses Total	
<b>-\$638.35</b>		
Expenses are based on 2018 Q1		

<i>Calendar</i>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>JUNE 3</b>	
<i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>		
Acts 19:1-8		
Jn 16:29-33		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>JUNE 4</b>	
<i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Acts 20:17-27		
Jn 17:1-11a		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>JUNE 5</b>	
<i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i>		
Acts 20:28-38		
Jn 17:11b-19		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>JUNE 6</b>	
<i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11		
Jn 17:20-26		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>JUNE 7</b>	
<i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Acts 25:13b-21		
Jn 21:15-19		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>JUNE 8</b>	
<i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31		
Jn 21:20-25		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>JUNE 9</b>	
<i>Pentecost</i>		
Acts 2:1-11		
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or		
Rom 8:8-17		
Jn 20:19-23 or		
Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26		



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# Dear Padre,

**I'm confused by the phrase in the Apostles' Creed that says Jesus "descended into hell" before he rose on Easter. What does that mean?**

In the Old Testament, everyone who died, good or bad, ended up in Sheol. Sheol was portrayed as a shadowy place where the dead dwelt in a miserable existence, deprived of God. In the New Testament, this place was referred to as Hades or Gehenna. *Hades* is the Greek word for "the land of the dead." *Gehenna* is a word with Hebrew origins that referred to the valley of Hinnom. This valley was a narrow gorge, south of Jerusalem, used for a garbage dump. This image was used by Jesus for the place of punishment for the wicked after death (Matthew 5:22; 18:8).



When the Apostles' Creed states "he descended into hell," it means Jesus really suffered the effects of death—and did, indeed, die—and that everyone must suffer. Jesus died and went to Hades, where all the dead had to go. The Church has traditionally taught that Jesus also had a mission to perform when he went to Hades. Because everyone, whether evil or righteous, ended up in Hades, Jesus came to free the just ones who had gone before him. This is the so-called "harrowing of hell," which was a popular devotion in medieval times. Jesus went to hell and released those holy souls stranded there. Some Eastern Church iconography portrays Jesus rising from the tomb and bringing those people out of the underworld and up to heaven with him.

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of our Advocate.

## A Word from Pope Francis

*[Jesus] is like a roped guide climbing a mountain who, on reaching the summit, pulls us up to him and leads us to God. If we entrust our life to him, if we let ourselves be guided by him, we are certain to be in safe hands, in the hands of our Savior,*

—General audience, April 17, 2013