

# 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." - Mt 10:6-8

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION EXISTS TO Proclaim THE GOSPEL, Worship WHOLEHEARTEDLY, Serve GENEROUSLY, AND LOVE LIKE JESUS.

**OFFICE HOURS** 

Monday-Thursday: Saturday: 4:30PM 8:30AM-4:00PM Friday: 8:30AM-12:00PM

**SUNDAY MASSES** 

Sunday: 8:15AM, 10:00AM,

11:45AM, 5:00PM

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 

Monday-Friday: 7:00AM & 12:00PM Saturday: 8:30AM

**RECONCILIATION** 

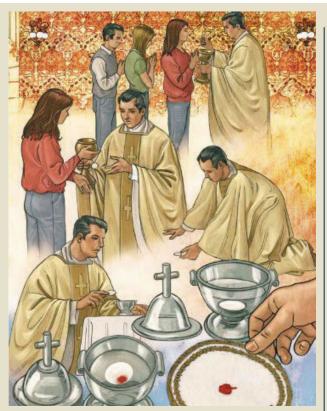
Tuesday: 11:00AM & 6:30PM Saturday: 3:00PM PERPETUAL ADORATION

Daily: 6:00AM-9:00PM Closed Mon. & Thurs. from Wednesday: 6:00AM 2:00PM-3:00PM for cleaning. Code needed 9:00PM-6:00AM

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### **EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE OF LEGNICA | POLAND, 2013**

In St. Hyacinth's CHURCH IN LEGNICA, **DURING HOLY MASS, ON DECEMBER 25, 2013, A HOST ACCIDENTALLY** FELL ON THE GROUND, **DURING THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION. IT WAS IMMEDIATELY PLACED IN** A CONTAINER WITH **WATER AND CLOSED IN** THE TABERNACLE AS **REQUIRED BY CODE OF CANON LAW. A FEW DAYS LATER, A RED SPOT APPEARED ON ITS** SURFACE. THE BISHOP OF LEGNICA AT THE TIME, STEFAN CICHY, **DECIDED TO ESTABLISH A COMMISSION FOR A SCIENTIFIC ANALYSIS.** THE RESULTS WERE **SURPRISING, AND CONFIRMED THAT IT HAD SIMILARITIES TO** "HUMAN HEART MUSCLE WITH ALTERATIONS THAT OFTEN APPEAR **DURING THE AGONY."** 



On December 25, 2013, the priest who distributed Communion accidentally dropped a Host from a ciborium. The priest picked It up and put It in a container with water and placed It in the tabernacle.



Doctor and cardiologist Professor Barbara Engel, who was one of the scientists involved in the scientific analysis, said during the press conference: "The material was analyzed using UV rays with an orange filter and the results were univocal. We have identified myocardial fibres, typical of myocardial tissue with alterations that often appear during the agony."



Photo showing the sample being collected from the Host.



On April 10, 2016, the Bishop Zbigniew Kiernikowski officially announced to the faithful the results of the analysis of the Eucharistic miracle which took place in Legnica in 2013.

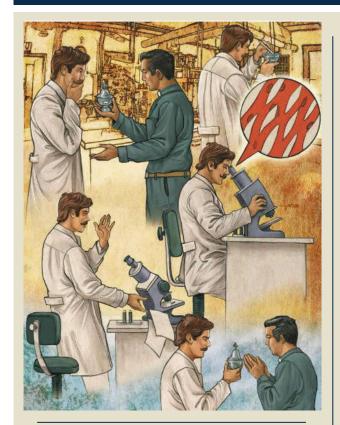


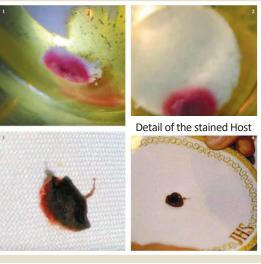
The original press release.



In St. Hyacinth's church in Legnica, during Holy Mass, on December 25, 2013, a Host accidentally fell on the ground, during the distribution of Communion. It was immediately placed in a container with water and closed in the tabernacle. St. Hyacinth's priest, Father Andrzej Ziombra, said that on January 4th, along with other priests, he went to see if the consecrated Host had dissolved in the water after nearly two weeks: "Immediately we noticed that the Host had not dissolved, and that a red spot covering a fifth of Its surface appeared. We decided to inform the Bishop, who established a special theological scientific commission to analyze the event. We noticed that over time the stain on the Host changed color from deep red to red brown (...). The sample was taken directly by the scientists on 26 January 2014. For the priests the miracle was evident. The commission checked if It was some fungus, mold or another external agent (...). The Wrocław Forensic Medicine Institute immediately excluded the presence of bacteria or fungi as a cause for the Host turning red. A second histopathological analysis pointed out that some fragments seemed to belong to myocardial tissue. An additional opinion was sought using the same samples at the Institute of Forensic Medicine in Szczecin without specifying where the samples came from. The Institute used a different analysis method. After the analysis, The Pomeranian

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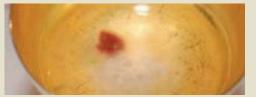








Facade and interior of the Church where the miracle occured.



On January 5, 2014, the priests noticed a stain on the Host, which was immersed in the water. Similar to a bloodstain. The Bishop of Legnica, Monsignor Stefan Cichy, was immediately informed. He established a scientific commission to analyze the event.



Professor Barbara Engel, after analyzing the sample, said: "The scientists' conclusion is that it is human myocardial tissue."



The fact that the Legnica miracle happened in a church dedicated to St. Hyacinth (1185-1257) is significant. St Hyacinth was a Dominican saint who was devoted to the Eucharist and who also experienced a Eucharist Miracle. When the fierce Mongolian troops had reached the outskirts of Kiev, St. Hyacinth took the ciborium containing the consecrated Hosts and was taking them to safety. He arrived at the back of the church and heard a voice coming from the Madonna statue near the altar calling him, "Hyacinth, Hyacinth. I see you're rescuing my Son, but you will not want to leave His mother in the hands of the desecrating barbarians?" He apologized saying it was impossible for him to lift such a heavy weight, but Our Lady replied: "If you had a little more faith and love for me, it would be easy for you to carry this burden." "I do not want anything but to love you and trust in you," said St. Hyacinth. Immediately the statue became as light as a feather and St. Hyacinth, accompanied by his fellow friars, miraculously crossed the wide river Dnieper and went unnoticed amid the Mongolian troops.

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Medical University's Department of Histopathology in Szczecin announced that "tissue fragments containing fragmented parts of cross-striated muscle" was found in the histopathological image. This is similar to "human heart muscle with alterations that often appear during the agony. We have not tested the blood found on the Host, we only know that human DNA was found." The results of the analysis were presented to the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, which recognised the supernatural nature of the event. It is striking that the examination results were similar to those of the Lanciano Eucharistic Miracle of 700 A.D. and other Miracles that occurred recently such as Sokolka in 2008, in Poland, Tixtla in 2006 in Mexico, and Buenos Aires, in Argentina in 1996. On April 17, 2016, following the instructions received by the Holy See, Monsignor Zbigniew Kiernikowskiego, the new Bishop of Legnica, announced during Mass that the parish priest Fr Andrzej Ziombra should "prepare a suitable place for the exhibition of the precious relic, so that the faithful can express their adoration properly"

**READ MORE AT BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS'S WEBSITE:** 



### Ascension This Week:

#### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
First off, allow me to extend a sincere "thank you" to all the men who are fathers and who take their vocation of fatherhood seriously. There are numerous studies that support the positive impact that loving, engaged and responsible fathers have in their homes and on their children. On this Father's Day, may our Heavenly Father bestow grace on all fathers so they might be strengthened to fulfill diligently their ever-

The Easter Season has now passed and we have commemorated the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, meditated on the mystery of God's nature on Trinity Sunday and last weekend commemorated Christ's enduring presence in the Eucharist with the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ.

so-important role. Happy Father's Day!

We are now back in what the Church's liturgical calendar calls "Ordinary Time". Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. It is that largest part of the year when we live out in an ordered way the mysteries of our Faith that were so wonderfully defined and highlighted in the special seasons of Christmas and Easter.

The second reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans states, "Christ, while we were still helpless, yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly... Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life." The Letter to the Ephesians contains a rather shocking statement about our condition apart from Christ, "we were by nature children of wrath...". But the Letter, written to followers of Christ, goes on to say, "But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus..."

This is the hope in which we are called to live out our lives during Ordinary Time. Gratitude for the gift of salvation in Christ Jesus can help us live in a manner pleasing to God, seeking His help to make choices that are in accord with His will and for our eternal good.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life,



### VOICES FROM OUR PARISH THE ICON OF THE CRUCIFIXION WRITTEN BY: JOHN MENGHINI

READ THE PREVIOUS 2 ARTICLES IN THIS SERIES HERE:



Recently, we have installed two beautiful icons in our Adoration Chapel. The first icon, which was hung last December, is of the death of Christ on the cross. The second icon of the Resurrection was hung in mid-April. Both icons were created by an iconographer from Coronado, California by the name of Maidie Weisbarth. Maidie will complete the set with the Ascension Icon late this fall.

Today we turn our attention and contemplation to the icon of Christ's resurrection; oftentimes this icon is referred to as "Christ's Descent into Hades". Keep in mind that icons are not meant to be artistic representations but rather they "speak" to us through our eyes of faith by recounting sacred scripture.

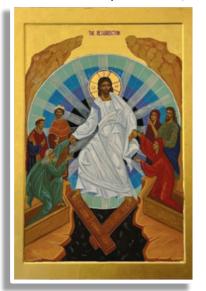
Jesus is the center and primary focus of this icon and hence is more prominent in size then the surrounding figures. This dichotomy is designed to show the obvious difference between God and man. Jesus is surrounded by a series of concentric blue circles known as the "Mandala". The mandala is symbolic of the Infinite and Divine Mystery from which all creation comes with Christ as the center, radiating light by which all can become one through Him.

The white garment worn by Jesus is shown in movement and illustrates the upward movement as Christ rises from the abyss. Jesus is grasping Adam and Eve by their wrists and lifting them up, freeing them from the confines of Hades (death). Note here, that they are not holding on to God but God is holding on to them. This illustrates clearly that mankind does not save itself but is saved by Christ. The dark chasm of sin and death is straddled by Christ's feet which are shown standing on two wooden planks; these wooden planks or "bars" are representative of the gates of hell, which Christ has smashed to free it's captors. The royally crowned David and Salomon, the ancient Jewish Kings, stand at Christ's right hand. On His left hand stand John the Baptist and the prophetess Deborah; considered the greatest of the 7 woman prophets.

The overall "statement" of this beautiful icon is victory; Christ's victory over sin and death and in His rising from the dead. Let us look upon this icon with wonder and recall the words in Holy Scripture that recount this scene:

"Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week,

Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay."



### Ascension This Week

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **SUNDAY. JUNE 18**

9:30AM Sunday Scripture Study | St. Mark Rm. 1:00PM AA Meeting | St. John Rm.

1:00PM Baptisms | Church

3:00PM Ascension Praise Band & Choir Rehearsal | Church

4:00PM Al Anon Meeting | St. John Rm.

6:30PM Fearfully & Wonderfully Made | St. Mark Rm.

### MONDAY, JUNE 19

8:00AM American Heritage Girls Camp | Parish Hall A

6:30PM Vatican II, Sacred Liturgy | St. Mark Rm.

7:00PM Boy Scouts Troop 218 Weekly Mtg. | Parish Hall A

8:30PM Men's Basketball Age 21+ | Gym

### TUESDAY, JUNE 20

8:00AM American Heritage Girls Camp | Parish Hall A

9:30AM The Dolorous Passion | St. Mark Rm.

5:30PM Compassionate Care Class | St. Luke Rm.

Fire | Youth Center

**Meeting Christ in Prayer** | St. Mark Rm.

6:30PM Weekly Family Rosary | Church

7:30PM The Dolorous Passion | St. Mark Rm.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

8:00AM American Heritage Girls Camp | Parish Hall A

12:30PM Beginner Bridge with Audrey Grant | St. John Rm.

6:30PM Caregivers Support Group | St. Luke Rm.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, CONTINUED

7:00PM AA Meeting | St. John Rm.

8:30PM Men's Basketball Age 21+ | Gym

### THURSDAY, JUNE 22

8:00AM American Heritage Girls Camp | Parish Hall A

4:30PM Legion of Mary | St. Luke Rm.

5:30PM Put a Little Sheen on your Summer | St. Mark Rm.

6:00PM Covered in Prayer | St. Luke Rm.

7:00PM **Disciples Dwelling** | Youth Center + Rosary Garden

### FRIDAY, JUNE 23

6:00AM Men of Ascension | St. Mark Rm.

8:00AM American Heritage Girls Camp | Parish Hall A

10:00AM Compassionate Care Class | St. Luke Rm.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 24

6:00AM Legion of Mary | St. Luke Rm.

7:30AM Hope-Faith Breakfast for the Homeless | Offsite

9:30AM Master of Ceremonies Training | Church

### SUNDAY, JUNE 25

9:15AM Farewell Party, Donuts, & Coffee | Parish Hall

9:30AM Sunday Scripture Study | St. Mark Rm.

11:00AM Farewell Party, Donuts, & Coffee | Parish Hall

1:00PM AA Meeting | St. John Rm.

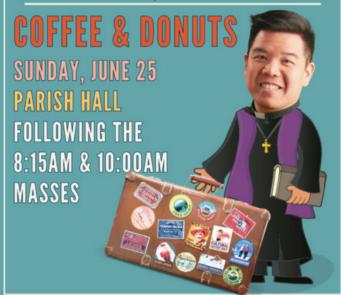
Baptisms | Church

3:00PM Ascension Praise Band & Choir Rehearsal | Church

4:00PM Al Anon Meeting | St. John Rm.

6:00PM Rise | Youth Center

Share your gratitude, best wishes, and favorite memories with Fr. Viet as he embarks on a new adventure as pastor of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Patrick and St. Bede.





WONDERFULLY MADE

WE ARE A COMMUNITY OF PARENTS & CAREGIVERS WHO COME TOGETHER TO SHARE ADVICE STRUGGLES, AND THE JOYS OF CARING FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.



### JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING SUNDAY | JUNE 18 | 6:30PM | ST. LUKE RM.

Join us for a presentation on "Appealing Insurance Denials. A couple of our families have been down this road and learned a lot about what to avoid and how to advocate for your loved one effectively during the process.

\*PLEASE REFLECT ON DEUTERONOMY 20:1

\*CHILDCARE AVAILABLE DURING THE MEETING

\*WE MEET THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Find details and information about upcoming meetings here: KCASCENSION.ORG/WONDERFULLY-MADE/



### ARE YOU A FAMILY THAT IS FOSTERING, ADOPTING, OR PREPARING FOR SUCH A JOURNEY?

\* Five such families have been supported in the last year and a half through the Ascension Foster & Adopt Ministry Care Communities.

If you are a family that has answered the call to Foster or Adopt, we would love the opportunity to support you also!



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
IN LEARNING HOW THIS
MINISTRY CAN SUPPORT
YOUR FAMILY, CONTACT
PETERSYKES2019@GMAIL.COM.

Scan this Church Network QR code to view a video that explains the role of Care Communities and how we can support you on your journey. (Ascension is a member of the Joy Meadows Church Network).



# COVERED IN PRAYER June 22, 6:00PM | St. Luke Room



Covered in Prayer is the "blanket making" ministry of Church of the Ascension. We gather on the 4th Thursday

of the month at 6:00PM to make blanket kits, separate fabric, talk and generally enjoy each other's company! You can come and pick up material and take it home, or you can stay and learn how to make blankets. We send over 300 blankets each year to parishioners and friends

who are ill or hurting, so your help is needed. No need to be an expert seamstress. We gratefully accept donations of cotton, fleece and flannel materials and yarns. We look forward to meeting you on Thursday evening!

### **COVERED IN PRAYER RECIPIENTS**

Do you have a family member or friend who needs prayer and support? We have a group of ladies who lovingly make beautiful lap blankets which are blessed by our priests. Ministry of Care sends these blankets to people who are in need of encouragement and comfort during illness or a tragedy to remind them that they are 'covered in prayer' for healing and strength. If you have someone in your life who could use a reminder that they are loved, please contact Patty in the church office: pbillinger@kcascension.org.

OUR NEXT DATE TO SERVE IS JUNE 22.



### SHALOM HOUSE IS BACK!

ASCENSION'S MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ONE MEAL PER
MONTH TO THE MEN AT SHALOM HOUSE. IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH DELIVERY, SERVING
AND/OR DESSERTS, PLEASE VISIT OUR SIGN-UP BY
SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW.



4TH THURSDAY EACH MONTH

Questions? Contact Dan Tira @ 913-991-7755.

### Ascension This Week:



### Ascension Catholic Preschool Now Hiring: Preschool Assistant

Ascension Preschool is looking for a faith-filled, loving, compassionate, and enthusiastic individual who would like to join their early childhood education team as a full-time paraprofessional. We are looking for individuals who are excited to share their joy and passion for Jesus with our Preschool and Pre-K students and help them on their path to holiness.



If you have formal child care experience and/or educational background in Early Childhood Education and have a love for children, please contact Becky Wright bwright@acseagles.org or 913-851-2531.



### HOPE FAITH BREAKFAST FOR THE HOMELESS JUNE 24, BEFORE 7:30AM St. JOHN HALLWAY

Ascension's date for cooking and serving breakfast at Hope Faith Ministries is the last Saturday of the month. If interested in helping, please go to kcascension.org, scroll down to the "Bookmarks" section, & click "Volunteer Signups" to serve or bring food. This is an awesome family activity!



If you are caring for a loved one in need, we invite you to join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month for an evening of community and connection with others walking the same beautiful and often challenging path.

### JUNE 21ST | 6:30-7:30PM

Church of the Ascension | St. Luke Room June's Topic: Caregiver Burnout & Stress

Bring your questions, stories, and concerns, and leave with coping skills and spiritual support for the road ahead.

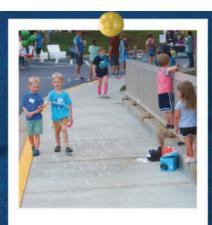
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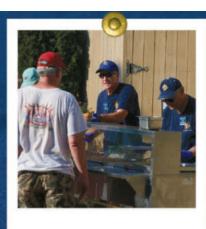
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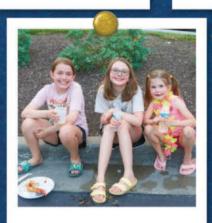
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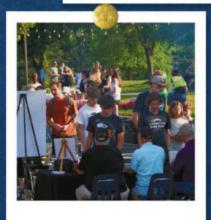


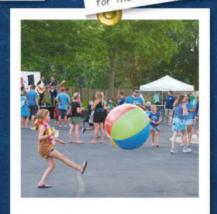


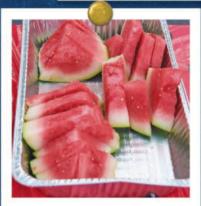




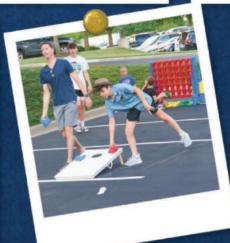


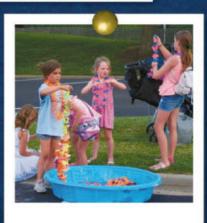










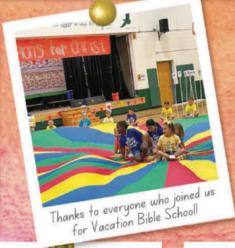


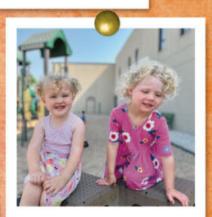
























# <u> Youth & Young Adult Ministry:</u>

# Registration For Fall Courses

Now Open!



Do you have a child in K-8th grade? We'd love to have them be a part of

our amazing Faith Formation Community this coming year. We offer a weekly program where you bring your child each week. and you as parents also attend on the first Wednesday of the month. Additionally, we offer a program where parents and kids attend on the First Wednesday of the Month (Family Formation) and you as parents go through the lessons with your kids at home for the remaining 3 weeks of the month. Go to front page of the website and click on the "Fall Registration" Tile or use the QR Code. Please call the YFF office if you have any questions.

YFF Office: 913-681-7683

Weekly Youth Faith Formation (K-6th Grade) Wednesdays, from 6:00-7:30PM.

Monthly Family Formation (K-6th grade) Parents and Kids come on the first

Tuesday of the Month (6-7:30PM) and then parents take home lessons to do at home the remaining 3 weeks of each month.

Year I Confirmation (Mostly 7th Graders) Wednesdays, from 6-7:30PM.

Year II Confirmation

(Mostly 8th Graders) monthly gatherings and small group meetings in homes.

Students with Special Needs Please call the YFF Office for more details.

### YOUTH MINISTRY



ASCENSION'S MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

GRADES 6-8

MEETS ON THE 1ST & **3RD TUESDAY OF** EACH MONTH, FROM 5:30-7:00PM IN THE YOUTH CENTER.

### NEXT: JUNE 20 | 5:30-7:00PM | YOUTH RM.

Fire is our youth group for middle schoolers! We start off the evening with dinner and then move on to activities and formation.

At our last meeting (June 6), we kicked off our summer programming! We will had a massive water fight on the field behind the church followed by s'mores and a talk around the fire pit. Note that Fire will NOT meet for the month of July. We will kick-off our next year of programing on August 1!



GRADES 9-12

**MEETS WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS AFTER THE** 5:00PM MASS IN THE YOUTH CENTER.

### TONIGHT: JUNE 18 | 6:00-8:00PM | YOUTH RM. NEXT: JUNE 25 | 6:00-8:00PM | YOUTH RM.

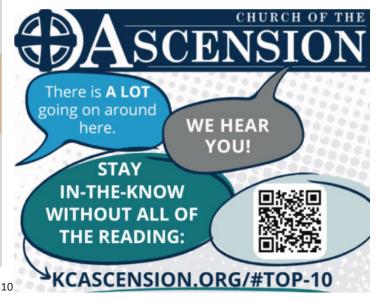
Rise is our youth group for high schoolers! We typically start off our evenings with dinner and move on to games and formation.

Note that we will NOT meet tonight (June 18) due to Father's Day. Please join us next week (June 25)!

#### DISCIPLES DWELLING

### **CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS AGES 21-35**

Looking for a group full of people on fire for their faith with the desire to spread the gospel? Then, this is the group for you! Please join us every Thursday evening starting at 7:00PM in the Youth Room at Ascension as we dive into the upcoming Sunday's scriptural readings. Join us then afterwards as the group spends time in fellowship at various restaurants around the Overland Park area. If you are interested in joining the group or if you have any questions about Disciples Dwelling, contact Rachel Sevart: rachelsevart@outlook.com. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them. Mt. 18:20

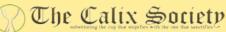


### HEARTACHE TO HEALING June 29 | 6:30PM | The Bar

Heartache to Healing is a support & social group for those widowed early in life. Men and women around 35 to 65, please come to our June events. On June 29 we'll meet at The Bar (5316 W 95<sup>th</sup> St., Prairie Village) from 6:30-8:30PM to share our stories with each other. To send your summer ideas or to RSVP, email Laura: khaeus1@hotmail.com, or Heather: hmbimpens@gmail.com, or Damon: damon452@yahoo.com. Your RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary. We look forward to seeing you!

# THE CALIX SOCIETY JULY 7, 7:00PM

ST. MARK RM.



The Calix Society (www.calixsociety.org) is a national association of Catholics in 12-Step recovery (AA, NA, OA, Al-Anon etc.). For us, the spirituality of the 12-Steps is greatly enhanced when practiced in the context of our Catholic Faith. If you have been active in your 12-Step group for six months or more, and would like to talk with other Catholics about how they've incorporated their Catholicism into their Steps, call Neil at 913-645-7244, or Mary at 913-747-5039.

# LEGION OF MARY PUBLIC ROSARY JULY 1, 12:00PM | PARKING LOT

Come join us as we pray the Rosary on the First Saturday of the month at 12:00PM. We will be praying for God's help for our Catholic Church and our Country. We will pray outside if the weather is warm enough and not raining or snowing, at the northwest corner of 127th and Grant Street (or in the church if the weather does not cooperate).

"Public Prayer is far more powerful than private prayer at appeasing God and calling down His Mercy in times of public concern, tragedy and suffering." -Saint Louis de Montfort

# ST. MARY'S FOOD KITCHEN JUNE 7 | COME JOIN US!

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION has been a contributor to St. Mary's Food Kitchen for many years. Ascension's day is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month to provide supplies and prepare a

taco salad luncheon. We leave Ascension at 9:15-9:30AM to prep the meal and get things set up. We serve the lunch from 11:00AM-12:30PM, then return to Ascension. It is a real hands-on experience of serving people in need.

**OUR NEEDS** are for parishioners to donate food to make the taco salads, some to cook the hamburger so we can just warm it up at St Mary's, and for servers the day of.

**PLEASE VISIT** kcascension.org > Get Involved > Service Opportunities to see full details and explore volunteer opportunities!

**CONTACT** Jean Hinman 913-908-9811 or Dorothy and Michael Eagan 913-526-8314 with questions.

# DRIVE-UP FOOD COLLECTION

SATURDAY JULY 8

Please help us feed the hungry.

10 AM - 2PM Ascension Parking Lot

WHAT WE NEED
fruit juice, flour, catmeal,
tomato/spaghetti sauce, pancake mix.
coffee/tea/drinks, canned vegetables,
canned peaches

The Bereavement
Support Ministry at Church
of the Ascension meets the second

**ST. LUKE ROOM** 

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MINISTRY** 

**JULY 8, 9:00AM (AFTER MORNING MASS)** 

bereavement support group

ST. MARY'S

Saturday of every month in the St. Luke Room, unless otherwise noted on the parish calendar, after 8:30AM Mass for support and education.



We have been there, understand the hurt, and welcome you to healing, friendship and hope. Please join us for our upcoming meeting at Stone Pillar Winery. Bring a lawn chair and meet near the entrance barn. Contact info@thecall2love.com for more information.





ASCENSION FRIENDS - JOIN US FOR
A CELEBRATORY TAILGATE ON
FRIDAY JULY 7 BEFORE THE
PITCHING FOR PRIESTS GAME TO
SAY THANKS TO OUR ALTAR
SERVERS AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR
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# GUADALUPE HOUSE JULY 11, BEFORE 4:30PM ST. JOHN HALLWAY

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# MOTHER'S CIRCLE JULY 11 | 6:30PM | OFFSITE

Mother's Circle is moving to second Tuesdays starting 7/11/2023, 6:30PM at the Home of Debbie Engel. Join the group via Realm and/or text Debbie 913-485-8918 for the address. Join us for camaraderie and surround our teens and young adults in prayer!

#### **RRFATHF**

#### HELP A CHILD WITH A DISABILITY AND THEIR FAMILY

Parents and advocates from Church of the Nativity, Church of the Ascension and St. Michael the Archangel Parish are joining forces to provide families who have a child with disability a break from caregiving. We need your help with this most needed outreach. Volunteers will be paired with a child and act as their buddy, guiding and supporting them through a variety of activities during the event. The respite care event will be held on Saturday, September 16, from 4-7PM at Church of the Ascension. A training for volunteers will be held from 2-3:30PM on the same day. More info: kcascension.org/wonderfully-made-breathe/



# JOIN US! "LIVING LIFE AS A CATHOLIC" RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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### ASCENSION CYO VOLLEYBALL

For girls in 3rd-8th grade.
Registration and more details about volleyball:
www.cyojwa.org > Registration > 2023 Volleyball

Program Duration: Aug 14-Oct 28
Season: Sept 7-Oct 28 | 14 match season (12 guarantee)
Questions: Laurie Barton, labartonal@icloud.com
or Travis Schieltz, ACSCYODSM@gmail.com

### ASCENSION CYO CROSS COUNTRY &

For boys and girls in 3rd-8th grade. Registration and more details about cross country: www.cyojwa.org > Registration > 2023 Cross Country

### Volunteers Needed

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Contact: Mandy Menghini, mandy.menghini@gmail.com or Travis Schieltz at ACSCYODSM@gmail.com

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For boys in 5th-8th grade. Registration and more details about tackle football: www.cyojwa.org > Registration > 2023 Tackle Football

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### **FUNDRAISING CONCERT**

### SAVE THE DATE | SEPTEMBER 14, 7:00PM

**WHAT:** Fundraising concert for the Prison Ministry **WHO:** Composer, songwriter, storyteller, Eric Genuis.

**WHY:** Enjoy a night with friends and raise funds for prison ministry.

**DONATIONS:** Free will offering and sponsor opportunities

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istry. Contact Karen Kellerman (kkellerman@asceagles.org) or Chuck Jansen (jansenchuck@gmail.com) if you can help!



## Weekly Prayer

### **NEWLY BAPTIZED**

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Ed Sosna, Brother of Don Sosna
Dan Fitzhenry, Father of Kathy Weyforth
Lori Ruskamp, Niece of Lorie Endsley
William Phillips, Father of Andrew Phillips

### **PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS**

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### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

We are in need of several adorers - if you'd like to join as an adoration sub or weekly partner, please sign up at this link: secure.rotundasoftware.com/29/enrollment/Ascension\_Parish A personal entry code will be assigned for you to enter between 9:00PM - 6:00AM if you desire to do so; otherwise, stop in to say hello to Jesus any time during the day.

#### **HOURS THAT COULD USE PARTNERS:**

Sundays - 1AM, 4PM
Wednesdays - 3PM
Saturdays - 7PM, 10PM
plus MANY hours needing partners!

Out of the darkness of my life, so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: The Blessed Sacrament... There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves on earth." -JRR Tolkien

Questions: Debbie Engel: deborasuzanne@gmail.com.



# Weekly Prayer = WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, JUNE 19

7:00AM Matthew & Michael Gabel, Nicholas Gabel &

Family, Christopher Gabel & Family, and Elizabeth Accurso & Family by Aimee Gabel

12:00PM +Julia Olinger by Jill Tretter

### TUESDAY, JUNE 20

7:00AM +Rosann Lambert by Tricia & Jim Baldwin

12:00PM +Thomas C. Owens Sr. and +Catherine R. Owens by

Megan & Rod Ratzlaff

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

7:00AM Deloris Lenzen (her 100th Birthday) by Marguerite

& Keith Enlow

12:00PM +Marcia Fittro by Pat Dulac

### THURSDAY, JUNE 22

7:00AM +Danna Sue Scheurich by Rita McNally

12:00PM +Ed Rafferty by Family

+James Sheridan by Marilynn Stephan

+Sherry Quinlan by Cathy Audley

+Marie-Noelle Borderlon by RCIA Team

+Ed Sosna by Bob & Shirley Chenoweth

+Dan Fitzhenry by Engel Family

### FRIDAY, JUNE 23

7:00AM +Bill Culpepper by Clarita Culpepper

12:00PM +Vince Costello by Sally Costello

### SATURDAY, JUNE 24

8:30AM +Beth Gibbs by CRHP Women's Team 34

4:30PM +Madeline Moorman by Dave & Tracie Moorman

Fr. Viet

### SUNDAY, JUNE 25

8:15AM +Frances "Penny" Lipp by Gomez Family

Fr. Gary

10:00AM Ascension Parishioners

Fr. Gary

11:45AM +Marcella McDowell by Robert & Sally Ann James

Fr. Stull

5:00PM +Sam Mentesana by Sandy Cannon

Fr. Stull

**SICK LIST | PLEASE NOTE**: Due to privacy laws, only names requested by a family member will be added to the sick list. We will retain the names on the prayer list for 6 months. The names of those removed from this publication will be sent to the Ascension Prayer Line for ongoing prayers. If you have updates, email Patty: pbillinger@kcascension.org.

### **PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

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## Ministry News

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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**KOFC SCHOLARSHIPS:** Congratulations to our High School and College Scholarship winners:

- HIGH SCHOOL: Madeline Cure, Mamie Cushenbery, Grace Davis, Kate Friel, Audrey Smith, Sophia Steixner, Lincoln Zimmer
- COLLEGE: Audrey Buckman, Vail Cushenbery, Thomas Dawdy, Andrew Franke, Anna Gomez, Sophia Lipp

**FAMILY AND KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:** Congratulations to Brian and Diana Hornung our Family of the Month and Todd Gomez our Knight of the Month for May.

**JOIN THE KNIGHTS:** The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Men's fraternal organization open to all Catholic men ages 18 and over. Interested in joining the Knights? Contact Brian Kellerman at bgkellerman@yahoo.com or 913-515-6454.

**KNIGHTS CHOIR:** Contact Dan Tira at tirad@umkc.edu or 913-451-2341 if you are interested in joining.

**PRAYERS:** Join us in prayer for our seminarians from Ascension – Alex Rickert, Michael Santamarina and ALL others including Trey Niesen and Matthias Saiiki. Also, our fellow KofC brother Michael Uhlmansiak as an Aspirant for Permanent Deacon. Holy Hours dedicated to Vocations occur every Friday at 1PM and Saturday at 11AM in the Adoration Chapel.

#### **JOIN US FOR MASS AND MEETINGS:**

- **KNIGHTS' MASS:** Every Friday morning, 7AM with coffee and breakfast following at HyVee.
- COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, June 26, 7PM (Parish Hall B), preceded by the Rosary at 6:30PM.
- OFFICERS' MEETING: Sunday, July 9, 6:15PM (Location TBD).
- 2023 Dues: can be paid at AscensionKofC.com

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- PITCHING FOR PRIESTS TAILGATE | ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION:
   Friday July 7; Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips and Drinks will be provided by the Ascension Knights, sign up to volunteer or bring your family and join in on the fun at this event supporting our priests and saying THANK YOU to our Altar Servers and their families for their devotion.
- OFFICER INSTALLATION & SUMMER SOCIAL: Saturday, July 29, after 4:30PM Mass.
- ERIC GENUIS AND FRIENDS: Performing at Ascension on Thurs.
   Sept. 14 at 7PM. Join us to learn more about this Inspiring Prison Ministry
- **KOFC GOLF TOURNAMENT:** Prairie Highlands; Monday October 16, More info coming soon.

For the above events and more, additional details & sign-ups can be found at www.ascensionkofc.com.

### **RESPECT LIFE CORNER | UNDER ATTACK**

In the June 1, 2023, Wall Street Journal, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone of San Francisco wrote of a growing threat to the church. He cited a report that at least 260 incidents/attacks on church property have occurred in 43 states and the District of Columbia since May 2020. (The Family Research Council and others have also tracked a rise in violence against other Christian churches and pro-life organizations in the same period). The attacks have ranged from arson and spray-painting, to the destruction of statues and the defacing of gravestones along with anti-Catholic messages.

The authorities' response to these acts has been most tepid. Arrests have been rare and prosecutions even rarer. In some areas the lack of action has given the signal that attacks on houses of worship and sacred images may continue without serious legal consequence. He says in California this menacing behavior has now taken the form of mockery with the Los Angeles Dodgers decision to give a "community hero" award to the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence—a group that engages in scandalous and sacrilegious behavior toward the church. This is the latest example of mainstreaming derision of the Catholic faith. "History teaches that when we don't treat religiously or racially motivated crime seriously, we will see more and worse aggression."

Sources: "California Catholics Under Attack...", op ed. by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Wall Street Journal, 6/1/23; and "Archbishop Condemns Hundreds of...", Micaiah Bilger, LifeNews, 6/5/23



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# ROSARY RALLY JUNE 18, 3:00PM ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

Please join us to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima at the June Holy Rosary Rally which will be held on Sunday June 18 from 3:00 to 4:15PM at the St. Pius X Catholic Church 5500 Woodson Rd. Mission, KS 66202. We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, please visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org



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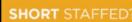
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