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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - B World Day for Social Communication

May 16, 2021



Make disciples of all nations. I am with you always.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you." Jesus is not here to be touched with the hand or seen with the eyes. Only through the symbols of our sacramental celebrations, if we celebrate them in faith, can we in a sense make bodily contact with him because, in the sacraments, he comes to us through a touch of water and oil, through the smell of chrism, through a taste of bread and wine, which has become his body and blood. We can still hear him in faith as he speaks to us when the scriptures are read in the church. He often makes himself know in the depth of our hearts when we pray, and he is still with us. We must believe in that presence also shared in the sacraments. "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the

ends of the earth."

ASCENSIONE DEL SIGNORE *Oggi celebriamo la festa dell'Ascensione del Signore al cielo. Una festa che ci indica a quale futuro e destino noi siamo chiamati nell'amore di Cristo. La missione che Gesù ha lasciato agli Apostoli, salutandoli, prima di ascendere al Cielo, e' questa: 'Andate in tutto il mondo e predicate il Vangelo ad ogni creatura'. È bello riflettere sulle ultime parole di Gesù, mentre manda i suoi a predicare in mezzo a questo mondo che, anche se non appare, ha bisogno di infinito, di speranza, di quella gioia che viene dal Cielo. Sappiamo che Gesù, asceso al Cielo, non è lontano da noi e per l'azione del Suo stesso Spirito, che è Amore, noi diventiamo Suoi testimoni. Coraggio dunque, qualsiasi sia la nostra situazione: Gesù è con noi, ha cura di ciascuno e opera attraverso noi.*



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration:

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

Anointing of the sick:

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

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Ascension of the Lord

Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward 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 obtain the Holy Spirit, we must be purified through baptism. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal 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. So Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," St. Paul writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with him at the Father's right hand. 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 proclaim today.

Scott Hahn

UPDATE: NOTICE OF STAY AT HOME ORDER EXTENSION:

Due to this extension, regrettably, churches will remain closed for public services on Sundays until the weekend of June 5-6 when we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, The Body and Blood of the Lord. Weddings, Baptisms, Confirmations, etc. should be postponed at this time. Funerals should be celebrated in the Funeral Home. May this last extension prove to be the final and decisive step to curb this virus so we can share a more normal summer together. God bless you all for your patience and understanding and please continue to pray for the end of this pandemic.

Bishop F. Colli

FIRST COMMUNION 2021: The dates for this year's First Communion are still June 5 & 6, 2021, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. A reminder to parents to support their children with the preparation program, posted on the church website, stanthonysparish.ca Attending Mass is most important in preparing for First Communion. Mass can be attended by livestream with the link being found on the church website.

CONFIRMATION 2021: is scheduled for June 26th & 27th. A meeting for candidates, their sponsor and ONE parent has been scheduled. In order to stay within the anticipated COVID guidelines, we will be having TWO separate meetings. For all candidates that are scheduled to receive their sacrament on Saturday, June 26th, your meeting date will be on Sunday, June 13th at 7:00pm.

For all candidates that are scheduled to receive their sacrament on Sunday, June 27th, your meeting date will be on Monday, June 14th at 7:00pm. The wearing of masks, hand sanitation and social distancing are requirements of all in attendance. Please arrive by 6:45pm so that we can begin on time. A reminder to bring all of your completed documents that have been emailed to you.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: You may join in our Zoom Meetings. The Zoom invitation will be emailed if you have registered your email with us. All youth in Grade 7 & up are welcome to join. If you are new and wish to join the meeting, please email cocci5@tbaytel.net to receive a Zoom Meeting invitation.

COLUMBUS CENTRE: Take out Thursday, May 20, June 3 & 17. Pick up from 2:00pm-5:00pm call 623-3252 for more info. Shrimp Take out Friday, May 28 (preorders by May 27)

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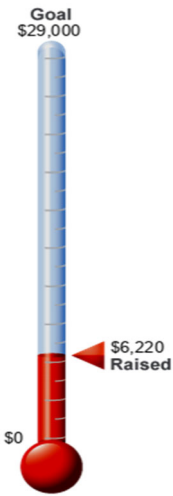
Our needs grow more and more each year and your response in past years has been most appreciated and has enabled me, as the Bishop, to serve the needs of our parishes and communities in our Diocese. Please be generous again this year and I ask God's blessing upon you and your families.

Bishop F. Colli

Our Goal this year is \$29,000.00

To date we have raised \$6,220.00

We are at 21%



MASS INTENTIONS May 17— May 23, 2021

Monday, May 17

All Parishioners
Giuseppe Magisano
Francheschina & Giovanni Giorgio

9:00am English

Pastor
Wife Pina
P. Magisano

Tuesday, May 18

Norma & Antonio Ferrari

7:00pm Italian

Pina & Family

Wednesday, May 19

Salvatore Vruña

7:00pm English

Nicolina & Family

Thursday, May 20

Esterina Ferrari

7:00pm Italian

G. & D. Paladino

Friday, May 21

Giuseppina Conforti
Paolo & Antonio

7:00pm English

late Esterina
Ilda & Family

Saturday, May 22

Albert Cava

5:00pm

Family

Sunday May 23

Pentecost Sunday

9:00am

Eva Sacchetti
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia
Esterina Romito

marito E. Sacchetti & Fam.
Family
late Esterina

11:00am

Francisco Pacheco
Paul Crough
Irene Botelho Paulo Raposo
Giovanni & Domenica Saputelli &
Domenico & Antonietta Squartecchia
Umberto Chies & In honour of St. Sebastien & All Saints
Giovanna Chiarelli
Michele Turco

Wife & Family
MaryLee & Bryne
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Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed by livestream with the link being found on the church website:
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*Please continue to pray
for all affected by
the coronavirus.
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this difficult time
with the help
of our Blessed Mother.*



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