# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Established in 1888 faithfully serving the Community of Saint Joseph and surrounding neighborhoods for over 132 years.



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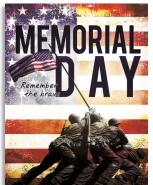
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# CELEBRATING THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord (transferred from Thursday). The Ascension marks 40 days after Easter when our Lord ascended into heaven and promised to send us the Holy Spirit. We continue our Novena to the Holy Spirit as we look forward to the Solemnity of Pentecost next Sunday, the birthday of the Church. Please note that no date has been set for our parish to hold public Sunday Masses yet. We are still in the planning and preparation stage as we take into consideration all the factors necessary for a safe and faithful return to public Sunday worship. I will keep you informed. The dispensation to attend Sunday Mass is still in effect for all Catholics at this time. You are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass while we are still operating under the effects of this pandemic.

Once again thank you to all who have brought in hand sanitizers, PineSol, Microban 24, Simple Green d Pro 5 and other much needed sanitizing & disinfecting supplies. Thank you to our music ministry, led by Janet Currier, who have been playing faithfully at Daily Mass. On Monday, we celebrate Memorial Day. I would like to thank Bruce & Ginny Gude who have put out flags for the veterans buried in our Sacred Heart Cemetery. Let us pray for those who have given their lives for the freedoms we enjoy. Also, please remember to submit the name of students who have graduated from Catholic school, High School, College, University or specialized schools for listing in a future bulletin.



Let us ask the Holy Spirit for His sevenfold gifts, especially as we seek to return to public Sunday worship. We still have room available during Daily Mass, so those who are well and are able to comply with social distancing guidelines, are welcome to join us. Have a safe and blessed Memorial Day week.

Heavenly Father,

Today we honor those who gave their life for their country on foreign battlefields and here at home. Though they would have preferred peace to war, they responded to the call to serve and made the ultimate sacrifice defending the ideals in which they believed, defending their brothers-andsisters-in arms, and defending innocents

from violence. May their courage be honored and remembered; may their example influence current and future generations; may their legacy be one of love and sacrifice; and may their souls be embraced by You.

We also remember those service members whose invisible wounds led them to take their own lives. Their minds, hearts, and spirits were in turmoil due to the violence they had experienced, and they thought there was no other way to end their pain. We pray that You welcome these men and women into Your loving and merciful heart. We also pray that those enduring these struggles right now realize that suicide is not the answer. May they find the hope they are looking for because there are good people out there who are willing and able to help them.

We pray also for those designated POW/MIA. Their families have no closure. They don't know if their loved ones are alive or dead. Bring them the answers they seek and, if possible, bring the missing home.

Finally, comfort the families of all the men and women who have been lost to war and terrorism. To them, the deceased are not just military personnel, but rather father, mother, husband, wife, son, daughter, friend. Help these families remember the good times and look forward to being reunited with their loved ones in Your heavenly kingdom some day where there will be no more mourning.

We ask this in Your loving name, Father. Amen.

Prayer and Blessings, Father Krzysztol

We warmly WELCOME to our parish family:

Joceyln Floyd and her children, Derek, Dylan and Kingsley

Meisha Haight & Ronald DeGumera and their son, Troy



We look forward to meeting you as we Grow In Faith Together!

# Please pray for our Military

Thank you for your service to our country! God bless you.

MG Susan Davidson, US Army
CPT Jonathan Eames, US Army
LT COL Jared Gude, USAF
LT Glenn Lumpkin, Jr., USN
Timothy Moon, US Army
SGT Blake Nathe, US Army
MAJ Casper Nathe, USAF
SGT Walter Post, US Marines
ENS Riley Roberts, USN
Brian Rogers, USAF
Joseph Stephens, Jr., US Army
Cadet Alana Tallman, USAF
Richard Zimmermann, USAF

#### A Prayer of Blessing for Firefighters, Police Officers, Medical Workers, & All Who Serve Us in Times of Crisis



Blessed are you, Lord, God of mercy, who through your Son gave us a marvelous example of charity and the great commandment of love for one another. Send down your blessings on these your servants, who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when they are afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when they are weary, and compassion in all their work. When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and

stranger, let them faithfully serve you in their neighbor. In Jesus' name, we pray. Ámen.

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# **CELEBRATING THE EASTER SEASON IN PRAYER**

As we continue our Faith Journey together in prayer, we invite you to pray for our parish family. Read and reflect on the Scriptures of the day and prayerfully watch on TV or online the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Remember in your prayers:

♣ For all students especially those graduating this year ₱ For those for whom our Masses are being offered

₱ For all who have birthdays / anniversaries this week ₱ For our Bishop, Priests and Holy Vocations.

# The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being offered for ...

Day	Date	Time	Mass Intention	Requested by:
Saturday	May 23	Private	† Bill Gast	Jim & Laurie Wilson
The Ascension	May 24	Private	† SSgt. Leonard Gude, Pvt. Theodore Barthle,	
			Pvt. Louis Rachel (members of Sacred Heart	
			Parish killed in WWII)	Bruce & Ginny Gude
Monday	May 25	8:00 AM	Sophia Richter — Happy 99th Birthday!	Kathy Larsen
Tuesday	May 26	8:00 AM	† David Befort	Jim & Laurie Wilson
Wednesday	May 27	8:00 AM	The Intercession of St. Joseph for the Holy S	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	May 28	8:00 AM	† James Corcoran, Sr.	Mary Andrysiak
Friday	May 29	8:00 AM	All the People of Sacred Heart Parish	
Saturday	May 30	Private	† Thomas & Sarah Plummer	Joe Plummer
Pentecost Sunday	May 31	Private	† David Befort	Frank & Andrea Gude

#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

May the Lord bless you with good health, a grateful heart and eternal joy!

- 05 23 Armando Carreira, Daniel Nicholson
- 05 24 Randin Bernosky, Shirley Carlson, Anne Lauko, Robert Nathe, Ronald Tallman
- 05 25 Bertha Frassrand, Katherine Powell, Chloe Wise
- 05 26 Mary Frassrand, Craig Kubiniec
- 05 27 Michael Bright, Sharon Dorr, Rebecca Dowling, Peter Pedemonti, Mary Ann Tuday
- 05 28 Susan Barthle, Todd Broyles, Zachary Eleyet, Evan Ososkie, John Wiehle
- 05 29 Joshua Larkin, Claire Obordo, Alan Vandenlangenberg
- 05 30 Samantha Flynn, Andrew Stemo
- 05 31 Linda Gant, Kristopher Gordon, Emma McGrew, Carol Molnar, Mark Reagan, Phillip Risher

# Readings for the week of May 24, 2020

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday am: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11; Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39. Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33; Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b; Dn 3:52, 53, 55, 56 [52b] or Ps 19; Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107; Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39.

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

#### **Diocesan Prayer for Priests**

Sat. May 23 Rev. Pedro Zapata

Sun. May 24 Rev. Kyle D. Smith Mon. May. 25 Father Krzysztof Gazdowicz

Tue. May. 26 Bishop Emeritus Robert N. Lynch

Wed. May. 27 For Holy Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life

Thu. May. 28 For All Priests in the World Fri. May 29 Abbot Isaac Camacho, OSB Sat. May 30 Rev. George C. Corrigan, MST Sun. May 31 Rev. Sebastian Earthedath, MST



#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

5/25

Mr. & Mrs. Mark & Tammy Barthle Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Diana Komarek

5/26

Mr. & Mrs. David & Carolyn Gant Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Zulma Petersen

5/27

Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Wanda Herrmann Mr. & Mrs. Alan & Rhonda Vandenlangenberg

5/28

Mr. & Mrs. Randy & Susan Barthle Mr. & Mrs. David & Cindi Gude

5/29

Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Gretchen Baer

5/3]

Mr. & Mrs. Tim & Maria Crosby Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Brenda Finora Mr. & Mrs. Steve & Cindy Randall

May the Lord bless your Holy & Sacrificial Love with His Own!

Please pray for all priests who minister in our Diocese.

# **CELEBRATING THE EASTER SEASON IN STEWARDSHIP**



At this time, we understand that many are enduring financial struggles. We prayerfully affirm whatever actions are necessary to provide for you and your loved ones. However, some people have been contacting the parish office to inquire about their contributions to the parish. If you are able to financially support your parish and would like to continually give offertory in light of the Mass suspension, you may mail a check to the parish or send a check via your bank's bill payment option or select Sacred Heart Parish Dade City for Online Giving through the Diocesan website. Please see those options below. Whatever your situation, we truly appreciate your support.

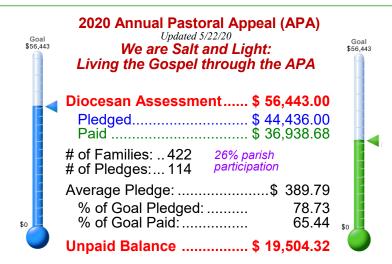
Thank you to all who were able to support the parish last week through your Mailed in and Dropped off contributions. God bless you!

# Weekly Offertory Report MAILED IN & DROPPED OFF envelopes for Sunday, May 17, 2020

Sunday Total\$	4,184.00
Building Fund\$	110.00
Catholic Education\$	20.00
Debt Reduction\$	80.00
Poor Box\$	20.00



Thank you so much for your generosity and sacrifice.
God bless you and your family!



May God bless you and your family! **THANK YOU!** 



We understand that this is a very difficult time for everyone, so please do what you need to do for yourself and for your family. For those who are still able to support the parish, there are three ways of giving below. Once again, **THANK YOU SO MUCH** for your prayerful and financial support during this challenging time.

# ONLINE GIVING now available

## **ONLINE GIVING**

#### through the Diocese of St. Petersburg "Supporting Your Parish" webpage

For those who would like to make a one-time donation online or schedule recurring payments using a bank account or credit card, please visit the Diocesan webpage at https://www.dosp.org/stewardship/supporting-your-parish/

You will need to scroll down and select Sacred Heart Parish (Dade City). This opens up a registration page with Give Central. Please fill in your information, your gift information [select Sacred Heart Parish (St Joseph) - Dade City] and your payment information. With your free Give Central account, you will be able to return to your account page to access your donation history, receive tax letters or makez changes to your payments at any time.



# How to use Your Bank's Bill Pay

Your bank will allow you to set up an automatic check issued from the bank to a business or organization. You will need to enter our name and mailing address: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 32145 Saint Joe Road, Dade City, FL 33525. Although you do not have an 'Account" number, you may put your envelope number in its place. Also, for each individual payment there is an option to add a note to the "Memo" line to specify if the check is for Offertory or another special collection such as Debt Reduction, Building Fund or Catholic Education.

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By Mail

If you prefer, you may simply mail your check to:

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 32145 Saint Joe Road Dade City, FL 33525

# Monthly Stewardship Schedule for May 2020 First Sunday 5/3 Offertory, Catholic Education

Second Sunday 5/10 Offertory, Building Fund

Third Sunday 5/17 Offertory,

Fourth Sunday 5/24 Offertory, Feast of the Ascension Fifth Sunday 5/31 Offertory

Special envelopes - APA, Debt Reduction, Father's Day Remembrance

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# **NOVENA (NINE DAYS) OF PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**



**ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** (*To be recited daily during the Novena*)

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses I offer myself, soul and body to You, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice, and the might of Your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul. In You I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light, and listen to Your voice and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You, by Your compassion, to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced Feet of Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds, and trusting in His Precious Blood and adoring His opened Side and stricken Heart, I implore You, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, to keep me in Your grace that I may never sin against You. Give me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere, "Speak, Lord, for Your servant is listening." Amen.

#### **PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** (*To be recited daily during the Novena*)

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who, before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit on Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, and the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence toward God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord with the sign of Your true disciples, and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.

The Novena began on the day after the Solemnity of the Ascension, Friday of the 6th Week of Easter, even if the Solemnity of the Ascension is transferred to the 7th Sunday.

We continue the Novena ...



# **NOVENA (NINE DAYS) OF PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

#### **SECOND DAY** (Saturday of 6th Week of Easter)

Come. Father of the poor. Come, treasures which endure; Come, Light of all that live!

## The Gift of Holy Fear:

The gift of Fear fills us with a sovereign respect for God, and makes us dread nothing so much as to offend Him by sin. It is a fear that arises, not from the thought of hell, but from sentiments of reverence and filial submission to our

heavenly Father. It is the fear that is the beginning of wisdom, detaching us from worldly pleasures that could in any way separate us from God. "They that fear the Lord will prepare their hearts, and in His sight will sanctify their souls."

**Prayer:** Come, O blessed Spirit of Holy Fear, penetrate my inmost heart, that I may set you, my Lord and God, before my face forever, help me to shun all things that can offend You, and make me worthy to appear before the pure eyes of Your Divine Majesty in heaven, where You live and reign in the unity of the ever Blessed Trinity, God world without end. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

## **THIRD DAY** (7th Sunday of Easter or transferred Ascension)

Thou, of all consolers best, Visiting the troubled breast, Dost refreshing peace bestow.

# The Gift of Piety

The gift of Piety begets in our hearts a filial affection for God as our most loving Father. It inspires us to love and respect for His sake persons and things consecrated to Him, as well as those who are vested with His authority, His Blessed Mother and the Saints, the Church and its visible Head, our parents and superiors, our country and its rulers. He who is filled with the gift of Piety finds the practice of his religion, not a burdensome duty, but a delightful service. Where there is love, there is no labor.

**Prayer:** Come, O Blessed Spirit of Piety, possess my heart. Enkindle therein such a love for God, that I may find satisfaction only in His service, and for His sake lovingly submit to all legitimate authority. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

# FOURTH DAY (Monday, 7th Week of Easter)

Thou in toil art comfort sweet, Pleasant coolness in the heat, solace in the midst of woe.

#### The Gift of Fortitude

By the gift of Fortitude the soul is strengthened against natural fear, and supported to the end in the performance of duty. Fortitude imparts to the will an impulse and energy which move it to under take without hesitancy the most arduous tasks, to face dangers, to trample under foot human respect, and to endure without complaint the slow martyrdom of even lifelong

tribulation. "He that shall persevere unto the end, he shall be saved."

**Prayer:** Come, O Blessed Spirit of Fortitude, uphold my soul in time of trouble and adversity, sustain my efforts after holiness, strengthen my weakness, give me courage against all the assaults of my enemies, that I may never be overcome and separated from Thee, my God and greatest Good. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.





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# **NOVENA (NINE DAYS) OF PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

## **FIFTH DAY** (Tuesday, 7th Week of Easter)

Light immortal! Light Divine! Visit Thou these hearts of Thine, And our immost being fill!

## The Gift of Knowledge

The gift of Knowledge enables the soul to evaluate created things at their true worth —in their relation to God. Knowledge unmasks the pretense of creatures, reveals their emptiness, and points out their only true purpose as instruments in the service of God. It shows us the loving care of God even in adversity, and directs us to glorify Him in every circumstance of life. Guided by its light, we put first things first, and prize the friendship of God beyond all else. "Knowledge is a fountain of life to him that possesses it."

**Prayer:** Come, O Blessed Spirit of Knowledge, and grant that I may perceive the will of the Father; show me the nothingness of earthly things, that I may realize their vanity and use them only for Thy glory and my own salvation, looking ever beyond them to Thee, and Thy eternal rewards. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

**SIXTH DAY** (Wednesday, 7th Week of Easter)

If Thou take Thy grace away, nothing pure in man will stay, All his good is turn'd to ill.

# The Gift of Understanding

Understanding, as a gift of the Holy Spirit, helps us to grasp the meaning of the truths of our holy religion. By faith we know them, but by Understanding we learn to appreciate and relish them. It enables us to penetrate the inner meaning of revealed truths and through them to be quickened to newness of life. Our faith ceases to be sterile and inactive, but inspires a mode of life that bears eloquent testimony to the faith that is in us; we begin to 'walk worthy of God in all things pleasing, and increasing in the knowledge of God.'

**Prayer:** Come, O Spirit of Understanding, and enlighten our minds, that we may know and believe all the mysteries of salvation; and may merit at last to see the eternal light in Thy Light; and in the light of glory to have a clear vision of Thee and the Father and the Son. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

# **SEVENTH DAY** (Thursday, 7th Week of Easter)

Heal our wounds--our strength renews: On our dryness pour Thy dew, Wash the stains of guilt away.

#### The Gift of Counsel

The gift of Counsel endows the soul with supernatural prudence, enabling it to judge promptly and rightly what must done, especially in difficult circumstances. Counsel applies the principles furnished by Knowledge and Understanding to the innumerable concrete cases that confront us in the course of our daily duty as parents, teachers, public servants, and Christian citizens. Counsel is supernatural common sense, a priceless treasure in the quest of salvation. 'Above all these things, pray to the Most High, that He may direct thy way in truth.'

**Prayer:** Come, O Spirit of Counsel, help and guide me in all my ways, that I may always do Thy holy will. Incline my heart to that which is good; turn it away from all that is evil, and direct me by the straight path of Thy commandments to that goal of eternal life for which I long.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.





# **NOVENA (NINE DAYS) OF PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

#### **EIGHTH DAY** (Friday, 7th Week of Easter)

Bend the stubborn heart and will, melt the frozen warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray!

#### The Gift of Wisdom

Embodying all the other gifts, as charity embraces all the other virtues, Wisdom is the most perfect of the gifts. Of wisdom it is written 'all good things came to me with her, and innumerable riches through her hands.' It is the gift of Wisdom that strengthens our faith, fortifies hope, perfects charity, and promotes the practice of virtue in the



highest degree. Wisdom enlightens the mind to discern and relish things divine, in the appreciation of which earthly joys lose their savor, whilst the Cross of Christ yields a divine sweetness according to the words of the Saviour: 'Take up thy cross and follow me, for my yoke is sweet and my burden light.

**Prayer:** Come, O Spirit of Wisdom, and reveal to my soul the mysteries of heavenly things, their exceeding greatness, power and beauty. Teach me to love them above and beyond all the passing joys and satisfactions of earth. Help me to attain them and possess them for ever. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

## **NINTH DAY** (Saturday, 7th Week of Easter)

Thou, on those who evermore Thee confess and Thee Adore, in Thy sevenfold gift, Descend; Give Them Comfort when they die; Give them Life with Thee on high; Give them joys which never end. Amen.

# The Fruits of the Holy Spirit

The gifts of the Holy Spirit perfect the supernatural virtues by enabling us to practice them with greater docility to divine inspiration. As we grow in the knowledge and love of God under the direction of the

Holy Spirit, our service becomes more sincere and generous, the practice of virtue more perfect. Such acts of virtue leave the heart filled with joy and consolation and are known as Fruits of the Holy Spirit. These Fruits in turn render the practice of virtue more attractive and become a powerful incentive for still greater efforts in the service of God, to serve Whom is to reign.

**Prayer:** Come, Come, O Divine Spirit, fill my heart with Thy heavenly fruits, Thy charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, faith, mildness, and temperance, that I may never weary in the service of God, but by continued faithful submission to Thy inspiration may merit to be united eternally with Thee in the love of the Father and the Son. Amen.

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