

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

Mass intentions for May 29, 2022 Ascension of the Lord

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† W.J. Carr
By: Mary Carr

Wednesday, noon —
Vocations
By: Knights of Columbus

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† Anne Gadory
By: Cathy Champon

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Matt Kowollik
By: Ric & Norma Martin

Bishop Stika's Prayer for Ukraine
Let us pray for the protection of people everywhere, and especially for the citizens of Ukraine, who are confronted with the pains of war and threats to their very existence. May God grant these innocent people safety and peace, and may leaders everywhere recognize that the true path to a better world is through Jesus. Amen.

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In-person Offertory May 22, 2022

Regular, \$1,870.25
Needy of area, \$337



I AM GOING AWAY

At the Last Supper Jesus announced that he was "going away." The Church interprets this as a reference to the Ascension. Where did Jesus go? The people at that time believed that heaven was somewhere beyond the sky — which they thought was a dome above the earth. Jesus rose up into the sky as a way of saying that he was going to something "greater." He was probably teaching that his followers should no longer look for physical apparitions. He would remain spiritually with them through his Holy Spirit. This would force the disciples to begin their mission to "go out to all the world and preach the good news" of loving others as Jesus loves them.

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Weekly readings

**Ascension
of the Lord**
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9
Ephesians 1:17-23
Luke 24:46-53

Monday
Acts 19:1-8
John 16:29-33

Tuesday
Visitation
of Blessed Virgin Mary
Zephaniah 3:14-18a
Luke 1:39-56

Wednesday
St. Justin
Acts 20:28-38
John 17:11b-19

Thursday
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
John 17:20-26

Friday
St. Charles Lwanga
& companions
Acts 25:13b-21
John 21:15-19

Saturday
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
John 21:20-25

Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-11
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23



Lay ministers for June 4/5

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Joshua Gouge, Issac Bienaime

Commentators

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Tom Manning

Readers

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Vikki Sitter, Richard Barker

Ushers

Sat. — George Bratton, Mike Hupko
Sun. — John Tolejko, George Bratton

Saintly Wisdom

"He did not leave heaven when he came down to us; nor did he withdraw from us when he went up again into heaven. Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear."
— St. Augustine —

Parish Life

Remember the Dead — On this Memorial Day weekend, please remember in your prayers all who have died in the service of protecting our country to preserve peace and justice.

High School Graduates — Congratulations to two high school seniors from St. Elizabeth Church who are graduating this spring.



- Genna Johnson graduates from Science Hill High School this weekend (May 28). She plans to major in English at Middle Tennessee State University.
- Daniel Grubb will graduate from Seton Home Study School on June 18. He plans to attend ETSU and major in biology.

Knights of Columbus — The Knights of Columbus will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the church basement. All members are invited to attend.

New Parishioners — Are you a new parishioner? If you are, we welcome you and ask that you fill out a registration form, which can be found in the vestibule. Forms can be returned in the weekend collection. Thank you!

Women's Retreat on Saturday — The Martha & Mary Women's Ministry at St. Dominic Church in Kingsport is hosting a retreat next Saturday in the parish life center. The retreat begins with Mass at 8 a.m. in the church and ends at 4 p.m. The cost per person is \$25, which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Please RSVP to Chris Terry at teenat0711@gmail.com or 423-292-4285.

Special Intention

World Communications Day — World Communications Day, established by Pope Paul VI in 1967, is celebrated this weekend on Sunday. The theme of this year's celebration is "Listen!" Pope Francis notes that listening "is the most precious and life-giving gift we can offer each other."



Humor

From the Internet — "Dear Preacher, Who does God pray to? Is there a God for God?" Sincerely, Christopher, age 9, Titusville

Prayer for the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

(from the Archdiocese of Toronto)



Giver of Life,
help us to see your life
at work in our lives.
Keep us from clinging
to what is today,
that we might receive
the gifts of life
that await us
tomorrow.
Amen.