ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

Mass intentions for May 21, 2023

Ascension of Our Lord

Saturday, 5 p.m. — † Bill Koelbel By: Joan Koelbel

Sunday, 9 a.m. — † Dorothy Simerly By: Carolyn Hathaway

Wednesday, noon — † Mark Gerding By: Kent & Coleen Schneider

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, 5 p.m. — † Lorraine Yarwood By: Ed & Linda Yarwood

Sunday, 9 a.m. — † W.J. Carr Bv: Marv Carr

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A MOUNTAIN IN **GALILEE**

The book of Acts tells us that the Ascension of Jesus into heaven took place near Jerusalem. Jesus told them "not to leave Jerusalem." Why does Matthew say it happened at a mountain in Galilee? The answer may be two different traditions of where Jesus' departure place. Another possibility is that Matthew interprets the mission of the Apostles as beginning at their homes in Galilee, from where they went forth. Finally, a distinct tradition in Jerusalem notes that the Mount of Olives was home to Galileans while on pilarimage to the holy city. It would have been a convenient stopping point on the way from Galilee. Hence it might have been a "little Galilee" just as some cities have immigrant sections like "little Italy," etc.

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Weekly readings

Ascension of Our Lord

Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20

Monday

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

Tuesday

Acts 20:17-27 John 17:1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11b-19

Thursday

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

Friday

St. Philip Neri Acts 25:13b-21 John 21:15-19

Saturday

Pentecost vigil Joel 3:1-5 Psalm 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-30 Romans 8:22-27 John 7:37-39

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 May 27/28

Altar servers

Sat. — Isaac Bienaime, Joshua Gouge, Daniel Grubb, Timothy Grubb, Leo Grubb

Sun. — Carl Johnson

Commentators

Sat. — Bob Gamache

Sun. — Tom Manning

Readers

Sat. — Lux Bienaime. Carl Johnson

Sun. — Katie Taylor, Angela Murphy-Walters

Ushers

Sat. — J.J. Regan, George Bratton

Sun. — Jimmy Townsend, Richard Barker

Gift Bearers

Sat. — Confirmation students

Sun. — Patrick Schneider family

Saintly Wisdom

"God has given me a great deal to do, and I hope always to prefer his will to every wish of my own." — St. Elizabeth Ann Seton —

Parish News

Confirmation on Saturday — Bishop Richard Stika will confirm seven young people at St. Elizabeth next Saturday at the 5 p.m. Mass. Please keep the students in your prayers.

Fr. Dennis Is Reassigned — Fr. Dennis has been reassigned, effective July 1. He will be the pastor of two parishes in Anderson County — St. Therese Church in Clinton and St. Joseph Church in Norris. On July 1, Fr. Jesús Guerrero, currently associate pastor at St. Mary Church in Johnson City, will become the parochial administrator at St. Elizabeth Church and St. Anthony of Padua Church in Mountain City. Fr. Dennis' last Mass at St. Elizabeth will be on Sunday, June 25.

Farewell Party for Fr. Dennis — The Ladies' Guild is hosting a farewell party for Fr. Dennis from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 10. It will be a come-and-go party with finger food and cake.



Happy Anniversary! — Happy anniversary to Larry and Mary Cirillo, who will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Friday (May 26).

No Wednesday Masses in June — Wednesday Mass will not be celebrated in June because of a diocesan priest convocation one week and Fr. Dennis' transition to his new parish assignments the following weeks.

Prayers Requested — Please pray for In the sick of our parish including Thea Bratton, Carter Gurdak, Juanita Olson, Jimmy Townsend, and Ed and Linda Yarwood. Contact Cathy Champon to add a name to the list.

Friday Prayer Time to Change in June — Beginning June 2, Friday prayer time in the church will be from 6 to 7 p.m., with the rosary to be prayed at 6:15. (On First Fridays, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed instead of the rosary.) During May, the church will continue to be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays for prayer time, with the rosary prayed at 11:30 a.m.

Lector Schedule — A lay minister schedule through July is available in the vestibule. The schedule includes lectors, commentators, ushers, gift bearers and altar servers.

