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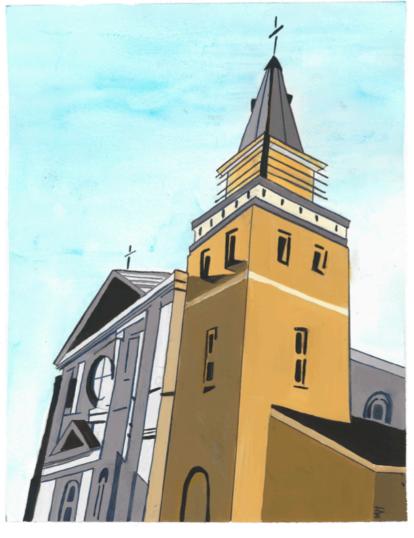
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May 12, 2024 **Ascension** of the Lord

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Pastor: Fr. Jerry Tavares

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CONNECT

Wednesday: 12 Noon - 5PM Thursday & Friday: 10AM - 2PM Parish Office is located behind the Church The Welcome Desk is open before and after Mass on the weekend

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LORD'S DAY MASS **SATURDAY: 4PM**

Please register at the Parish Office.

Are you new here? Welcome!

We welcome new parishioners and visitors. We'd love to see you again!

SUNDAY: 9AM & 11AM

WEEKDAY MASS

See Mass times inside

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00PM until 3:45PM

BAPTISM

Parents seeking baptism for their children should approach the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage must meet Fr. Jerry at least one year prior to a desired date.

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Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Interested in receiving the Sacraments? Contact the Parish Office

Our vision is to offer every person in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

Ascension of the Lord * May 12, 2024

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle /

If this is your first time at church, or your first time in a long time, we're so glad vou're here! We exist to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ; make disciples of all nations. If we can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call on us.

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11 2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23 **Gospel:** Mark 16:15-20

6:00PM

Wednesday, May 15

+ Manuel & Teresa Ventura

Thursday, May 16

Intentions of Sara Jackson and her baby 12:10PM

Friday, May 17

12:10PM + Joe Galea

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Saturday, May 18

+ Wayne & Antje Cormier 4:00PM

Sunday, May 19

9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

+ Anne Keenan and Deceased Family Members 11:00AM



Offer the Gift of the Mass

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition.

To arrange for a Mass to be offered, stop by the Welcome Desk on the weekend, contact the Parish Office or fill out one of the Envelopes located in the Church.

It is a prayerful gift to be given and even more meaningful to receive.



the Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension of Our Lord, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter, is the final act of our redemption that Old Conderidate On the Con from the dead on Easter, is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on ascended bodily into Heaven.

> Jesus' last earthly gesture toward the disciples was to bless them. In response, the disciples "did him homage" and experienced "great joy." This response was not to Jesus' departure from them, but was an expression of a new relationship to him, the risen One. Now instead of accompanying him in his ministry, they were "clothed with power from on high" to be his presence and do his ministry. In essence, Jesus' last gesture toward the disciples was to empower them to be "witnesses of these things."

PREPARE FOR PENTECOST!

Pentecost, the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is next weekend. You can prepare for the great celebration of Pentecost by participating in the Novena, which began Friday, May 10th. You can access the Novena on our website.



"She is clothed with strength and dignity, and laughs at the days to come."

- Proverbs 31:25

Happy Mother's Day to all our amazing moms!

STATIONS OF THE LIGHT

On Friday, May 17th at 6PM join us for the Stations of the Light, where we are invited to follow in the footsteps of the Risen Christ and his friends from the Resurrection to Pentecost.

STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN

Construction work on our front stairs will begin on July 8th. The total cost to remove and replace the steps is about \$40,000. Envelopes for donations are available, allowing us all to play a part in paving our way to heavenly heights. Thank you for your consideration!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

We're partnering with Hope Pregnancy Support Centre of Parry Sound! Your donation makes it possible for many women, men, and families within our community to receive care and support throughout pregnancy and beyond. Take a baby bottle home and fill it with coins, cash or a cheque and be sure to return it to the Parish by Father's Day. For more info visit: www.parrysoundhope.com. This is a practical way to live out being pro-life. Fill a bottle... change a life!

TEACHER REFERENCE LETTERS

Many young people come looking for a Pastoral Reference Letter when they apply for teaching jobs with Catholic Boards. Fr. Jerry will only provide letters to those who are registered in the parish and active in parish life. Think ahead. Get involved.

PRAY THE FAMILY ROSARY

During the month of May, we encourage individuals and especially families to pray the Rosary. Carve out a space in your busy life and schedule to sit quietly with the Mary, the Mother of God. Meditate with her on the Mysteries of Salvation, the mystery of her Son Jesus Christ. Parents with young, restless children may prefer to pray one decade (Our Father – 10 Hail Mary's – Glory be) each day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Ever thought of joining the Knights? We are a brotherhood of Catholic Men ages 18+ who focus on faith, family, charity and friendship. Please join us for dinner at an upcoming council meeting. For more info, contact Joe Ryman at 705-342-1558.

A LEGACY GIFT

Giving a legacy to your church is an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God for all that you have been given and enjoyed during **your life.** It is also a means of ensuring that your past can become part of the future of your church's life, through mission and ministry to all God's people. Thank you.

CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

Bishop Daniel Miehm announces the following Clergy Appointments, which take effect June 26th:

RETIREMENTS

Fr. Ronald Meyer, Pastor, St. Patrick, Kinmount Fr. Christopher Reynolds, Pastor, St. Alphonsus, Wooler and Holy Angles, Brighton

SABBATICAL

Fr. Joseph Devereaux, concludes his service as Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Hastings, to begin a period of sabbatical.

PASTORS

Fr. Paul Hogan, St. Alphonsus, Wooler and Holy Angles, Brighton

Fr. Peter Lukow, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Hastings

Fr. Darlington Oparaike, Our Lady of Lourdes, Cardiff

Fr. Vicente Valles, St. Patrick, Kinmount

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