

Ascension of the Lord — *May 24, 2009*

The Ascension of the Lord ABC 1 ***Acts 1:1-11***

Until We Meet Again

We have many ways of saying goodbye. “So long.” “See you later.” “Take care.”

Goodbyes are softened with the promise of another meeting. “Till we meet again.” The time between the goodbye and the reunion is filled with joyful hope and anxious waiting.

Surely the disciples wondered if they had the tools they needed to survive that time. Jesus had been their leader, visionary, messiah, and friend. Without him, life would lose its center.

Jesus’ goodbye came with two promises. He promised the Holy Spirit would guide the disciples in his absence, and he promised that he would come again. That left them in an in-between kind of time. After the goodbye, they waited for his coming again.

In fact, that’s where we are too. We are in between the visits of Jesus, a time of hope and anxiety. We often wonder if we have the tools we need to survive. We need vision and companionship on life’s long road.

We have at our disposal the first promise of Jesus, the gift of the Holy Spirit. That Spirit will guide us through times of loneliness, into good decisions, amid the sorrows of sad goodbyes. The Spirit is our center.

Readings For Next Sunday **May 30 & 31**

1st Reading...Acts 2:1-11
2nd Reading...1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25
Gospel...Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

ALTAR SERVERS **(Week of May 25)**

Monday	Noon	No Mass
Tuesday	Noon	A. Bland, L. Buck
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa, D. Chandler, A. Clemons
Thursday	Noon	+Steve Sternberg, A. & J. Cherry
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	+J. Cleary, M. & T. Clark
Sunday	10:00am	+J. Crawford, R. Ballinger, A. Hayden

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MASS INTENTIONS **(Week of May 25)**

Monday	Noon	No Mass
Tuesday	Noon	Dorothy Hill
Wednesday	Noon	Christopher Johnson
Thursday	Noon	John Fangman
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	St. Raphael Community
Sunday	10:00am	Carl Markwell

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS **(May, 2009)**

4:30pm....David Worland, *Cpt.*, Joe O’Toole, Norb Wine, Richard & Mary Anne Stamp, Marty Ernst
10:00am... Mark (cpt) & Donna Kaelin, Gerry Cambron, John Sullivan, Mike Henry, Pet Markwell, Mark T Clements (sub), Brian Hickey (sub)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS **(May 30 & 31)**

4:30pm...Team A...George Gates, *Cpt.*, Mike Armes, Judy Fieldhouse, Don Bayers, Joan Raap, Cleo Leonhardt, Marty Purcell
10:00am...Team E...Bee McCormick, *Cpt.*, Tom McCormick, Jeff Spoelker, Gerry Cambron, Ann Spencer, Jack Sullivan, Jan Pardieu

LECTORS **(May 30 & 31)**

4:30pm...Tony Nall & Jacklyn Ochsner
10:00am....Greg Kent & Connie Judge

GIFT BEARERS **(May 30 & 31)**

4:30pm...To Be Contacted
10:00am...To Be Contacted

