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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. **Spanish** (piano & cantor)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. **English** (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. **Spanish** (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. **English** (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. **Vietnamese** (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays	8:30 a.m. Spanish (Mon-Fri.)	12:10 p.m. English (Mon-Fri)
	7:45 a.m. Vietnamese (Thu & Sat)	

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

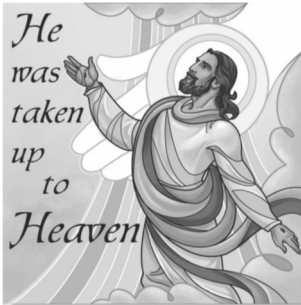
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon open (12 pm - 1 pm closed)
1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open
SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

FEET ON THE GROUND



“Until next week, keep your feet on the ground and keep reaching for the stars!” Not today’s scriptural wisdom, but legendary DJ Casey Kasem’s sage advice, heard across America for generations, *American Top 40*’s challenging sign-off. Though Casey wasn’t quoting scripture, today’s Acts of the Apostles offers similar advice. As Jesus ascended, disciples “were looking intently at the sky.” Wouldn’t we prefer a soul-relaxing gaze into peaceful blue skies to a heart-breaking focus on this blood-stained earth? But heavenly questioners asked Jesus’ first disciples, “Why are you standing there looking at the sky?” Earth awaited their mission! While our hearts should “keep reaching for” heaven, we need to “keep our feet on the ground.” Ascension’s scriptures and the Jubilee of Mercy remind us: the Jesus we revere as “ascended into heaven” lives right here among us on earth, awaiting our recognition and loving service.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) *or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23.*

Gospel — As Jesus blessed his disciples he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The mystery of the Ascension has to do with holding in tension a sense of God’s nearness, along with the burden caused by apparent signs of absence. The risen Jesus says to Mary Magdalene, “Do not cling to me,” perhaps pointing out to her that his physical presence to the disciples was time-bound and temporary. It was a gift for their transformation, and after forty days, he vanished from their sight and hearing, though never out of their consciousness.

They do not mourn at his going this time: there is no trace of the disciples who hid in fear at his crucifixion, no sense of the women who wept softly as they carried ointments to the tomb through the dewy morning light. Instead, the scriptural accounts show them full of joy, comforted by his promise to be with them forever, and open to the Spirit’s power. They are joyful, energized, aware, and united with one another in love. They seem to grasp an awareness that if the mission to the whole world was a serious one, then the presence of the Risen Christ could not be pinned down to any one place or time, but had to be always and everywhere completely available. All peoples, all times, all cultures were opened to receive him in this moment of the Ascension. The energy of this feast is drawn not from absence, but renewed and deeper presence.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday

The Ascension of the Lord;
World Communications Day

Monday

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

Wednesday

St. Boniface

Thursday

St. Norbert; Julian Calendar Ascension

Friday

First Friday

Thank you, Choir!

Our Choir is on break for the summer. We thank them for all the beauty they bring to our masses. And we thank them for attending all the endless rehearsals that are required for such an accomplished sound. They will return in September. Maybe you would like to become part of this fantastic group? Speak with our music director if so!



Renew & Rebuild Campaign**Our goal:** \$710,000.00**Pledged:** \$766,205.00

We are at 108% of our GOAL! The Renew + Rebuild Campaign Goal of \$710,000 has been achieved! And due to the generosity of more than 250 parish families, more than \$740,000 has been raised thus far. Because of this success, now 85% of each dollar raised from now on will stay at St. Nicholas of Tolentine parish. If St. Nicholas of Tolentine reaches 120% of the goal, every dollar after that will remain at the parish entirely. When we give generously and freely, we then know that this very act is a demonstration of how much we have been given.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENTFIRST FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019
9:15AM - 8:00PM**LECTORS SCHEDULE**

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
June 2	Marilyn Torain Felisha Fabian	Melissa Rivera-Jovel Daisy Soler
June 9	Genevive Persaud David Le	Ruth Santana Camille Luke
June 16	Marilyn Torain Genevive Persaud	Felisha Fabian Charles Dzubinski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
June 2	Rosa Susana Yvonne Ebea	Marilyn Martin Ed Nolan
June 9	Bethzabe Vera Rosa Susana	Gregory Ender Camille Luke
June 16	Yvonne Ebea Bethzabe Vera	Fitzroy Williams Ed Nolan

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

MAY 19, 2019

Tithing:	\$10,567.62	Church in Central Europe:	
Children:	\$12.00		\$1,289.00
Total:	\$10,579.62		

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

JUNE 3, 2019

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
 Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

JUNE 3, 2019

Monday**8:30am****12:10pm** Anton Bang (D)**Tuesday****8:30am****12:10pm** Thanksgiving (family)**Wednesday****8:30am****12:10pm** Margaret Connolly, John & Eileen Larranaga, Susan Pelini (D)**Thursday****7:45am****8:30am** Gioan, Maria, & Phero Mi (D)**12:10pm****Friday****8:30am****12:10pm** Marilyn Ortega (D)**Saturday****7:45am****7:00pm** Phero Mi (D)
Anderlis De Jesus (D); Acci3n de Gracias a Jesus, Dalmado Castillo (D)**Sunday****8:00am****9:30am** People of SNT
Felix Maria Rosario (D); Aurelio Sandoval (D)**11:30am****1:30pm** Peter Scavetta (D); Virgilio Caballero (D)
Phero Chinh (D), Maria Phoi (D)**We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.****We pray for the sick:****We pray for the dead:**

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