BULLETIN 06-01-2025 ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Pastor's Message

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Feast of the Ascension is one of the most dramatic events in our liturgical year. It is dramatic in what it is all about: the lifting up of the Risen Jesus to his place in heaven. In the account given in the Acts of the Apostles of this Sunday, Jesus was literally lifted up from the earth to heaven before the disciples. Then came the appearance of two men in white with their words: "Men of Galilee, why are you standing here looking at the sky?" (Act. 1:9-11).

This feast indeed marks a crucial point in the history of salvation. Christ completed his work on earth then returned to the Heavenly Father. The work of salvation is then transferred to the Church. From now on the disciples should be getting on with the mission that Jesus has given them.

This feast also can be seen as a handover moment and it is completed by the Feast of Pentecost which marks the day when the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Apostles and the mission of the Church really begins. Despite the fact that the disciples continued to struggle with doubts, misunderstandings and confusions, Jesus wanted them to be mature and confident to carry out his mission by themselves, to proclaim the Good News to all until the end of time. The history of salvation is not ended with Jesus' Resurrection and Ascension, but also with the pouring out of the Holy Spirit upon the Church, the Mystical **Body of Christ, in order to continue His**

mission.

As members of the Church we are called to be actively involved in the mission of the Church because to be a Christian is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus in word and in deed to make His message of love and salvation known to the people around us.

May God bless us all! Fr. Joe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. The Knights of Columbus will meet this Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30PM in the meeting room. We encourage men in our parish to join this special organization.
- 2. You are cordially invited to the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood of Fr. Joe next Saturday June 07. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated at 5:00pm followed by a reception in the parish center. Dinner will be served.
- 3. The celebration of Confirmation will be next Sunday, the Pentecost Sunday, June 08 at 12:00pm Mass. The date for First Communion will be June 22, Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.
- 4. Please remember to fill your baby bottle with coins, cash or checks (payable to Knights of Columbus Council 14767) to support our local pregnancy centers. Baby bottles need to be returned by Father's Day, June 15. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

05/31 Saturday 5:00 pm + Emmer Evans Jr & Terrace

Richardson

06/01 Sunday 7:00 am + Bob & Jeanne Rathburn

9:30 am + Martha Montalvo

1 12:00 pm + Arturo Ortiz Garcia &

+ Victoriano Ortiz

06/02 Monday NO MASS

06/03 Tuesday 7:00am + Maria Then Vu 06/04 Wednesday 7:00 am+ Mike Hoyng

06/05 Thursday 7:00 am + Deceased members of the

Rin's family

06/06 Friday 7:00 am + Donatus Ukkatah

NEXT WEEKEND

06/07 Saturday 9:00am + Goerge Lautz

5:00 pm (SI) for Fr. Joe's intemntions

06/08 Sunday 7:00 am + Siby Joseph

9:30 am + Jared Stacey

1 12:00 pm + All souls

(+) Deceased (SI) Special Intention

In gratitude to God for the gift of PRIFSTHOOD

All are Invited to the 25th Ordination Anniversary Celebration of

Fr. Joseph L. Dinh Saturday, June 7 at 5:00pm

Holy Mass will be offered, followed by a reception in the parish center

Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign

now through Father's Day weekend, June 15. Funds raised will support the **New Life Family Outreach Center.** Bottles available after Masses.

CURSILLO NEWS: Greensboro Area Ultreya Reunion

DeColores all Greensboro Area Cursillistas! Mark your calendars to attend our upcoming Ultreya on Sunday, June 8th at St. Pius X in Greensboro. We will gather at 3pm for some social time, followed by our Ultreya Reunion to begin around 3:30pm.

SAVE THE DATES!

June 26-29—Men's Weekend-||-July 10-13—Women's Weekend

Catholic Conference Center, Hickory

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Next Ultreya: Sunday, August 10 at SPX

Questions? Dr. John McKinney at <u>Docluv2run@hotmail.com</u>

Let Us Pray For Our Parishioners.

Johnny Apodaca
Tracy Barber
Gilbert Carter
Angel M. Cuellas
Marie Forbert
Theresa French-R.
Amanda Garcia
Mario Garcia

Mario Garcia Willa Graham Myles Harris Maria Hdz. Aber Johnson

Jorge Lagueruel Deacon Larry Lis Daysi Martinez

Rosario Martinez Linda McKinney Felicia Murphy

Nancy Nkwokolo Gladys Ozor

Rosemary Peterson

Hector Sanchez Maria G. Sanchez A.

Paula Rodriguez
Andrew Royster
Mariane Smithh
Venuste Tuvikunde

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Regular Offertory: \$ 4,953.00 Restricted Donation: \$1,130.00 Votive candles: \$124.00

Total: \$6,207.00

THANK YOU!

Please pray for our Confirmandi as they prepare to be Confirmed on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th at 12PM Mass.

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Quo Vadis Days 2025

Where are you going? A discernment camp and retreat for young men ages 15-19

Monday-Friday, June 16-20, 2025

Online registration open until June 2

charlottediocese.org/vocations/priest/quo-vadis-days/

?s Contact Lainie Lord: ldlord@rcdoc.org / 704-3710-3401

DE PAUL ACADEMY - NC PRE-K PROGRAM

ENROLLING NOW!!

- * Applications for the 2025-2026 school year open January 13,2025 for Guilford County children age 4 on or before August 31, 2025
- * Program starts September 2025
- * Program is free to all who qualify
- * We encourage families to apply in Spring 2025!
- * Apply online at GuilfordChildren.org

CONSIDERING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) is for individuals desiring to learn more about the Catholic faith and seeking entry into the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation. Meetings begin this Fall.

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Household & the Common Good Tuesdays 6/10-8/12 FREE (REALLY) INSTITUTEOFCA

Just as in Advent the Church invites us to assume the attitude of those to whom the Lord has not yet come, and to yearn for that coming, so now in the time between Ascension and Pentecost. We are invited to put ourselves with the waiting disciples.

Let us attend to Paul's exhortation:

With unflagging energy, with ardour of spirit serve the Lord.