

Seventh Sunday of Easter— *June 5, 2011*

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Awaiting the Gift of the Spirit

The ascension of Jesus must have felt like loss to those who loved him most. Left to themselves, they each must have experienced the personal emptiness that comes from the departure of a person loved and admired.

Even so, they did not feel loss just as individuals. They felt it as a community.

When Jesus left them stranded at the place of the ascension, they sought out more familiar surroundings. They returned to Jerusalem. They went back to the upper room of the place they had called home. They went as a group. Together they mourned. Together they prayed.

We know there is more to this story. We know the Holy Spirit will find them there and the adventure will begin anew. But at this moment, there was silence, sorrow, and fear. It was hard, and even in a group they must have felt alone.

When we are in the presence of mourners, we want to reassure them with a promise of hope. We want to hold them and help them. In their loss they cannot recognize the world around them. They need the comfort of familiar places and faces.

It is in the community where individuals find hope. It is in community that individuals find the gift of the Spirit.

Readings For Next Sunday June 11 & 12

1st Reading...Acts 2:1-11
2nd Reading...Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Gospel...Jn 20:19-23

ALTAR SERVERS (Week of June 6)

Monday	Noon	Jim Gates
Tuesday	Noon	To Be Contacted
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa
Thursday	Noon	Steve Sternberg
Friday	Noon	To Be Contacted
Saturday	4:00pm	+P. Campelli, E. Twyman, J. Greive, R. Ballinger
Sunday	8:30am	+W. Wells, J. Wessling, A. Miles, A. Halvason
	10:30am	+E. Archer, M.R. Raque, B. Durbin, M. O'Hara

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MASS INTENTIONS (Week of June 6)

Monday	Noon	Communion Service
Tuesday	Noon	Communion Service
Wednesday	Noon	Communion Service
Thursday	Noon	Communion Service
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:00pm	Patricia Hoeck
Sunday	8:30am	Phyllis Lippy
	10:30am	St. Raphael Community

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (June, 2011)

4:00pm...David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, **Need 4**
8:30am...Alan (cpt) & Ellyn Gates, Tony Creed, Mark & Jean Deignan, **Need 1**
10:30am...Paul (cpt) & Ellen Wilson, Roy & Kathy Potts, Dave Quesenberry, Jane Stahl

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (June 11 & 12)

4:00pm...**Team B**...Jim Gates, Corrie Orthober, Bob Massey, Cele Sauter, Elizabeth, Haley & Patrick Aaufrey
8:30am...**Team B**...Jeff Spoelker, Pat Lally, Elaine Fernandez, Dennis Cowhig, Tony Creed, John Werkman
10:30am...**Team E**...Scott & Maria Raque, Steve Sternberg, Don Hinkebein, Carol Miller, Patrick McCormick, Mike Henry

LECTORS (June 11 & 12)

4:00pm...Shelia Kaelin & Linda Knop
8:30am...Marty Carraro & Bud Lally
10:30am...Kenyon Meyer & Anne Raymond

GIFT BEARERS (June 11 & 12)

4:00pm...Champelli Family
8:30am...Gumbel Family
10:30am...Mary Clements

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for May 29...\$10,583

Christ fulfilled his vocation by finishing the work God gave him. An important part of our stewardship is the discernment of our role in God's plan. Stewardship is about fulfilling the unique tasks that God has given to each of us.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

National Catholic Youth Conference: National Catholic Youth Conference will be held **November 17-19, 2011** in Indianapolis, IN. The conference is open to students currently in grades 8-11. The parish still has a few spots available for youth interested in attending. Please contact Nick Cummins at 458-2500 ext. 141 for more information.

For more info on the above-mentioned event, please contact: Nick Cummins, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, at 458-2500 or nkcummins@bellsouth.net

The **2011 Giant Picnic** is June 17th & 18th. We need several volunteers for this event. Any time you can give to benefit our parish would be greatly appreciated! If you would like to volunteer please signup online at: www.mysignup.com/giantpicnic.

Evangelization in Today's World:

What Does it Look Like and How Can I Help?

Join Shayne Duvall, Coordinator of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Louisville, on Wednesday June 8, 2011 from 7:00-8:00pm in the Media Center, for an exciting hour on what evangelization in the Catholic Church looks like today and what the future holds for this important responsibility that we all have. We are all called to evangelize, do not be afraid to answer...

Summer Hours for the Parish Office

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm
Friday 8:30am-1:00pm



The Parish Office Staff wishes everyone a safe and fun filled Summer!

HELP NEEDED: We have a big need for additional Hospitality Ministers for all masses. It's easy, a great way to get involved and you get the opportunity to meet new people. Please contact David Worland at dworland@bellsouth.net or 245-8281.

Set up for this years picnic begins Sunday June 12 at 4:00 pm and runs thru Wednesday night. We need as many volunteers as possible to help make this successful. Go on-line and sign up at www.mysignup.com/giantpicnic.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for St. Raphael's total donation of \$2,770.08 to the Little Sisters of the Poor and St. Joseph's Home for the Aged. Your parish's charity will not only help us to better serve our aged, but will also give them the confidence and sense of security that comes from knowing someone cares about them. The Lord blesses those who help the poor and we know that He will send His blessings to you and St. Raphael's family. Thank you for your friendship and support of the mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Please be assured of your remembrance in our prayers. May God bless you for your generosity and keep you and your loved ones in his fatherly care.

Sincerely,
Sr. Bernard, I.s.p.

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Honor Thy Children Safe Environment Training Program

The Archdiocese of Louisville is committed to ensuring that children and youth who worship, study or participate in church-sponsored activities can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. In an effort to fulfill this commitment, all employees or volunteers who have regular contact with children or youth **are required to participate in one of the Safe Environment Training Workshops**. For more information go to www.archlou.org. Please contact your parish organization or committee chair for details on providing proper documentation before volunteering to work with children or youth.

2011 SCHEDULE of WORKSHOPS

Date	Time	Location	
6/22	6:30pm	St. Paul	Cafeteria
8/12	2:15pm	Assumption High School	Theatre

WHY CATHOLIC?

Why Catholic? The Journey Continues... It is our responsibility to grow in the virtues of faith, hope, and love. We all need guidance, we all need direction, and we all need support. Continue working with others and working on bettering your relationship with God. For more information on resources to deepen your faith and the next 6-week session of Why Catholic? Visit us online at www.archlou.org/whycatholic.

Chris Hertelendy representing **Diocesan Publications** (our Bulletin Publisher) will be at the parish soon. He will be renewing present advertisements and seeking new ones. If interested, please call the parish office. Or you may contact Chris directly at 502-905-3722 or chertelendy@diocesan.com. We feel this is an excellent service and that the sponsors get good coverage with their ads. THANKS TO YOU and DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish.

Good News...The **Marian Prayer Group** is now meeting every Wednesday night from 7-7:30pm in the church. All are invited; we need your prayers! Please mark your calendar for Wednesday nights to be with the Marian Prayer Group. For more information please call Cecilia Hansell at 345-1083.

The 2011 Highlands Five/Whittenberg Construction house for Dontay Mason will celebrate the house dedication on Sunday, June 12th, at 2:00 p.m. Whether you worked on the house, provided food, or supported us with your prayers, we invite you to come join us for the dedication. St. Raphael Parish sponsored this house build with \$3,000.00 and many volunteers. The house is located at 2613 W. Kentucky. After the dedication, there will be a tour of the home and refreshments. Any questions, contact Susan Meyer, 454-5806, or sha08@bellsouth.net.

Please offer your prayers for our sick family & friends in the St. Raphael Parish community:

Mary Lee Anderson, Dorothy Baker, Sue Anna Barrett, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, Debbie Best, Cynthia Burkhead, James Caudill, David Charmoli, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, Catherine Fogarty, Allison Frye, George Gates, Frances Gibson, Jay Gibson, Jeanne Gravatte, Sue Harris, Anita Hertelendy, Dolores Heuser, Jennifer Hood, Scott Jacob, Rosemary Johnson, Jaunita Jonczyk, Karl Kalbfleisch, Ann Kelton, Damion Kline, Henry Krebs, David Lawalin, Maureen Lawless, A.C. Leonhardt, Tina Lomax, Charles Lucas, Cathy Marcum, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Juanita Moore, Malinda O'Daniel, Nell Oldiges, John J. Orthober, Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Griffin Rose, Jim Schneider, Elfriede Smith, Dorothy Thomas, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Joe Welch, Sarah Westerfield, Dorothy Wimsatt
(In an effort to keep the prayer list up-to-date, please notify the Parish Office of any additions or deletions.)