



The Catholic Community will celebrate the Eucharist as follows:

- (SJ) identifies St. Joseph Church
- (SL) identifies St. Lawrence Church
- (SM) identifies St. Mary Church
- (SLAC) identifies St. Lawrence Activity Center

Monday, May 14
8:00 a.m. (SL) Patrick J. Anderson (Mike & Dianne McFann)
 (SL) Bill Cannon (Lynn & Jim Johnson)



Tuesday, May 15
8:00 a.m. (SL) Dick Rice (Rusty & Jane Mittendorf)
 (SL) Marcella Scherer (Susan & Bruce Brown)

Wednesday, May 16
8:00 a.m. (SL) For the terminally ill, the healing and strengthening of cancer patients and families
 (SL) Helen Roche (Catholic Women's Club)
11:00 a.m. (SL) Greg Isaac (Wanda Anderson)
6:00 p.m. (SJ) Mary Ann Laber (Dennis & Karen Dickess)

Thursday, May 17
8:00 a.m. (SL) Jack Ruth (Barbara Ruth)
 (SL) Larry Shelton (Health) (Judi Rice)
11:00 a.m. (SJ) Mary Margaret Skinner (Women's Choir)

Friday, May 18
8:00 a.m. (SL) Paul Weber (Jim & Rhonda Colegrove)
 (SL) Robert Ucceillino (Dorothy & Jerry Sunseri)

Saturday, May 19
5:15 p.m. (SL) Tom D., Pat H., Jan R. & Margie S. (Class of 1966)

Sunday, May 20
9:00 a.m. (SJ) Gene & Bonnie Unger (Mike & Mary Meehan)
9:00 a.m. (SM) Otto Monnig, Jr. (Kathy Conway)
12 Noon (SL) Members of the Community (Pastor)

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

	St. Joseph	St. Lawrence	St. Mary
Adults.....	\$3,026.00	\$2,457.00	\$475.00
Children	11.00		
Loose.....	479.40	444.00	99.00
Votive/Gift Shop.....	50.80	47.50	16.55
Cath. Comm. Camp.		10.00	
Catholic Home Missions...	20.00		
Total	\$3,586.80	\$2,958.50	\$590.55
Restoration Fund...	\$25.00	\$55.00	

NOTE: Please consider remembering our three churches, our two schools and our three cemeteries in your will.

MINISTERS FOR MAY 19 & 20, 2012

ST. JOSEPH: 9:00 a.m.
Holy Communion: Mike Dietrich, Laura Jones, James Mains, Ann Nelson, Melinda Griffith, Kim Haas
Lector: Tim Rist
Gifts: Julie & Maria Walters
Servers: Mallory Rist, Jacob Clark, Eli Lutz, Camryn Zornes
Greeters: Roy & Gail Tackett

ST. LAWRENCE: 5:15 p.m. Noon
Holy Communion: Mack Anderson Vicky Mathis
 Brenda Gagai Dianne McFann
 Susan Morgan Julie Whaley
 John Schwab Scott Woods
 Mary Roush Rhonda Colegrove
 Paul Webb Carol Harmon
 Leigh Ann Waginger Ed Payton
Lector: Sharon Brooks Volunteers
Gifts: David Sullivan
Servers: Christian Crisp Kelsey Malone
 Ashlee Blankenship Molly Miller
 Ethan Sheridan Dylan Herrmann-Holt

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2012

The Ascension of the Lord
 Lectionary Number: 58B
First Reading: Acts 1:1-11 The Risen Lord prepares the Apostles to proclaim the Gospel after His Ascension through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23 Paul considers the many gifts the ascended Jesus has bestowed on His followers. Because of these gifts, the faithful can live in unity as mature Christians.
Gospel: Mark 16:15-20 Jesus commissions His disciples to proclaim the gospel to every creature. Then He is taken up into heaven and seated at the right hand of God.

PRAY FOR THE ACTIVE PRIESTS OF OUR DIOCESE (Without the priest, there is no Eucharist; without the Eucharist, there is no Church!): 5/13 Fr. Tom Hamm; 5/14 Msgr. Kurt Kemo; 5/15 Fr. Tim McGuire; 5/16 Fr. Tim Shannon; 5/17 Msgr. Ken Uram; 5/18 Msgr. Paul Metzger; 5/19 Fr. Charles Calabrese; 5/20 Bishop Gilbert I. Sheldon, retired.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 12
10:30 a.m. & 12 noon – Masses (FCI, Ashland, KY)
2:00 p.m. – Marriage vows of Derek Todd Lewis & Elista Brianna Hall (Sharon Baptist Church)
4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SL)
5:15 p.m. – Mass (SL)



Sunday, May 13 (Mother's Day)
9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
9:00 a.m. – Mass (SM)
12 Noon – Mass (SL)
1:30 p.m. – Baptism of Layla Marie Addis (SL)
7:00 p.m. – Rosary at Fatima Shrine (Old Rt. 52)

Monday, May 14
4:30 p.m. – Meeting of Ironton Catholic Schools Board (SJHS)

Tuesday, May 15
10:00 a.m. – Holy Family (Ashland) students & staff visit our Fatima Shrine

Wednesday, May 16
11:00 a.m. – Mass with SLES, all are welcome (SL)
2:00 - 5:30 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration (SJ)
6:00 p.m. – Mass (SJ)



Thursday, May 17
11:00 a.m. – Mass with SJHS, all are welcome (SJ)

Friday, May 18
(Begin today the novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for Pentecost)

Saturday, May 19
8:30 a.m. – Service Clean-Up Day, Confirmation students and other volunteers (SLAC)
10:30 a.m. & 12 noon – Masses (FCI, Ashland, KY)
4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SL)
5:15 p.m. – Mass (SL)

Sunday, May 20 (Ascension)
9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
9:00 a.m. – Mass (SM)
12 Noon – Mass (SL)
7:00 p.m. – Meeting of 4th Degree K of C



OUR SICK: Reb Beasley, Carrie Cohen, Abby (Bentley) Hamilton, Barney Hannon, Cindy Holmes, Louise Huber, John Neville, Jim Riedel, Larry Shelton, Dorothy Sierer, Joseph Stambaugh, Stella Stevens, Rita (Rudmann) Watters, Natalie Wilson and all others recovering from illness or surgery.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

As we celebrate our Masses this weekend, we honor all Mothers, living and deceased, by honoring Mary, the Mother of God. As we crown the image of Mary, Mother of Jesus, and proclaim her as Mother of the Church, let us imitate her example by listening to God's word and doing God's will. May our prayers today honor Mary, who is higher than the angels and, yet, like us. Through her intercession, may we grow deeper in faith and love of God.



Mother's Day is the special occasion when we honor our Mothers, grand-mothers, God-mothers, aunts and sisters – a circle of women who have nurtured us throughout our lives with their generous and all-encompassing love. What a wonderful blessing they are to us! On Mother's Day and throughout the month of May, we also remember our Blessed Mother in a special way as we recite the rosary in church before each Mass.

Throughout His earthly life, Jesus deeply treasured Mary's guiding presence, her maternal love and her watchful care. Thank you, Jesus, for our Mother's love.

A Prayer for Mothers

We thank you, dear Jesus,
 for our Mothers' love,
 A love beyond measure,
 A love that is constant and sure.
 Guide our mothers in Your way
 of patience, mercy and understanding;
 Comfort them with your grace,
 And bless them with wisdom and faith,
 As they continue on in their
 journey to you.
 We ask this for the sake of
 your Blessed Mother;
 And in your Most Holy Name. Amen

Please plan to join us at our Fatima Shrine this evening, **May 13th, for the recitation of the Rosary**, the first of our six monthly rosaries at our shrine, each on the 13th of the month at **7:00 p.m.** I'll see you there this evening.

Fr. David L. Huffman

CONDOLENCES: KENNETH BRYANT, 81, father of our custodian at St. Joseph High School, died Saturday, May 5, at King's Daughters Medical Center. His funeral services were Wednesday, May 9, at Phillips Funeral Home followed with burial in Sugar Creek Cemetery. We extend our prayers and sympathy to John (Mary) Bryant and their two daughters, Sarah & Amelia.



MYRTLE MILLER, 86, of South Point, died Sunday, May 6, while under hospice care. We extend our prayers and sympathy to granddaughter, Darcie (Jeremy) Williams and their children, Emma, Ellie, Evan and Jase.

May Kenneth and Myrtle rest in the eternal embrace of our Risen Lord.

ANNIVERSARY WISHES: Today, Sunday, Mother's Day, May 13, marks the **6th anniversary of ordination to the Priesthood for Fr. Mark Purcell.** Next month, June 8th, he will complete his first year of priestly ministry with us. Congratulations Fr. Mark!



NEWS FROM OUR CATHOLIC LADIES: In honor of the **graduating senior girls** of Ironton/Pine Grove Catholic Communities, the CWC will host **a dinner Tuesday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m.** in the CWC Meeting Room, at St. Joseph Church. Ladies of the CWC attending the gathering, are asked to contribute a covered dish for the dinner. (The meat entree will be furnished.) All ladies of our Catholic Community are encouraged to attend and help celebrate with these young ladies on their accomplishments and their future endeavors.

The **Charity Fair** is upon us (May 26-28)! The CWC is requesting donations of knickknacks, crafts, glassware, etc., to be sold in their booth. Also, tickets for a beautiful, handmade quilt, sewn and donated by **Rosie Sinnott** and a lovely cross-stitched, framed picture made and donated by **Gabby Gibson** are available. These tickets can be purchased from any CWC member or at the Charity Fair. The price is \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. Remember, the monies made on all these items, will go toward supporting our Catholic Schools.



HELP WANTED: All teenagers who recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation are requested to help with a **Community Service Project next Saturday, May 19, beginning at 8:30 am at the St. Lawrence Convent.** Under adult

guidance, we will spend the morning doing inside cleaning and outside yard work. We plan to be finished by 12 Noon. Adult volunteers are welcome.

BABY BOTTLE BLESSINGS: Specially marked baby bottles have been placed at the exits of our churches for you to take home and fill with your spare change, paper money or checks. This project is to help support our local Two Hearts Pregnancy Care Centers in Coal Grove and Ashland. Simply return the filled baby bottle to your church by Father's Day.



NOVENA: In our Catholic Faith, a novena is a **nine-day devotion.** We are asking you to join us, **beginning next Friday, May 18, for a novena to the Holy Spirit** in preparation for Pentecost (May 27). Through the generosity of the Apostles of the Holy Spirit, Cincinnati, Ohio, and some of our thoughtful parishioners, these novena booklets are made available to you **FREE.** Please take one home with you to begin your novena this coming Friday.

DON'T FORGET: 26th Annual Charity Fair here at St. Joseph School/Church grounds beginning Memorial Day Weekend, **Saturday, May 26 through Monday, May 28.** The "Big Raffle" prizes are \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,000 and ten \$100 winners, plus four \$50 attendance prizes. For tickets or for more information, please call 532-0485.

