

**Saint John Catholic Church**

**Iglesia Católica San Juan**



May 29, 2022 – La Ascensión del Señor

# THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. - Lk 24:51

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## St John Parish Calendar

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>May 28, 2022</b>
4:30PM	Reconciliation
5:30PM	Mass all deceased military
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>May 29, 2022</b>
9:00 AM	Mass all deceased military
12:30 PM	Misa
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>June 1, 2022</b>
	Mass soul of Ronald Gripshover
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>June 2, 2022</b>
8:30 AM	Mass soul of Bobby Flournoy
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>June 4, 2022</b>
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass parishioners St. John, St Peter & St Patrick
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>June 5, 2022</b>
9:00 AM	Mass soul Benjamin Young
12:30 PM	Misa parroquianos San Juan, San Pedro San Patricio

**Readings for Week May 29** Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/ Lk 24:46-53 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/ Jn 17:20-26  
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33  
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56  
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19  
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26  
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19  
Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 Jn 21:20-25  
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine Di-Marino, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Konschack, Elena Chavez. John & Peggy Smith, Stanhope Flournoy, Betty Yingst, Paul Greene, Frank Haselton, Leonora Gray, Leslie Gray, Melissa Harrington, Chris Jones, Carl Saunders, Hallett Harrison, Joseph Di Marino, Mike Elrod, Theresa Mosely, Joan Purcell, Paul Evans, Frank & Kathy McCollum, Sonny Scott and Rudy Anthony Calooy, Sr.

## ADORATION ON WEDNESDAY

**ST. JOHN 1ST WEDNESDAY - 6PM**

**ST. PATRICK 2ND WEDNESDAY - MASS 6PM  
AND ADORATION—6:30 PM**

**ST. PETER 3RD WEDNESDAY— 6PM**

## Saint John's Job Opening

We are looking for a maintenance supervisor to help maintain our beautiful church here at Saint John. It's a part time position with flexible hours. We would prefer to hire a parishioner from this parish, someone who loves this church and wants to take care of it (and make a few bucks in the meantime). Please email us if you are Interested at [office@stjohnscatholicchurch.org](mailto:office@stjohnscatholicchurch.org). Thanks! Fr. Maxwell

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

May 21 & 22, 2022

Weekly	Year to date
Actual	Budget
\$3,813.75	\$233,958.61
<u>\$4,135.00</u>	<u>\$194,345.00</u>
\$321.25	\$39,613.61

All totals include weekly collection and e-giving

## MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:30
70	130	232

**DONATION FOR FISH  
REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF May  
Toilet Tissue**

**DONACIONES PARA FISH ESTE MES  
Mayo  
Papel Higiénico**



## From the Desk of the Administrator

### The meaning of Ascension of the Lord in the life of the Christian

A little boy once asked me when he saw the picture of Jesus being taken into the sky in the midst of his disciples, "Father, where is Jesus going to in the sky without being carried by an airplane? Will he come back again? I answered him, he is going back to his father in heaven where he was before, and will surely come back again one day. Then he said to me, please tell him to bring me some toys from heaven when he is coming back." Since then he became excited asking if he had been back.

The theological term of Jesus going up or being taken into the beyond by a cloud after his last day physical presence with his disciples, is referred to as **Ascension of the Lord**, as presented in the Acts of the Apostles (1:9-10) and confirmed in Luke 24:51 & Mk. 16:19. This is traditionally celebrated forty days after his resurrection from the dead, and again brings to mind what happened in the Old Testament when after successfully completing their work on earth, Enoch and Elijah were taken up into heaven respectively (Gen. 5:24; 2Kgs. 2:1-10). Interestingly, **a**) Galilee being the place where Jesus' public life began (Lk. 4:14-15) is the same place where his life also ended on earth (Acts. 1:9); **b**) The mountain (Tabor) on which he was transfigured before his disciples (Mt. 17) is the same mountain he was lifted up to the Father in heaven. However, this departure gives:

i) an assurance of the coming of the Holy Spirit to rekindle and renew the disciples' faith in them so as to witness to the Kerygma

ii) a permanent presence in Jesus' word preached with love as the foundation, and the sacraments administered especially the sacrament of baptism as a necessary step to salvation and entry into the Kingdom.

The authority of Jesus thus surpasses all powers as he reigns supreme and his Ascension brings hope to all Christians indicating their reward at the end of their lives on earth.

Fr. Maxwell



Have a safe and pleasant Memorial Day

The office will be closed Monday May 30th.

Congratulations to Kendrick Busigo who made his First Communion of May 15th.

**SJP winners for May:** Shirley Lawhorne, Lloyd Mercer X2, Virginia Saunders, Sharon Halll, Diane Cassady x2, Mr. & Mrs Weston Clark. The next drawing is June 16.

### 3-week series on the Eucharist

Fr. Redmond will be offering a 3-week series on the Eucharist on Tuesdays, May 31, June 7 and June 14, with the sessions starting at 6 pm, lasting until 7 or 7:30 pm each evening. Each session will look at a different aspect of the Eucharist. An email to Fr. Redmond -

[frnickredmond@stpeterchurch1834.org](mailto:frnickredmond@stpeterchurch1834.org) - will assist him in knowing about how many people to expect, but drop-ins are also welcome!

#### The sessions will be located as follows:

1. Tuesday, May 31, at St. John's Highland Springs Church Hall
  2. Tuesday, June 7, at St. Patrick's Church Hall
  3. Tuesday, June 14, at St. Peter's Church Hall
- We plan on recording and/or live-streaming the sessions; however, in-person participation is preferred!

### SAVE THE DATE

Join us as we celebrate **FR. FRANK WIGGINS'S** 36th Anniversary to the Priesthood and Retirement Party  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2022 AT 6PM**  
 Here at St. John's Social Hall  
 R.S.V.P. is requested to: 804-737-8028 by June 6th.