



2325 HIGHLAND RD, HERMITAGE, PA 16148
Phone: (724) 981-5566 / website: <httpS://notredame-pa.org>
Email: churchoffice@notredame-pa.org
Religious Ed Email: religioused@notredame-pa.org



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

**SUNDAY
MAY 5
2024**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am-12 pm & 1-3 pm
Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm
Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday: 9:00 am
Thursday: 9:00 am
Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 am
Saturday 3:00 pm - Confession

~ PARISH STAFF ~

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

Deacon

Dcn. Frank Hannah

Director of Faith Formation

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Ms. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Parish Secretary

Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

St. Rose / St. Mary Cemetery
<https://www.strovestmaryscemeteries.com/>

Contact information:

St. Joseph Parish
79 Case Ave.
Sharon, PA 16146
724-346-3711

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to join our parish and become part of the Notre Dame Church family, please complete this form and return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

REQUEST FOR PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name:

Address:

City/State:

Zip:



VIDEO MASS 5/5	+Jean Sabol [Carol Napolitan]
MON 5/6	NO MASS
TUES 5/7 9AM	+Joan Ravenstahl [Ned & Jo Feeney]
WED 5/8	NO MASS
THU 5/9 9AM	+Jim Sheasley [Frank & Jean Fetsko]
7PM	+Carmine Trenga [Jim, Tina & Julia Trenga]
FRI 5/10 9AM	+Dennis Primerano [Bob & Marilou Rossi]
SAT 5/11 9AM	+David Dorchock [Kaczmarczyk Family]
SAT 5/11 * 3-3:30PM	* Confessions
SAT 5/11 4PM	+John B. Hornyak [Wife, Mary Lou]
SUN 5/12 8AM	*Mass for the People
SUN 5/12 11AM	+Kim Stephenson [Jann McKinney & Women's Willow Center]



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" Item is **CANNED FRUIT**. The upcoming item will be paper napkins.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.



Altar flowers donated April 30th are in Memory of

Robert Michael Stawaisz

On Behalf of: Stawaisz Family

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

Prayer Line,
Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel challenges us to "love one another as I have loved you." Jesus is our model and he asks us to "lay down our life" (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

©LPI

SAT 5/11 4PM LECTOR J. Spatara	EUCH. MIN. D. Boller / S. Goclano P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak T. Spatara 1 - Volunteer Needed	ALTAR SVR M. Wible R. Wible
SUN 5/12 8AM LECTOR B. Lackey	EUCH. MIN. T. Brandenstein / P. Clark T. Pagliaroli / J. Trenga J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky	ALTAR SVR B. Hunter B. Hunter
SUN 5/12 11AM LECTOR E. McGoff	EUCH. MIN. K. Davenport / M. Hohman S. Hohman / A. McDonough R. McGoff / B. McVey	ALTAR SVR T. Bonner M. Tarbay

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! Please sign-in prior to Mass

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

DAILY : MON, WED, FRI 7:30 AM	TUES 6:00 PM / *6:30 PM Confessions
WEEKEND: SAT 5:30 PM	SUN 9:30 AM



Jackson Theodore Mendel
April 28, 2024

Son of
Matthew & Jessica Mendel

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

- CSA checks must be made payable to Notre Dame Church only. "CSA or Catholic Service Appeal" can not be on the pay to line.
- Please do not use other offertory envelopes for CSA.
- When submitting a CSA payment without a notice, please indicate in the memo section of your check "CSA" to ensure credit is posted properly.

MARRIAGE MOMENT

Remembering may become more difficult with aging, but that doesn't mean we should allow ourselves to forget. May 6 is Holocaust Remembrance Day. (<https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/introduction-to-the-holocaust>).

Regardless of whether you are of Jewish or German heritage, take time today to remember the challenging and joyous times of your life and marriage.

ADORATION

Tuesday 9:30 AM—11:00 PM Wednesday 9:00 AM—11:00 PM
Join us for an hour of Prayer, Wednesdays during Adoration at 7pm

For more information call:
Jo Feeney 724-699-3340 / Monica 724-977-7665

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of May 05, 2024

Sunday:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3,
3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday:

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday:

Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/
Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday:

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday:

Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
Jn 16:16-20

Ascension:

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/
Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or
4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Friday:

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday:

Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/
Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday:

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
(6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or
4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter:

Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/
Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/
1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.
The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for
Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in
the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Once a man came to the Vatican and asked to see Pope John Paul II, claiming that they had been friends in Poland. When told of the man, the Pope said, “He is mistaken about our friendship. I don’t recall ever having suffered with him.” As it turned out, the man had never known the Pope. Now, I’m not sure if the story is totally factual. But doesn’t the juxtaposition of *suffering* with *friendship* sound exactly like JP II? He understood that the deepest and most lasting friendships are forged in the fires of shared suffering. No suffering, no friendship. Amazing.

This week we hear Jesus say to the apostles and to us, “**You are my friends if you do what I command you**” (John 15:14). In Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection, God entered the world of human suffering and transformed it into an avenue of friendship with Himself. Following His command — to love, to lay down our lives for others — will always entail suffering. But this suffering only deepens our friendship with Him. His suffering is ours; ours is His. We have become friends of God.

This week, how might you share your suffering with the Risen Jesus? How might he be sharing his suffering with you, in the lives of those around you? Be attentive to that, and you’ll find that you are indeed a friend of God, because you’ve suffered together a great deal.

— Father John Muir

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. (Acts 10:45-46)

Psalm:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. (1 Jn 4:8)

Gospel:

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Jn 15:13)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ's love for us is radical — it changed the whole world. It will not be easy to love as Christ loved, but this is the mission for which we have been chosen by God. So let us love one another. Let us change the world.

Observances for the week of May 05, 2024

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some U.S. dioceses)

Friday: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day; Mother's Day



Saint of the week

St. Cyril of Jerusalem was a bishop in the fourth century. His teachings on the Eucharist, among other topics, secured his place as a Doctor of the Church. Though his ministry was marked by estrangement, exile, and ultimately, reconciliation, he never lost his faith!

Prayer of Love

God the Father,
You created me in love.
Jesus, your love for me compelled you to come to earth to die for me.
Holy Spirit, love between God and Jesus, now you surround me with the love of the Father and the Son.
Help me to live out this reality, today and always.
Amen.

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Church of Notre Dame

Adventures with Jesus

Vacation Bible Camp / August 5-9, 2024

Pre-K-6th Grade / SJPII School / 9:00am-12:00 noon

Registration forms available June 1, 2024.

Junior and Senior High Counselors needed.

For more information contact:

Church of Notre Dame Office of Faith Formation 724-981-5566
or Religious@notredame-pa.org

BLUE ARMY OF MERCER COUNTY

The Blue Army of Mercer County invites everyone to gather on Monday, May 13, 2024 for the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Our gathering will take place at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Farrell, PA. We will begin around noon with prayerful events including the Crowning of Our Holy Mother of God, Rosary Prayer, and community intentions. The Our Lady of Fatima traveling Pilgrim Statue will be presented with First Class Relics.

A special thanks given in advance to the Knights of Columbus, Knights of the Blue Army, and the Blue Army members praying with us.

Through the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary ~ God Bless You,
Tina Scoccia, President
World Apostolate of Fatima ~ Blue Army Mercer County, PA
724-877-0987

Handbells In Spring

A JOINT CONCERT BY
The GCC Revelation Ringers,
The Glenn Memorial Ringers, &
The Celebration Community Ringers

With Handbell Soloist Sue Garton

Sunday, May 5, 3:30pm
Tower Presbyterian Church, 248 S. Broad St., Grove City
Or, you can watch the LiveStream at
<https://www.facebook.com/TowerPresbyterianChurch/>

Admission is Free; A freewill offering will be collected.



WLS...

The next pot-luck dinner is Sunday, May 19th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Main dish, honey barbeque chicken bites. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule May 11/12.

Any questions contact Ann Nicolls at 724-962-7164.

NOTRE DAME EVENTS CALENDAR

June

15

Men's Night / Hot dogs & Beer
*Information below

August

24 & 25

Rita's Italian Ice / following 4PM & 11AM Mass
Coffee & Donuts / following 8AM Mass

September

8

SAVE THE DATE!
Parish 50th Anniversary Celebration

October

19

Wine & Cheese following 4PM Mass

November

23

Family Advent Wreath Activity

December

7

Women's Advent Breakfast

Church of Notre Dame

Knights of Columbus MEN'S / FATHER'S DAY OUTTING!

Saturday, June 15th

Following 4pm Mass at the pavilion

Food * Drinks * Yard Games
* Music * Bonfire

More information to follow...



NOTRE DAME Book Club

Thursday, May 16th / 6:30 PM
NOTRE DAME MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

We will be reading, *The Shoemaker's Wife*,
by Adriana Trigiani.

A few books will be available outside the
parish office.

***NOTE:** Unfortunately, Interlibrary loan is being discontinued for the time being. Please be sure to bring your books for return. We will discuss the future of our book club.