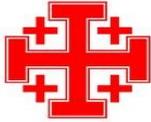


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**The Ascension of the Lord May 17, 2015**

**Adult Religious Education: The Sacrament of Matrimony**

**Join us Tuesday, May 19th from 5-7 pm in the Youth Room**

This Tuesday, we will conclude the series on the Seven Sacraments of the New Covenant with a class on the Sacrament of Matrimony. We will look at the divine institution of the sacrament as found in the Scriptures and given as a Sacrament instituted by Christ as a visible sign to confer internal grace. We will also consider the difference between a natural marriage and a sacramental marriage. We will look at the essential properties of marriage (unity and indissolubility) and the various impediments (based upon the natural law and the revealed divine law) to a valid marriage. Finally, we will consider how the Church has no power to annul a valid marriage, and considers all existing marriages to be valid and indissoluble; but when presented with a marriage case requesting annulment, the Church may investigate looking for an impediment to its validity.



**Liturgy Schedule for May 17 thru May 24, 2015**

**Holy Trinity-Bandon**

Sat. Eve (Sunday Anticipated Mass)  
.....5:00 pm  
Sunday Mass.....10:30 am

**Weekday Mass**

Wednesday Mass (Church)..... 5:30 pm  
Thursday (Chapel)..... 12:00 pm  
Friday (Chapel)..... 9:00 am

**Weekday Communion Services**

Monday & Tuesday (Chapel).....8:00 am

**Confessions**

Wednesday..... 4:30-5:15 pm  
Saturday.....3:30-4:45 pm

**Adoration**

Thursday (Chapel).....12:30-8:00 pm  
Friday (Chapel).....9:30 am-12:00 pm



**St. John the Baptist- Port Orford**

Wednesday .....9:00 am  
Sunday.....8:30 am

**Confession:** Sunday 7:45-8:15 am



**Confirmation**

Confirmation will take place this **Sunday May 24 3:00 pm** at St. Monica Parish in Coos Bay.

Please pray for our two Confirmation candidates.

**Jackson Turner**  
**Pauline Freitag**



<p><b>Holy Trinity Activities</b>  <b>Mon. 5/18</b> Rosary Chapel 1:30 pm  <b>Tues. 5/19</b>  <b>Adult Religious Education</b>  5:00 pm Youth Room  <b>Wed. 5/20</b>  <b>Confession</b> 4:30 pm  <b>Mass</b> 5:30 pm  <b>Thurs. 5/21</b>  <b>Women's Bible Study</b>  10:15 a.m. Parish Hall  <b>Mass Noon</b> in Chapel  <b>Sat. 5/23 Blessing of the Fleet 10:00 am</b></p>	<p><b>May 10, 2015 Collections</b>  <b>Holy Trinity: \$1,994.</b>  Budget Goal: \$2,280.  Catholic Charities: \$290.  Nepal Collection: \$25.  <b>St. John's: \$471.</b>  <b>Catholic Charities donation (report to follow in next bulletin)</b>  We at Holy Trinity and St. John's, rely on our parishioners, our extended family-our visitors, for your contributions and support. Thank You.</p>	<p><b>Liturgical Ministries</b>   <b>Sat. Eve 5/23:</b> Lector- Allison Hundley  EMHC: A. &amp; F. Stadelman  Altar: Sean White  <b>Sun. 5/24:</b> Lector - J. Turner  EMHC: Elaine &amp; Lisa  Altar: Jack &amp; Nick Turner</p>
<p>For a list of Catholic Retreat Centers, visit <a href="http://www.archdpx.org/retreat-centers/">http://www.archdpx.org/retreat-centers/</a>  Enhance your spiritual life with a retreat.</p>	<p><b>Adult Religious Education (RCIA)</b>  <b>Topic:</b>  The Seven Sacraments:  Matrimony, Impediments, Divorce</p>	<p><b>Mass Intentions</b>   <b>Holy Trinity</b>  Sat. 5/16 Int. Wayne Robbins  Sun. 5/17 Int. of All Parishioners  Wed. 5/20 +Kathleen Carr Gatti  Thurs. 5/21 +Winifred Carpenter  Fri.5/22 +Anne Marie Tamalonis  Sat. 5/23 +Kathleen Carr Gatti  <b>St. John the Baptist</b>  Sun. 5/17 Int. Erin Callaghan Sumner</p>

**Blessing of the Fleet**  
**May 23rd**  
**10:00 am**  
**Father Wolf will give a blessing**



BLESSING OF THE FLEET

**Philosophy Night at Holy Trinity**

Join us **Friday, June 12th from 6:30-8:30** to discuss Philosophy itself, which is the “love of wisdom” and the origins of wisdom. We turn to tradition, as it is passed down from God to man and from generation to generation. We will discuss the book, Tradition: Concept and Claim by Josef Pieper. Available through St. Augustine’s Press or on [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com). Questions, or to receive a reading packet, call Fr. Andersen at 541-347-2309 or email him at [eandersen@archdpx.org](mailto:eandersen@archdpx.org). You need not read the book ahead of time. All materials will be provided. Snacks will be served.

**St. John's Announcements**

The PAC Meeting is this **Friday May 22 at 3:30 pm.**  
**Women's Guild** will meet following Mass on Sunday **May 24.**

Thank you to Millie and Father Andersen for the special retreat day. All who attended were treated to a time of prayer, reflection, a wonderful discourse on Our Lady of Fatima, fellowship and great food in a most beautiful setting.

Thank you to the men of the Parish who prepared and served a delightful breakfast last Sunday for Mother's Day. We appreciate all that you do gentlemen!



**Rummage Sale**

It is time to gather items to donate to the upcoming Rummage Sale. Collections of items will begin soon. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Roberts at 541-347-2659. Please bear in mind that clothing and most electronics are not accepted for this sale. A bulletin flyer with more information will be coming soon. Thank you!



From the Desk of Father Eric Andersen

## The Ascension of the Lord



What comes to mind when you think about the Ascension? The image in the popular mind may be that of the Lord departing from the earth, rising up into the clouds from the Mount of Olives. Let's look at this from a different perspective:

Imagine the scene, looking down from the heavens to the earth. What was the perspective of the angels? To set the scene, consider that the angels, according to the Mosaic calendar, were approximately five thousand years old. When God created all things, both visible and invisible, they were among the invisible creation. They witnessed the creation of all material being. They mourned the fall of the angels who rebelled against God and chose darkness over light. They mourned the fall of man. They served God before His heavenly throne awaiting the fulfillment of all things and preparing for it. The Psalms were composed, the Temple was built, the beautiful liturgies of the Temple and the Synagogue developed. A kingdom was built upon earth as a sign of God's sovereignty over all creation. But the heavenly kingdom was not open to God's greatest creation which was man. It was a kingdom populated by angels and it was incomplete. The time had now come on this great day for the kingdom to finally receive its King. God the Father had reigned in pure Spirit upon his throne preparing all creation for this moment.

Now, Christ the King ascends, body and soul, in His divinity and in His humanity, through the clouds, to the blare of trumpets, taking with Him the just souls who have waited in Hades since the death of Adam. The psalms and the prophets speak of this triumph.

Among the Church Fathers, St Augustine, Pope St. Leo the Great, and Dionysius the Areopagite did not focus on Christ leaving us. They focused on the triumphal entry of Christ through the heavenly gates, with a train of souls following Him. They identified this feast as the coronation of Christ as King of heaven and earth, taking His rightful place on His throne at the right hand of the Father. Psalm 47 was cited by Dionysius as the song of the celestial hierarchy of angels. The Powers called out: "God mounts His throne to shouts of joy..." and the Principalities answered: "... a blare of trumpets for the Lord." The Dominions inquired: "Who is this king of glory?" and the Thrones answered: "It is the Lord, the mighty, the valiant in battle. He is the King of Glory!" This is truly a triumphal feast, the final celebration of the Paschal Mystery and Christ's breaking the kingdom of death.

Jesus Christ ascended to heaven taking with him Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Aaron, King David, the Maccabean martyrs. As Christians we believe that God is not the God of the dead, but of the living. So, all those living in Christ are present to us today. Pope John Paul II once said that we are never closer to our beloved dead than when we receive Holy Communion. It is then that we are truly one in the Mystical Body of Christ, which means all the just souls in purgatory, all the saints in heaven, and all the elect upon this earth.

The Mystical Body of Christ dwells not just here in this parish Church, not just on the earth, but throughout the universe and the heavens. The members of this Body are all citizens of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. The seat of this Kingdom is in heaven. To fully understand what we celebrate today, we must understand that our true home is not upon this earth, but in heaven. The Roman Catechism says that He "ascended into heaven in order to teach us to follow Him in mind and heart. He teaches and instructs us that though dwelling on earth, we should raise ourselves in desire to heaven, confessing that we are pilgrims and strangers on the earth, seeking a country and that we are fellow citizens with the saints, and the domestics of God, for, says the Apostle, our conversation is in heaven" (Part I, art. 6).

Today we celebrate the inauguration of the Kingdom of Heaven. St. Augustine addressed us as citizens of heaven, the City of God. We live in the City of man, but we are citizens of the City of God. This is good spiritual counsel: Enjoy the things of this earth, but remember that your true home is not here on earth; your true home is in heaven. Let us pray to God for the grace to desire this kingdom above all the good things He has given to us on this earth.

A blessed Ascensiontide to you.

In Christ,  
Fr. Eric Andersen



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**Next Sunday May 24 is Pentecost Sunday**

**Come Holy Spirit**



**Listen to Fr. Andersen on Mater Dei Radio**

Fr. Eric Andersen will be the guest on Monday, May 18th on "In Person" with Dina Marie. The topic will be Philosophy and Faith. The program airs at 8 am and encores at 8 pm. You can also listen to the archived program online at <http://materdeiradio.com/in-person/>

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