

From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Friends:

Today, we are celebrating the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. This Feast commemorates the elevation of Christ into Heaven by his own power in the presence of his disciples on the fortieth day after his glorious Resurrection. Jesus after his resurrection spent forty days with his disciples instructing them and encouraging them as they prepared for the mission. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven completed his earthly work of our redemption. Through his numerous apparitions to hundreds of people between the day of his glorious Resurrection and the day of his Ascension, Jesus proved two things. First of all, he proved that he was the promised Messiah. Secondly, he proved that through him, who overcame death, persons who persevere in their living faith in Jesus shall also overcome death and inherit the Kingdom of God. In the first reading, Jesus after his resurrection prepares his Apostles to preach the Gospel. Their message will reach the ends of the earth. The two strangers came to tell them that Jesus will come again as he is assumed into heaven and they will meet him for sure. In the second reading, we are reminded of the gifts the ascended Jesus will bestow on the church. Here Paul reminds them of their special calling asking them to maintain the unity in the Spirit and build a bond of peace. In the Gospel Jesus commissions the disciples to go into the whole world and proclaim the Good News. He gives them the power to teach, preach and do the healing miracles in his name. He gives them the command to preach his kingdom to all nations.

We have a teaching mission: Jesus taught us lessons of Faith, Hope, Love, forgiveness, mercy and salvation by his life and preaching and gave us the mission to teach these to others. Let us learn about Jesus and his teachings by our daily study of the Bible and the teachings of the Church, experience Jesus in personal prayer, reception of the Sacraments and works of charity, and convey to others Jesus whom we have experienced with the help of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless You!

Fr. Madanu Lourdu Raju

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS
CCD: Catholic Christian Discipleship**

When Jesus ascended into heaven, he told us that now is our turn to be his true disciples. Jesus said, "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be my witnesses.."Acts 1:1-11. Last Sunday we acknowledged the children who spent a year learning to be witnesses of Jesus by living like Jesus. May all children and teens be witnesses of Jesus at home, at school and in the community.

+ Again, **we thank the teachers who have witnessed Christ with their students:** DeAnn and Sarah Olson, Lynne Komanec, Shelly Keepers, Georgianna Whelan, Eileen O'Malley, Jerome Nicpon, Mary and Ed Chaplinski, Ruby Wenzel, Sr. Marianna, Harry Kolasa, Jim and Rosalie Bryan. May they ascend some day to sit at the right hand of the Father alongside Jesus.

+ For the students who could not be at Mass last Sunday, your certificate can be picked up in the Gathering Space in Gilman.

+ We invite volunteers to teach GRADE 4 and/or GRADE 6 next year Summer is a good time to receive the training to teach.

"Come, be my witness", Jesus says.

Blessings to all,

~ Sr. Marianna

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

Ss. Peter & Paul	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 987.00
Loose	181.00
Total	1,168.00
Total from May 7, 2017	1,376.00
Building Fund	437.00
St. Stanislaus	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 467.00
Loose	52.00
Total	519.00
Total from May 7, 2017	398.00
Building Fund	358.03
St. John	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 639.70
Loose	95.75
Total	735.45
Total from May 7, 2017	854.05
Building Fund	195.00
St. Michael	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 105.00
Loose	72.00
Total	177.00
Total from May 7, 2017	169.02
Building Fund	62.00

(Totals include only the basic collection)
2017/2018 Catholic Services Appeal

Contributor Status Report as of 5/6/18

	Assessment	Received	Amount Due
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$ 11,179.00	\$ 8,845.00	\$ 2,334.00
St. John	\$ 8,721.00	\$ 5,190.00	\$ 3,531.00
St. Stanislaus	\$ 5,249.00	\$ 2,840.00	\$ 2,409.00
St. Michael	\$ 2,509.00	\$ 2,509.00	PAID in FULL

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The **Diocesan Wedding Jubilee Celebration** will be held **Saturday, July 21st at Cathedral of Christ the King, Superior.** The 11 a.m. Mass with Bishop Powers will be followed by a catered lunch. Call the parish office by Monday, June 11 to sign up.

Let us join Fr. Bala Showry on a **HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** to deepen our Catholic faith. Information and the itinerary has been posted at every Church entrance. Join us on this **10 day pilgrimage from January 17 - January 26, 2019.**