

# Ascension of the Lord

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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**Half and Half**  
**from**  
**Msgr. Gary**  
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Welcome back! Welcome to those who have decided to resume participating in Sunday Mass after this two month shut down. I have missed seeing your smiling faces in the pews. Even though I won't be able to see your smiles under your masks I know many of you will be smiling because you have waited a long time to come back and celebrate and receive the Eucharist in the faith community.

The evaluating and planning on the part of the Archdiocese has been going on for these past two months through many hours of meetings, evaluations of medical authorities and the counsel of our civic officials. Many decisions that were made during the past two months were very difficult. For instance, the decision to have no funeral services or weddings was a tough one. Certainly when to again have public Masses though a gradual re-opening process tried to cover many scenarios and details for the entire six county archdiocese. Thankfully, we are able, with the flattening of the curve, to gradually bring people back into church taking all the necessary precautions as advised for the safety of all people.

As I hope everyone knows, the obligation to participate in Sunday has been lifted by Archbishop Vigneron through Labor Day. So no one is pressured, under the pain of sin, to feel that they must attend Sunday Mass. Those 65 years old or older, and anyone of any age who have a modified immune system or other medical complications, is very much advised to stay home. While we all are dispensed from the

obligation to attend Mass, we are still obligated to keep holy the Lord's Day. That can be done by spending time watching some other livestream Masses, reading scripture for a good period of time, doing some acts of mercy, reflecting on the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, etc. The bottom line is some good time needs to be spent dedicated to the Lord.

I am sure as time goes on, we will hear many wonderful and interesting things that happened to people during this quarantine period. Matters of faith would be good to hear. Other interesting happenings would also be good to share. As for me, I was happy to discover and finally make some recipes I have wanted to try (on Fr. Brian).

Let us thank God for the blessings that we have received during these past two months even in the midst of challenging times. I know a few members of our parish personally experienced the effects of Covid-19 and we pray for their continued recovery.

Thanks be to God for all our front line medical people and first responders, especially our parishioners, who have been our heroes during this time. They still need our prayers. Let us also remember all those who have died during the past months, whether from Covid-19 or not because it is very difficult not to be with those who were dying and perhaps not having the time to fully grieve at their loss.

\*\* Ready or not Memorial Day is here. This will be another interesting day different from past holidays. But let us not forget the real purpose of the holiday, remembering those who have died in service to our country.



## mass times & information

**SAT** 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)  
**SUN** 8:00 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
11:30 a.m.  
**MON** 7:30 a.m.  
**TUE** 7:30 a.m.  
**WED** 7:30 a.m.  
**THU** 7:30 a.m.  
**FRI** 8:30 a.m.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

#### \*as of June 1st\*

**MON** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**TUE** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**WED** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**THU** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**FRI** 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
**SAT** Closed  
**SUN** Closed  
**Holidays** — Closed

### BAPTISMS

Please call the parish office during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament. Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

### RECONCILIATION

**SAT** 3:00 p.m. until all have been heard and by appointment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

### MARRIAGE

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

**Adults over 21** need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a Catholic in Good Standing.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Half and Half Continued

*Dear Heavenly Father, as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our service men and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and presence as they stand in the gap for our protection.*

*We also remember the families of our troops, and ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes and your peace, provision and strength to fill their lives.*

*May the members of our armed forces be filled with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support.*


*We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.*

\*\* Please join us for our Memorial Day Mass on Monday at 9 am here at Star of the Sea. This year, due to capacity limitations, our brothers and sisters from St. Joan and St. Lucy will not be joining us.

\*\* Next Sunday is Pentecost. If you are able to purchase some red geraniums to be planted on the campus, simply leave them outside of church under the canopy, If you do come to church next Sunday, wear red!

\*\* Have a blessed week in the power of the Spirit!!

Fr. Gary



Parish office will reopen on June 1st  
with temporary hours  
Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm  
A mask is required to enter office

## Don't miss the latest news from the Parish!

Have you been getting our weekly newsletters via email?

Sign up for the newsletters by visiting <https://olsos.org/get-involved>  
or call the office.

We don't want you to miss out on the latest news or events.

**If you unsubscribed to any of the newsletter, that unfortunately removed you from all newsletters.**

**If you would like to be reinstated please call the parish.**



## Additional Mass

For those who could not participate  
in a Sunday Liturgy



Tuesday night, May 26th at 7 pm  
Call or email the parish  
to reserve your seat  
parish@olsos.org

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, May 25

9:00 a.m. +Frank & Josephine  
M. Colombo

#### Tuesday, May 26

7:30 a.m. +Donald DeNardi

#### Wednesday, May 27

7:30 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

#### Thursday, May 28

7:30 a.m. +Elsie & William  
Connors  
+Edward J. Kuznia

#### Friday, May 29

8:30 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

#### Saturday, May 30

4:00 p.m. Irene E. Parthum  
+Raymond Fix  
+Connie Brooks

#### Sunday, May 31

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Terry Timmer  
+Catherine Jabaro

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski  
+Lou Iacobell  
+Edouard Stines

**Monday, May 25th**  
9:00 a.m.  
limited to 150 people

Please call or email the parish  
office to reserve your seat  
313.884.5554 or  
parish@stargp.org

### Outdoor Rosary (weather permitting)

Every Thursday  
Starting May 28th until Labor Day

7:30 pm

*In the Rosary Garden  
Bring your own lawn chair  
and mask*



### Pentecost - May 30/31

1. Wear **RED** to Sunday Mass.
2. Bring a **RED** geranium to Church and leave outside main church doors we will then plant on campus



*"And behold, I am  
with you always, until  
the end of the age."*

# Scripture Readings

## WEEK OF MAY 24

### SUNDAY

#### Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11

Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20

### MONDAY

Acts 19:1-8

Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab

Jn 16:29-33

### TUESDAY

Acts 20:17-27

Ps 68:10-11, 20-21

Jn 17:1-11a

### 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

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31

Ps 11:4, 5 and 7

Jn 21:20-25

### SUNDAY

#### Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11

Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Jn 20:19-23

## Returning to Mass- Phase I

*As we gradually “open” our church for the celebration of the Mass beginning May 19, it is important to follow some directives for the good health and well being of all people. Please realize Mass will not be the same as two months ago. **Your patience and cooperation with the new procedures will be very much appreciated, especially for our first few weekends. These procedures will be adapted as necessary as we move forward.***

### General Information

1. All the faithful in the Archdiocese of Detroit are dispensed from their Sunday obligation to attend Mass through Sunday, September 6.
2. Those older than 65 years old, with a compromised health condition, or caring for the sick are encouraged to stay home. Anyone who is ill, has a temperature, cough, etc., should definitely stay home as an act of justice to the whole community.
3. Those unable to attend Sunday Mass, for whatever reason, may take another opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist at a weekday Mass.
4. Our limit inside church for each Mass is 150 people. **Please email the parish office [parish@stargp.org](mailto:parish@stargp.org) or call 313-884-5554 before Friday at 4 pm to make your “reservation” for your weekend Mass time.**
5. Please bring your own **hand sanitizer** to use prior to and after receiving Holy Communion.

### New Procedures in Mass Participation

- + **Cloth face coverings (masks) must be worn at all times by everyone over the age of two.** If you do not have a mask, and do not have access to getting one, please call or email the office. We have a few cloth ones available for you to have.
- + Any socializing must be done outside given our small gathering space. Please remember social distancing practices.
- + A physical distance of 6’ must be observed between individuals or family groups.
- + **Please enter church through the main entrance (canopy) doors.**
- + To provide safe distancing during Mass, you may be ushered to a seat. *So, you will likely not be able to sit in your “usual spot” for Mass!*
- + All books have been removed from the pews. You may bring your own prayer book to assist in your participation during Mass.
- + Offertory collection boxes will be provided for the collection. Baskets will not be passed during Mass.
- + Those who feel comfortable to do so may approach to receive Holy Communion. You will be directed, by pew, while keeping 6 feet between each person in line. Please sanitize your hands prior to Communion. After responding “Amen” and receiving the Host, pull down your mask to consume the Host. Then reposition your mask over your mouth before returning to your seat. Detailed instructions will be provided at Mass about this new procedure.
- + At the conclusion of Mass, to avoid a crowd leaving church, you will be dismissed by pew for you to go directly outside to your car.

## In memoriam

5/25/1964 Isidor Manzo  
5/25/1968 Josephine Bernacki  
5/25/1980 Agnes Bonahoom  
5/25/1980 Blanche Zuercher  
5/25/1995 Yvon DesRoberts  
5/25/2007 Glennell Staats  
5/26/1961 Chandron Codde  
5/26/1976 Agatha Ventimiglia  
5/26/1982 Cass Lawrence  
5/26/1992 Paul Griffith  
5/26/2008 George Lutfy  
5/26/2010 Geraldine Kain  
5/27/1960 Richard Palombit  
5/27/1962 Gilbert DePonio  
5/27/1971 Marie Sabbe  
5/27/1973 Loretta DeLaMeilleure  
5/27/1984 Anthony Danna  
5/27/1989 Theresa Diemer  
5/27/1994 Leo McPharlin  
5/27/2004 William Buffalino  
5/27/2012 Paul Chauvin  
5/28/1958 Marie Klein  
5/28/1966 Sam Olenjniczak  
5/28/1984 Charles Dwyer  
5/28/1994 Robert Adam  
5/28/2006 Gino Verona  
5/28/2014 Adeline Mancuso  
5/29/1966 Joseph Teipel  
5/29/1969 Peter Wayne  
5/29/1972 William Kennedy, Jr.  
5/29/1978 John Kraus  
5/29/2015 Richard Zaccardelli  
5/30/1975 Phyllis Rose Pringle  
5/30/1976 Patricia Haney  
5/30/1976 Angelo Pagliara  
5/30/1979 Valeria Wieckowski  
5/30/1982 Beatrice Prince  
5/30/2010 Edwin Secord  
5/31/1965 Mabel DeClercq  
5/31/1969 Thomas Watson  
5/31/1978 Margaret Hosbach  
5/31/1979 John Vassalo, Sr.  
5/31/2010 Jack Tocco

## Please pray for

### the sick

Angela Agrusa  
Daniel Ament  
Jim Amori  
Bruce Belcoure  
Lisa Belcoure  
Marie Brady  
Rod Brown  
Robert Caldwell  
Cassidy Christie  
Dr. William Collins  
Sharon De Long  
Virg Ditty  
Joseph Drader  
Dave Galbenski  
Peter John Hanna  
Linda Keschl  
Steve Kocsis  
Lynn Land  
Luke Lleshaj  
Phyllis Marek  
Rev. Timothy Mazur  
Mary Ann Montpetit  
Kristina Mulder  
Laura Murphy  
Dan Murphy

Sue Nelson  
Don Nelson  
Marilyn O'Bryan  
Sylvia Panicara  
Jim Panicara  
Lilian Rogers  
Joe Ross  
Terry Ryba  
Josh Simon  
Joseph Simon  
Carmela Veneri  
Charlotte Weekes  
Fr. Francis Weingartz

### those in the military

Joshua Bielak  
Paul David Boni  
James Patrick Carrier  
Kyle Cone  
Emily de Brun  
Jason T. Erbecker  
Ramon Lopez Garcia  
Dylan Goitz  
Kevin Hanley  
Matt Helm  
Matt Hoffman  
Matthew Johnston  
Justin Kelly

Paul Koss  
Matt Lacy  
Kyle Lechner  
Thomas Miller  
Joseph Misuraca  
Michael Mott  
Vincent Scalabrino  
Meghan Servais  
Dan Sheppard  
Richard Shetler, III  
Robert Skowronski  
Antonio Spindler  
Donte Spindler  
Michael Trondle  
Michael Ullman  
John Walker

### the faithful departed

Sira Cosio  
Mary Lou Ferrante  
Mary Ann Giorgio  
Ronald Pikielk  
Anne Marie Shaheen  
Louise Shaway  
Eduard Stines  
Georgette Zahar

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