

READINGS

May 8, 2016

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

First Reading: Acts 1: 1-11

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 17-23

Gospel: Luke 24: 46-53

STEWARDSHIP

May 1st\$6,302

Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Today's feast teaches us a profound lesson about possessing and being possessed. Through his Ascension, Jesus shows that clinging to him in time and history serves no purpose. Nor does he cling to the human beings around him, unwilling to let them go free in order to continue their Gospel mission. Rather, his whole life, death and resurrection teach us to accept everyone and everything as a gift, on loan to us. It is not good to cling tightly to relationships or to hoard earthly treasures.

On this feast let us learn to revere all that we have with deep gratitude, and hold everything in open hands. Let us reflect on the symbol of open hands. During our times of prayer, let us open our hands and surrender all the important treasures and relationships of our lives to God.

Do we experience any obstacles in letting go and giving

everyone and everything to God? This week let us be aware of our feelings toward others, and toward the things we have. Are we joyful? Anxious? Sad? Afraid? Let us share these feelings with God. Let us spend time expressing our gratitude to God for each gift and relationship. And most of all, let us find some concrete ways to express our love and gratitude to people we often take for granted, including Jesus.

*Adapted from: saltandlighttv.org
Catholic blog*

PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VÁSQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:

For the Church, the living Body of Christ, that each of us would cooperate with God's grace so that through prayer, sacrifice and service Christ will be seen in all we do ...

ASCENSION OF THE LORD
-Holy Day of Obligation-
transferred to today Sunday
May 8th.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES WILL RESUME IN THE FALL PLEASE SEE SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Clothing can serve many purposes in our occupation, profession or a team association. We do dress differently for various events. Jesus promises the disciples that they will be "clothed with power from on high." This clothing with the Holy Spirit resides within allowing the person to be an icon, a living manifestation of Christ to others. Just as Jesus is God's Word in action, so to does the Holy Spirit empower us today to be God's Word in action as members of the Body of Christ. God never forces us. We must accept and cooperate with God's gift. In what ways do others see Christ in us? In what ways do we need to cooperate with God's grace to allow Christ to be seen in us in every moment? We are each a work in progress.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ROSARY every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 5:45-9pm and *Mornings* Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

NIGHT PRAYER hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

FREE LUNCH every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

BOBCATS FOR LIFE Thursdays 6:30pm in the Library

BIBLE STUDIES every day!

www.txstatecatholic.org

DAY OF REFLECTION AT EAGLE'S WINGS

Aging with Grace and Wisdom, a day of reflection, will be held Tuesday May 10th 9:30am- 2:30pm at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. During the day specific attention will be given to six spiritual tasks of aging: Letting go, No regrets, Meaning, Legacy, Forgiveness and Solitude. The cost is \$35, which includes a light breakfast and lunch. To pre-register, visit www.ewrc.org.

ALL YOUNG ADULTS ARE INVITED TO ADORATION Tuesday May 17th from 7-9pm at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt in Austin. For more information, contact Jesse Cortes at jesus.cortes.amdg@gmail.com or Theresa Prudhomme at tprudhomme@schoenstatt.us. The shrine is located at 225 Addie Roy Rd, Austin, TX 78746 and is open daily from 9am -8pm.

MASS WITH FR. ROCKY Relevant Radio 970 AM and St. Mary Cathedral extend an open invitation to a Mass with Father Rocky Hoffman on Wed., May 18 at 8:30am at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Father Rocky is the executive director of Relevant Radio and hosts the radio show "Go Ask Your Father." Complimentary parking is available in Capital Tower Garage, accessible via San Jacinto Blvd. Press 2 to get to the Donahue Center Level then cross the alley to the Cathedral. Validate parking ticket in Donahue Center or Cathedral Office after Mass.



Congratulations Graduates!



Proverbs 3: 5-6

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

MATCHING GIFT COLLECTION

Thank you to all of you who contributed to our Matching Gift collection last week. We reached our goal! Because of your contributions and our generous donor we raised \$10,000 total last week.



5pm Sunday Mass is canceled until August 21st

SUMMER SCHEDULE Daily Masses will continue through the summer but will change according to Fr. Will's schedule. Please check our website, bulletin, email update, or call the office for specific days.