

Mass Intentions (May 20-26, 2023)

Sat. May 20/4:30 p.m. Deceased members of Nelson & Anthony families - Rose Anthony & family

Sun. May 21/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird
Thomas Mary Nathan - Parishioners
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families
Carlo, Valentina & Francesco Cicchino - Nick Cicchino
Estela & Ray Angelo Taguinod & Richard Gélinas - Guia Gélinas

Wed. May 24/10:00 a.m. Corazon Ynalvez, Joselyn & Roselyn Turico-Lucila Ynalvez

Thu. May 25/10:00 a.m. Coral Henriques - Yvonne Gouveia

Memorial - St. Philip Neri

Fri. May 26/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

Feast of The Ascension of Our Lord (Year A)

“May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you.”

First Reading (Acts 1:1-11)

Jesus ascends into heaven from where he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Second Reading (Ephesians 1:17-23)

The Holy Spirit is poured into the hearts of the baptized that they may respond with joy and hope.

Gospel (Matthew 28:16-20)

Jesus sends the apostles to the ends of the earth to preach the Gospel and baptize.

Reflection:

Jesus stayed on earth only a relative short period of time (30 some years).

His public ministry was no more than three years.

And after His death and resurrection, He empowered His disciples to continue His work and gifted them with the Holy Spirit.

The Ascension of the Lord is a feast full of hope and joy.

This feast gives hope to those who are dying or bereaved.

It reveals to us the promise of life in heaven. It promises the mercy of God and the forgiveness of sins when we recognize them and repent.

It promises that God will never abandon us, even though we may abandon God. We can trust that God remains open to our change and conversion unless we finally refuse this gift.

This feast also looks forward and prepares us for the feast of Pentecost when we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

We await the coming of the Holy Spirit to help us live our lives following Christ the good shepherd. We, His disciples in this space and time, are commissioned to continue that ministry of spreading the faith.

May you be willing to do whatever is necessary to further the spread of the Good News to others!



Confirmation is the sacrament in which, through the laying on of hands anointing with the Chrism oil, and prayer, those already baptized are strengthened by the Holy Spirit in order that they may steadfastly profess the faith and faithfully live up to their profession.

Today we are most grateful to welcome our Episcopal Vicar Fr. Raymond Lafontaine to our parish to celebrate and confirm our 6 Faith First children.

Taja Butoyi
Michael Forlini
Matteo Di Lonardo
Alessio Nardi
Kiana Nardi
Teo Ricci

“A SPECIAL THANK YOU” is extended to Lina Forlini and all our Catechists who volunteered their precious time and talent every Sunday morning to make the program a success.

We also **THANK** all the parents and children for their participation and cooperation in making the program a success.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week FOR OUR CONFIRMANDS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Every Friday 9 to 10 am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &

Chaplet of The Divine Mercy followed by mass at 10 am.

Sick and Shut-Ins

If you have a family member or know of a friend who is shut-in and wish to receive Holy Communion or a visit from our pastoral home care team please call the parish office. We are here to serve you.



SUNDAY, JUNE 11
AFTER MASS

Join our Parish Filipino Community on June 11, after the 10:00 am mass for a fundraising brunch benefitting St. Richard Parish.

Filipino Cuisine to Savor...

Litson, Pancit, Palabok, Adobo, Apritada, Menudo, Chopsuey, Spring & Egg Rolls,...

including tasty and mouth watering desserts...

Leche flan, Cassava cake, Rice cake, Fruit platters etc.

Tickets are on sale

Kids under 10 years enjoys for free...

Adults each 25\$ available for purchase after mass.

If you can help with selling tickets please see Teresa Baird.

Thank you in advance for any help!

CELEBRATING ST. RICHARD'S PARISH



As we prepare for the celebration for the 60th anniversary of St. Richard's Parish,

The first mass in this building was said on June 13, 1963.

Sunday June 11, 2023 mass will be celebrated to start the event.

Many activities are being planned throughout the year to celebrate this momentous year which will include all

parishioners. These events will recognize the contributions of the many people and groups which were instrumental in the

development of our parish. Parishioners/Volunteers who wish to participate in forming the committee with ideas are requested to

call the office to be included in the team.

Thank you for your help!