

"As they were
looking on,
he was lifted up,
and a cloud
took him from
their sight.

ACTS 1:9

ASCENSION *of the* LORD

Family Connection

The Ascension of the Lord

God speaks to
Families thru Scripture

Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the fortieth day after Easter. We sing praise to God as he mounts his throne. God has raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand, and the disciples go forth to preach as Jesus commanded.

Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

It can be very important whom we sit next to. Any family that has tried to sit down to a family dinner or packed the car for a trip has heard children argue at least once about who should sit where.

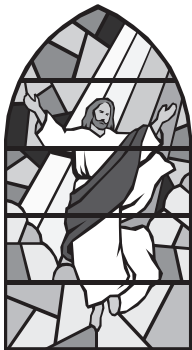
To sit next to someone, especially if that person is important, is to have a place of honor. Jesus has this place of honor seated at God's right hand, but there's more to this metaphor than where Jesus sits in relation to God. To be in the place of honor is also to be in a place of power.

Knowing people in powerful places can be helpful. Our children remind us of this each time we are called upon to referee a conflict. Jesus, honored at God's right hand, is a powerful ally for us.

As you gather as a family, recall a time when there was a discussion, or perhaps even an argument, about where people were going to sit. Talk about why it might be important to a person to sit in a particular place.

Talk about what we might learn about the relationship between God and Jesus from today's Gospel and what we learn about Jesus' relationship to us. The one thing we learn is that Jesus continues to help us from this place of honor in heaven.

Pray together the Apostles' Creed.



This years Vacation Bible School

JUNE 15 - 19
Monday thru Friday
9 a.m. - 12 noon
Grades K - 6

Only \$25 for the whole week
Includes Bible stories, crafts, games,
snacks and much more

WOW!

(That's cheaper than a babysitter!)

REGISTER TODAY!

online at

**[www.vacationbibleschool.com/
churchofstanne](http://www.vacationbibleschool.com/churchofstanne)**

Or check the bulletin board in
Solanus Hall for registration form

THANK YOU

for your
BUCHE's
RECEIPTS



Check the bottom of your receipt for "Cash Kids 2009" then drop the receipt in the box located in the entrance to church. We use the money we make to help fund our service projects.

Thanks to everyone's help—we turned in a total of **\$580** for the year.

THANK YOU ALL!



**MEET WITH US
IN YOUR OWN
HOME**

stanneprayforus.blogspot.com/
We're here to dialogue, share, and pray. We want to engage subjects in an informed and relaxed way.

Please join us!

The latest discussion focuses on the upcoming "Year of the Priest" starting June 19.

Memorial Day

We remember
all those who
fought for the
freedom we
enjoy in this
United States
of America



Following the end of the Civil War many communities set aside a day to mark the end of the war or as a memorial to those who had died. The first *memorial day* was observed in 1865 by liberated slaves who re interred the dead Union soldiers from a mass grave to individual graves, fenced in the graveyard and built an entry arch declaring it a Union graveyard. This was a daring action for them to take in the South shortly after the North's victory. On May 30, 1868, the freed slaves returned to the graveyard with flowers they had picked from the countryside and decorated the individual gravesites, thereby creating the first *Decoration Day*.

The official birthplace of *Memorial Day* is Waterloo, New York where John A. Logan helped bring attention to the event nationwide. On May 5, 1868, in his capacity as commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, a veterans' organization, Logan issued a proclamation that "*Decoration Day*" be observed nationwide. It was observed for the first time on May 30 of the same year; the date was chosen because it was *not* the anniversary of a battle. The tombs of fallen Union soldiers were *decorated* in remembrance.

The alternative name of "*Memorial Day*" was first used in 1882. It did not become more common until after World War II, and was not declared the official name by Federal law until 1967. On June 28, 1968, the United States Congress passed the Uniform Holidays Bill which changed all government holidays to a Monday. The change moved Memorial Day from its traditional May 30 date to the last Monday in May. The law took effect at the federal level in 1971.

Worship



Many of the Easter accounts have directed our attention to the appearances of Jesus, which were intended to strengthen the Christian's belief in his bodily resurrection. The emphasis was frequently on certain physical characteristics: he ate food; he invited Thomas to touch him. In many of these accounts Jesus seems to have been saying: "I am the same one who walked with you before. This is the body that you have always known." Today we stand awestruck watching Jesus ascend into the clouds of heaven, there to be enthroned at the right hand of God. Today is a day to be overwhelmed by the reality of the divinity of the one whom we have known in his humanity.

Amidst shouts of joy and exaltation, Christ is enthroned in heaven in both his divinity and his glorified humanity. Like the conquering creator-god, he has overcome his enemy (death) and now reigns over his new creation (the Church). For our part, we live between the time of his departure and the time of his return. Today we rejoice in one aspect of this mystery, his triumphant ascension; soon we will celebrate the second, the coming of his Spirit. Even though he has left us physically, we do not live without him as we wait. He is present with us in a new way, in a new body, in the Church. (Taken from Preaching the New Lectionary Year B by Sister Dianne Bergant.)



Weekend of May 30th & 31st

Lectors

5:00—Judy Henley, Connie Stalker
 8:30—Judy Schmaltz, Barb vonKnipper
 10:30—Kim Rossman, Rick Steenson

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00—Susan & Alissa Reddy, Mark & Kim Hansen, Ken, Matt & *Angie Sheperd (MS)*
 8:30—Lloyd Schmaltz, Gary Schafer, Mike & Ellen Johnson, Jan Tait, Mo Voyer, *Greg Swett (MS)*
 10:30—Dean & Rachel Thompson, Colleen Kollar, Herman Greif, Scott & Alayna Johanning, *Jerry Bellefeuille (MS)*

Altar Servers

5:00—Madison, Molly & Brooklyn Dearing
 8:30—Joseph, Mary Grace & Theresa Schmid
 10:30—Brionna & Nicholas Sesock, Leanna LaScala



Altar Linen Schedule

05-24-09—Jean Zubalik
 05-31-09—Ruth Rogan

Altar Care Schedule

05-29-09—Cathy Knight
 06-05-09—Margaret Kengerski

children's



liturgy

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

05/23-24/2009

5:00—Denise VandenBossche

8:30—Frank Genovese

10:30—Gwen Koss

05/20-31/2009

5:00—Sue Roberts

8:30—Ann Schmid

10:30—Scott & Alayna Johanning

Readings for May 31, 2009

Acts 2:1-11

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

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

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15



WE REMEMBER AND WE THANK ALL WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR OUR COUNTRY.

Please keep all men and women serving our country in your thoughts and prayers. The following are parishioners or relatives or friends of our parishioners. Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to the list.

- Cpl. Chris Berry US Army
- Lnc. Cpl. Andrea Resendez-Goodwine US Marines
- Captain Justin Quisenberry US Army
- Spc. Paul Mathes US Army Reserves
- Pfc. Joseph Vance Jisa US Army
- Andrew Sage US Navy Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class
- Daniel Sage US Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer 3rd Class
- Joseph Jisa US Air Force
- Douglas E. Schulte US Navy Chief Petty Officer
- Mstr. Sgt. Kevin R. Smith USAF Reserves
- Gunny Sgt. Eric Johnson USMC
- Capt. David Krzycki US Army
- Cpl. Matthew Weiss USMC



CONGRATULATIONS!

Mr. & Mrs. George Michael Buhler

Married

May 23, 2009

at

St. Anne Church

Question: Am I passively waiting for God to restore the world or am I actively participating in its renewal?

Enjoy the beautiful spring weather!

Julie

Christian Service

Thanks are in order!

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the **Problem Pregnancy Center** in Oxford. Your donations of baby items will help new babies and their Moms as they struggle with economic difficulties. Your concern shows your commitment to respect the life of a new baby and honor the struggles of the parent(s).

Your continuing donations to the **OCEF Emergency Food Pantry** located here at St. Anne's are gratefully received by the many families that we are serving each month. I realize it is more of a struggle to donate items for the Food Pantry in these difficult times and you should know that the families visiting the Pantry also realize it. They are grateful that community members are still willing and able to contribute to help them.

If you would like to help OCEF then please consider shopping at **Wojo's Greenhouse** on May 29 or May 31 and mention OCEF before your items are rung up and **Wojo's** will donate 10% of your purchase to OCEF! You get beautiful flowers/shrubs/plants and OCEF receives money to purchase food from **Gleaners Food Bank** for the Emergency Food Pantry.

Your donations to the **Care & Share Fund** continue to assist people who are threatened with utility shut-offs and eviction notices as well as help with prescriptions. Recently we have helped a few children with shoes. Every dollar you donate will make a significant difference for someone in our community. Thanks to everyone who donates to the **Care & Share Fund**. You have already helped so many people and with continued donations we will be able to continue to reach out to our neighbors in need.

The **Care & Share** box is located in the **Gathering Area** near the entrance into the Church Sanctuary.

In today's reading from the Acts of Apostles the angels ask a question of those who have just witnessed Jesus' Ascension; "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?"

For me that question is also a reminder to not only look up to heaven in prayer but to look around me to see Jesus' face in all people and take up the work of God that needs to be done now.

So many of you have taken up the work of God through your generous donations to help our neighbors and we are all blessed by your generosity.

Peace,
Judy

Bread For The World Offering Of Letters

Our parish Peace and Justice Committee will be sponsoring their annual Offering of Letters for Bread for the World on the weekend of June 6-7 after all Masses.



"The universal Christian symbol is the cross, a transcendent fixture that stands with both a vertical and a horizontal element. Bread for the World's 2009 Offering of Letters reconciles both elements where our commitment to God, the vertical, shines with our care for the poor and the hungry, the horizontal. Via these letters, our national elected officials will understand the moral imperative to alleviate poverty and hunger. They will join with the faith community in fortifying the greatest of all wars in our generation, the war against apathy, injustice and poverty. Let us pray that the 2009 Offering of Letters will fortify a cross with complete message of our Lord, bringing Good News to the poor."

Rev. Samuel Rodriguez, President, National Hispanic Leadership Conference

Nominations For Parish Pastoral Council

We invite you to submit the name(s) of those you wish to nominate to serve on our Parish Pastoral Council. Council members serve a term of three years. To be eligible, a person must be 18 years old, registered as a parishioner, and able to attend monthly council meetings. Eight names (including four alternates) will be drawn by lot at the 10:30 Mass on the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday, May 31. Nominations must be in the office by Tuesday, May 26.

Name _____

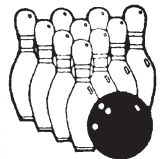
Phone _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Tear off and place in the collection basket at mass or mail to the parish offices.

Bowling Fun For OCEF



Our local Verizon Wireless retailer is joining with other two other Verizon outlets to raise money for **Gleaners Food Bank**, **The Wireless Zone Foundation** for Giving and the **ORTONVILLE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY FUND (OCEF)**.

This Bowling Fundraiser will take place on Saturday, June 20th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the **Holly Lanes** on Grange Hall Rd. in Holly. The price is \$25.00 per ticket and it includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, and dinner. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and a Silent Auction with great items! Purchase your tickets for your family and plan on having a great evening while helping OCEF!

Tickets may be purchased at our local Verizon Wireless dealer located in **Bueche's plaza**.

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Before ascending to heaven, Jesus told us to "proclaim the gospel." The great St. Francis of Assisi added to this when he said: "Preach always and sometimes, if necessary, use words." We preach by how we live. What is the message preached by your family?



Purchase Wojo's Flowers And Help OCEF

If you plan on purchasing flowers, plants or shrubs from **Wojo's** this spring then you may be able to help OCEF. Purchase your items on Friday, May 29th or on Sunday, May 31st and mention the OCEF fundraiser to the cashier before they start to ring up your sale and 10% of your sale will go to OCEF. You will get your beautiful plant items and OCEF receives money to purchase more food from **Gleaners Food Bank** for the OCEF Food Pantry. Thank you!

Guest House's 24th Annual Golf Classic

Please join us on June 15, 2009, for Guest House's 24th Annual Golf Classic to benefit Guest House's programs providing treatment for alcohol and other addicted clergy and religious. We'll enjoy a great day of golf at the beautiful, private Oakhurst Golf & Country Club in Clarkston, Michigan. The event will include a 4-person scramble, lunch and dinner with awards reception following the golf. **FEATURED EVENTS** for the day will include: Putting Contest, Hole in One, Longest Drive, Sponsor Gifts, 52 Card Picks, Closest to the Pin, Mulligans, Player Gifts, Prizes and Awards, Raffle, Auction and much more. **REGISTER NOW** for \$225/golfer. www.guesthousegolfclassic.com, or call 248-391-4445.

Alzheimer's Or Dementia Assistance

Have a loved one battling Alzheimer's or Dementia? If so, Catholic Social Services of Oakland County's Sheltering Arms Adult Day Centers can help. Your loved one will receive individual attention and care during the day, leaving you free to run errands, go to work, or just take a break. We provide music therapy, hydrotherapy, therapy gardening as well as lunch! Locations conveniently located in Auburn Hills and Southfield. Please call Mindy Rubio at 248-537-3300 and schedule an intake appointment today.



Euchre Party

Saturday, June 6, 2009

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

Cards begin at 7:30 p.m.

\$5.00 per person

Includes pizza, snacks & prizes

All adults welcome!

Fr. Gerry Visits Homebound

If you have a loved one who is ill or if you know of a parishioner who is ill and would like a visit from Fr. Gerry, please contact the parish office at 248-627-3965.

Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday, May 23, 2009

2:30 p.m. Wedding—George Michael Buhler & Amber Christina Breault

5:00 p.m. Tom Bleau req. by Geny Klinkhamer; Veronica Moore (Birthday Rembr.) req. by Gwen Roberts; Donald Roberts (Birthday Rembr.) req. by Gwen Roberts; Joseph Daniel Homant (Birthday Rembr.) req. by Family

Sunday, May 24, 2009

8:30 a.m. The Living and Deceased Members of the Chateau & Warnke Families req. by Family

10:30 a.m. John R. Olmeda (8th Anniv.) req. by the Olmeda Family; Graduates of St. Anne Parish

Monday, May 25, 2009

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, May 26, 2009

9:00 a.m. George Apel req. by Friends

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

9:00 a.m. Roberta Noble req. by Family

Friday, May 29, 2009

9:00 a.m. Robert Phillips req. by Friends

Saturday, May 30, 2009

5:00 p.m. Leo Fetzer, Jr. req. by Tom & Ruth Rogan; David Brown (Birthday Rembr.) req. by Rachael & Rebecca Brown & Family; John Sfire (Healing) req. by John & Mary Nassar

Sunday, May 31, 2009 PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. Teresa Genovese (Birthday Rembr.) req. by Family; Bob Warnke (18th Anniv.) req. by Family

10:30 a.m. Dema Campbell req. by Joyce and Jose Olmeda

Please Pray For The Intentions Of:

Cpl. Matthew Peter Weiss USMC-Afghanistan...Keri Grasso...Rose Ann Foster...Sue Howard...Charlene Carlson...Michelle Van Zweden...Virginia Laker...Jim Brooks...Kim Landis...George Imbier...Gloria Mish...Michael Jaruzel...Karin Story...Therese Apel...Addison Tong...Theresa Aaron...Patty Baetz...Roxann Ottusch...Lynne Flanagan...Betty Sorrentino...Joann Petrill...Brian Ingles...Sherri Bentfield...Judi Pearce...Michael Bolus...Nassir Bitti...Patrick Lamb...John Battani...Joyce Olmeda...Joan Ball...Jean & Hugh Rousseau

A Mission: Possible Moment

I remember sharing, with a few others, a hot air balloon ride. This was years ago but the memory is still vivid. The vistas were spectacular—the city of Seattle with its blend of new and old architecture in clear view, Mt. St. Helens in the distance, and bodies of water all around us, seeming close enough to touch.

The wind, as gentle as it was, drove and guided us. Once over the physical uneasiness of ascending, I was quite comfortable sailing along. My hearing seemed to improve. Conversations from below were crystal clear. My perspective expanded and deepened. It was one of the most memorable, exhilarating, and yet relaxing experiences of my life. I felt renewed; and once we touched down, I couldn't wait to share my experience with others. What do you think it was like for the apostles to experience Jesus Christ's ascension? What was it like for them to be told, "Go out into the whole world..?" Do you look for moments in life to expand your awareness of the world, of others, and of life itself? Might you consider broadening and deepening your life by venturing into the world of service? God may be inviting you to experience life in a fuller way by responding to the call, by proclaiming The Good News in honest and helpful ways to a world in need of hearing.

Check out our website at www.missionpossibledetroit.org for more information about lay ministry.

—Jim Kiefer, Archdiocese of Detroit
director of the Office of
Pastoral Ministries

FLOWER: Families Live Out The Word In Everyday Routines

...but they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them...

The Paschal Candle is one of our most profound symbols of the presence of Christ among us. Today he returns to the right hand of God—but we don't extinguish the candle. His presence is still among us. He now works with us and through us. As disciples we strive to live the Gospel, and when we do we carry the light of Christ with us to others... What parts of the Gospel live in us? What parts do we need help with? How do others discover the Gospel through us?

Youth Ministry News:

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

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| Katie Begley | Caresse Bitti |
| Casey Bryant | Katelyn Clark |
| Kara Craig | Shana DeVoe |
| Amanda Didur | Kevin Dobiesz |
| Joshua Dolecki | David Donnay |
| Megan Doyen | Matthew Elliott |
| Aaron Follis | Jacob Graveldinger |
| Allie Guzman | Adam Hamilton |
| Kassandra Hebel | Lukas Heller |
| Maureen Herrell | Chloe Hill |
| Jonathan Hill | Jacob Knight |
| Celina Kollar-Prince | Kathleen Kovarik |
| Jeffrey Kunz | Jaelyn Kwiatkowski |
| Jacob Lane | Jessica Lane |
| Kayla La Vearn | Kelsey Marsh |
| Megan McCoy | Tiffany McManus |
| Adam Montgomery | Brendan Morris |
| Shea Penney | Morgan Price |
| Joey Reo | Kate Rich |
| Sam Roberts | Lauren Schumacher |
| Matt Sheperd | Aimee Soave |
| Tommy States | R.J. Steenson |
| Ryszard Szlenkier | Lyndsey Tennant |
| Rachel Thompson | Logan Williams |
| Stacy Woloszyk | Sarah Yahrmatter |



THANK YOU TO TOM FORST, DEB GAVES AND LINDA MIZEJEWSKI FOR HELPING WITH THE GRADUATION BRUNCH! We truly appreciate your time and energy setting up, serving and cleaning up. YOU helped make sure that this was a special day for our graduates and their families to relax and enjoy. Also a BIG THANK YOU to those who donated food and/or money towards the brunch: Dr. Royann Hassinger, Patricia Everett, Marie Ahonen, Suzy Fluck, Suzanne Jones, Judy Henley, Jereen Trudell, Deb Gaves, Alice Robb, Linda Mizejewski, Sandy Franzosi, Gwen Koss, Beth Eschmann and Colleen Francis.

God Bless You for your Generosity!

ADULT FOSTER CARE VISIT UPDATE:

We had our last monthly craft and bingo afternoon with the residents at Regina House & Nature's Way adult foster care homes on Sunday, May 17th. Thank you to Danielle & Carol Kasper for volunteering at Regina House and Fiodor Kessler, Brooke & Debbie Dafoe for volunteering for Nature's Way. We will be unable to start this ministry back up in the Fall, unless someone steps up to be coordinators for each home. Call Ext. 132 if interested.

Stewardship Corner

Parish Support

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2008/June 30, 2009

Weekly Budget

Sunday contribution.....\$8,908.00 (100%)

May

1st Sunday, Received.....\$8,573.55 (96%)

2nd Sunday, Received.....\$7,545.16 (84%)

3rd Sunday, Received.....\$10,293.22 (115%)

Weekend of May 16/17, 2009

Amount in envelopes.....\$6,351.50

Electronic Offertory.....\$2,970.00

Loose monies.....\$971.72

Weekly over budget.....\$1,385.22

Yearly under budget.....\$12,223.02

2009 CSA Update

Our Target\$73,133

Pledges to Date.....\$39,922

Pledges needed to reach target.....\$33,211

A big "thank you" to those parishioners who have already sent in their pledge. If you have not yet made a pledge we urge you to please consider making a pledge as soon as possible. We need your support to reach our target of \$73,133. Remember, every dollar that goes beyond our target goal is returned to our parish for our use to help support the ministries we offer. If you are unable to pledge this year, please return your form so we don't continue to send you CSA mail.

ATTN: GOLFERS & GOLFER WANNABES!

Saturday, June 20th 8:00 A.M. Shotgun Start at "Fountains Golf & Banquet Center" in Clarkston. This is sponsored by the Men's & Women's groups at St. Daniel's church. The cost is \$45 per person and includes golf, cart & hot dog lunch. The proceeds will go towards our Mission Trip gas money. Contact Michael Joseph #248-620-1333 or email him at mtjbuckeye@aol.com before 6/11/09. This is an 18 Hole 4 person scramble.

CEDAR POINT ALERT!!

We are scheduled to go the Cedar Point on Wed., July 15, 2009. I have to have the bus **FULL by May 31st** or we will have to cancel the trip. If you can get permission slips in & a \$20 deposit, that will hold your spot. This is open to all ages as well as families. The cost is \$60 per person & covers bus, admission & snack/drink on bus.

YOUTH GROUP SOFTBALL

Our first Home Softball game will be Saturday, June 7th 2:00 p.m. at the field behind the Middle School. Everyone is welcome to come cheer the team on!

God Bless, Kim