

**Announcements
For the week of
May 8, 2016**

Happy Mothers Day to all Mothers!

Special Shout-out and Happy Birthday to Lila Viltz, celebrating 85 years on May 9th.

Third Age Mass and Luncheon: Third Age Mass will be celebrated at Our Mother of Mercy Parish, Beaumont on Tuesday May 17 at 10:00am, Luncheon will follow in the Church Hall, tickets for the Luncheon are \$12.00 dollars.

National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive, Saturday May 14, 2016. Put your Non-perishable donation in a bag by your mailbox, the letter carriers will deliver it to a Local Food Bank.

Knights of Columbus Council 951 is now accepting applications for our annual scholarship program. Scholarships will be for \$1000 each. Interested parties should visit your church office for an application. Deadline for scholarship entry is May 31, 2016.

Please use the Birthright envelopes to make your contributions for Mother's Day.

Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements can be emailed. They must be approved by our Pastor, Fr. Lowell Case. Deadline for all announcements is 2:00pm on Monday. No impromptu announcements.

Please pray for all our Military, all the Sick and Shut-In and their families. Take home a copy of this week's bulletin for other announcements.

May 8, 2016

**GOOD EVENING/MORNING PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VISTORS!
(PAUSE)**

**WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH. WE ARE IN
THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, ASCENSION OF
THE LORD. KINDLY TURN TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING
OF WELCOME, (PAUSE 20 SECONDS).**

**BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S
COLLECTIONS. THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR REDUCING PARISH
DEBT.**

TODAY'S THEME:

Today's celebration is a reminder that we live in the time between Christ's first coming and his second coming, between his ascension and the final day at the end of time. In this in-between time we have a job to do: we are to continue his mission on earth. As we gather today at God's invitation, may our prayer be to remain faithful and diligent disciples until the end.

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Case, Fr. Aloysius

4:30 P.M.- Fr.

7:00 A.M.-Fr.

9:00 A.M.-Fr.

11:30 A.M.-Fr.

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER:

At the end of today's Gospel, we hear that the apostles left the site of Jesus' ascension with great joy. How could they be so happy at his departure? They knew that he would be with them from then on in everything they did. As we hear God's holy word proclaimed today, let us listen for clues to how we too can be people of joy continually praising God.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS
The Ascension of the Lord Cycle C
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Priest: My brothers and sisters let us offer our petitions through the Lord Jesus, who was taken up to heaven and intercedes for us at the right hand of God...

Response: *Make us one, Lord.*

- For the Church, adorned with a rich variety of gifts, may she continually praise God by bearing witness to the Gospel message to the ends of the earth, we pray to the Lord...
- For our nation and world, may all people make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, we pray to the Lord...
- For those being called to become priests, especially our seminarians preparing for ordination, may they hear God's call and be moved to action with prompting of the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord...
- For all mothers, may they be a sign of God's love for the world by their love and care for their families and the church community, we pray to the Lord...
- In silence, we pray for our needs and the needs of others through Jesus whose blood has sprinkled clean our hearts...*[pause...]*, we pray to the Lord...
- **Priest:** Gentle God, you seated your Son at your right hand. Hear these, our prayers, that we might continue to faithfully make the gospel known. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

May 7-8, 2016

PLEASE WELCOME THE VISITORS

**ALSO PASS OUT THE CHILDREN'S
BULLETINS AND PEW ART CARDS TO THE LITTLE ONES!**

Make sure that you sign the sheet in the book.

Remember to use the white bags for the collections
Please try and refrain anyone from walking during the
1st reading, 2nd Reading, the Gospel and the Homily.

**Remember to take the count of those present at each Mass and
turn the count sheet in after the 11:30 Mass**

This is very important. Secure collection after Mass

**Second Collection
Reducing Parish Debt**