



JESUS

*was taken up into*  
HEAVEN

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Masses for the Week

#### Sunday, May 17

7:30am Natalee Marie Umberg  
10:00am For all living & deceased parishioners

#### Monday, May 18

NO MASS

#### Tuesday, May 19

7:00pm 18<sup>th</sup> birthday blessings Seth Nicholson

#### Wednesday, May 20

8:00am Norb Harber

#### Thursday, May 21

8:00am Catherine Nagy

#### Friday, May 22

8:00am Mason Tippmann

#### Saturday, May 23

5:00pm Christina (Tina) Irmiter

#### Sunday, May 24 *Pentecost Sunday*

7:30am Katie Cripe  
10:00am McCann family

### Liturgical Ministries

#### May 23 & 24

##### Lectors

5:00pm Sue Swangin  
7:30am Nick Schortgen  
10:00am Therese Joy Burkett

##### Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, S. Fawbush, M. Korte, R. Rospond  
7:30am M. Butts, R. Davis, B. Tippmann, C. Trahin  
10:00am A. Deckena, T. Frazier, S. Harber, M. McGrew

##### Gifts

5:00pm Dave Burelison family  
7:30am Tom Landrigan family  
10:00am Maria Jones, Johanna Germano

##### Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane  
7:30am A. Hinen, P. Hinen, Z. Hinen, M. Magers  
10:00am D. Frazier, H. Frazier, 2-Volunteers

##### Servers

5:00pm Volunteers  
7:30am Caleb G, Jonah G, Zane H, Marshall H  
10:00am Micah H, Julian T, Xavier T, Levi T

##### Church Cleaning

May 23 Norma Millberg, Monica Weigand

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### *The Ascension of the Lord*

In these days between the Ascension and Pentecost we are taken back to the beginning of the Book of Acts. Here we find the disciples immediately after Jesus had left them to go back to his Father. They are at prayer, waiting for the Spirit that will empower them to go out to preach what they have learned from Jesus. Now, as well as having accompanied him during his earlier preaching ministry in Galilee and Judaea, they have met him in various appearances after his Resurrection. We, too, are called to prayer in these days before Pentecost, praying for a renewal of the Holy Spirit in our own lives, and in the church as a whole.

In the verse preceding today's extract Peter writes, "Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes to test you..." This gives us the context in which he goes on to urge them to "rejoice" in their suffering. Such thoughts will be far from the experience of most of us who listen to this Reading. We also remember that in other parts of the world even today people suffer because of their adherence to the Christian Faith. Martyrdom is still very much part of the Christian Faith for some. The final sentence is, perhaps, the most challenging for those who have not had to suffer for their faith, "... if anyone suffers as a Christian... let him glorify God in that name."

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Amen.*

**May 17, 2026**

**Pentecost Collection for Seminary Education Fund** will be at all the masses next weekend. Help support our Seminarians!

**Pro-Life:** *Take my hand ... not my life!*

**Young Adult Bible Study** (18–35-year-olds) will be held on **Monday, May 18 from 6-8 pm** in the conference room.

**Knights of Columbus Meeting** will be on **Thursday, May 21 at 7pm** in the parish hall.

**Ladies Kingdom Builders on Thursday, May 28 from 7-8:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.** Hope in the Hunger – God has a hope-filled future planned for each of us. Ladies, join us in May to embrace your hope-filled future through the transforming power of the Eucharist.

**Welcome new parishioners** *Janet Bricker and Leigh Coffee to St. Patrick's! We are so glad you have joined St. Patrick's parish family!*

**Bible Study Tuesday Evenings** (6-12<sup>th</sup> graders) on Tuesdays beginning **June 2 – August 11 from 6-8 pm.** Grow in knowledge of Scripture!

**Video Game Night!** on **June 6 from 3-5pm.** Celebrate the end of the school year! Bring games to share! Contact Josh Butts at [stpatsarcolayg@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsarcolayg@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Life Defenders Summer Camp June 11 – 13 at University of Saint Francis.** Register at [www.ichooselife.org/camp](http://www.ichooselife.org/camp). This 3-day event, open to high school and college-aged students, equips young people to speak confidently and graciously to the most pressing moral issue of our time—abortion.

**Art Camp** Children ages 7-13, weekly session available from **June 1-19 from 9am -11:45am.** Contact **Mary Hilger at 260-438-8356** for more information. Need helpers' students aged 12 and over. (Location: 12903 Washington Center Rd)

**Summit Awakening – Young Adult Retreat Ages 18-25.** **May 29-31 at St. Charles Borromeo Church, FW.** Prayer and Sacraments, small group talks, Talks by peers, Led by young adults, Cost \$45. Email for more info and registration at [summitawakeningfw@gmail.com](mailto:summitawakeningfw@gmail.com)

**St. Cyril Institute** – Summer 2026 Registration Now Open. Adult formation designed for catechists, teachers, DREs, and all who desire to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith. Info: [diocesefwsb.org/cyril-institute](http://diocesefwsb.org/cyril-institute)

**World Youth Day 2027: Join us in Seoul!** Young adults of the diocese: don't miss the opportunity to experience the global Church like never before! Join us for World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea (**July 29-August 10**) and encounter Christ alongside millions of young Catholics from around the world. The diocesan pilgrimage includes flights, accommodations, WYD registration, and guided experiences. Learn more and sign up at: [diocesefwsb.org/wyd](http://diocesefwsb.org/wyd).

**Part time Position Open Maintenance and Grounds** at St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church located downtown Fort Wayne. Position is 20-25 hours per week, a valid driver's license is required; oversee the maintenance of church complex and grounds; set up church social hall and provide security presence for scheduled events and Sunday mass; be on-call for building emergencies; and perform janitorial duties as assigned. If interested please apply online at <https://diocesefwsb.org/hr/#careers>

**Bishop Luers Show Choir Exhibition on May 17 at 6pm in the gymnasium.** Join us as we celebrate 52 years of show choir tradition featuring show choir, alumni performances, and soloists. Free Admission! Come support our students and enjoy a night of music!

**We Praise Thee Sacred Music for Bass Band and Chorus on May 18 at 7pm at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church** (700 W Maumee St, Angola, IN).

**Memorial Day Mass** on **Monday, May 25 at 9:00 am** at St. Patrick Cemetery (10800 Bass Rd). If inclement weather mass will be at the church.

**Summer Clean-up** on **June 6, 9:00am to 1:00 pm.** Lake Township Residents may bring their unwanted trash items to Branning Park to safely dispose of. This is an event ONLY for Lake Township residents. No tires, construction material, dirt or concrete will be accepted.

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**Saint Patrick's Co-Ed Softball League!** Co-Ed slow pitch Softball league at St. Pat's is looking for teams. Ages 16 and up. Games start late May. Please message Artie Strack at 260.615.7525 if you'd like to head up a team or have any questions.

**Weekly Offertory Collection (May 4 - May 10)**

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