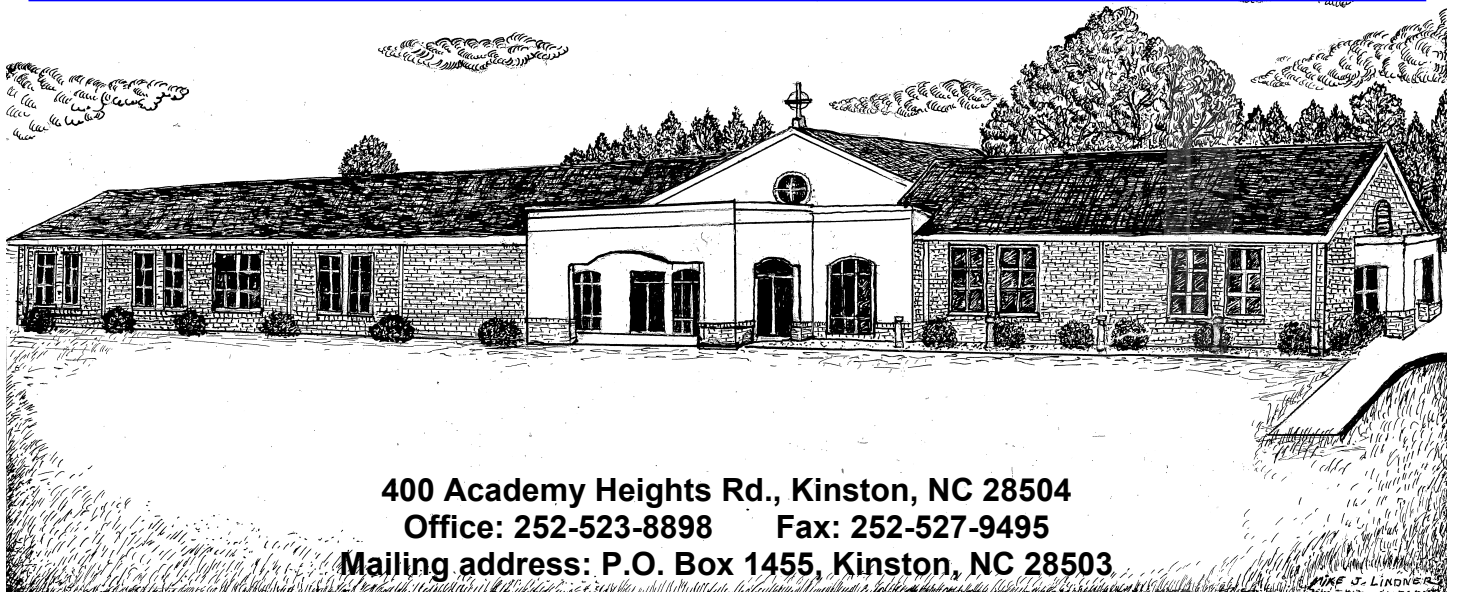


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Mass Schedule (During Pandemic Times)

Weekdays: Mass times announced via text alert system

Weekend:

Saturday	5:00 PM	English
Sunday	9:00 AM	English
Sunday	10:15 AM	Spanish
Sunday	11:30 AM	Spanish

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Or any time by appointment with Fr. Arturo

ELLOS FUERON Y PROCLAMARON
EL EVANGELIO POR TODAS
PARTES

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
MAY 16TH 2021

LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR
16 DE MAYO DE 2021



May 16, 2021 The Ascension of the Lord

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ASCENSION

The theological unity, or perhaps even the temporal experience of the early community, made it seem that Jesus' resurrection and his ascension were inseparable aspects of a single mystery. Only in the later writings of Luke and John has further theological reflection helped the Christian community to distinguish different dimensions of the mystery. Liturgical tradition has followed the forty-day chronology formulated by Luke. We would miss the point, however, if we were to demand a precise historical chronology of events such as the Resurrection-Ascension that are primarily spiritual in nature and that clearly surpass the bounds of time and space as we know them.

What is important for us to grasp is the significance of the Ascension. For Luke, it is the decisive turning point that marks the end of Jesus' earthly ministry and the beginning of the disciples' Spiritled ministry and thus the ministry of the whole church down to our own day.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — This Jesus will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23)

Gospel — The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God (Mark 16:15-20).

Pope's Monthly Intention

May 2021: The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

This Saturday, May 22, another group of students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parish.

I would like to congratulate these young people for their desire to confirm their faith. I raise my prayers that the Lord will make you faithful disciples of his in the Catholic Church. I thank their parents for supporting them in their faith.

The following eight adolescents are the students in the second group:

Vanessa C. Quiñonez-Melero, Gabriel Aguilar-Pérez, Diego González-Acevedo, José Miguel González-Acevedo, Araceli González-García, Yuri Fernanda González-Caballero, Kimberly Vásquez-Marín, and Gerardo Vásquez-Marín.

Yours Sincerely, Fr. Arturo



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THE LOAN

We didn't inherit the earth from our parents. We're borrowing it from our children
—Chief Seattle

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's celebration varies from place to place. In some parts of the United States, people gather for the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while other places celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. Several years ago, regions of bishops were permitted to decide whether to retain Ascension Day on Thursday, the fortieth day after Easter, or to move the celebration to the nearest Sunday. This new flexibility in the Christian calendar has to do with the desire to gather the Church to celebrate its central feasts fully, and with the Eucharist. Increasingly, as priests serve remote and scattered parishes, this is not always possible mid-week.

The Ascension is a key moment for grasping what life in Christ is all about. It is not about a departure, but rather a plan for presence. We who are nourished by the Lord's body and blood in the Eucharist are transformed to be his abiding presence in the world. That is a truth so worth celebrating that we can adjust our calendar in order that the fullest possible gathering of the Church can be achieved.

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Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

For the Weekend of May 2nd, 2021
(Fiscal Year starts July 1st)

1st collection May 3rd, 2020:.....	\$1,590.00
1st collection May 2nd, 2021:.....	\$1,958.00
Accum. 1st collection previous year.....	\$72,514.00
Accum. 1st collection current year.....	\$71,042.00
Building Maintenance May 2020.....	\$1,535.00
Building Maintenance May 2021.....	\$1,609.00

Next Weekend Second Collection

Name: Outreach Program

Purpose: Monthly effort to raise funds to help the needy in our community.

Type: Parish level (all funds remain in the parish for parish use only).

Second collections are optional. Parishioners are given this choice at the moment of passing the baskets.

Segunda Colecta del Siguiete Domingo

Nombre: Necesitados de la Comunidad

Propósito: Campaña mensual que recoge fondos para ayudar a las personas que vienen a la oficina a pedir ayuda.

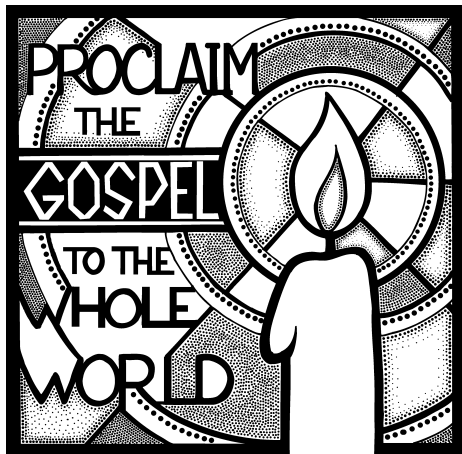
Clase: Nivel parroquial (todos los fondos se quedan en la parroquia para su uso exclusivo).

Las segundas colectas son opcionales. A los parroquianos se les da ésta opción al momento en que circula la canasta.

Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA)

As of Friday May 7th/A la fecha del 7 de Mayo:

Parish goal/Meta:	\$13,385.00
Amount pledged/Cantidad Prometida:	\$ 11,755.00
Percentage of goal/Porcentaje de meta:	88%
Participation/Participación:	64 families
Thank you /Muchas gracias	



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Saints of the Week

Monday, May 17th: Saint Paschal Baylon; died 1592 at age 52; born to a Spanish shepherd family in 1540, Paschal was said to have taught himself to read while tending sheep. At age 21 he joined an austere group of Franciscans, devoting himself to prayer and charity. He was sent on a dangerous mission to French Franciscans, and a shoulder wound he received caused him pain for the rest of his life. Long hours of prayer on his knees before the Eucharist earned this lay brother the honor of being patron of Catholic Eucharistic congresses. His emblem in art is a monstrance.

Tuesday, May 18th: Saint John I, Pope, Martyr; died 526 at age 56; from Tuscany Justin I's policy toward Arians in the East; not satisfying the demands of Theodoric, the Arian king in Ravenna, and not knowing his fate, he died there, a wretched man, ill and worn out from his travels; buried in Rome, his epitaph salutes him as a "victim for Christ".

Thursday, May 20th: Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest; died 1444 at age 64; famous reformer and eloquent preacher who travelled throughout Italy; encouraged devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus; known for his use of the monogram, HIS (an abbreviation of the Greek name for Jesus); patron of advertisers and advertising; invoked against hoarseness.

Friday, May 21st: Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs; were either shot or hanged (1915-1937) for their association with the *Cristero* uprising which opposed the anti-Catholic Mexican government in the 1920s. The *Cristero* motto was: "Long live Christ the King and the Virgin of Guadalupe!"

Saturday, May 22nd: Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious; was born in 1381 in the town of Roccaporena in Umbria. She lived with a brutal husband and had two sons. After the violent murder of her husband, she urged forgiveness in contrast to the customary vendetta of her day. Becoming an Augustinian nun, she spent some forty years in prayer, contemplation, and service to the sick and poor. Toward the end of her life, she received a wound from a thorn from the crown of thorns. She died in 1457 at age 76. She is the patron saint of those in desperate situations.

African American History & Heritage

May 17th: In *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, KS* the U.S. Supreme Court declares that segregation in schools is unconstitutional - 1954.

May 18th: U.S. Supreme Court upholds the "separate but equal" doctrine in *Plessy v. Ferguson* - 1896.

May 20th: Elias Neau establishes a school for slaves in New York City - 1704.

16 de Mayo de 2021 La Ascensión del Señor

EL SIGNIFICADO DE LA ASCENSIÓN

La unión teológica, o tal vez la experiencia temporal de la primera comunidad cristiana, hizo parecer que la Resurrección y Ascensión de Jesús eran aspectos inseparables de un único misterio. Solo en los últimos escritos de Lucas y Juan la reflexión teológica que iba madurando ayudó a la comunidad cristiana distinguir las diferentes dimensiones del misterio. La tradición litúrgica ha seguido la cronología de cuarenta días formulada por Lucas. No comprenderíamos lo esencial, sin embargo, si exigiéramos una cronología precisa de acontecimientos históricos como la Resurrección y la Ascensión que son principalmente de naturaleza espiritual y que superan claramente los límites del tiempo y el espacio tal como los conocemos.

Lo que es importante es que comprendamos el significado de la Ascensión. Para Lucas, es el momento decisivo que marca el final del ministerio terrenal de Jesús y el comienzo del ministerio guiado por el Espíritu de los discípulos, y por lo tanto el ministerio de toda la Iglesia hasta nuestros días.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Jesús se elevó en presencia de los discípulos (Hechos 1:1-11).

Salmo — Entre voces de júbilo, Dios asciende a su trono (Salmo 47 [46]).

Segunda lectura — Dios Padre sentó a Jesús a su derecha en los cielos (Efesios 1:17-23)

Evangelio — Jesús fue llevado al cielo después de pedir a sus discípulos que fueran por todo el mundo proclamando el Evangelio (Marcos 16:15-20).

Intención Mensual del Papa

Mayo de 2021: El mundo de las finanzas

Oremos para que los responsables de las finanzas trabajen con los gobiernos para regular la esfera financiera y proteger a los ciudadanos de sus peligros.

Notas del Párroco

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Estimados Feligreses,

Este sábado 22 de mayo otro grupo de estudiantes reciben el sacramento de la Confirmación en la parroquia.

Me gustaría felicitar a estos jóvenes por su deseo de confirmar su fe. Elevo mis oraciones para que el Señor los haga fieles discípulos suyos en la Iglesia Católica. Agradezco a sus papás por apoyarlos en su fe.

Los siguientes ocho adolescentes son los estudiantes del segundo grupo:

Vanessa C. Quiñonez-Melero, Gabriel Aguilar-Pérez, Diego González-Acevedo, José Miguel González-Acevedo, Araceli González-García, Yuri Fernanda González-Caballero, Kimberly Vásquez-Marín, Gerardo Vásquez-Marín.

Cordialmente, Padre Arturo



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EL PRÉSTAMO

No heredamos la tierra de nuestros padres. Se la tomamos prestada a nuestros hijos.

—El Jefe Seattle

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1563 el Concilio de Trento estableció que todos los Católicos debían recibir la comunión por lo menos una vez al año, de preferencia, durante la época de Pascua, los 50 días desde la Pascua Florida a la Pascua de Pentecostés. En Chile los sacerdotes en siglos pasados llevaban la Eucaristía a todos aquellos que no pudieron asistir a Misa en la Pascua Florida. Comenzando con el segundo domingo de Pascua y acompañados de huasos (vaqueros) quienes los protegían de bandidos llevando el Sacramento en cálices de plata por toda la región. Esto llegó a llamarse Cuasimodo, en base a la frase inicial de la Misa del segundo domingo pascual: Quasi modo géniti infantes (Casi como recién nacidos).

Hoy día la fiesta también es conocida como “correr a Cristo,” por el hecho de llevar a Cristo en carretas decoradas por las calles de los pueblitos mientras los niños corren por delante gritando “¡Viva Cristo Rey!” De esta manera los niños anuncian la venida de Cristo, algo que todo cristiano debería hacer con hechos y palabras todos los días de año.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Mass Intentions for the week

Tue. May 18	Open Mass Intention
Wed. May 19	Open Mass Intention
Thurs. May 20	Open Mass Intention
Fri. May 21	Open Mass Intention
Sat. May 22	Open Mass Intention
Sun. May 23	Open Mass Intention
	Holy Spirit Parishioners

† Denotes an intention for the deceased

Novena to the Holy Spirit

The novena in honor of the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas since it was first made at the direction of Our Lord Himself when He sent His apostles back to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost. It is still the only novena officially prescribed by the Church. Addressed to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, it is a powerful plea for the light and strength and love so sorely needed by every Christian.

This Novena begins on the day after the Solemnity of the Ascension, Friday of the 6th Week of Easter, even if the Solemnity of the Ascension is transferred to the 7th Sunday.

You may find the prayers for the Novena to the Holy Spirit for the seven gifts at the following website:

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-to-the-holy-spirit-for-the-seven-gifts-309>

Graduation Recognition

Parents with High School and/or College students who are graduating this year are asked to please inform the office about graduation. We would like to recognize these students during a Mass on Sunday June 13th.



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Misa de Graduación

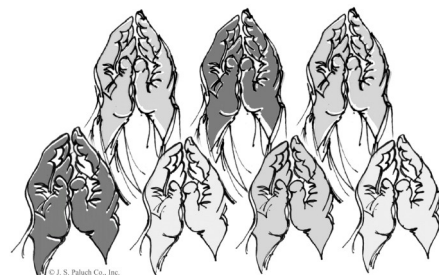
Se les pide a los padres con estudiantes de preparatoria y de universidad que se gradúan este año que informen a la oficina sobre la graduación. Nos gustaría felicitar a estos estudiantes durante la misa el domingo 13 de junio.

The Upper Room

According to ancient tradition, the upper room or cenacle was on Mount Zion, a hillock on the southern end of Jerusalem's western hill (Zion is sometimes used poetically to refer to the whole city). This room, whose owner was evidently a follower of Jesus, was probably also the place where the 120 disciples waited in prayer after Jesus' ascension, and where the Holy Spirit was poured out on Pentecost (Acts 1:13;2:1). It may have been in the house of Mark himself, which was a gathering place for the early Church (Acts 12:12). An ancient Jewish Christian synagogue was built on the site. Today a medieval church stands there; just beneath the "upper room" is the site venerated as the tomb of King David.

El Cuarto Alto

Según la antigua tradición, el cenáculo o cuarto alto estaba en el monte Sión, un montículo en el extremo sur de la colina occidental de Jerusalén (a veces, Sión se usa poéticamente para referirse a toda la ciudad). Esta habitación, cuyo dueño era evidentemente un seguidor de Jesús, probablemente también fue el lugar donde los 120 discípulos esperaron en oración después de la ascensión de Jesús, y donde el Espíritu Santo fue derramado en Pentecostés (Hechos 1:13; 2: 1). Pudo haber sido en la casa del mismo Marcos, que era un lugar de reunión para la Iglesia primitiva (Hechos 12:12). En el lugar se construyó una antigua sinagoga cristiana judía. Hoy una iglesia medieval se levanta allí; justo debajo del "cuarto alto" se encuentra el sitio venerado como la tumba del rey David.



We kindly ask that you pray for the following parishioners and loved ones: Lee Alphin, Mila Q. Arionday, Joseph Bennet, Betty Billings, Julie Blue,

Judyth Boyette, Michael Cannon, Harry Daniels, Kathy and Monroe Clevenger, Brenda Edwards, Patrick Gallagher, Trey Hamlin, Mary Alice Hargitt, Fabian & Joyce Hayden, Beth Stalnaker Hill, Maria Hill, Johnny Hinson, Baylor Jackson, John Jones, Bonnie and Andrew Kasper, Beth Kirby, Sonia Koonce, Maria Linder, Charles Thomas McDonald, Caroline McMahan, Ivory Meadows, Robert Melton, Fredrick Miller, Basil Moots, Alan Ortiz, Benita Parker, Ariana N. Parkman, Jackie Pitt, Genie Register, Herb Register, Gina Riggs, Anne Ruggiero, Phil Ryals, Msgr. Jerry Sherba, Laydon Stanley, Lillian Stogner, John & Julie Stowawy, Karen Stubbs, Darlene Vaughn, Henry Ward, and Justin Wharton.