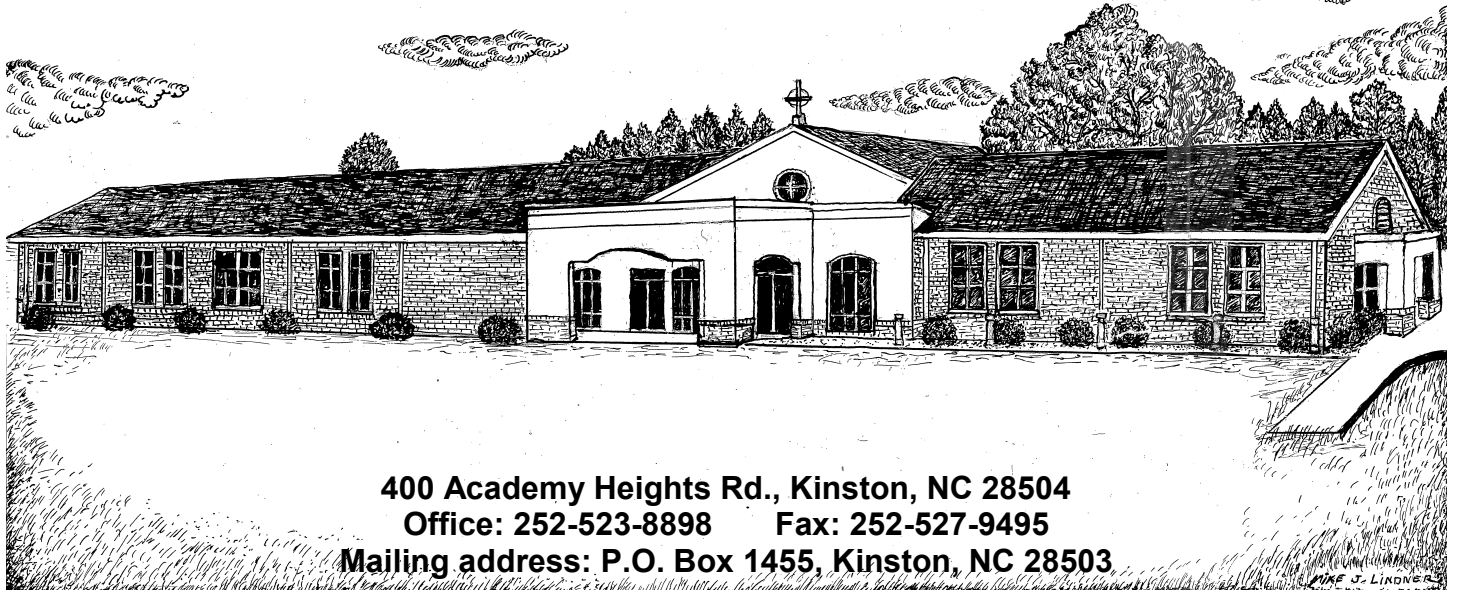


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## Mass Schedule

### Weekdays\*:

Tuesday	12:00 PM	English
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Spanish
Thursday	6:30 PM	English
Friday	8:30 AM	English

### Weekend:

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

\*See inside Mass Intentions list for cancellations.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

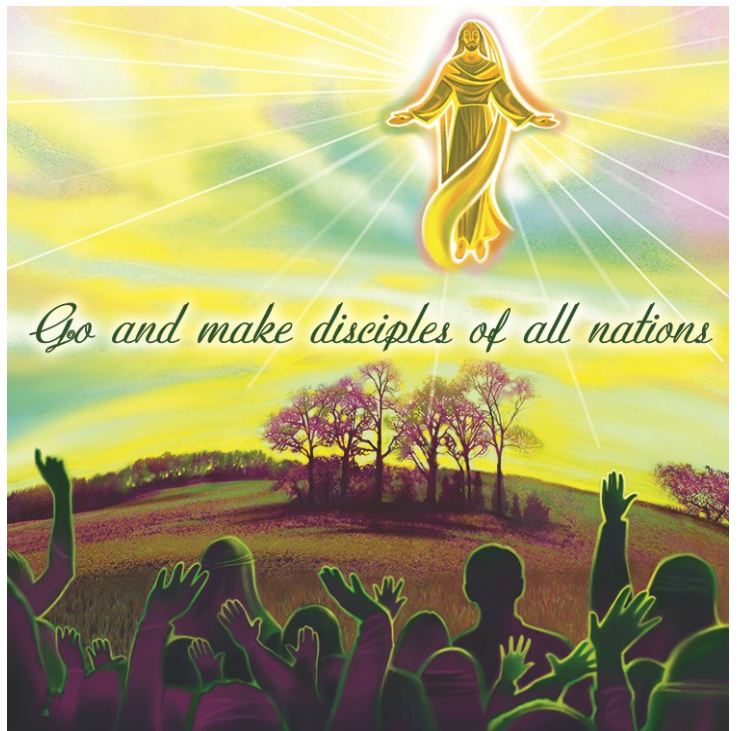
Saturday from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Wednesday & Thursday  
from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Or any time by appointment with Fr. Arturo

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD  
MAY 24TH 2020

LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR  
24 DE MAYO DE 2020



*Go and make disciples of all nations*

VAYAN Y ENSEÑEN A TODAS LAS  
NACIONES

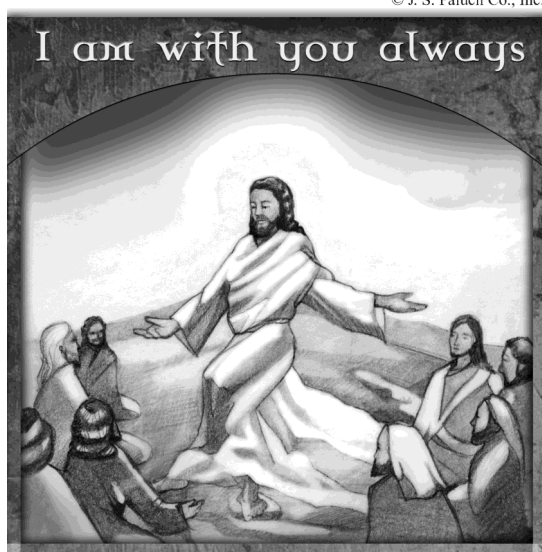
## May 24, 2020 Ascension of the Lord

### “PUSHED” OUT ON MISSION

There is a delightful character in the original *Dr. Dolittle Tales* called the “Pushmi-Pullyu.” It is a beast with two identical halves, with a head at each end. No matter which direction the beast walks, one end is the “push me” and the other is the “pull you.” Today’s feast is a bit like that in the life of the church. In the book of the Acts of the Apostles, it is the ascension of Christ that calls for the Holy Spirit, which consequently sends or “pushes” the church out on its mission. This is the message that we hear from the angels today as they tell the friends of Jesus not to look up into the clouds, but to get busy. It is the message of Jesus himself in Matthew’s Gospel, as he sends them out to baptize. He also tells them, “I am with you always, until the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20). And it is this message, confident in faith that Jesus has ascended to shouts of joy, that “pulls” us along to our final destiny. The life of the faithful disciple, sent into the world on mission, will one day know the same risen, ascended glory.

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### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

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

**Second Reading** — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

**Gospel** — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

### Pope’s Monthly Intention

#### May 2020: For Deacons

For Deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, that they may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

## From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

Our parish started to hold a Parish Festival three years ago on the Sunday before the Memorial Day weekend. It was supposed to take place on the previous Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. As you recall, we were blessed with a sunny, not too hot day on the previous Sunday.

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival was put on hold due to obvious reasons. We will continue to monitor the months ahead to find our way in the resuming of many of our parish functions.

The Parish Festival has been the largest fundraiser activities we hold in the year. The pageant brought in a good percentage of the proceeds each year. We were slow to start our Parish Festival planning this year and providentially the pageant never started this year.

The beauty of fundraisers is the team effort that allows us to be generous of our resources, skills, and time to offer some service to our own community and the community at large and collect much needed funds for our parish. The pandemic has put all these efforts on hold.

We are challenged to raise the much needed funds for the parish through direct donations. I keep encouraging your generosity toward the parish. We hope to find the Church building and the parish personnel working properly when we will be able to hold again in normal ways our gatherings for worship, education, and community building.

Yours Sincerely, Fr. Arturo

### LIGHT OF BELIEF

Every believer in this world must become a spark of light.

—Pope Saint John XXIII

### 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 10th, 2020**  
**(Fiscal Year starts July 1st)**

1st collection May 12th, 2019:.....\$1,851.00  
1st collection May 10th, 2020:.....\$1,173.00  
Accum. 1st collection previous year.....\$90,588.00  
Accum. 1st collection current year.....\$73,687.00  
Accum. Operation income\* previous year.....\$164,452.00  
Accum. Operation income\* current year.....\$141,985.00  
Emergency Fund May 2020.....\$414.00

\*Moneys non-restricted for regular parish functioning  
(includes first collection)

## Next Weekend Second Collection

**Name:** Emergency Fund.

**Purpose:** Frequent effort to raise funds to set aside in order to cover parish unexpected expenses and to reduce the need to withdraw from savings or to borrow.

**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:** Fondo de Emergencia.

**Propósito:** Colecta frecuente que recoge fondos para ser ahorrados a fin de pagar los gastos inesperados de la parroquia y para reducir la necesidad de gastar ahorros o hacer préstamos.

**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 Tuesday May 19th/A la fecha del 19 de mayo:

Parish goal/Meta: \$13,385  
Amount pledged/Cantidad Prometida: \$ 9,595  
Percentage of goal/Porcentaje de meta: 71%  
Participation/Participación: 53 families  
Thank you /Muchas gracias

## African American History & Heritage

**May 24th:** Municipal Court of Appeals rules racial segregation in restaurants in Washington, DC is illegal - 1951.

**May 26th:** Senate Passes the Voting Rights Act - 1965.

**May 28th:** Maya Angelou, famous author, actress, and activist died-2014.

**May 29th:** Sojourner Truth delivers her infamous "Ain't I A Woman?" speech to the Ohio Women's Rights Convention-1851

## Saints of the Week

**Monday, May 25th: (1)** Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church; died 735 at age 63; born in Northumbria; called "Venerable" while still living; authored the *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* and wrote Scriptural expositions, commentaries, and homilies; known as the "Father of English history".

**(2)** Saint Gregory VII, Pope; died 1085 at age 65; from Tuscany; championed reform of the clergy against simony, clerical marriage, and lay investiture, leading to the excommunication of Henry IV; expanded the authority of the Roman See.

**(3)** Saint Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin; died 1607 at age 41; Carmelite mystic of Florence who led a hidden life of prayer and self-denial, praying particularly for the renewal of the Church and encouraging her fellow sisters in holiness; instrumental in the reform of her Order.

**Tuesday, May 26th:** Saint Philip Neri, Priest; died 1595 at age 80; founded (1575) the Congregation of Priests of the Oratory, today numbering about 570 members, to promote holiness of priestly life and foster effective preaching; noted for his joyful and simple spirit, and his use of short, wise maxims; known as the "Apostle of Rome" and "Reformer of the Eternal City".

**Wednesday, May 27th:** Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop; died 26 May 604 at age 70; monk of Mt. Coelius in Rome; sent with forty other monks by Pope Gregory I to England; baptized Ethelbert, king of Kent; ordained a bishop in 597; established the Sees of Canterbury, London, and Rochester; in 601, received the pallium as Primate of England.

**Friday, May 29th:** Saint Paul VI, Pope; (Giovanni Battista Montini) was born 26 September 1897 in Concesio, Italy. Soon after his ordination in 1920, he began his service to Popes Pius XI and Pius XII. During World War II, he worked to find shelter for persecuted Jews and refugees. Appointed Archbishop of Milan (1954), he worked with great care for the diocese. Four years later, he was elected a Cardinal by Pope John XXIII, and, following his death, was elected to the See of Peter on 21 June 1963. Immediately continuing the work begun by his predecessors, he brought the Second Vatican Council to its completion and begun many initiatives that showed his solicitude for the Church and the contemporary world. He exercised his Supreme Magisterium favoring peace, promoting the progress of peoples, the inculturation of the faith, ecumenism, and liturgical reform. By his authority he promulgated the Calendar, the Missal, the Liturgy of the Hours, the Pontifical, and nearly all of the Ritual for the Roman Rite. He died at Castel Gandolfo on 6 August 1978. His feast day is the anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood (1920).

## DESTELLOS

Todo creyente es llamado a ser, en el mundo de hoy, como un destello de luz.

—Papa San Juan XXIII

## 24 de mayo de 2020 La Ascensión del Señor

### “EMPUJADOS” A LA MISIÓN

Hay un personaje encantado en Las historias del Dr. Dolittle llamado “Pushmi-Pullyu” [equivalente a Mempujas-Tehalo]. Es una bestia con dos mitades idénticas, con una cabeza en cada extremo. Sea cual fuera la dirección en que camina la bestia, un extremo “empuja” y el otro “hala”. La fiesta de hoy refleja algo parecido en la vida de la Iglesia. En el libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, es la Ascensión de Cristo la que llama al Espíritu Santo, quien a su vez envía o “empuja” a la Iglesia a realizar su misión. Tal es el mensaje que hoy oímos decir a los ángeles cuando dicen a los amigos de Jesús que no se queden mirando hacia las nubes, sino que se pongan en acción. Es el mensaje del mismo Jesús en el Evangelio según Mateo, cuando los envía a bautizar: “yo estaré con ustedes todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo” (Mateo 28:20). Y es este mensaje, con fe llena de confianza en Jesús que ha ascendido con gritos de gozo, el que “nos empuja” hacia nuestro destino final. La vida del discípulo fiel, enviado al mundo con su misión, es la que un día conocerá la misma gloria resucitada y ascendida.

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### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Este Jesús que les han llevado volverá de la misma manera (Hechos 1:1-11).

**Salmo** — Entre voces de júbilo y trompetas, Dios el Señor asciende hasta su trono (Salmo 47 [46]).

**Segunda lectura** — Dios sentó a Jesús a su derecha en el reino de los cielos (Efesios 1:17-23).

**Evangelio** — Vayan, pues, y enseñen a todas las naciones (Mateo 28:16-20).

### Intención Mensual del Papa

#### Mayo de 2020: Por los Diáconos

Por los Diáconos, fieles en su servicio a la Palabra y a los pobres, para que puedan ser un símbolo estimulante para toda la Iglesia.

## Notas del Párroco

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Apreciados Parroquianos,

Nuestra parroquia comenzó a celebrar un Festival Parroquial hace tres años el domingo anterior al fin de semana del Día de Memoria. Se suponía que tendría lugar el domingo anterior, 17 de mayo. Como recordarán, fuimos bendecidos con un día soleado y no demasiado caluroso el domingo anterior.

Nuestro 4º Festival Anual se suspendió debido a razones obvias. Continuaremos monitoreando los próximos meses para encontrar nuestro camino en la reanudación de muchas de nuestras funciones parroquiales.

El Festival Parroquial ha sido la mayor actividad de recaudación de fondos que realizamos en el año. El reinado trajo un buen porcentaje de los ingresos cada año. Fuimos lentos para comenzar la planificación de nuestro Festival Parroquial este año y providencialmente el reinado nunca comenzó este año.

La belleza de la recaudación de fondos es el esfuerzo del equipo que nos permite ser generosos con nuestros recursos, habilidades y tiempo para ofrecer algún servicio a nuestra propia comunidad y la comunidad en general y recaudar los fondos necesarios para nuestra parroquia. La pandemia ha puesto todos estos esfuerzos en espera.

Tenemos el desafío de recaudar los fondos necesarios para la parroquia a través de donaciones directas. Sigo alentando su generosidad hacia la parroquia. Esperamos que el edificio de la Iglesia y el personal de la parroquia funcionen correctamente cuando podamos volver a celebrar de manera normal nuestras reuniones de liturgia, educación y construcción de la comunidad.


Cordialmente, Padre Arturo

### 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-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Mass Intentions for the week**



Tue. May 26	Open Mass Intention
Wed. May 27	Open Mass Intention
Thurs. May 28	Open Mass Intention
Fri. May 29	Willard Nowald Req. by Miller Family
Sat. May 30	†Julian Ivey Req. by Jean Peterman
Sun. May 31	Holy Spirit Parishioners

† Denotes an intention for the deceased



### Parish Financial Needs

Here are some suggestions to help the parish:

Those who handle checking accounts, please send your donations by mail. We encourage those who do not receive offertory envelopes to start receiving them. Please, call or email the office to sign up.

Those who can make cash donations only, please, find the way to stop by the church during office hours to turn in your donations. Please, bring them in regular envelopes if offertory envelopes are not available.

Please, save the donations that you have not been able to turn in during the past weeks and turn them in as soon as you have the chance. The fact that we were not able to come to church does not mean that we do not owe those gifts to God.

### Necesidades Financieras de la Parroquia

Algunas sugerencias para ayudar a la parroquia:

Aquellos que manejan cuentas bancarias, por favor envíen sus cheques con donaciones por correo. Alentamos a aquellos que no reciben sobres para el ofertorio a comenzar a recibirlos. Por favor, llame o envíe un correo electrónico a la oficina para registrarse.

Aquellos que solo pueden hacer donaciones en efectivo, por favor, encuentren la manera de pasar por la iglesia durante el horario de oficina para entregar sus donaciones. Por favor, tráigalos en sobres regulares si los sobres de ofertorio no están disponibles.

Por favor, guarde las donaciones que no ha podido entregar durante las últimas semanas y entréguelas tan pronto como tenga la oportunidad. El hecho de que no pudimos venir a la iglesia no significa que no le debemos esos dones a Dios.

### Office Closed

The Church Office will be close on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day. It will re-open on Tuesday, May 26th at 9:00 am.

### Oficina Cerrada

La oficina de la parroquia estará cerrada el lunes 25 de mayo en observación del Día Conmemorativo. Se reabrirá el martes 26 de mayo a las 9:00 am.

### Parish Communications

We would like to keep in touch with all parishioners. Among the several ways that exist, Holy Spirit is using two: through text and email. If you are not receiving texts from us, it means that we do not have your cell phone number in our records. The communication through text is limited and occasional. Email allows communications with longer content. Also, if you don't receive emails from us is because we do not have your email address or the one we have is incorrect. Feel free to let us know that you would like to be included in our parish communications. If you know of another parishioner who does not receive our texts or emails and would like to, please let us know.

### Comunicaciones Parroquiales

Nos gustaría estar en contacto con todos los feligreses. Entre las diversas formas que existen, la parroquia está usando dos: a través de texto y correo electrónico (email). Si no recibe nuestros mensajes de texto, significa que no tenemos su número de teléfono celular en nuestros registros. La comunicación a través del texto es limitada y ocasional. El correo electrónico permite comunicaciones con contenido más largo. Igualmente, si no recibe correos electrónicos de nosotros es porque no tenemos su dirección de correo electrónico o la que tenemos es incorrecta. No dude en informarnos que le gustaría ser incluido en nuestras comunicaciones parroquiales. Si conoce a otro feligrés que no recibe nuestros mensajes de texto o correos electrónicos y desea recibirlos, háganoslo saber.



*Remember the Sick*

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, Kathy and Monroe Clevenger, Brenda Edwards, Patrick Gallagher, Trey Hamlin, Fabian & Joyce Hayden, Beth Stalnaker Hill, Maria Hill, Johnny Hinson, Baylor Jackson, John Jones, Sonia Koonce, Maria Linder, Charles Thomas McDonald, Caroline McMahon, Ivory Meadows, Robert Melton, Basil Moots, Willard Nowalk, Benita Parker, Ariana N. Parkman, Jackie Pitt, Genie Register, Herb Register, Gina Riggs, Anne & Anthony Ruggiero, Phil Ryals, Msgr. Jerry Sherba, Laydon Stanley, Lillian Stogner, John & Julie Stowawy, Karen Stubbs, Darlene Vaughn, Henry Ward, and Justin Wharton.