

June 1st, 2025: Ascension of the Lord

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the 40th day after Easter. In Cycle C, our Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Luke.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each account, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the Gospel to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize as well as to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, this commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfillment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' Ascension into heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with his disciples forever. 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.

Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. Already in Mark's Gospel, during his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples out to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now, they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

Sacramental Preparation will commence in September. Registration forms are now available at the back of the church or you can contact Julia Myles-Hackett at juliahackettmyles@gmail.com

MARY'S KITCHEN - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Saint Vincent de Paul Society are asking the parishioners of Sacred Heart to volunteer at Mary's Kitchen during the month of June. This is open to men and woman in our parish. If you have some free time, please sign up on the sheet provided at the back of the church. Without volunteers this program could not survive.

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Sacred Heart Parish
A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

Pastor: **Fr. Lee Lainey**

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday 10a.m.
Daily mass is cancelled & Office Closed any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

<u>Lohnes Complex*</u>	First Friday of each month - 2 pm Only - No morning mass.
<u>Bible Study:</u>	To be determined at a later date.
<u>Holy Hour of Adoration:</u>	Postponed until further notice.
<u>Reconciliation:</u>	By request.
<u>Marriages:</u>	Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.
<u>Baptisms:</u>	Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.
<u>Family Connections:</u>	At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.
<u>St. Vincent de Paul:</u>	To assist those in need. Call 709-638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS - May 24 - 25

Regular Sunday	1466.00
Loose Offering	106.75
Building Fund	255.00
Votive Candles	47.00
In Memory	75.00
Mass Stipends	20.00
Good Friday	15.00
Ecclesiastical Students	20.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	20.00

MASS INTENTIONS June 3 – 8

June 3	The Late Theresa Joyce
June 4	The Late Mary Power
June 5	No Mass – Divine Renovation
June 6	The Lohnes Complex – 2pm Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – 7pm
June 7	The Late Stephanie Wynn
June 8	The Late George Hynes

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

June 7 – Saturday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Art Hall	Eileen Moore
June 8 – Sunday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Victoria Murphy	Elizabeth Carew
Communion to the Sick: Barbara Neville	

SACRED HEART BINGO:

The Sacred Heart Ladies Group will be holding the **last bingo** of this season on **Sunday, June 22nd**, 2025. in the Sacred Heart Elementary School cafeteria. Doors open at 1:00pm. Bingo will start at 2:00pm. Bingo will resume in the fall. Much appreciation and thanks to all.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP MEETING:

The next meeting of the lady's group will be held **Tuesday, June 3rd**, 2025, at **6:30pm** in the meeting room at the church.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, June 4th** at 6:30pm in the church meeting room.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM):

The annual general meeting will be held on **Monday, June 9th** at 7pm in the church. **Open to all parishioners.**

YOUTH GROUP:

Community garbage clean up **Saturday, June 7th**. Drop-off 1 pm at Margaret Bowater (swimming side), pick up 4pm at the Cathedral. Upon arrival/registration, participants must provide an emergency contact. Please bring gloves, water, and dress for the weather and walking (sneakers). Please contact cbcatholicyouth@gmail.com with questions.

THE FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:

The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on **Friday June 6th at 7pm**. We will be having refreshments afterwards in the meeting room.

SSVP – POOR BOX COLLECTION:

The poor box collection will be held during this weekend's Masses. This is the final collection until September as we all take a break to enjoy the summer months with family and friends. At this time, much appreciation is expressed to all those who offer their generous financial support. As a Society, we are truly blessed to have your kindness and caring.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH GROTTO:

Don't forget to register for our Pilgrimage this July. **Last day to register is June 14, 2025.**

To Register: Please sign the registration form in the back of the church or can call Elizabeth Carew at 709-785-5094.

Once we have a total number of participants, we will be able to figure out the cost to each of us for renting a bus, as this is about a 2 hour drive each way, instead of carpooling.

DIVINE RENOVATION

– Bringing people to Jesus:

Priests and active parishioners across Canada want to see their parishes come alive. ...Our parishes exist to do more than just maintain the status quo – they exist to evangelize and bring people to Jesus.

Join us at the upcoming event and be inspired to dream of what is possible for your parish. It will be held on **Thursday, June 5, 2025**, from **9:30am – 4:30pm** at St. Stephen Church in Stephenville. **This is open to all parishioners.** Let's come together for this event and see how we can help our parish.

INDOOR YARD SALE – Lady of Lourdes Trip:

The church will be having an indoor yard sale at Sacred Heart Elementary School **on Saturday, June 14th 2025 from 9a.m. to 1p.m.** This is to help with the cost of our trip to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Grotto.

ITEM DROP OFF:

You can drop off items for the sale on **Friday June 13th 2025**, starting at **6:30pm to 8:30pm**, at the school cafeteria.

– **Note:** No clothing or big items (ie: furniture). If you would like to help out with this or have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Carew at 709-785-5094.

GIFT CARD TREE TICKETS - RETURN:

Please **return** your sold and unsold tickets as soon as possible. We only have two weeks to try and sell whatever is unsold. Drop off at the office or place in collection on the weekend. **Ticket draw June 15, 2025.**

NO MORNING MASS (Father Lainey is away):

From **June 10 - 27**, there is no morning mass. **Liturgy of the Word** will be held on **Sunday, June 22nd**. Otherwise, regular weekend mass for those 3 weekends will be held by Bishop Bart.

From **July 2-11** there will be no morning mass. **Liturgy of the Word** will be on July 5-6. Father Lainey is away during these times.

Reflection:

Lift up your hearts

The day of the Lord's triumphant return to his Father is not a day for narrowness or sadness. Rather, it is a day for openness and joy. Therefore, let us lift up our hearts. Let us raise up your minds. Let our spirits soar and be free. For sin and evil and death have been overcome. We know nothing of the mystery. of the beyond. All we have is his word: "Where I am, you too will be." Lord, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, And bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven.