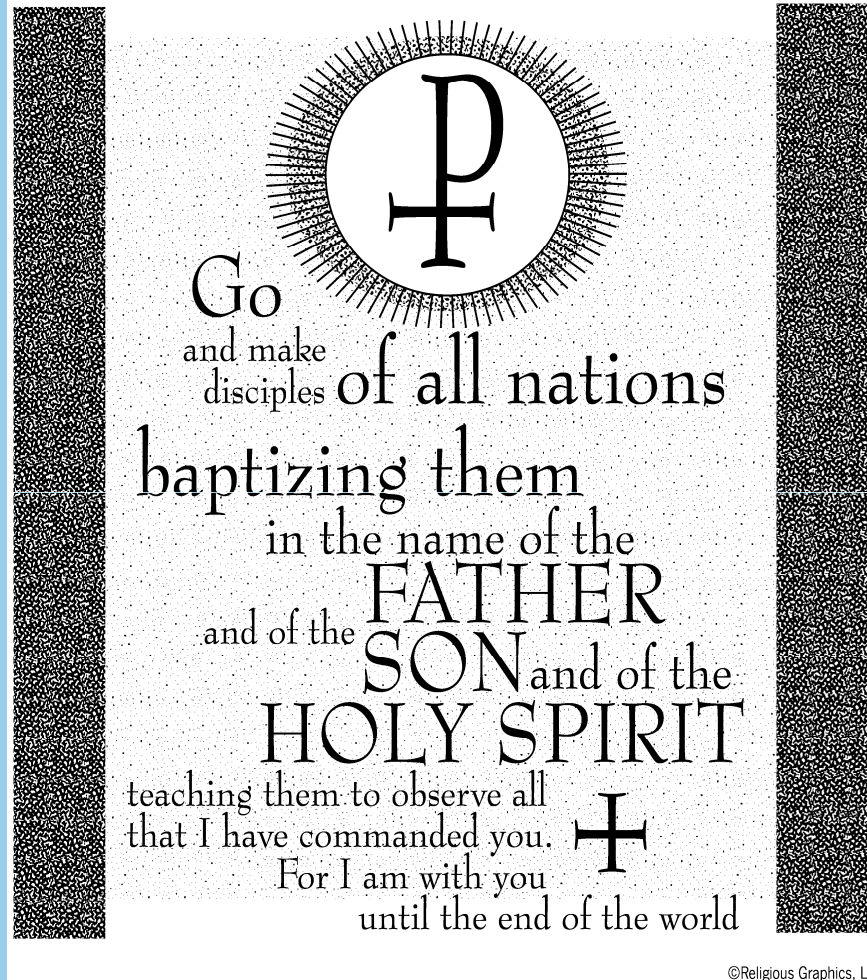


June 5, 2011
Ascension of the Lord



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A week ago Wednesday I celebrated my 9th anniversary as pastor at Our Lady of Knock. If you are keeping track, my second term will end June of 2014 when I also hit 70 years of age. If the priesthood shortage continues and my health continues strong, the Cardinal may encourage me to stay on the job.

A sharp-eyed parishioner caught my mistake in advertising the program about Fr. Michael Pflieger. It will take place on June 18 from 1-4 PM in St. Ireneus (Cherry Street & Orchard Avenue, Park Forest).

A generous parishioner responded to the phone crisis with an anonymous gift of \$600. The only problem with anonymous gifts is I can't send a "Thank You" that is richly deserved. Also, the tax support letter for this size donation can't be sent. It does remind me of a suggestion talked about by many pastors of placing a "Wish List" in the bulletin for a specific project. There is a reluctance to just give for the ordinary expenses where most of our income goes. I will take this up at the next Finance Committee meeting. There are still a few glitches on the phone system. Our evening messages do not automatically start after the secretary leaves. I have avoided the dreaded "telephone tree" found at other parishes.

Christ Our Savior School 8th Grade enjoyed their Awards Night on Wednesday and Graduation on Friday. Pre-School and Kindergarten had their end-of-the-year services on Thursday. The rest of the school finishes this Wednesday. Registration for new students continues. Call (708)333-8173.

Although mention of the Feast of the Ascension was made through the marquee, a few people may have been caught off guard with no mention in last week's bulletin except for the Mass intention page. Celebrating the Feast on Sunday has been the custom in recent years.

Just as Sr. Alban provides food through the Calumet City Resource Center, our parish will be a site for a Chicago Food Depository "Lunch Wagon" providing a bag lunch for children under 18, five days a week at around 11:15 AM. More information will be in upcoming bulletins.

Please pray for me, as I do you,

Fr. Pat

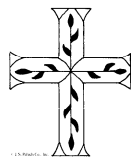


BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptism Preparation Class will be held on Tuesday, June 7th for the parents of children scheduled for Baptism here at Our Lady of Knock Parish.

The class will begin at 7:30 PM in the Ministry Center. If you plan to have your child baptized in June, you must PRE-REGISTER by calling the Rectory (708)862-3011, before attending the class.

Please remember that to have your child baptized here, you must be registered, active parishioners of Our Lady of Knock Parish. Also, Godparents must be practicing Catholics.



HEALING GARDEN

After two years in planning, the Archdiocese of Chicago will inaugurate the Healing Garden dedicated to survivors of childhood sexual abuse. The intent of the garden is to create a space for reflection and mediation. The overall effect is to be quieting—a place of solace—not only for victims of child sexual abuse but also family members. The garden is located just west of the Holy Family Parish Center at 1080 West Roosevelt Road in Chicago.

Cardinal George will preside at the Prayer Service and Dedication of the Healing Garden on June 9, 2011. A Prayer Service at 10 AM in Holy Family Church will be followed by the Dedication at 10:45 AM. A reception will follow.

Information about Assistance Ministry can be accessed at www.archchicago.org, or by calling 312-534-8267.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord
Monday:	St. Norbert
Wednesday:	Shavuot (Jewish observance)
Thursday:	St. Ephrem
Saturday:	St. Barnabas



**DON'T FORGET YOUR BELLS
NEXT WEEKEND!!**

Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Roman Catholic Church.

You are all invited to wear something **RED** to Mass as a symbol of the tongues of fire that appeared above the heads of the apostles when the Holy Spirit came to them.

Also, don't forget to bring a bell to ring during the singing of the Gloria. Be sure to ring your bell during the entire hymn!



COME TO THE FEAST!



**WE'RE GOING TO HAVE AN "ETHNIC FEAST"
AS PART OF OUR CELEBRATION OF
PENTECOST.**

The feast will be in the Parish Hall after the 10AM Mass on Sunday, June 12.

**Bring your favorite dish (enough to serve 8-10) & a serving utensil
Polish, Mexican, Italian, Slovakian,
Hungarian, French, Croatian, Irish –
whatever your specialty might be**

**Food can be dropped off before the 10AM Mass on June 12. Please include
the name of the dish and copies of the recipe.**

Help with clean-up will also be appreciated.

COST OF ADMISSION IS YOUR CONTRIBUTION OF AN ETHNIC DISH.

Please complete the following form and return it in the collection basket or to the Rectory Office by June 7 so that we can set up the proper number of places.

MY FAMILY WILL BRING: _____

I WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH CLEAN-UP. _____

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Number Attending _____





FOOTSTEPS IN FAITH

End of the Year Half-Price Book Sale

Stock up on books for your summer reading at our half-price book sale on:

**Sunday, June 12th, 9:00 - 12:00
in the Parish Hall**

Hard-cover books - 50 cents,
Paper backs - 25 cents

Also mark your calendars for:

Ethnic Fest June 12 - 11AM
Parish Picnic August 21 - 11AM

Footsteps Registration September 11

Footsteps Classes begin September 18
Parish Garage Sale October 8
(We will schedule drop-off days in September)

Peace,
Cathy

WOMEN'S CENTER

Our Wish List is usually about items for the children, but today our request is for something our expectant ladies need, **maternity clothes**. If you or someone you know has some gently-used maternity clothes that they are willing to donate they can be brought to the Family Room on Tuesdays and Fridays, or dropped off at the Rectory.

Thank you to everyone who supports this ministry with your prayers, time, and generous donations.



SHEDSOMELIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS to the Class of 2011 who graduated on Friday, June 3. The Graduation Mass was held at St. Jude the Apostle. May Christ Our Savior bless these graduates as they continue on their educational journey to our many fine area high schools: Chicago Urban Prep, De La Salle Institute, Marian Catholic High School, Marist High School, Mt. Carmel High School, Seton Academy, T.F. North and T. F. South High Schools, and Thornridge High School. Thank you to Mrs. Kim Lusin, the 8th grade homeroom teacher, who planned the many end-of-the-year activities for our graduates as well as the graduation liturgy. We thank the parents and guardians who believed in the gift of a Catholic education and entrusted their child to Christ Our Savior Catholic School.

Our preschoolers (3 and 4 year olds) and kindergarten children also experienced an exciting week. On Wednesday, June 1, both groups of children ventured to Veteran's Park in South Holland for their class picnic. On Thursday, June 2, the preschoolers celebrated the end of their year with a wonderful morning musical performance. Kindergarten graduation then took place that same evening. We congratulate these youngsters on their developmental milestones and successes throughout the year.

Recently fifteen 7th grade students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society. We are so proud of our new inductees: Danielle Bailey, Amir Brown, Blair Bryant, Debrashea Burton, Lanihya Duncan, Leah Erby, Brianna Herard-Exorphe, Erin Hill, Camille Johnson, Noah Johnson, Patrick Okolo, Therese Okuwobi, Christopher Plumery, Sarah Smith, and Oscar Walker. We also recognized Sierra Jones and London Ross who are the current 8th grade members of the NJHS. Students are selected based on scholarship, character, leadership, service, and citizenship qualities.

Thank you to Father Anthony Talarico and the Holy Ghost parishioners who recently contributed to our Scholarship Fund. A HUGE thank you is in order to fellow parishioner, Mary Ellen Quinn, who spent many hours preparing our Scholarship Gala mailing. Mary Ellen's time and effort is greatly appreciated.

Do you know anyone who would like to attend Christ Our Savior Catholic School? An Open House is scheduled for Sunday, June 12 from 1:00-3:00 PM. A fitness workshop with Gym teacher, Rochelle Tucker, will be held at 1:30 PM. Spread the news!!!!!!

With God's Blessings,

Cindy Rogers, Principal
Karen Brodzik, Assistant Principal



ON ASCENSIONS, RESURRECTIONS, AND TWO GUYS IN WHITE

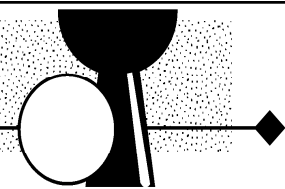
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I've been writing my own Christmas cards for probably twenty years now, and this past year's message is one of my personal favorites. It was actually a song I wrote in early December in celebration of the season, but my wife said she thought it would work as the Christmas card message as well, and since it ties in with today's Ascension readings, I thought I'd share it with you... "I'm headed for Bethlehem/ I hear big things are going down there/ A king is born, amen/ Emmanuel's his name/ And this king, the prophets wrote/ is sent by God to be a Savior/ Yea, man, that's so remote, but I'm going just the same/ Do you want to go with me? / Maybe we'll find others on the way/ This could be the start of a Kingdom set apart/ Come go with me to Christmas day/ Last evening I had a dream/ Or maybe it was more a vision/ Far out, a crazy scene/ and well beyond my ken/ A cross, an empty tomb, and people gazing up to heaven/ and rising like the moon/ this star of Bethlehem..."

At the conclusion of Luke's Gospel, the Evangelist writes that Jesus "...was taken up to heaven." In Acts, today's first reading (as noted, the Ascension readings are being spoken at Mass today as well in many parishes), Luke picks up where he left off, this time with details. We learn first that Jesus presented himself after the Resurrection to many of his disciples. Then Jesus promises them the Holy Spirit, and after they are thus empowered, he tells them that they are to be his witnesses to him throughout the land and to the ends of the earth. Then Luke concludes: "When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking up at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.'"

OK. Two guys in white, coming out of nowhere, answering un-asked questions which they seem to think needn't be asked in the first place with questions of their own. Sounds familiar, no? Think back to the women who found the tomb empty. "While they were still at a loss over what to think of this, two men in dazzling garments stood beside them. Terrified, the women bowed to the ground. The men said to them: 'Why do you search for the Living One among the dead? He is not here; he has been raised up...'" Same two guys? Same two angels? That's how I'm calling it, and we can learn much from them. And for me, anyway, the learning is in the tone I hear in their voices. In both cases, they seem to be implying that we have better things to do (as in, perhaps, to simply be Christ for one another). We don't have time to grieve because Life is all about us. We don't have time to gaze up at heaven because we need to build up the Kingdom right here and now. Who were those two guys in white? I don't know, but I wanted to thank them. And someday I will...

I am with you always



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Liturgy Intentions

SUNDAY (ASCENSION OF THE LORD)

8:00 AM—Paula Bilinski
 (Cheryl and Roy Perl) (Fr. Fenske)
 10:00 AM—50th Wedding Anniversary
 Frank and Arlene Kaslewicz (Fr. Lyons)

MONDAY (EASTER WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM **Mass**—Helen Ulisano
 (Vivian and Ben)
 8:30 AM Service—Purgatorial Society of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish

TUESDAY (EASTER WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM Service—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM **Mass**—Jack Goedert
 (Fr. Sullivan Chapter of NAIM)

WEDNESDAY - NO LITURGIES

THURSDAY (EASTER WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM Service—Purgatorial Society of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM **Mass**—Ted Dominiak
 (Marlene and Jeff, Wife and Son)

FRIDAY (EASTER WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM **Mass**—James Callahan
 (Kathy and Norm Szymonik)
 8:30 AM Service—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish

SATURDAY (VIGIL: PENTECOST)

5:30 PM—Judy Barelli
 (Ron Kolanowski) (Fr. Lyons)

SUNDAY (PENTECOST)

8:00 AM—Joe Phillips
 (Tony and Sylvia) (Fr. Lyons)
 10:00AM—Sandra L. Bergeron
 (Parents and Brother) (Fr. Fenske)



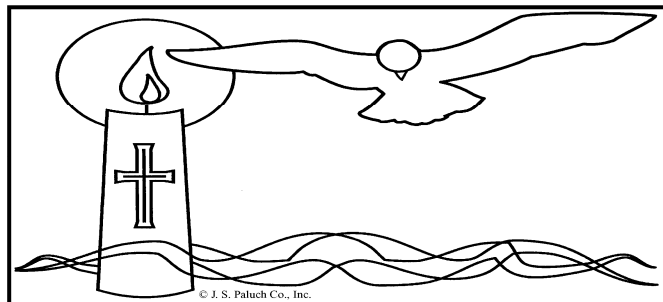
DUSTBUSTERS

Group #2, Gena, Captain, please be at the church on Friday, June 10th at 9AM..



REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested for the souls of Rev. Martin J. Neary (our founding pastor), Rev. John Ahern, Rev. Thomas Kelly, Rev. James O'Donnell, Rev. Edward Barron, Rev. Michael McPartlan, and all of our beloved dead of past years.



Our Lady of Knock Parish Stewardship Report

SUNDAY COLLECTION May 29, 2011

REQUIRED BUDGET	TOTAL ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
\$6250	\$4898	-\$1352

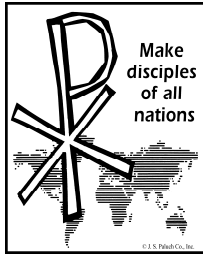
Fiscal-Year-To-Date

REQUIRED BUDGET	TOTAL ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
\$300,000	\$283,894	-\$16,106

CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES	NUMBER	TOTAL
	6	\$9.00

No. Of Envelopes Used:	180
Average Donation Per Envelope:	\$26.23

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A MESSAGE FROM DEACON TOM

Jesus brought the greatest gift of all to the world when he came proclaiming the Kingdom of God. It was a new beginning for humanity. In Jesus, God was with his people. In Jesus we are challenged in how we respond to God and to our neighbor.

This can be a little scary at times. But, we should not be afraid. Remember, our faith is not meant to be locked away. We are called to share it freely with others. This should give us the confidence we need to carry out our mission. Jesus gave us his vision, his presence, and his prayers. We need only to embrace these gifts. Then the life of Christ can flow through us into the world. We have been handed a vision of God's Kingdom by Jesus. We can make his vision a reality. This is now our mission: *living out the life and teachings of Jesus*. And when we do this we are glorifying God.

This week, think of ways that you can carry out the mission entrusted to you through Jesus?

Please keep us in your prayers

Your brother in Christ

Deacon Tom

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Holy Day: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM, 7:00 PM
Confessions: Saturday, 4:30-5:15 PM

Baptisms: Second & Fourth Sundays of the month at 1:00 PM. Preparation Class (required if 1st Child), 1st Tuesday of Month, 7:30 PM.
Marriages: Call Rectory for arrangements at least 4 months prior to planned date.
Change of Address or New Registration: Call Rectory during business hours Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

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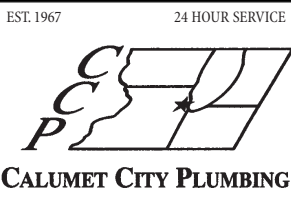
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