Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2015

Please pray for those in special need of prayer:

Louise Minnick, Rick Ballentine, Nick Herbert, Bob Lominska, Nancy Olenych, Sue Morales, Leonard Wein, Sofia Anderson, Peg Torma, Dennis Sperico, Don, Carmen, Raymond Bivens, Jr., Helen Pratti, Agnes Henry, Rose Gunderson, Ronnie Hunter, and Robert Bivens.

Please pray for the souls of Stella Komosinski and Shirley Williams. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.

Offices closed May 18 & 19.

Confirmation

Confirmation rehearsal begins promptly at 6:30 pm this Tuesday, May 19, at St. Mary's in Oneonta. Confirmation is 6:30 pm this Wednesday, May 20, at St. Mary's Church.

Pastoral Retreat

Join other ministers in our Diocese for the Annual Day of Retreat & Spiritual Renewal for Pastoral Care ministers, *The Joy of the Lord is My Strength,* on Wednesday, June 17, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs 9 am to 4 pm. For additional information and to register (by 6/10) ~ albanypastoralcareministry.org.

Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

As we remember Jesus ascending into heaven, perhaps you and your child could 'lift up' in prayer the memory of deceased relatives, who have gone to be with God. Even though we do not know where heaven is, children can watch a balloon or kite ascend toward the heavens and pray.

OFFERINGS

St. John:	$2,294
Holy Family:	302
St. Peter:	1,395

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe Collection

Next weekend we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports organizations that provide affordable shelter and training for seminarians in a region that was under Soviet rule for 70 years. By providing pastoral care, support for families, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help to restore the Church.

Lawn Sale at St. John

There will be a lawn sale at St. John on Saturday, May 23, starting at 8 am. The proceeds will go to fund the youth group trip to the National Catholic Youth conference this Fall in Indianapolis. If you find through your Spring cleaning that you have items that could be donated to the sale, please drop them off at Father Willis Hall on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday of that week. Thank you.

Mother's Day Flower Sale

Thank you for the generous flower purchases on Mother's Day! Money raised for Birthright: $633!

Surveys

Please return surveys by tomorrow in the baskets provided at the back of the Churches.