6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 14, 2023

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you have a family member who is sick, hospitalized or homebound and would like Communion taken to them, in Delhi, please call St. Peter's parish office at 607-746-2503 in Walton and Downsville, please call St. John's parish office at 607-865-7394 ext. 1

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agnes, Robert Fasanaro, Stephen Ball, Vernon Wildenstein, Greg Froehlich, Burneda Ford, Mary Jane Mehegen, Claire Hanley, George Ostrowski, Richie Keiser, Hillary Zujovic, Joan, Peggy Robbin, Val Vavarone, Val DiGiovanni, Diane Patterson, James O'Dell, Lynn Hoffman, Logan Cazzolla, Concetta Tomao Hoyt, Donna Thompson, Deloris, Elizabeth McCabe, Johanna Essick, Peggy Woznick Coager, Joan Nerney, Jerry Hanley, Robert Stanczyk, Ann Fochi, John Meinke

GRIEF MINISTRY

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

USCCB WORD OF LIFE

"O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties."
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt

"Conrad Hilton was very generous to me in the divorce settlement. He gave me 5,000 Gideon Bibles." (Zsa Zsa Gabor) Do you own a Bible (or another holy book) you follow? What's your favorite scripture?

ASCENSION THURSDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Ascension Thursday, May 18th, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Third Commandment requires that we Catholics participate at Holy Mass on Holy Days.

6:00 pm - Vigil Mass at St. Peter's
9:30 am – St. John the Baptist
12:00 pm, Noon – Holy Family

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

May 15 - Elizabeth Rittling, Harry Elmendorf, Jr., Susan Morales
May 16 - Lawrence McGrade
May 17 - Charles Remaykis, Katherine Wickham
May 18 - Laura Godoy Reyes, Dorothy ReDavid, Mary Tweedie, Harry Adams
May 19 – Mary Daniels, Helen McWilliams
May 21 - Joan Marangi

DIOCESAN APPEAL UPDATE

Our Diocesan appeal amount for 2022-2023 at St. John the Baptist and Holy Family Churches is $19,512.00. To date, 26 gifts and pledges, totaling $9334.00 have been received. The balance of $10,178.00 is due by June 30, 2023. If you have not made a one-time gift or pledge, you can go online or use the envelopes that are located at the front entrances of the Churches. If we don't make our assessment, the balance due will have to be paid from our operating fund. Whatever you can do would be greatly appreciated.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

When: Tuesday, May 16, 2023 1:30-6:00 pm
Where: Pines Brook Church, 1444 Pines Brook Road, Walton
To schedule an appointment to donate, call 800-Red Cross or visit redcrossblood.org

ALSO

When: Thursday, May 25, 2023 8am – 1pm
Where: Walton High School, 47-49 Stockton Ave, Walton
To schedule an appointment to donate call 800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org

THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16a
St. Isadore
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16: 5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20
The Ascension of the Lord
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest
Sunday: Acts 1:12-14; 1 Peter 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

We profess the words "He ascended into Heaven" each Sunday when we recite the Creed. The Ascension of the Lord is the pinnacle event of salvation history. We celebrate Jesus's return to the Father and His promise to the apostles: "I am with you always, to the end of time." Christ also promised to send the Holy Spirit to the Apostles as the source of companionship and grace. He commanded His disciples to bear witness to Him and preach what they had seen and learned: "You will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judea and Samaria, and indeed to earth's remotest end" (Acts 1:8). After instructing the apostles to remain in Jerusalem and wait for the Holy Spirit, He was lifted up while His apostles looked on, and a cloud took Him from their sight. Then, two men in white appeared beside them and said, "Why are you looking into the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will come back in the same way as you have seen him go to heaven" (Acts 1:11). Lifted onto the Cross, Jesus – having completed His mission – was lifted to the right hand of the Father.

Charismatic Renewal

Invites everyone to:
Pentecost Celebration: May 28th. 2023
Bishop Edward Scharffenberger D.D. presiding
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Eagle and Madison Ave., Albany, NY
Start: 4:30pm, Mass at 5:00pm
Healing Prayer Teams available after Mass.

A MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING

Blessed is the Mother
Who lets the Lord be
Her guiding hand,
Whose faith brings her family courage,
Whose wisdom comes from God,
And whose children
still stand and
honor her.

KNOWING YOUR FAITH

The 5th Precept – supporting the Church
What does the 5th Precept of the Church about supporting the Church require of us?

The fifth precept of the Church requires that each one of us help to meet both the financial and the spiritual needs of the Church. Most parishes use envelopes for gathering the monetary contributions of parishioners for support of vital parish programs. However, "Church support" should also include the needed lending of a parishioner's time and talents as of a doctor, lawyer, plumber, mechanic, or for whatever the priests may need. And also, the youth of the parish usually have many strong talents for helping their parish programs and assisting their own priests who really become delighted when generously assisted by their youthful parishioners.

Knowing Your Faith, Rev. Raymond B. Fullham, S.J.

LET US DO THE COOKING!

Catholic Charities of Delaware Otsego and Schoharie Counties is sponsoring an **ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA DINNER** on Thursday, May 18 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. The dinner will be held at the Quality Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) Route 28 in Oneonta. Tickets are $10.00 for adults, $5.00 for children 5-12 and children under 5 eat for free. Dinner includes salad, a choice of two pastas and three sauces, bread, dessert, and beverage. Tickets may be purchased at the door. **All** proceeds benefit Catholic Charities' programs and services.