

# Holy Trinity Parish

## Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

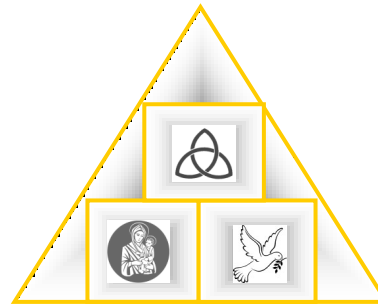
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**Baptism:** Contact the office at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

**First Penance/Eucharist:** Register for 1<sup>st</sup> grade catechism classes in preparation.

**Confirmation:** Register for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade catechism classes in preparation.

**Marriage:** Please call Father McCabe at least nine months prior to tentative date.

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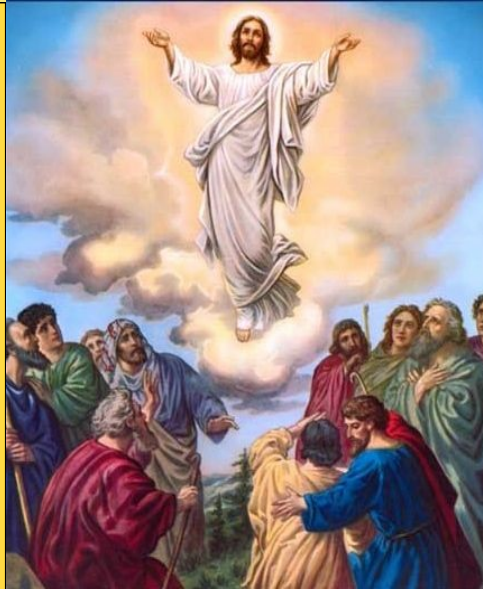
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The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Matt. 28:16-20

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	May 20	Parishioners	Acts 18:23-28 / Ps 47 / Jn 16:23b-28
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	May 21	+Madonna Thomforde	Acts 1:1-11 / Ps 47 / 1Eph 1:17-23 / Mt 28:16-20
	10:30AM	SC		+Henry Gorman	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	May 22	+Earl Majerus	Acts 19:1-8 / Ps 68 / Jn 16:29-33
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	May 23	+Ronald Gergen	Acts 20:17-27 / Ps 68 / Jn 17:1-11a
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	May 24	Shawn Frederixon	Acts 20:28-38 / Ps 68 / Jn17:11b-19
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	May 25	+Dick Ryan	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Ps 16 / Jn 17:20-26
Fri.			May 26		Acts 25:13b-21 / Ps 103 / Jn 21:15-19
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	May 27	Parishioners	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / Ps 11 / Jn 21:20-25
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	May 28	+Richard Majerus	Acts 2:1-11 / Ps 104 / 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23
	10:30AM	SC		Kay Gadiant	

Mission: *We grow together in Christ.*

## Welcome to our Parish Churches!



**Holy Trinity Church (HT)**  
211 4th Street North  
Goodhue, MN 55027



**St. Columbkil Church (SC)**  
36483 County 47 Boulevard  
Goodhue, MN 55027



**St. Mary Church (SM)**  
221 Chester Avenue  
Bellechester, MN 55027

## From Father McCabe

My Friends in Christ,

With our human reason we can understand that there must be an all-powerful Creator. Sometimes we doubt this, but we think: since all physical creation has a beginning and an end – even the stars like our sun are contingent beings – then there must be a Necessary Being, an All-Powerful Creator who has no beginning and no end who holds all creation in existence.

We can observe that a small oak tree must come from an adult oak tree that has a higher power to produce acorns. We know that a car comes from a higher being, a human being with the power to create things. We reason that since physical things cannot come into existence on their own, but must have a higher cause to produce them, then there must be the Highest Cause, God the All-Powerful Creator who holds all things in existence by his love.

We also know from experience the law of stability within nature. For example, ice melts at 32-degrees Fahrenheit. Can you imagine if suddenly steel began to melt at that temperature? There would be chaos. But thank God, steel and all creation has a stable nature given by God. With our reason we can discover these physical laws, and we can also discover God's moral laws given to we creatures who possess the power of reason.

For example, if we did not understand the stable nature of things, like the laws of gravity and aerodynamics, we would not be able to fly planes. And if we did not have civil laws that reflect the moral laws of God, like the law that prohibits people flying a plane or driving a car under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs, then we would have many avoidable tragedies.

I do not think that anyone doubts what I have said. What some people doubt is that God is an infinite Mystery of Life, Love and Wisdom. They doubt that God is an Eternal Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit who wants a personal relationship with them through Jesus Christ.

Even in today's Gospel we hear how the disciples went to Galilee, of which the Risen Lord Jesus directed them, but when they saw him, "they worshipped, but they doubted."

This "doubt" comes after they had walked with Jesus Christ for three years, and witnessed his many miracles and acts of kindness. Although they saw Jesus crucified, three days later he appeared to them and continued to appear to them over forty days.

Jesus wanted them, and all Christian disciples, to move beyond doubt. We do this by asking appropriate questions, and then humbly accepting the answers that God gives us through his Catholic Church.

Sometimes I have doubted a teaching of Jesus' Catholic Church, but not in any serious manner, or ob-

stinate manner, which would be a sin. In other words, I did not stop worshipping Jesus until I had all the answers.

Like the early disciples I still worshipped Jesus, but I had questions, and then I trusted in what Jesus taught me through his Catholic Church because he said: "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you."

These faithful disciples did their best to teach what Jesus taught. They kept the Church moving forward while waiting for the Holy Spirit to come down upon them at Pentecost to further enlighten them, and to guide them into all truth. We are called to do the same as we wait to celebrate Pentecost this coming Sunday and the full consummation on the last day when God will be all in all.

Can you imagine if the Apostles had said, "I am not going to teach what Jesus taught until I understand everything about it." That would be a sign of mistrust of God. They would not be able to move the mission of Christ forward. Instead, they preached and taught and clarified things as the Spirit led them.

Similarly, we do not say "I will not take a car or fly in a plane until I know everything about it. How the steel is made, how the engine works." Instead, we know the basic nature of a car and plane and we trust in the company that makes them. In time, we can learn how to drive them and how they operate, and clarify security measures. Let's apply this reasonableness to the practice of our faith.

On this Solemnity of the Ascension, Jesus wants us to trust that he is truly God and the divine Head of the Catholic Church – the divine teacher and vehicle of traveling to heaven. This is our certainty of faith.

Christ the Lord wants us to live our Catholic faith and, by staying open to the Holy Spirit, teach it to others. In this way we can move forward in understanding our Catholic faith in order to fly with Jesus to the fullness of heaven, where our Heavenly Father awaits us.

Peace in Christ,  
Fr. McCabe



**Please pray for:** Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Leo & Maxine Ryan, Mary Heppelmann, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Leo & Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Mark Ryan, Pat Mann, Neil Stehr, Barb Smalley, Jen Berg, Mary Ellen Reding, Ann Austreng, Marge Majerus, Connie Havrilla, Al Brinkman, Shawn Frederixon, Kellie Peterson, Timothy Casey and Gabe Ryan.

## News and Events

**Thank you for Cemetery Fund Donation:** The totals from the 2nd Collection for the Cemetery of May 13/14 was HT: \$131; SC: \$472; and SM: \$614. Thank you for your generosity which will help to keep our cemeteries maintained and looking beautiful.

**Blessing of Seeds:** There will be a blessing of seeds at all Masses on May 20-21. This blessing covers all the seeds that you bring to the church as well as those not here or that are already planted. St. Isidore, patron of farmers, pray for us!

**Fundraiser Breakfast Sts. Peter & Paul:** A free-will breakfast will be served from 9:00AM-12:30PM at Sts. Peter and Paul, Mazeppa, on Sunday May 21 to benefit Youth Programs at Holy Trinity and Sts. Peter and Paul. Free Will Donation.

**Confirmation Activities:** There will be a Welcoming Reception on Sunday, May 21 at 10:30AM at St. Columbkil. All Confirmandi, Sponsors, Godparents, families and friends are strongly encouraged to attend. Reception will follow immediately after Mass.

**Catholic Young Adults:** Spring is in the air – finally! Join us for volleyball, a picnic and praying the Rosary in Rosie's Park, Goodhue, Sunday, May 21, 6:30PM to 10:00PM.

**Catholic Daughters Court St. Mary Peter 1864** will meet on Monday, May 22, at **Church of St. Paul - Zumbrota** (Please note change in location). A light meal will be served at 6:30PM with meeting to follow at 7PM. We will be reciting the Patriotic Rosary so bring your books. For information about Catholic Daughters, call Linda Kazmierczak at 612-759-6399.

**Zumbrota Food Shelf Volunteers Needed:** Your help is needed at the Zumbrota Food Shelf to stock shelves and/or serve clients. Multiple times and days are available. Your help in feeding the hungry would be greatly appreciated. Contact Jan Horsman 507 732 7527.

**K of C Tootsie Roll Drive:** Tootsie rolls will be available for donations after all Masses the weekend of May 27-28. Donations will be used for persons with disabilities.

Holy Trinity is dedicated to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers serving with minors and vulnerable adults must complete requirements before engaging in ministry. Contact - Maria Schultz, Safe Environment Coordinator at: holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.

Calendar/Events			
Sat., May 20	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., May 21	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., May 21	SM	8:45AM	Reception for Graduates after Mass
Sun., May 21	SC	10:45AM	Receiving Mass/Reception of Confirmandi
Sun., May 21	Rosie's Park	6:30-9:30PM	CYA Picnic, Volleyball, Rosary
Mon., May 22	SM	5:15-9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon., May 22	HT	6:00-7:15PM	Finance Council Meeting
Tues., May 23	HT	7:00PM	K of C Fraternal Benefit Information Night
Wed., May 24	HT	9:00-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thur., May 25	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession
Sat., May 27	Cathedral of St. Paul	10:00AM	Ordination of 4 priests for Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis
Sat., May 27	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sat. & Sun. May 27-28	ALL	After Mass	K of C Tootsie Roll Drive

**Holy Trinity Church (HT) Collection:**  
05/13: \$401.50

**St. Columbkil Church (SC) Collection:**  
05/14: \$604.30

**St. Mary Church (SM) Collection:**  
05/14: \$970.00



### *Behold the Lamb of God!*

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkil from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!*

### Weekend Ministry Schedule

Church	Role	May 20/21	May 27/28
HT: Sat. May 20 5:30PM & Sat. May 27	<b>MUSICIAN</b>	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	<b>CANTOR</b>	Katie Ludwig	Aurora Wiskow
	<b>LECTOR</b>	Judith Ramboldt	
	<b>SERVERS</b>	Corbin Jaeger and Ben Gadiant	Leeta, Aubriel and Oleana O'Reilly
SM: Sunday May 21 8:45am & Sunday May 28	<b>MUSICIAN</b>	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	<b>CANTOR</b>	Allison Keller	Allison Keller
	<b>LECTOR</b>	Brian Keller	Patricia Mensink
	<b>SERVERS</b>	Addison and Will Poncelet	Zach and Danny Keller
SC: Sunday May 21 10:30am & Sunday May 28	<b>MUSICIAN</b>	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	<b>CANTOR</b>	Joel Hernke	Denise Voth
	<b>LECTOR</b>	Michael Poncelet	Barb Lexvold
	<b>SERVERS</b>	William Peterson and JJ O'Reilly	Brady and Lihanna McNamara



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