

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

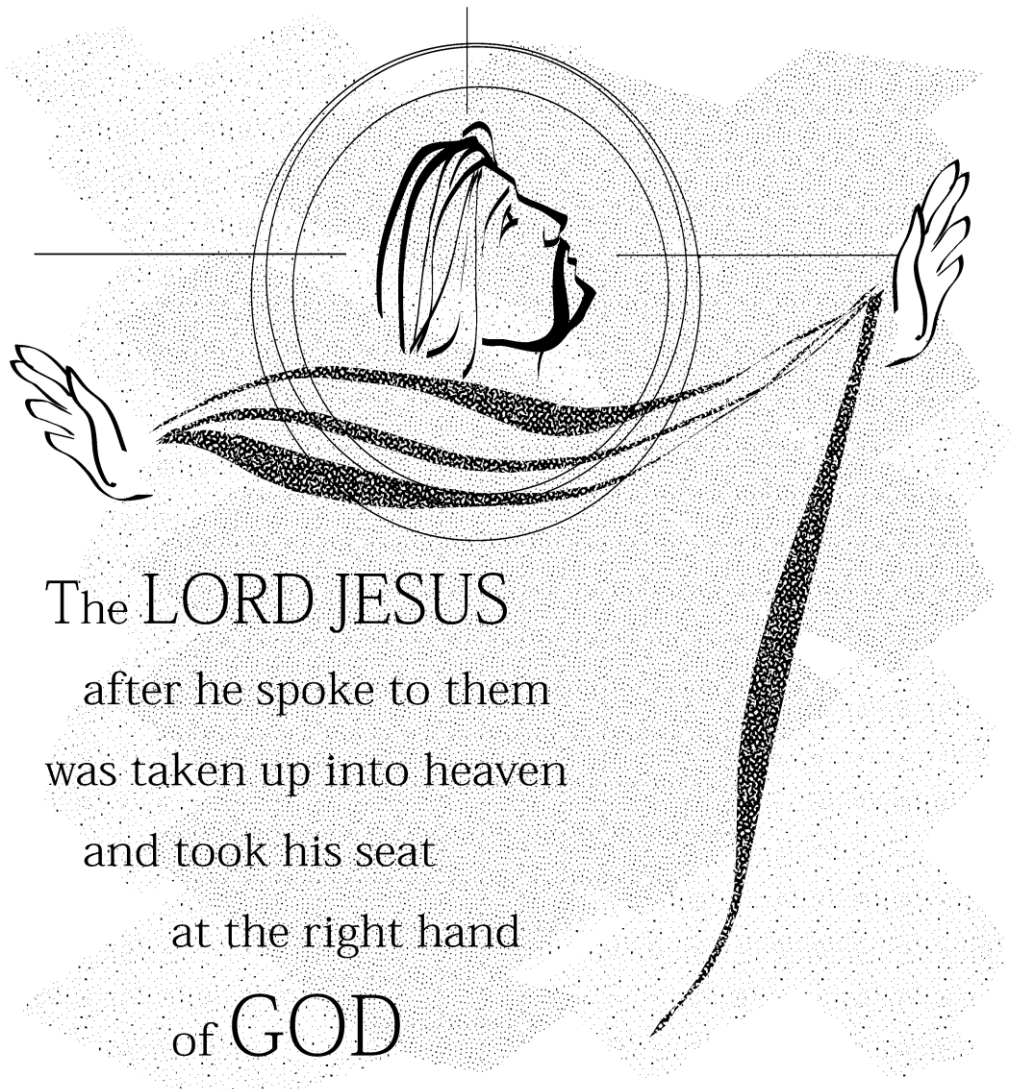
May 20, 2012

BAPTISM

During Mass on the weekends outside of Lent; if outside of Mass, on Sunday afternoon only. If this is your first child to be baptized, you must meet with Fr. Timothy Hall for instructions. Please call the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE

Please make arrangements at least six months in advance. After confirming the church date, your first visit will be with Fr. Timothy Hall. Please call the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317. Marriage Preparation Course is required.



The LORD JESUS
after he spoke to them
was taken up into heaven
and took his seat
at the right hand
of GOD

SAINT ADRIAN
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

SAINT ANTHONY
SAINT KILIAN

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Tues. 5/22 8:30 AM (L) NO MASS
Wed. 5/23 8:30 AM (K) NO MASS
Thu. 5/24 8:30 AM (A) Lawrence Neuroth
Fri. 5/25 8:30 AM (W) Wagner Families
Sat. 5/26 5:00 PM (L) Ed Sell
Sat. 5/26 7:00 PM (K) Tom Hoffman
Sun. 5/27 8:30 AM (W) Henry & Geneva Fritz
Sun. 5/27 10:30 AM (A) Parishioners

Sacrament of Confession

Half- hour before weekend Masses

St. Adrian

Sacrificial Giving – May 13, 2012

Amount needed per weekend.....\$3,844.00
Amount given.....\$1,268.50

Ministry Schedule: May 27, 2012: 10:30 AM

Readers: Troy Loosbrock & LuAnn Oertli
Servers: Brenna Erlandson & Kayla Erlandson

Calendar Raffle Winner: Mark Madison

CCW members are asked to contact Pam Konz (483-2480) if they are able to work at the farewell gathering for Father Hall on Sunday, May 27th. This will be a potluck which we ask you to bring a dish to pass. Coffee and juice will be provided.

Sympathy: We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Fr. Robert Taylor. We pray that God will bring them peace and comfort.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Thursday, May 24th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 17th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2012 has begun and our parish goal was set at \$14,510. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Thank you to those who have already contributed. You may donate on line at www.dow.org or additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

Rental of the St. Adrian Education Building will be done through Pam Konz in the Faith Formation Office. Call 483-2480 or 483-2835 when you would like to rent the building for family events, wedding showers and other gatherings.

Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sacrificial Giving – May 13, 2012

Amount needed per weekend.....\$2,106.00
Amount given.....\$ 845.00

Ministry Schedule: May 27, 2012: 8:30 AM

Reader: Ed Herrig
Servers: Cole Spartz & Jena Joens
Eucharistic Ministers: Tarri Joens, JoAnn Burkard,
Marilyn Herrig

Calendar Raffle Winner: Jerome Weidert

Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2012 has begun and our parish goal was set at \$6,690. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Thank you to those who have already contributed. You may donate on line at www.dow.org or additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony

Sacrificial Giving – May 12, 2012

Amount needed per weekend.....\$1,296.00
Amount given.....\$ 870.00

Ministry Schedule: May 26, 2012: 5:00 PM

Readers: Lisa Diekmann
Servers: Christina Loonan & Katie Wieneke
Eucharistic Ministers: Darwin Veld, Shirley Wieneke,
Laura Lorang

Calendar Raffle Winner: Jeff Lynn

Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 28th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Thursday, August 9th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

Court. St. Bernard #886 is collecting rosaries to be taken to the National Catholic Daughters Convention in July. The rosaries will be distributed to patients in nursing homes throughout the state of Nebraska. Please place your extra rosaries in the decorative pail located at the front entrance of St. Anthony's church. If you have any questions, you may contact Deb Lutmer at 472-8770.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Monday, May 21st at 7:30 PM in the church basement.

The Rosary will be prayed on **Wednesday evenings** at **6:45 PM**, during the month of May at St. Anthony Church. Please join the Catholic Daughters St. Bernard #886 as we dedicate this special prayer for all unborn babies in our Spiritual Adoption program. Everyone from the 4-Parish Cluster is invited.

Catholic Daughters of Americas Court St. Bernard #886 will be hosting their annual Hotdish and Salad Luncheon on Wednesday, June 6, in the St. Anthony church basement. Serving will be from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Everyone is invited.

Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2012 has begun and our parish goal was set at \$6,270. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Thank you to those who have already contributed. You may donate on line at www.dow.org or additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

Fund-Raiser: Please place your clean, aluminum cans from those graduation and summer parties in the wagon, located in the parking lot, for recycling. All proceeds go towards general maintenance.

St. Kilian

Sacrificial Giving – May 12, 2012

\$120.00 (2 Envelopes)

Ministry Schedule: May 26, 2012 7:00 PM

Readers: Amelia Brake

Servers: Joseph Brake & Carli Jeffers

Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry & Julie Brake,
Rob Fuerstenberg

St. Kilian Parish Pastoral & Finance Council will meet on Thursday, June 7th at 7:30 PM in the school.

Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2012 has begun and our parish goal was set at \$2,530. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Thank you to those who have already contributed. You may donate on line at www.dow.org or additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

First Communion pictures finished and are in the Faith Formation Office in Adrian. Please contact Pam Konz to set up a time to pick them up.

Steubenville N in Rochester will be held July 13-15th. Registration cost is \$50. Please let Pam Konz know if you are ready to register. For more information go to www.partnershipforyouth.org.

Fr. Hall Farewell Party - A 4-Parish farewell potluck will be held for Fr. Hall on Sunday, May 27th at St. Adrian Church following the 10:30 AM Mass. Everyone is welcome - bring a dish to pass and your best wishes for Fr. Hall's new assignment. For anyone from any of the parishes who would like to help in the kitchen please call Pam Konz at 483-2480 to volunteer.

Totally Yours (Totus Tuus) Summer Bible School registration forms were handed out to grades 1-4 at release time classes. Please fill yours out and return to the Faith Formation Office listed on the form by May 31st. Registration forms are also available in the back of the churches or in the Faith Formation Offices. **Totally Yours** will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel July 15-19 for grades 7-12 and July 16-20 for grades 1-6.

Quo Vadis Days are set. This year's session for young men entering 9-12th grades in the Fall of 2012 will be held June 12-15. We will focus on the vocation of priesthood and prayer, while including the usual recreational activities that have been a part of **Quo Vadis Days** from the beginning. All forms needed for registration are on the diocesan website: <http://www.dow.org/Departments/Vocations.aspx>. The deadline for registration is June 9.

The Diocese of Winona is sponsoring a Rosary Art Contest in conjunction with its summer event "*Turning Our Gaze to Christ*." Open to all Faith Formation and Home School students in grades 4-12, the contest challenges young artists to pray the Rosary and then create art based on the contest theme "Gazing on Christ Through the Rosary." Complete contest rules, entry forms, parent/catechist and student guides are available on line at www.dow.org. Free admission to "Turning Our Gaze to Christ" is included with entry in the art contest. Contact the Office of Faith Formation at faithformation@dow.org or at (507) 858-1255 for more information.

Catholic Charities Annual Appeal: Last weekend, there was a collection for Catholic Charities. If you forgot your envelope, you may drop it off at either of the parish offices, mail directly to Diocese of Winona, or make a donation online at www.ccwinona.org. Thank you for your generosity.

Recycle your old phone with empty ink jet cartridges in the box at the west end of St. Adrian Church.

Pathways TEC #61: We are now accepting applications for Team and TECites for **Pathways TEC #61!** This next TEC will be July 20-23, 2012 at Holy Spirit Church, Rochester. The Lay Directors are John & Nancy Hust and Spiritual Director is Father Andy Beerman. Team applications are due June 15 with the team meeting and VIRTUS training being held on July 8th at Holy Spirit Church. TECite Brochures (applications) and work applications are available on the website at www.pathwaystec.org. **We are looking for someone who is fluent in Spanish to be a resource and act as a translator. Please note on your application if you can help with this.**

Respect Life – Are You Registered to Vote? The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Submission to authority and co-responsibility for the common good make it morally obligatory ... to exercise the right to vote" (2240). Pope John Paul II wrote in 2003, "Certainly the Christian vision leads to the expectation of "new heavens" and "a new earth" (Rev 21:1), but this increases, rather than lessens, our sense of responsibility for the world today. I wish to reaffirm this forcefully at the beginning of the new millennium, so that Christians will feel more obliged than ever not to neglect their duties as citizens in this world" (Ecclesia de Eucharistia, n. 20). Please make sure you are ready to exercise this Christian responsibility by registering and voting in the primaries and the General Election.

The Evil In The Media ...

The following is an interview from Zenit, the Vatican Media outlet. The full article may be obtained at <http://www.zenit.org/article-22552?l=english>. Teresa Tomeo has just published "Noise: How Our Media-saturated Culture Dominates Lives and Dismantles Families."

Q: You discuss how the media is the most dominant force in American culture today. What do you think are the most damaging effects it has had on us morally and spiritually?

T: I think the biggest issue is with the overall desensitization of the Catholic culture and belief system....The culture has been forming our faith and not the other way around. Birth control, abortion, cohabitation, pre-marital sex, have all become the "norm" in society and most of the messages come from the entertainment media and the news media, which embrace and promote all of the above. That combined with very poor catechesis over the past 40-50 years along with the sexual revolution has led to disaster. The good news is the Church has - and always has had - the answers in her teachings. And there are some real positive efforts such as a huge explosion in Catholic media that are making a big difference.

Q: What would your response be to someone who said you were overstating the case-that the media, including Internet, video games, etc.-is only harmless entertainment?

T: I would say that they are in denial. Many people who make such statements don't want to take a close look at their own bad media habits such as too much time on the Internet or cell phone or too much time in front of the TV.....It takes a lot of time and effort to become a media savvy family, but we all must do our part. To give you an example of just what a media-obsessed culture we are, just nine days after the Pope left the United States after his visit in 2008 the extremely violent video game "Grand Theft Auto Four; Liberty City" went on sale around the world. People were lined up for hours waiting to grab their copy. The Pope went so far as to say that we can't talk about protecting our children if we are not willing to take a look at the big picture, including easy access to pornography and media products that promote violence. No. 1 on the list is to keep the TV and the computer in a central area of the home where the usage can be closely monitored. Leaving kids alone in their rooms with access to the Internet and to TV is a recipe for disaster. Parents should also set guidelines and stick to them and make sure that meal times are media free-no TV, no iPods or cell phones allowed. Families should also take advantage of the many tools that are available, such as Internet filters and TV ratings, as well as helpful media activist groups such as the well-known Parents TV Council.

Q: As a former broadcast journalist, you discuss the bias found in mainstream media. As average readers/listeners, how can we protect ourselves from the bias in important new stories, for example, when preparing to vote?

T: We need to consider the source. Research shows that at least 50% of those working in today's secular media are atheist or agnostic and only about 12% go to some type of church service. The majority of them also admit to supporting legalized abortion, as well as other actions that go directly against Church teaching. While the media are supposed to be objective and balanced, that often is not the case. The media tend to preach instead of report by telling us in the way they cover stories that we need to believe a certain way-and that way is not the way of the Church. So again, consider the source of the news story and then check everything against the Catechism and Scripture. Make sure you know what the Church actually teaches instead of what the media say it teaches. Also turn to orthodox Catholic sources for issues that concern Catholics and voting. There are a number of good Catholic Web sites available, such as Priests for Life; that can help Catholics in the voting process.

Blessed Ascension Sunday!

Fr. Timothy J. Hall