

# Ascension of Our Lord Church

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*July 4, 2021*



*Many who heard Jesus were astonished.  
They said,  
“Where did this man get all this?  
Is he not the carpenter,  
the son of Mary?”*

Mark 6:2,3



## ASCENSION OF OUR LORD PARISH

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00 PM.

SUNDAY: 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

### WEEKDAY MONDAY - FRIDAY

12:00 Noon

### CONFESSION

FRIDAY: 11:30AM-12NOON

SATURDAY: 3:15 - 4:00 PM.

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:00AM ~12NOON ~6:00PM

### BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office for information about our baptism schedule and preparation requirements.

### WEDDINGS

Bride, groom or parents must reside in parish area and be registered parishioners. Please contact the parish office to prepare for your wedding at least six months in advance of your proposed wedding date and before making any preparations for a hall.

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### LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, July 4, 2021 - Independence Day!**

8:00 AM Intention of our Parish Family

10:00 AM †Colette Kirkwood - Gloria Power  
†Tara Feldman - Feldman Family  
Intention of Kimberly Klazura - Family

**Monday, July 5, 2021**

9:00AM Intention of the Presider

**Tuesday, July 6, 2021**

12:00 PM †Genny Suggs - Rene & Javier Vangie & Family

**Wednesday, July 7, 2021**

12:00 PM †Eugene V. Pellegrini - Family

**Thursday, July 8, 2021**

12:00 PM †Ronald Supena - Family

**Friday, July 9, 2021**

12:00 PM †Anthony T. Bustamante - Family

**Saturday, July 10, 2021**

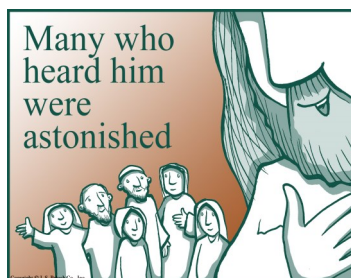
4:00PM †Tara Feldman - Feldman Family  
†Gerald & Norma Coates - Patrick & Cathy McCaffrey  
†Mark Sebastian - Rene Vangie Family  
Living and Deceased Members of the Tumino & Demma Families -  
K&M Demma Families

**Sunday, July 11, 2021**

8:00 AM Intention of our Parish Family

10:00 AM †William Cizek, Sr - Family  
†Dominick Esposito - Esposito Family  
†Deceased Members of SVDP Society - SVDP Society  
Intention of Gloria Granby - Gail Granby

† Denotes Deceased





# Parish News



*In observance of*  
**INDEPENDANCE DAY  
HOLIDAY**

**MONDAY, JULY 5, 2021**

There will be a  
**9:00 a.m. Mass only**

*Parish office will be closed*

**Enjoy the holiday weekend!**



## **Pray for the Sick of Our Parish**

If you or a family member are ill and would like to be placed on the Ascension of Our Lord Prayer List, please call the Parish Office. The name will be added for one month. Due to privacy issues, we will only honor requests made by you or a family member. Name will remain on list for one month. **Please call the Parish Office to add a name to the "Pray for the Sick" list.**



## Minister Schedule

**SATURDAY, JULY 10 - 4:00 PM**

Presider: Father Jose

**SUNDAY, JULY 11- 8:00 AM**

Presider: Father Bob

**SUNDAY, JULY 11- 10:00 AM**

Presider: Father Jose assisted by Deacon Peter

## **STEWARDSHIP**

**Sunday, June 27, 2021 - \$4,172**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY AND  
SUPPORT OF ASCENSION OF OUR LORD PARISH.**



*We wish to offer our  
sympathy and a  
promise of our  
prayers to family  
and friends on the  
recent death of*

**Carolyn Dragovich  
George E. Hoganson, Sr.  
Joan Boscia**

The Diocese of Joliet will hold its  
**FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY MASS** in-person and **LIVE-  
STREAMED** on Sunday, August 29, 2021, at  
2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in  
Joliet. If you are celebrating either your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary this year, please contact  
the parish office so that we may  
submit your name to the Diocese for a  
formal invitation. Those celebrating  
over **50 year anniversaries** do not  
receive a formal invitation, but will be able to  
register to attend at a later date. ***Please contact the  
Parish Office to register.***



## **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Confessions **continue** on Fridays **before**  
the 12noon Mass, starting at 11:30am.

Confessions will remain on Saturdays from  
3:15pm-4pm.

Appointments may be scheduled as well by  
calling the parish office.

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, JULY 5: 9:00AM MASS, PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

**TUESDAY, JULY 6: 12NOON MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 7: 12NOON - MASS**

**THURSDAY, JULY 8: 10:30AM LEGION OF MARY - CORPUS  
CHRISTI, 12NOON - MASS,**

**FRIDAY, JULY 9: 11:30AM CONFESSION, 12NOON MASS,**

**SATURDAY, JULY 10: 3:15 -CONFESSION, 4:00PM MASS**

**SUNDAY, JULY 11: MASS 8AM AND 10AM MASS -**

# Dear Padre,

**Does religious freedom mean we're free to worship whoever and whatever we wish? I thought Jesus gave us rules on this.**

**J**esus gave us the gift of freedom. Even as he hung on the cross, he didn't use force to change the minds of people or coerce them to believe in him. His example shaped the Declaration on Religious Freedom (*Dignitatis Humanae*), a document from the Second Vatican Council. The council gave us several principles that outline our beliefs about religious freedom:



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First, God has made known to us the way in which we are to serve God and find salvation and eternal life in Jesus.

Second, this one true religion consists in the catholic and apostolic Church. To this Church, the Lord himself committed the obligation and duty to spread the truth that salvation in Jesus is ours.

Third, all people are bound to seek the truth, to embrace the truth they come to know, and to hold fast to that truth.

Finally, all of us have a right to be immune from coercion by individuals, social groups, or other human powers. No one is to be forced to act contrary to personal beliefs or prevented from acting in accord with those beliefs.

This also means that if people choose to reject Christ, they must not be forced to do anything against their will. The judgment for their actions must be left up to God. As a Church, we proclaim the truth of Christ and set high standards for membership in the Church, but we do not force people to convert or believe.

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR  
[Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)



## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*[Religious] freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.*

VISIT TO THE WHITE HOUSE, SEPTEMBER 23, 2015

## Calendar

### Monday

JULY 5

Weekday

Gn 28:10–22a

Mt 9:18–26

### Tuesday

JULY 6

Weekday

Gn 32:23–33

Mt 9:32–38

### Wednesday

JULY 7

Weekday

Gn 41:55–57;

42:5–7a, 17–24a

Mt 10:1–7

### Thursday

JULY 8

Weekday

Gn 44:18–21,

23b–29; 45:1–5

Mt 10:7–15

### Friday

JULY 9

Weekday

Gn 46:1–7, 28–30

Mt 10:16–23

### Saturday

JULY 10

Weekday

Gn 49:29–32;

50:15–26a

Mt 10:24–33

### Sunday

JULY 11

Fifteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Am 7:12–15

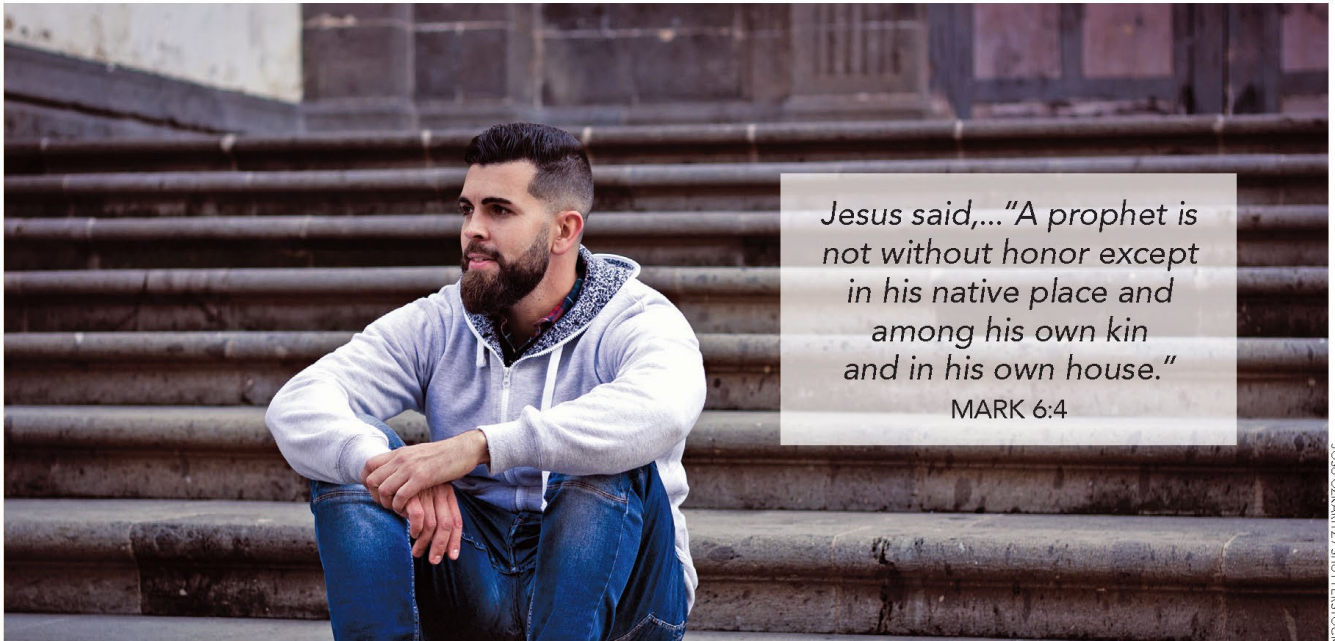
Eph 1:3–14 or 1:3–10

Mk 6:7–13

### Timely topics viewed with a Catholic perspective

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*Jesus said,...“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.”*

MARK 6:4

JOSU OZKARITZ / SHUTTERSTOCK

## Who Do You Think You Are?

**T**his question is not always posed in a spirit of lightheartedness. It could be hurled at someone in indignation. This indignation might be justified; the other could be assuming an unwarranted attitude of superiority. However, the fault could be our own. We might resent another’s genuine insight or unquestionable wisdom. There seems to be within some of us a sense of inferiority that is threatened by the abilities of others—as if their talents diminish those of us who feel inferior. And what do we do about this? We might ignore such an individual, implying that she or he has nothing that interests us. This probably happens more often than we like to admit. Or we might try to embarrass the person, thus lowering the individual in the estimation of others. This is how some people depicted in the Gospel passage acted toward Jesus.

Prophets are not people who only look into the future. Such people are called seers. Genuine prophets have insight into the present, understanding the

implications of the social forces that are operative and the challenge they might pose to religious traditions. That’s why they are so often resented. We see this attitude in the passage from Ezekiel. God sent him to a rebellious people to call them to repentance. Chances are, this did not make him popular. It also did not make Jesus popular with some.

So often we applaud people who have religious insight—unless we know them well. Then we may think: *You’re no better than the rest of us. Who do you think you are?*

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *Do you appreciate the valid insights of others, even when they challenge your own?*
- ★ *Who do you think has insight into today’s chaotic world? Why do you choose that person?*

# Around the Diocese and Parish Neighborhood



Our Speaker will be Dr. Valerie Maty, the Associate Director of Family Ministry at the Diocese of Joliet. Our morning of reflection will provide opportunities for participants to reflect upon Self-Care During Change, engage in prayer, and connection with one another.

To register, go to: <http://bitly.com/3jmo94d> or contact the Office of Family Ministry at (815) 838-5334 by August 2, 2021.

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All of us saw the recent devastation of the tornadoes, severe winds and rain to our neighbors in Naperville and Woodridge. As an Ascension Ministry we reached beyond our parish boundaries to assist their needs. Many Vincentians, including Members of our parish Conference, responded to the needs for help in these communities. Many Saint Vincent de Paul Society parish Conferences throughout our Joliet Diocese were quick to provide help including neighborhood cleanup and rebuilding in these communities while also assisting the immediate needs of those that lost their homes and property in these storms. But this is not unusual. St. Vincent de Paul Members have responded to the needs of those who have suffered much from floods, fires, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes as well as the fate of refugees who are driven from their countries by conflicts which they cannot readily avoid.

Our Ministry extends well beyond neighborhood, community, and areas throughout Illinois. Members have been called to serve others throughout the world wherever the need for our help becomes crucial. Although Catholic communities are often the first to seek our assistance, we extend to everyone who is in need of help. This help always begins with *individuals* who volunteer their time, energy and resources to a particular call for help. But all of us can assist these crises by offering what we can to assist the needs of others. Our parishioners have been outstanding in answering the calls for help regardless of their origin. Let us continue to respond to these needs of others with all we can do. But especially let us all pray that calls for help can continue to be met wherever they arise. We thank you again for your ready help and that we all can be assured we will never see a period where these needs are fully met or end. The St. Vincent de Paul Society serves in parish Conferences throughout the world. Please consider becoming a Member, Associate Member, or faithful respondent as the pleas for help continue.



***Semi-Retired? Retired? Open the doors of Your Heart***

**Join the Ignatian Volunteer Corps!**

Members of this Jesuit service program volunteer in poor and marginalized communities 2 days per week (September-June), grow deeper in their Christian faith by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition and meet monthly with other IVC members and a spiritual reflector. IVC members serve as tutors, employment counselors, food pantry volunteers, companions to the elderly, hospital chaplains, and more! Detailed information is online at [www.ivcusa.org/chicago](http://www.ivcusa.org/chicago).

**Please attend an information session\* to learn more and meet current IVC volunteers here at St. Daniel the Prophet on Thursday, July 15 at 10:30am. Please RSVP to Jacqueline Fitzgerald at 312-961-6206 or [jfitzgerald@ivcusa.org](mailto:jfitzgerald@ivcusa.org).**

\*Current COVID19 guidelines will be followed





As we honor our nation's founding, we recall the men and women who pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to forge a new nation founded in life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Let us ask our Lord for continued blessings upon the United States.

Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, may protection be granted for those who put themselves in harm's way in defense of our country. May our Heavenly Father look mercifully upon all those who have served and now rest. Have a wonderful holiday! We are truly a blessed nation!

**Happy 4th of July!**  
**God Bless America!**

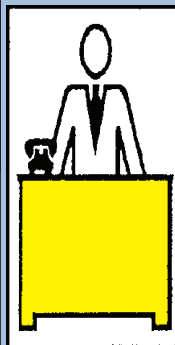
## SAINTS OF THE WEEK



**SAINT MARIA GORETTI**  
**(1890-1902) JULY 6**

Does anything match a mother's pride in her children? First Communions, confirmations, graduations, weddings: how these delight a mother's heart! Imagine, then, Assunta Goretti, the only mother ever to attend her child's canonization! In poverty-stricken rural Italy, widowed Assunta tended fields for the Serenelli family, whose eighteen-year old son Alessandro propositioned her barely twelve-year old Maria; then, when she resisted, crying, "It is a sin! God forbids it!" he stabbed her fourteen times. As she lay dying, Maria assured the attending priest, "Yes, I forgive Alessandro! I want him to be in Paradise with me someday." Imprisoned, unrepentant, Alessandro changed after dreaming that a radiant Maria had offered him fourteen lilies. "I've kept my promise," she smiled. "You'll be here with me someday." Upon release, he rushed to beg Assunta's forgiveness. "Jesus has forgiven you," she replied, "my Maria too. How can I refuse?" Next morning, mother and murderer walked arm in arm to church and knelt side by side for Communion.

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