



SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL BULLETIN

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The Ascension of the Lord



WEEKLY EVENTS, CELEBRATIONS & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 16

1st Reading: Acts 1.1-11; 2nd Reading: Eph 1.17-23 or Eph 4.1-13 (or shorter); Gospel: Mark 16.15-20

9am: For All Parishioners, 12pm: +Dina Angress

Monday	17	12:10 pm		1st Reading: Acts 19.1-8 Gospel: John 16.29-33
Tuesday	18	12:10 pm	<i>St. John I</i>	1st Reading: Acts 20.17-27 Gospel: John 17.1-11a
Wednesday	19	12:10 pm		1st Reading: Acts 20.17-27 Gospel: John 17.1-11a
Thursday	20	12:10 pm	<i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i>	1st Reading: Acts 22.30; 23.6-11 Gospel: John 17.20-26
Friday	21	12:10 pm	<i>St. Eugène de Mazenod</i>	1st Reading: Acts 24.27; 25.13b-21 Gospel: John 21.15-19
Saturday	22	5:00 pm	<i>St. Rita of Cascia</i>	Gospel: John 7.37-39



Saturday Eucharist

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Eucharist

9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. (French)

7:00 p.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Mon to Fri - 12:10 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Monday to Friday - 11:30 - 12:00 pm

Saturday - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
(or call for an appointment)

Baptism Preparation

The first & second Fridays of each month at 7pm in rectory.

Parish Council:

James Caudle (Chair),
Susan Mariano (Vice Chair)
Eric Soprovich (Secretary)
Ammilou Pelayo, Myriam Lafrance, Michael Reyes and Caroline Knickle

Office Hours

Mon Tues Thurs Fri 9:00 a.m. to 3:00pm

Closed Wednesday

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Most Reverend Hector Vila

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The Ascension of the Lord – Some Musings

“ . . . after He had spoken to them was taken up to heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.”

As Children, my brother, sister and I would lie on our backs in the summer sun and watch the clouds as they changed shapes: We'd make up stories about what was happening up there in SkyWorld. Some of the stories had happy endings and some ended tragically as a gust of wind would blow the clouds into some fantastical shape. It was a pleasant way to spend a warm Alberta afternoon. Most often the sky was clear – (It is not called “Sunny Alberta without reason!) Our time of leisure would end with Mom or Dad calling us to do some chores.

But I could never imagine gazing skyward and seeing Jesus being lifted up to be seated at the right hand of His Father. It is no wonder that the Apostles stood aghast at the sight. Nor is it strange that they expected Him to come in glory very shortly. Like them, we can have some unrealistic expectations as well. People try to figure out when He will return or when our world will end, seeming to forget His words, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by His own authority.”

While we wait in anticipation for that day, we need to be prepared for it when arrives and gazing heaven-ward is not the way to prepare for that. We are supposed to engage ourselves in good works: feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the imprisoned and loving one another. We are meant to preach the Good News to others and that's a tall order.

I don't think that preaching that good news means for us to stand on street corners railing at others to change their sinful ways. I think it means living lives that make others want to know how it is that we're always happy and helpful: I think it means that when the opportunity arises we are ready with answers and when we answer, doing so with gentleness.

To be that kind of disciple we have to have the knowledge that underlies our faith and by not allowing our faith education to end at grade 8 but to continue throughout our lives. Sometimes the queries of those looking for answers can trouble us as we don't know the answer. That's when our library of Catholic teaching comes into play. We should all have access to “The Catechism of the Catholic Church”. I don't mean that we need to commit that book to memory but rather to have a working knowledge of where to find answers within that book: And rather than handing the questioner a copy of that book, to walk them gently to the answer.

Being a disciple requires that we know what our Lord teaches so it's also vital to read His words in Scripture. We can't be disciples simply by saying we're followers. Being disciples takes action, discipline and courage. It takes a loving heart, a listening ear, a heart open to the needs of others. It takes living a life that imitates the life of our Lord. So instead of standing and gazing up to heaven let's look around us and see where our Lord is calling us to serve Him.

Wishing you a week of many blessings and many small miracles.

Betty Bruch



St-Eugène de Mazenod: On Good Friday in 1807 after a mystical experience in which Eugene was touched by the full force of the love of God, he entered the seminary. He was ordained at the age of 29, on December 21, 1811. Eugene inspired other priests and laymen to work with him and formed the Missionaries of Provence, conducting parish missions throughout the region. As word of their success spread, Eugene realized the need for a formal organization, and in 1826 founded a new order, the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, whose ministry was to go to people who had never heard of Jesus and his Church.

December 2, 1841, Bishop De Mazenod's first overseas missionaries arrived in Canada. By the time of his death, there were six Oblates and over 400 missionaries working in ten countries. The Oblates continue their good work to this day with some 5000 missionaries in 68 countries. They staff missions posts, parishes and universities. Eugene De Mazenod died from cancer on May 21, 1861; his body was exhumed and found to be intact. He was beatified on October 19, 1975 and canonized December 3, 1995 by Pope John Paul II.

St. Eugène de Mazenod, Pray For Us!

MONTHLY COLLECTION for APRIL: The total of Sunday Collection last month, including Easter is \$12,708. The collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday was \$1,375. Shared Lent was \$1,490. Diocesan needs: \$1,135. Thank you!

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER FOR NET: Volunteers will safely sell baked goods **immediately after Saturday's 5pm mass, 9 and 10:30am Sunday Masses.** All proceeds go towards our parish to cover costs for the NET team.

BRAEBURN CAMP for SACRED HEART PARISHIONERS: Fr. Slawek has booked Braeburn Camp from **July 9th to July 16th.** Everyone from our parish is welcome to come and enjoy Braeburn during that week. You can pitch a tent, bring your RV or register in advance to stay in a cabin (the cabins are limited: first to book, first served!) The kitchen will be available only for those who registered to stay 2 nights or more. To maintain health and safety measures, kitchen use will be organized by time slots, one family/social bubble at a time. **Canoes, paddles, fire pit, outhouses and other facilities are available for day-use as well, no advanced registration necessary.** You are welcome to give a donation to the parish to cover rental costs, all extra will go towards the NET fundraiser. **For more information and to register, [please visit our website.](#) To register by phone, call Fr. Slawek or the parish office.**

NET FUNDRAISING: We are grateful that our Diocese and Sacred Heart parish have brought a NET Ministries team to Whitehorse. The current NET team will be here until the end of May and a new team will come next October to continue the work that has been started. The team is involved in music ministry, leading the high school and middle school youth groups at Sacred Heart, doing outreach to youth in our high school, elementary schools and missions. They are part of a larger network of young missionaries who are taking a year off to bring Canadian youth towards a deeper love of Christ. They are here to support our Catholic schools and to be another avenue (peer-led) for inviting youth, whether Catholic, Christian or secular, into an authentic dialogue about faith and spirituality. The NET Project is an investment into Catholic youth ministry in the Yukon.

The Diocese and Sacred Heart are sharing this expense. The cost for the current team is approximately \$42,000. Sacred Heart is responsible for \$21,000. **We made a goal to raise \$25,000 for this year to cover any additional youth ministry costs. As of now, we've raised \$9,000! We ask for your prayers that their work will touch the hearts of our youth. Also, if you are able to support this ministry financially, that would be much appreciated.** Donations can be made by cheque payable to Sacred Heart Parish, or online at <http://www.sacredheartcathedral.ca/donate.html> (Canada Helps). Please indicate that it is for the NET Project.

If you would like to know more about NET, you can visit their website at netcanada.ca, on Instagram at Whitehorse youth, or contact Andrea Lefebvre at 867-668-2768.

YOUTH GROUP – For the last Youth On Fire of the year, **we will celebrate a Mass on the Clay Cliffs and enjoy an outdoor fire! We meet at 21 Klondike Rd at 6:30pm.** For more information, please contact Andrea.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: The fifth meeting will be **Monday, May 17th at 7:30pm, in the Meeting Room** of our Rectory.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE STUDY: Many Catholics want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give up because it seems so complicated. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you get the "big picture" by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* will help you discover the story of salvation history and understand how you fit into God's plan. This eight-session study program explores all twelve time periods of *The Bible Timeline*. <https://ascensionpress.com/products/unlocking-the-mystery-of-the-bible-workbook> **We meet at 7 pm, in our rectory (in small group) for 8 Wednesdays until May 26. For more information, please contact Mariana Giaccaglia at mari7poza@hotmail.com**

COUPLES FOR CHRIST: Meet in the Rectory **every Saturday, right after 5pm mass.** From April 10th to May 29th open to married couples, previously married, single parent, single men and women, widow and widower. You can also register and join via Zoom. For more information, please contact Allan and Leaseth Campo at 867-689-9310 or allansfc@yahoo.com.

MASS SIGN-IN: We have **2 sign-in sheets: 1 for the “Nave” FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND MASS FROM THE NAVE (Max 50 attendees)** and **1 for the balcony FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND MASS FROM THE BALCONY (Max 25 attendees)** Please sign-in on the correct sheet so we keep an accurate record for contact tracing purposes. When the sign-in sheet is full, we will close the doors. If you cannot attend physically, remember that the Saturday 5pm mass is recorded and uploaded online on the Diocese’s Facebook Page.

LITANY TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: After each weekday mass, **we are invited to pray the Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.** The Litany of Loreto takes its name from the Marian shrine of Loreto in Italy, where it is believed to have been used as far back as 1531. It was officially approved in 1587 by Pope Sixtus V, who suppressed all other Marian litanies used publicly. The Litany of Loreto is the only approved Marian litany. However, many more Marian litanies were and are in use, but are designated for private devotion, as is evident, for example, in the so-called *Officia Mariana*. Through the centuries at least 7 new invocations to Mary were added. Saint Pope John Paul II added “Mother of the Church” in 1980, and “Queen of families” in 1995. **Pope Francis has added three more in June 2020. “Mother of mercy”, “Mother of hope” and “Solace of migrants”.**

Please leave the laminated copies of the litany in the pews, there are paper copies you can take home at the back of the Church.

ADORATION: As Catholics, we believe that the gifts of bread and wine turn into the living body and blood of Christ! The Eucharist is more than a remembrance of Jesus’ sacrifice, but also an intimate encounter with Him. Sacred Heart Cathedral celebrates Adoration is every **Thursday from 7 - 8 p.m.** Come spend an hour with Him!

LIGHTS AND GARBAGE: This is a gentle reminder to all groups who use the CYO Hall and the church: **please remember to turn off all the lights, including the lights in the washrooms, and empty the garbage, compost and recycling bins before you leave.** Thank you for your help!!

ELECTRONIC BULLETINS: Sacred Heart Cathedral is offering to send our **bulletins electronically, by email.** Please **ask the priest before or after the mass** for the form to fill out, or you can go to the **Sacred Heart Cathedral website** for a printable form.

PARISH OFFICE: As we might not be answering calls and emails during regular office hours, please direct any urgent communications directly to Fr. Szwagrzyk. For any non-urgent needs, do not hesitate to leave us a message or send us an email: office@sacredheartcathedral.ca

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES IN CYO HALL: Our Hall and Kitchen are available for private bookings. If you would like to book the space, contact our Parish Office. Note that our church’s covid protocol only covers Faith-Based Activities. Please be advised that for any other activity (*social gatherings, homeschooling, etc*), **you will need to provide your own Covid Operational Plan.** You can provide a template and you will find all guidelines on this website: <https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/industry-operating-guidelines-covid-19/organizing-safe> . Thank you for your collaboration!

DIOCESAN and VATICAN NEWS AND EVENTS

SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY: The Diocese of Whitehorse **Safe Environment Policy has been updated and is now posted on its own webpage.** The purpose of the policy is to keep minors and vulnerable adults safe from harm while in the care of the Diocese of Whitehorse. It includes standards and safeguards to ensure that everyone who participates in ministry activities feels safe and protected. **The Safe Environment webpage also has information on the procedure for reporting incidents of abuse by individuals in ministry positions, including clergy (Priests, Deacons and the Bishop), lay staff, and volunteers.** Please see the Diocese’s webpage for more information.

PRAYERS FOR THE END OF THE PANDEMIC: Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the **Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic.** “The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic.”

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY, MAY 16th: On 23 January 2021, the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, patron saint of writers and journalists, the Holy See released the Holy Father's Message for the **55th World Communications Day**. The message is entitled "*Come and See*" (*Jn 1:46*). *Communicating by Encountering People Where and as They Are*. In his Message, Pope Francis emphasizes the importance of authentic human communication: "In order to tell the truth of life that becomes history, it is necessary to move beyond the complacent attitude that we 'already know' certain things. Instead, we need to go and see them for ourselves, to spend time with people, to listen to their stories and to confront reality, which always in some way surprises us. [...] **This year, then, I would like to devote this Message to the invitation to 'come and see', which can serve as an inspiration for all communication that strives to be clear and honest, in the press, on the internet, in the Church's daily preaching and in political or social communication. 'Come and see!'**"

In Canada, World Communications Day will be celebrated on 16 May 2021, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord.

COVID-19 VACCINE: Moral Questions and Principles: See the CCCB webpage for a Note from the Holy See and a Clarification from the CCCB. <https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/health-care/covid-19-vaccine-moral-questions-and-principles/>

SAINT JOSEPH: It is **The Year of Saint Joseph**. We invite you to visit the CCCB webpage for various resources in **Celebration of the Year of St. Joseph**. You will find Prayers, Litanies, and Devotions, Consecration to Saint Joseph, and Church documents in both French and English. <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/celebrating-the-year-of-saint-joseph/>

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST: Each year, the National Prayer Breakfast is held under the auspices of the Speakers of the Senate and the House of Commons. Once again, guests and participants will include Canadian and International Christian faith leaders from all denominations, Ambassadors, fellow Members of Parliament, Senators, and Canadians tuning in from across our nation and abroad. The 56th Annual National Prayer Breakfast will premiere virtually on Thursday, May 27, 2021, at 8:00 am (EDT) on [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#). No registration or fee is required to watch the event. For additional information visit the [National Prayer Breakfast website](#).

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN SUMMIT: We seek to provide up to three hundred young people with a life-changing experience. The Summit is non-partisan and brings together young Christians from all denominations to participate in a conversation about the intersection of their faith and national affairs. This year's Summit will also take place virtually Thursday, May 27, 2021, from 3 PM-5 PM (EDT) on [Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#). Registration isn't required to watch the event, however, it is required to attend the ZOOM Webinar with Supreme Court Justice Russell Brown. For additional information visit the [National Christian Youth Summit website](#).

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: **The Knights of Columbus annual charity raffle** is now happening. This cash raffle raises funds for the Yukon's food banks as well as for the Braeburn Christian Camp and three scholarships/bursaries. **Tickets are \$10 each and the draw date is July 1, 2021 @3pm** If you would like to purchase a ticket, please contact Michael Lauer (867-332-5973) or mmjs@northwestel.net. The Knights appreciate your support!

INVITATION TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights of Columbus would like to invite all the male RCIA Candidates (18 years & up) who received the sacraments last Easter to join the Knights of Columbus. We are offering 1 Year Free On-Line Membership by going to www.kofc.org/joinus and use the Promo Code: MCGIVNEY2020. In addition, the Knights of Columbus in BC & Yukon State will send you a copy of *Daily Meditations with the Holy Spirit Book*. Quantities are limited. Upon completion of your membership application, please send an email to Herb Yang herbykofc@gmail.com advising that you are an RCIA candidate and you just joined the Knights of Columbus On-Line.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

LET'S KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS: For the repose of the soul of Maria Gabriela Tudela, mother of Mariana Giaccaglia, and Jean-Marc Bélanger. For Ray Chalifoux, for his recovery. We pray for all people affected by COVID-19; for the doctors, nurses, people working to provide services and much needed supplies to others, and for priests who continue to help with those affected by COVID-19. Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

DE SEMAINE EN SEMAINE

16 mai 2021
Ascension du Seigneur



Le Célébrant aujourd'hui le 16 mai : Fr. Leo

MESSE EN DIRECT: Est enregistrée le samedi soir à 17h est en ligne sur You Tube et Facebook le soir même sur le site: **Roman Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse Yukon You Tube page et de Facebook.**

Procédures pour Covid-19 : masque, distanciation, désinfection des mains à l'entrée et à la sortie.
Écrivez votre nom et # de téléphone est sur la feuille de présence.

ANNIVERSAIRES : Le 19 : Jocelyn Bouchard Le 23 : Fr. Kieran Kilcommons

INTENTIONS DE MESSE : Si vous désirez offrir une messe pour une personne décédée, une personne malade ou autre raison, contacter le bureau de la CFC avec les informations suivantes :

- le nom de la personne pour qui vous voulez une messe,
- le nom de la personne qui paie pour la messe (10\$ ou plus)
- la date que vous aimeriez que cette messe soit célébrée.

La messe en français est le dimanche à 12h (midi).

INTENTION DE MESSE : + Dina Angress demandée par Yann Herry.

LE GROUPE JEUNESSE CATHOLIQUE "YOUTH ON FIRE" : **Vendredi le 21 mai** sera la dernière rencontre avant la période d'été du Groupe Jeunesse (Youth Group). Ils se rencontreront au **21 Klondike Road à 18h30 pour la Célébration de la Messe**. Apportez vos couvre-visages ! Confirmer votre présence en appelant Andrea.

GROUPE NET : Coûte 21,000\$ à la paroisse. Si vous voulez contribuer à défrayer ces frais vous pouvez faire un don à la Paroisse Sacred Heart, en spécifiant NET. Un reçu d'impôt vous sera donné.

« **MARATHON DE PRIÈRE** » : Proposé par le Pape François aux catholiques du monde entier de **réciter le chapelet tous les soirs du mois de mai** pour « *demandeur la fin de la pandémie* ».

SECRÉTAIRE DE LA PAROISSE : Vu que les courriels et appels téléphoniques ne sont pas répondus immédiatement **contactez Fr. Slawek directement pour des besoins urgents**. Pour le non-urgent laissez un message sur la boîte vocale au 667-2437 ou un message courriel : office@sacredheartcathedral.ca

CAMP BRAEBURN : Fr. Slawek a **réservé le Camp du 9 au 16 juillet pour les paroissiens** de Sacred Heart. Contactez Fr. Slawek pour plus d'informations ou pour réserver un chalet.

VENDREDI 21 MAI : Nous célébrons **St-Eugène-de-Mazenod, le saint Patron de notre communauté francophone catholique**. Accorde-nous par son intercession, de brûler du même esprit pour n'avoir en vue que le service de l'Église et le salut du monde.