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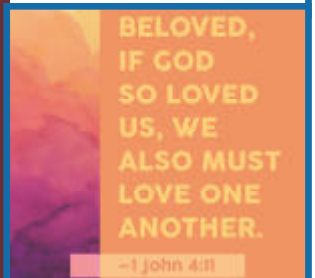
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**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was  
taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand  
of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere,  
while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the  
word through accompanying signs. - Mk 16:19-20

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**MAY 16, 2021**

# ON THE WAY.....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

With the success the nation is having at controlling the virus, the prospect of re-opening the Church to full participation is coming nearer. The question: are people coming back? Have they gotten out of the habit of participating as a community in prayer and worship? For me, the most important reason to gather as Catholics on a Sunday morning is to have the opportunity to share as a community in the real presence of Christ in our midst when we receive the Eucharist. This has been the story of the Church from the beginning. The gospel writers wrote about Jesus giving the Eucharist at the Last Supper. St. Paul described the practice of the first Christians having Holy Communion as part of their table fellowship. St. John does some theological reflection on the access that the Eucharist gives believers to the saving action of Christ on the cross.

St. John was writing toward the end of the first Christian century. The second century, usually referred to as the Age of the Apostolic Fathers, saw dramatic growth in the Church even in the face of increased persecution on the part of the Roman Empire. Receiving Holy Communion helped to sustain the Church in trying times. One of the early believers, St. Justin Martyr, laid out one of the earliest descriptions of the Mass in his *First Apology*, written between 153 and 155 A.D. Here is the passage:

*Having ended the prayers, we salute one another with a kiss. There is then brought to the president of the brethren bread and a cup of wine mixed with water; and he taking them, gives praise and glory to the Father of the universe, through the name of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, and offers thanks at considerable length for our being counted worthy to receive these things at His hands. And when he has concluded the prayers and thanksgivings, all the people present express their assent by saying Amen. This word Amen answers in the Hebrew language to ge'noito [so be it]. And when the president has given thanks, and all the people have expressed their assent, those who are called by us deacons give to each of those present to partake of the bread and wine mixed with water over which the thanksgiving was pronounced, and to those who are absent they carry away a portion. And this food is called among us Eucharistia [the Eucharist], of which no one is allowed to partake but the man who believes that the things which we teach are true, and who has been washed with the washing that is for the remission of sins, and unto regeneration, and who is so living as Christ has enjoined. For not as common bread and common drink do we receive these; but in like manner as Jesus Christ our Savior, having been made flesh by the Word of God, had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so likewise have we been taught that the food which is blessed by the prayer of His word, and from which our blood and flesh by transmutation are nourished, is the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh.*

In the Most Holy Trinity,  
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T



Sun 05/16	<b>Ascension Of The Lord</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Louis Lee - requested by Barbara Ricks</i>
	12:30 p.m.	Seeing Race (On-line)
Mon 05/17	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY † <i>Irene Kalina - requested by Pat Bulgajewski</i>
Tues 05/18	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY † <i>Anna Marano - requested by Mena Marano</i>
Wed 05/19	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 † <i>Anna Marano - requested by Mena Marano</i>
Thur 05/20	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
	6:00 pm.	Social Care Board (On-line)
Fri 05/21	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Rectory w/ Sign Up) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Passcode: SJDAILY
Sun 05/23	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Michael Hooper - requested by Virginia Piecuch</i>

**Seeing Race: Charity, Diversity,  
and Equity - Serving at St. James  
Food Pantry**

**Sunday  
May 16, 2021  
12:30PM**

**w/Cathy Moore, St. James Food Pantry**

**See "Zoom links" on website for Zoom link.**



**Meeting ID: 870 6934 0782  
Password: SEERACE**



# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 16, 2021

<b>SUN 5/16</b>	<i>Ascension:</i> Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter:</i> Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19
<b>MON 5/17</b>	Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33
<b>TUE 5/18</b>	Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a
<b>WED 5/19</b>	Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19
<b>THR 5/20</b>	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26
<b>FRI 5/21</b>	Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19
<b>SAT 5/22</b>	<i>Morning:</i> Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25
<b>SUN 5/23</b>	<i>Vigil:</i> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 <i>Extended Vigil:</i> Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 <i>Day:</i> Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

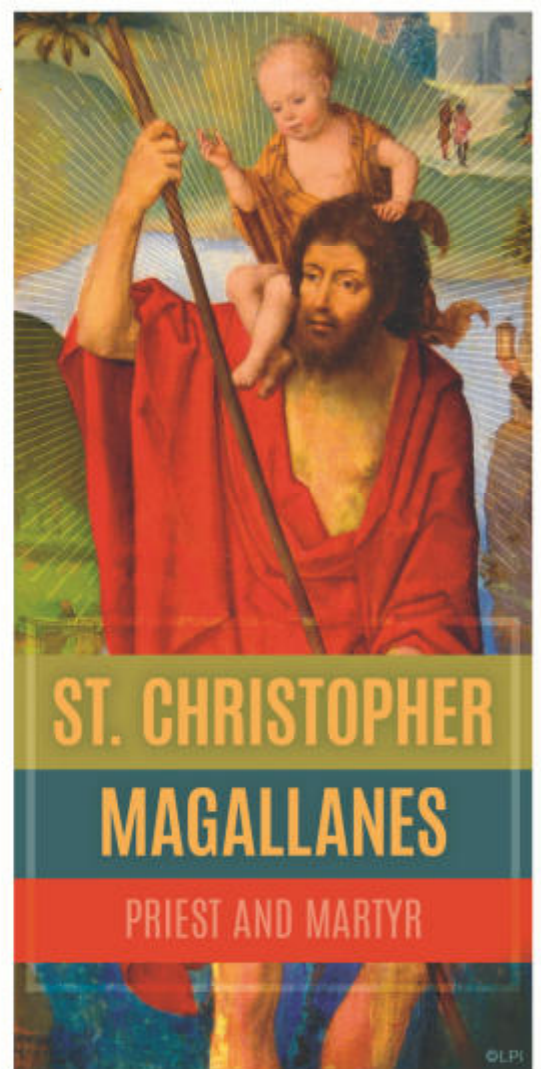
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 16, 2021

<b>Sunday:</b>	The Ascension of the Lord; 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day
<b>Tuesday:</b>	St. John I, Pope and Martyr
<b>Thursday:</b>	St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
<b>Friday:</b>	St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
<b>Saturday:</b>	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Pentecost Sunday

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

When Jesus was physically with his disciples, he guarded and protected them. One of his greatest desires was that they share his joy completely. God's love is the source of all things and their sustenance. As we conduct the normal routines of our lives it is easy to get caught up in the immediacies of this world and lose focus. We become very self and worldly dependent, forgetting that God wishes to guard and protect us. The joy the resurrected Christ can offer cannot be found in this world. It takes a bit of faith to realize that God's will is a constant in our lives and that God desires only the sustenance and goodness of both our bodies and our souls. We need to trust in God's constant and rejuvenating love. This radical resurrection trust allows us to experience the joy of God's presence in all of the good and the bad, positive and negative, life building and life destructive events that we encounter. God remains where love remains.



**ST. CHRISTOPHER  
MAGALLANES**

**PRIEST AND MARTYR**

“Your  
word is  
truth”

— JOHN 17:17 —





## Coming to Church

Advance sign up for all masses and events is required.

You can access all sign-ups for masses and events, including Eucharistic Adoration through [Sign Up Genius](#) or on the Sign Up Genius tab on our website. If you do not have access to the internet you may call Amy at 872-703-4337.

Participants must follow ALL safety guidelines.



St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>

### In Our Prayers

<b>Our Home Bound:</b>	<b>Our Sick:</b>
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