

St. Edward's Catholic Church Pulaski, Virginia



June 1, 2025
The Ascension of the Lord

Collection May 25, 2025

Regular Collection	\$726.00
Diocesan Home Missions	10.00
Attendance	62

June 8, 2025

Ushers- J. McCann/C. Yates
Lector- Dan Grubb
Commentator- Patty Williams
Eucharistic Ministers- M. White/M. DuBose
Lawn Care- Lee Crowder

Readings for June 8, 2025

Reading 1	Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
Reading 2	1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Romans 8:8-17
Gospel	John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-16, 23b-26

Info about St. Edwards- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found at <https://stedwardpulaski.org>

Please let Gaby or Stan know of any additions/deletions to PRAYER LIST

Megan Talbert, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Larry Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Chuck Yates, Shannon Yates, Sharon Dalton, Olin Whitener, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Lynn Canty, Ron Morgan, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Cara Jennings, Bill McGuire, John Willett, Susan Bennett, Jerry Toothman, Pal Montgomery, Jon Ash, Leigh Thompson, Father Bernie, John McNair, Jeannie Bain, Chad Owen, Jean-Paul Billaud, and Donna Franzmann..

New Schedule- June 29 on the Minister's schedule was accidentally left out. Kathy has corrected and resent it to you in an e-mail. If you need a printed copy, you can find one on the bulletin board in the Hall. Please be aware of the dates you are serving, and if you can't meet your obligation, find someone to substitute for you. If you are unable to find someone, let Stan know as soon as you can.

Food Donations- June's non-perishable food donations will be for the Emergency Needs Task Force. We will collect through Sunday, June 29. Thank you in advance for your generosity in reaching out and helping others.

June Birthdays

Jennifer Grube	June 3
Carol Luttrell	June 4
Father Boat	June 13
Joe Tedesco	June 20

June Anniversaries

Ken & Norma Klima	June 2
Bill & Amanda Kelly	June 8
Michael & Rosanna Vallo	June 8
Carol & Richard Luttrell	June 17
Joe & Stephanie Tedesco	June 19
Terrie & Ty Hancock	June 25
Linda & Jack McCann	June 27
Sharon & Jerry Daton	June 28

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Jesus' words are very powerful:
*"You will weep and mourn, while the world rejoices;
you will grieve, but your grief will become joy."*

These words of Jesus can be both discouraging and puzzling. He speaks them at the Last Supper as he is preparing his disciples for his departure. They will no longer walk the dusty roads with him, sit down to dinner with him, feel his comforting hand rest on their shoulder or gaze into his loving and challenging eyes.

He tells them, in a little while you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me... and they ask each other what he could possibly mean. Yes, he is preparing his disciples for his departure but more than that, he is preparing *us* for the times we will have a difficult time seeing him.

When we are faced with pain, conflict and great loss, sometimes we can be blind to his presence in our lives. But today Jesus tells us that we will see him again. How can that be, if he is going to the Father? He is telling us that we will see him again because we will one day join him there, at the side of the Father.

In the meantime, the world will be rejoicing. We shouldn't be scandalized or discouraged by that. No matter how much we grieve, our grief will be transformed - into joy brought on by our faith that we will see Jesus again with the Father.

This is the heart of the Good News Jesus speaks today. We can live in this world, free from fear, free from anxiety, knowing that Jesus is present to us in this life and that we will join him at the Father's side in the life after.