

SOLEMNITY OF LORD'S ASCENSION

Today we are celebrating the Feast of Jesus' Ascension. What is the real meaning of the Lord's Ascension? If we are going to ask Mr. Webster, he would say: "Ascension is the act of moving upward of Jesus Christ into heaven."

But according to the Church, Ascension is: He ended His bodily presence on earth." This happened after 40 days of his resurrection. Another meaning is: "The Lord has left and gone up into heaven, yet remains with us." This means that our life has to end just like that of the physical body of Christ who died. We too must die. If Christ had ascended into heaven, we too must be there. If everything has an end, whatever goodness we can do, do it now and do not delay. What you can today do not leave it for tomorrow.

Another meaning of ascension which I like most also is that, ascension is to go back to the source of, who is the Father. Jesus returned to God the Father, the Source.

What is really the reason why Jesus ascended into heaven? Why not help us in this world to carry out the mission? The reasons are: in order to praise God (John 17), in order to become our Savior and Prince of peace (Acts 5:31), to lead us and open the gate for us (Hebrew 6:20) and to prepare our place in heaven (John 14:2).

Jesus had ascended into Heaven; does this mean that He is no longer with us? What do you think? Jesus is still with us today. It is because He said that whatever you do to the least of my brothers/sisters, you do this to me." He said also towards the end of St. Matthew's Gospel: "I am with you until the end of the world."

So, what is the command of Jesus for us today? The first is, we should preach. What are those things that we should preach to others? The good news of salvation that we are loved by God even if we are sinners; that we are brothers and sisters to each other's; that life has dignity, meaning and we, too, have dignity; that death is the only way towards eternal life. That's why all of us are called in order to preach and to teach. Busy people are not exempted from this mission. They just make as an escape goat that they are busy but the truth is, they are just lazy to preach the good news. They are afraid to tell the truth and they are already self-sufficient. Preaching is not only to be done within the church, but also in the office, in the workplace, in homes and many more.

Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, June 2 9:00 a.m.

Souls in purgatory	req Pauline Nguyen
In memory of Feliza Bathan	req Francia Bathan
Soul of John Phan	req Therese Phan
Michael and Nancy Raso	req Lina Raso
In memory of Harry Marcaccio	req Donna Marcaccio

Tuesday, June 3 9:00 a.m.

Souls of Joseph Nguyen and Mary Vu	req Therese Phan
Kaybrielle Bencito Birthday blessings	req Carolina Lewis
Soul of Sandra Correa	req John Marques and family

Wednesday, June 4 9:00 a.m.

All souls in purgatory	req Benilda Fajardo
In loving memory of Federico and Francisca Asuncion	req Macrina Fabro
Intentions of Joy Augustine	req Joy
Souls of Peter Phan and Mary Tran	req Therese Phan
Moly Reji	req Martin and Minnu

Thursday, June 5 9:00 a.m.

Souls of Joseph and Anna Gustin	req Susan and Andrew Miller
Souls of Peter Nguyen and Martha Nguyen	req Therese Phan

Friday, June 6 9:00 a.m. and 7 p.m.

DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION

Gourley, Fatemi, Nguyen families	req Pauline Nguyen
Brigida Rodrigues	req John and Charlotte Marques and family
In memory of Norberta Labuguen	req Ruby Benitez
Soul of John the Baptist Dam	req Therese Phan
For fulfilment of God's will being shared through Margarita Nguyen Suot	req Theresa DeFrietas

Saturday, June 7 5:00 p.m.

This Jubilee Year, our Parish family prays for the intentions of Stirling family

Rose and Jack Zamorski	req Patricia and Anthony McLaughlin
Soul of Peter Boyd Baldwin	req Therese Phan
Soul of Peggy Golden	req Rosa Lise Golden
For fulfilment of God's will being shared through Margarita Nguyen, Suot	req Theresa DeFrietas

Sunday, June 8 10:00 a.m.

For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. **This week the Lamp burns for**

- 1. Healing and intentions of Hendrickson Sy**
req Felisa Go
- 2. Cecilio Corisa and Benitez family**
Req Ruby Benitez
- 3. Joseph and Anna Gustin**
Req Andrew and Susan Miller

Bible Verse For This Week

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever."

- Psalm 23:6



**PARISH
SUPPORT**

May 24/25, 2025

Sunday Offering	\$ 1,768.00
Loose Offering	376.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish

DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

FRIDAY 6th of June 2025

Prayer Intention That Broken Families May Find Healing Through Forgiveness

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

9:30 a.m. Adoration Begins

4:00 p.m. Benediction

4:30 p.m. Fish and Chips Dinner

(Please purchase tickets on or before June 2, 2025)

6:00 p.m. Confession

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass, Consecration of Families to the

Sacred Heart of Jesus

"How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty! My soul yearns for the courts of the LORD." (Ps. 84: 1-2)

PARISH T-SHIRTS



We are excited to have available St. Charles t-shirts. See Anne or Donna to order yours. Perfect for our role in evangelization. Order soon and we can wear them on

our pilgrimage to Martyrs Shrine. **Children's sizes and adult s, m, l, x-large Cost \$20.00 per shirt.**

FUNERAL MASS FOR LETICIA TORIO

Please join us in prayer for our dear friend and parishioner Leticia Torio. The Holy Mass will be on Monday, June 2, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. May Leticia rest in the peace of Christ and may her family and religious community be consoled in their faith in Christ.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Jubilee Year 2025 and Pilgrims of Hope



CANADIAN MARTYRS SHRINE, MIDLAND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025

The Shrine has been designated as an official pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Year of Hope.

How to obtain Jubilee indulgence?

1. Detachment from all sin, even venial.
2. Sacramental confession.
3. Holy Communion.
4. One 'Our Father' for the intentions of the Pope

(remission of temporal punishment due to sins)

TICKETS: \$ 65 PER PERSON

-We will be traveling Canada Coach Bus. Please arrive at St. Charles Garnier Parish by 7:30 a.m.

-The bus will depart at 8:00 a.m. sharp. We'll return to Hamilton by 7:00 p.m.

-Healing Mass at the Shrine at 1:30 p.m. Celebrated by Fr. Saju.

- Please bring your own bagged lunch.

For more information, contact the parish office:

call us: 905 528 0074 or

email us: saintcharlesgarnier505@gmail.com

PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS AND SPREAD THE WORD

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalms 119:105

PARISH MOVIE & DINNER NIGHT



"MIRACLES FROM HEAVEN"

Saturday, June 14, 2025

Following the 5:00 pm Holy Mass

Lasagna Dinner & Movie: \$15 / Person

Tickets are available after every Holy Mass

Please Invite Your Family & Friends

HEALING MASS

Friday, June 27, 2025

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:00 p.m. ADORATION

7:00 p.m. HEALING MASS & ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

