

St. Patrick, Kankakee ~ A Viatorian Parish

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

JUNE 2, 2019



Go out into the world and, in your words and in your lives,
bear witness to Christ, who has ascended to be everywhere present.

And as you come to know him,
may God give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation,
may Christ Jesus lift up his hands and bless you,
and may the Spirit open to you all the riches of Christ's inheritance.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Amen.

When someone good and close to us has died,
we feel that this person is still with us
and keeps inspiring and guiding us.

When at his Ascension Jesus left his disciples
and passed to the glory of heaven,
he became to his disciples
more than a memory of a great person who had died.

First, he is still alive as the Risen Lord;
second, he is gone but he stays with us
by his Spirit of strength and wisdom and love
and in this way he is our companion in life.
He still speaks his word to us,
he still gives himself to us as our food and drink,
and he is alive in our communities.

Listen to him present among us here
and let him nourish us with his Word and his Body.



Liturgy Alive

On the Cover: *Ascension of Christ* by Benvenuto Tisi, also known as Garofalo (1481 - 1559).

This Week

Monday, June 3

Tuesday, June 4

Wednesday, June 5

Thursday, June 6

12:00 *Adoration until 5:00 p.m.*

5:00 *Vespers and Benediction*

6:30 *Boy Scouts*

Friday, June 7

Saturday, June 8

Sunday, June 9

10:00 *Little People's Church*

For Reflection ...

• Our mission is that of being witnesses to the love of God revealed in Jesus. • Am I a witness to this love? • Can I identify those things in my life that cast doubt on my faith? • How do I defend against these attacks?

***Please Pray for These Men and Women
Serving in the Military ...***

Synthia Dorsey, Dustin Foltz, Kelton Gifford,
Joseph Jordan, Henry Kijewski,
Matthew Lanasa, Sarah Miller,
Keith Mulholland, Justin Phelps,
John T. Raimondo, Scott Riegel, Andrew Ryan,
Erik Schultz, Gregory Smith,
Jessica Smith, and Brandi Zinnel.

Be with them, Lord, and keep them safe.

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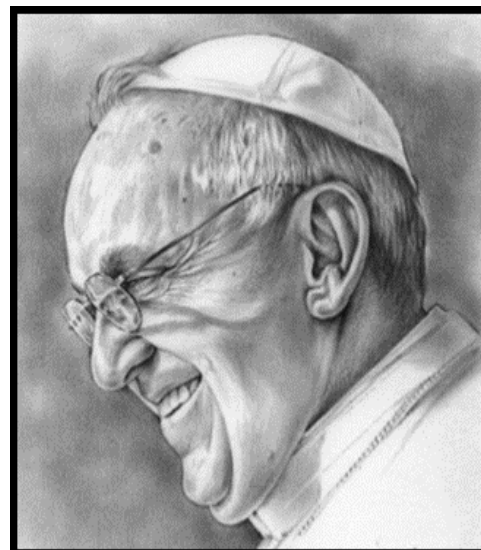


Please remember the FOOD PANTRY!

**Next Sunday is PENTECOST SUNDAY.
We invite everyone to wear RED!**



In the Creed, we confess our faith in Christ,
who “ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.”
What does this mean for our lives?
It means that entering into God’s glory
demands daily fidelity to his will,
even when it requires sacrifice,
and it sometimes requires us to change our plans.
Jesus led his disciples as far as Bethany,
raised his hands, and blessed them.
As he blessed them, he departed from them
and was taken up to heaven.



Dear brothers and sisters, we have this Advocate.
Let us not be afraid to go to him and ask forgiveness,
to ask for blessing, to ask for mercy.
He always forgives us. *He is our Advocate.*
He defends us always from the devil’s snares,
defends us from ourselves, from our sins!
We must never forget this!

And, Jesus has opened the way.
He is like the leader of a mountain climbing party that is roped together.
He has reached the summit and pulls us up to himself, leading us to God.
If we entrust our lives to him and let ourselves be guided by him,
we are certain of being in safe hands.

Pope Francis

VOCATION CORNER

**Let us remember to pray for our Priests and all Vowed Religious:
Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer;
and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit. *Pope Francis***

**Let us also remember to pray for VOCATIONS
to the Priesthood and to Vowed Religious Life:**

O God our Father, you made each of us to serve you and one another. You call us to use our gifts to build up the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow your will. Send workers into your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached ... the poor are served with love ... the suffering are comforted ... and your people are nourished and strengthened by the Sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Amen.



Congratulations to Father Dan Hebert as he celebrates his 40th Anniversary of Ordination!

Father Dan was born to Joseph and Reva Hebert, in Kankakee, on February 20, 1950. He is the oldest of five children. Both of his parents are deceased. He graduated from Bishop McNamara High School in 1968, entered the Brothers of Charity in 1969, and made a profession of vows on February 20, 1971. In January, 1972, he was assigned to the Archdiocese of Anchorage and missioned to set up religious education programs for the newly formed archdiocese. In August of 1973, he began studies for the priesthood for the

Archdiocese of Anchorage at Holy Trinity Seminary. He received a BA degree in Philosophy and a Master's of Divinity in Theology.

On Saturday, May 5, 1979, here in St. Patrick Church in Kankakee, he was ordained a Priest for the Archdiocese of Anchorage by Archbishop Francis T. Hurley. The next day, Father celebrated his first Mass here at St. Patrick.

We are pleased to join in celebrating Father Dan Hebert's 40th Anniversary!

If you or someone you know is considering a life of service in the Church as a religious brother or priest, an initial step in this process is to discern God's will in the concrete circumstances of life. The Clerics of St. Viator are committed to accompanying young men in this process through both formal and informal encounters with the Viatorian Community. We also welcome young men to learn more about the Clerics of St. Viator through informal encounters. We invite you to please contact Brother John Eustice, CSV, at vocations@viatorians.com or call (847) 894-8537.

Visit *Viatorians.com*.
There you can find
the *vocation stories*
of many Viatorians
you may know.





***Plan now to participate in
the TRAINING of NEW ALTAR SERVERS –***

set for Saturday, June 29, at 9:00 a.m. Boys and Girls who are currently in the 4th grade and older are invited to be part of this ministry. Call the Rectory Office at (815) 932-6716 to let us know you will be there! Envelope Number 501.

Reminder! This weekend - June 1 and 2 - we are hosting representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem, who will be outside after each of our Masses, displaying ***handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles.***

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Come away for a Time of Prayer - Watercolor Workshop

Let the silence and atmosphere of peace bring you to a deeper place within yourself. Color sharpens our eyes to better see rainbows, trees, flowers, and our homes. And shapes make

us aware that our world imitates objects. Put them all together and we find ways to experiment and experience surprises. Come to brighten your life and share time with others. Materials will be supplied. Treat yourself to a time of prayer on Thursday, June 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center, 2041 W. State Route 113, Kankakee. This morning is sponsored by the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary, with Sr. Mary Stella Schellenberger, sscm,



as our presenter. A free will offering would be accepted. To register or for more information, please call (815) 935-0800 or just stop by.



Throughout his life, Pope Francis has been an amazing and humble witness to living simply and caring for others. From the beginning of his papacy, he has shown us how to use the gifts God has given us to care for one another and the world. Pope Francis speaks of stewardship with language that is fresh and fitting for the modern world, and yet the call to live out good stewardship is as ancient as the Scriptures themselves.

The command that we live as stewards was first given to us in the Book of Genesis, where we are told God made every good thing for us and then entrusted it to us so we would care for it. *None of us is exempt from this command, for all of us have been given great gifts from our heavenly Father.*

Take some time to reflect on your personal stewardship efforts:

- Have you been using the gifts entrusted to you wisely and sharing them generously?
- Does your faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ?

The Diocese of Joliet is seeking to hire a Catholic Education Foundation Executive Officer. This person will develop and pursue ideas, contacts, and strategies to raise funds from individuals, corporations, and foundations in the seven counties that make up the Diocese of Joliet and elsewhere across the region. This, full-time position with benefits, requires flexibility of schedule, including evening and weekend work as needed. To view a full job description, visit: <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>. Applicants meeting the necessary qualifications are asked to submit a cover letter, resume, and salary requirement to: humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org.

God's Absence and Presence

God is "beyond," beyond our heart and mind, beyond our feelings and thoughts, beyond our expectations and desires, and beyond all the events and experiences that make up our life. Still God is in the center of all of it.

Here we touch the heart of prayer, since here it becomes manifest that, in prayer, the distinction between God's presence and God's absence no longer really exists.

In prayer, God's presence is never separated from God's absence and God's absence is never separated from God's presence. God's presence is so much beyond the human experience of being together that it quite easily is perceived as absence. God's absence, on the other hand, is often so deeply felt that it leads to a new sense of God's presence.

Henri Nouwen

St. Patrick Church, 428 South Indiana Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois

Liturgical Ministers Schedule. Please arrange for a substitute if needed.

JUNE 8 /9	4:00 P.M.	7:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
CANTOR	B. Sandlin / Choir		M. White
SERVERS	K. Johnson M. Mulholland G. Mulholland		M. Contreras A. Purcell J. Born
LECTORS	G. Goreham	D. Berg	J. Born
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	A. Parkinson S. Pommier M. Spilsbury	P. Johnson C. Olofsson K. Ryan	J. Yohnka C. Antognoli R. Bond
USHERS	C. Denault H. Boule R. Skelly J. Robinson G. Piatt S. Drassler A. Parkinson	G. Flageole W. McCarty P. Holohan J. Wertz B. Grasser M. Born	P. Swanson R. Hartman D. Glenzinski T. Marcotte M. Spilsbury
LITTLE PEOPLE'S CHURCH			A. Kirchner / J. Fowler
SACRISTANS			P. Johnson

*Please pray for the sick and the dying, and all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.
Also, let us remember in prayer the homebound and those in nursing homes or hospitals.*

Prayer Line ... Call (815) 933-6877

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

7:15 Dorothy Vollmer

Tuesday, June 4

7:15 Eleanor Born (Birth. Ann.)

Wednesday, June 5 *St. Boniface*

7:15 Alice Lee (Birth. Ann.)

Thursday, June 6

7:15 Phyllis Tonner

Friday, June 7

7:15 Patrick O'Connor

Saturday, June 8

7:15 Parishioners and Benefactors

4:00 Jeanne DesMarteau (Ann.) /

Francis Kroha (Birth. Ann.) /

Helen McKenna (Ann.) /

Deceased Members

of the Brosseau Family

Sunday, June 9

PENTECOST SUNDAY

7:00 William R. Smith

10:00 Elaine Ziemer /

Genevieve Keller /

Robert Hisel (Birth. Ann.) /

Patrick Simmons (Birth. Ann.)

MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Holy Family Candle

burns for the Special Intentions
of the Ayers Family.

The Blessed Sacrament Candle

burns in memory of Len Mulcahy.

Who is a good example for our young?

A hero provides more than a good example for others. He or she provides a standard of virtue. Some heroes are authentic, while others prove to be two-dimensional, not because of their actions, but because of their intent. The authentic hero is transparent; that person practices what he or she preaches.

Jesus was a hero. That might ring strange in our ears, but it is true. His example was the cross; his virtue was love through self-giving. Of course, he is more than a hero, for he shares that love with us, the love he had with his Father. When he prayed for us, he wanted us to be part of his example and his virtue. He wanted us to share in the glory of the cross and the love God has for the world. *Larry Broding*