

PARENT PAGE

MAY 2011

ASCENSION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
2001 Woodman Drive, Kettering, OH 45420 254-0622

MAY 1 - Sunday

8:30 am RCIA-Family Session
9:45am Gr. 6-8 Last Class
10:00am Home Teach Mtg.
10:30am Early Childhood
1:00pm Early Childhood Picnic

2 - Monday

4:15pm Gr. 1-5
6:00pm Home Teach Mtg.
6:30pm Gr. 6,8 - Last Class

3/5 - Tues/Thurs

7:00pm Gr. 7 Parent/Student
Confirmation Mtg. - Witzman Center

4 - Wednesday

5:45pm Mother-Daughter Banquet

8 - Sunday - Mothers' Day Coffee & Donuts

9 - Monday

Early Registration Deadline
4:15pm Gr. 1-5/Closing Mass

12 - Thursday

7:00pm School & RE Committee Mtg

15 - Sunday

10:15am EC Staff Workday
4-6pm Fiesta Latina - WC
6-9pm Youth Ministry Party in the
Park

16 - Monday

4:15pm Gr. 1-5 Staff Workday
5:45 pm RE Staff Family Dinner
7:00 pm Gr. 6-8 Staff Workday

17 - Tuesday

7:00pm Confirmation Orientation/
Witzman Center - Grade 6 students

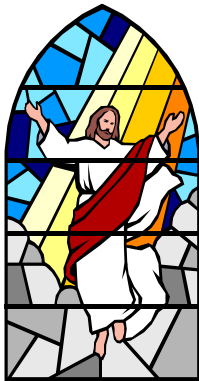
22 - Sunday Pentecost

1:15pm First
Communion
Pictures - in
church

25 - Wednesday

6:30pm Educa-
tion Commission/
Pastoral Council

30- Monday Memorial Day



Celebrate Ascension (June 2) and Pentecost (June 12)!

Ascension and Pentecost complete the Easter season.
Prayer Ritual for Ascension
Light a white candle, the Christ candle. Tell the Ascension story. Extinguish the Christ candle.

Leader: We extinguish the Christ candle as a sign that the Light of the World is no longer with us as he once was. Jesus invites us to be his light to others and continue his work. We become Jesus for others.
Leader: Bow your heads for God's blessing: Lord, may we follow you into the new creation. Give us voices that speak,

All: Give us voices that speak,

Leader: Hands that work,

All: Hands that work,

Leader: Feet that journey,

All: Feet that journey

Leader: And eyes that gaze at the splendor of your world.

All: And eyes that gaze at the splendor of your world.

Leader: Your ascension, Lord, is our glory and our hope!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

REGISTRATION CONTINUES IN THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE. MAY 9 IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER WITH DISCOUNTED FEES!
REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEFORE AND AFTER 10:30 MASS ON MAY 15 AND DURING THE WEEK IN THE RE OFFICE. THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY, MAY 8. (MOTHER'S DAY)

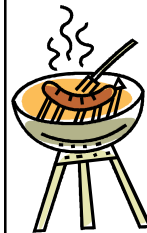
ELEMENTARY END-OF-THE YEAR MASS & AWARDS PRESENTATION PARENTS WELCOME!!!

GRADES 1-5 MAY 9 4:30 P.M.

STUDENTS REPORT TO THE CLASSROOM AS USUAL AT 4:15 P.M.;
DISMISSAL WILL BE FROM THE CHURCH.

ALL STUDENTS are requested to please bring a **SOAP** item for the Food Pantry at Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church. It will be collected during Mass.

+bar soap
+liquid soap
+laundry detergent
+dishwashing liquid
+shampoo



YOUTH MINISTRY'S PARTY IN THE PARK

SUNDAY, MAY 15 6:30-9 PM

LOFINO'S PARK
FOR ALL 8TH GR. STUDENTS
FOOD - GAMES - FUN

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mother/Daughter Banquet – all women of the parish are invited to attend this annual dinner in PAC, 5:45pm, Wed., May 4. Main dish and table service are provided by the Women's Guild. Please bring a large covered dish to serve at least 12 people. Donation at door: \$3 adults, \$2 ages 3-10. No advance registrations are necessary.

Fiesta Latina -Sponsored by Ascension's Twinning Committee and supported by Ascension's Knights of Columbus. This year's benefit will be held on Sunday, May 15 from 4-6 pm in the Witzman Center. Experience Latin Culture - Taste Latino Food - Enjoy the Entertainment! Flyer enclosed.



Martha & Mary High Tea – Mark your calendars for this celebration. May 22 at 2:00pm in Witzman Center. Watch bulletin for more details.



HAVE A GOOD SUMMER! REMEMBER TO KEEP LIVING THE PLEDGE OF NONVIOLENCE! MAY GOD'S PEACE BE WITH YOU!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

Mother's Day Rose Sale. May 7-8. Help is needed at each Mass selling and on Saturday morning at 9:45 in the WC trimming and preparing the roses for the sale. If you or your family can help please contact Jeannette Niezgodski at 320-1819 or email jniezgodski@yahoo.com.
Elizabeth's New Life Dayton Boutique. Help is needed any Saturday from 10am-1pm at the Boutique located at 614 Five Oaks Ave. Contact Julie Myers at 545-3008 or at jmyers@elizabethnewlife.org. No prior training needed. Student volunteers will be assisting the trained boutique clerk as they check out clients, helping bag clothing and other purchases. Help needed all summer and beyond! This could also be a long-term service project for 8th graders.



Ascension Parish Vacation Bible School 2011

SonSurf Vacation Bible School

Join us as we follow Jesus through bible stories, crafts, and fun.

Preschool (4 years) through Grade 5 (incoming)

Monday, July 11-Friday, July 15

8:45 - 11:45 am Witzman Center

Registration forms available online at ascensionkettering.org

under Religious Education Forms-n-Flyers

Help is always Welcome - See Volunteer Form online also!



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Register now for HOMELife Groups or NCYC 2011 trip online at www.ascensionkettering.org under Youth Ministry/Forms-N-Flyers.

The following students have or will be receiving First Communion during weekend Masses of April and May. Congratulations and welcome to the Lord's Table.

*First Communion Pictures
 Sunday, May 22 following the 12:15 Mass
 All Students - RE and School
 Meet in the Church*

Picture Order Forms will be coming home with the students

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| Luke Arnold | Kayley McGovern |
| Morgan Arnold | Colin McLaughlin |
| Kaitlyn Bain | Morgan Miller |
| Mason Barber | Madison Miller |
| Zachary Bereda | Natalie Moorman |
| Catlin Biltz | Erin Murray |
| William Bowling | Daniel Nadeau |
| Ethan Braun | Nicholas Newton |
| Kevin Brun | Maggie Ollier |
| Marina Brun | Juan Perez |
| Lena Canestaro | Skylynn Pierce |
| Sophia Carter | Samuel Reichman |
| Aidan Cassidy | Isabella Richardson |
| Julia Cicatello | Emanuela Sarfino |
| Thomas Connell | Samuel Schlegel |
| Jake Cooper | Elizabeth Schneider |
| Natalie Cummings | Christopher Schrand |
| Grace Delaney | Ethan Schultz |
| Colleen Draper | Aidah Shuttleworth |
| Joshua Fischer | Sara Smith |
| Hunter Fitterer | Jackie Sobecki |
| Cameron Frederick | Amerison Stevens |
| Justin Grice | Nicholas Syx |
| Abigail Gunderson | Andrew Walker |
| Leila Halili | Alexander Weber |
| Bridget Hanna | Sarah White |
| Hannah Jansen | Nathan Whittaker |
| Frankie Kosir | Caroline Wittman |
| Zavier Little | Katherine Wittman |
| Drew Maxwell | Grace Wolff |
| Morgan McDaniel | Holly Wydman |

YOU CAN HELP!

Attached to this Parent Page Newsletter is an end of the year survey.

We would like to get your comments and opinions with regards to our Religious Education Program.

You can drop the survey off to the Parish Office or in the Sunday Collection basket.

Please respond!
 We value your input.

A BIG THANKS to all those parents who help **VOLUNTEER** in so many ways —

Jesus Day Activities:

Kate Sobecki, Renee Barber, Mindy MacLeod, Angie McLaughlin, MaryBeth Murray, Traci Cummings, Sharon Cicatello, Keri Miller and Kathie Berry

Walk Through the Mass:

Kim Arnold, Robin Schrand, Maureen and Mike Bereda, Nicole Braun, Mary Ollier, Steve Gunderson, Nichole Richardson, John and DD Schultz and Christy Wittman

Please call or stop by the RE Office if we can be of assistance. You are the most important influence in your child's faith formation; we are here to assist you!

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*Congratulations to our Peacemakers of the month for March
 Paige Brown, Gr. 1
 and Mason Barber, Gr. 2*



Ascension Religious Education Program - Parent Evaluation - 2010-2011

We welcome your comments on the Elementary and Middle School program here at Ascension. The comments you make help us in planning our program for the future.

I felt that my child/ren was made to feel welcome and that there was a climate of hospitality.

I felt that my child/ren benefited by coming to religious education classes.

Did the program help you as the primary religious educator of your child/ren?

Did you feel that there was sufficient communications sent home?

Our program consists of lessons, scripture study, worship and prayer services, the growing peace program and service opportunities. Of these activities, which did you find most valuable and/or least valuable for your child/ren?

What can we do to support you in your role as primary religious educator of your child/ren?

We are always looking for parents who would like to be Catechists and/or Volunteers in our programs. If this is something that you might be interested in please complete the name and phone number section below. Thank you so much for your support!

Name _____

Phone # _____

Please return this form to the Religious Education Office.

Sue Graham
Coordinator of Religious Education