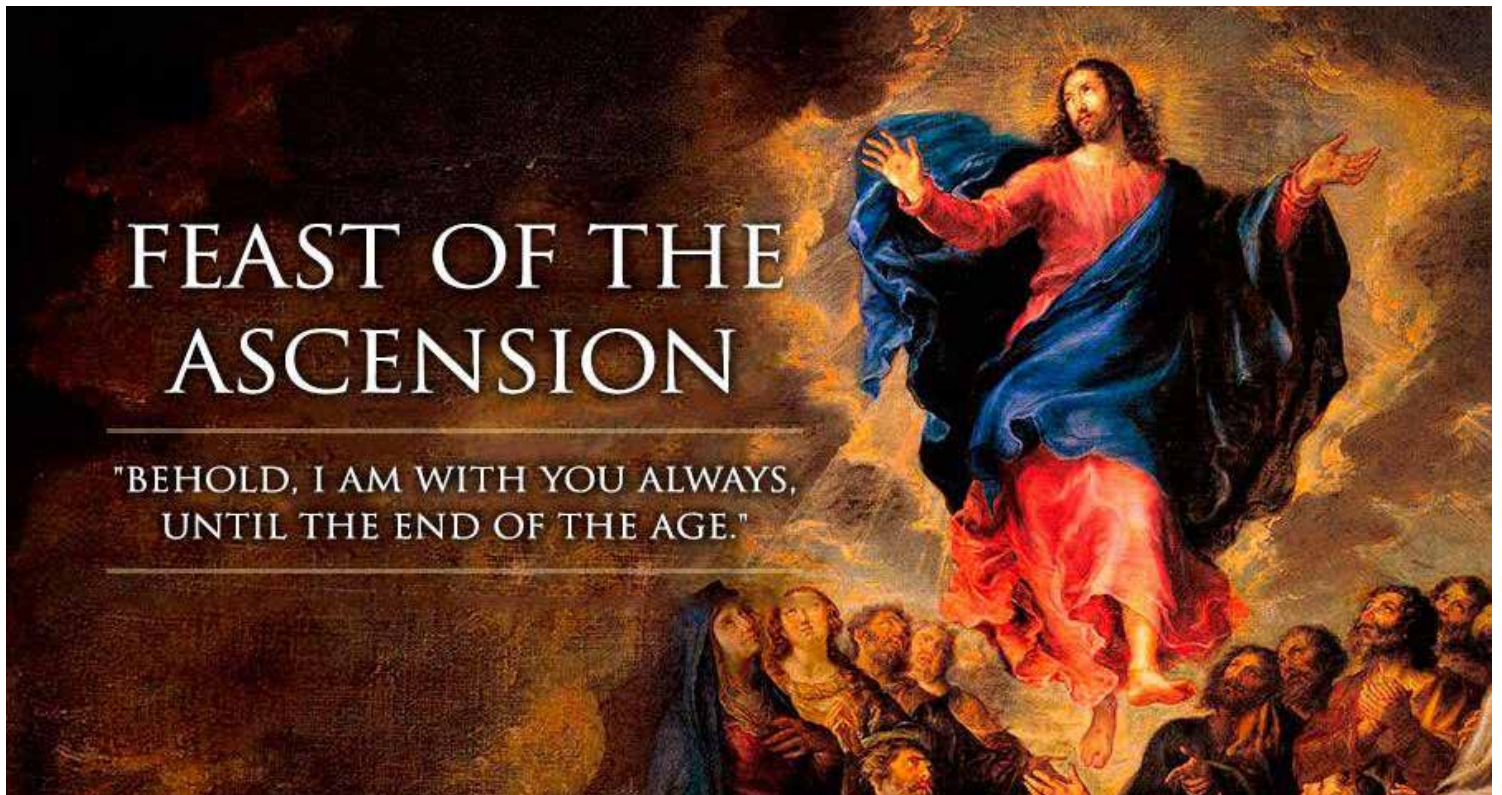


FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

"BEHOLD, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS,
UNTIL THE END OF THE AGE."



From Fr. Jeremy

"Yo-Yo Jesus"

Friends,

There is an interesting tension within St. Luke's two descriptions of the timing of the Ascension. Our celebration of this feast roughly forty days after Easter comes from our first reading, in which Luke (he wrote Acts of the Apostles as well as his gospel) tells us that Jesus made appearances for forty days before ascending to the Father. In his gospel, however, Luke suggests that Jesus makes his ascent on the evening of the Resurrection (24:50-53). How do we reconcile these two apparent discrepancies from the same author?

It seems to me that the most plausible interpretation is that Jesus did in fact ascend on the night of the resurrection. His appearances, then, over the next forty days were visits that he made from heaven. His appearance to Thomas, to the disciples on the Road to Emmaus, to the five hundred other witnesses that Paul describes were all heavenly visits. We might call this "yo-yo Jesus" - from heaven to earth, earth to heaven, back and forth!!

What we celebrate, then, on the Ascension is the finality of His bodily heavenly visits until of course His definitive visit at the end of time. But Jesus' departure always was accompanied by the promise of the Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee that God is "with us always" (Mt. 28:20).

We celebrate today that God always visits us. Let us be open to His descent among us so that we can ascend with Him.

Fr. Jeremy Miller



Returning to Mass at Corpus Christi University Parish

What to expect...

General Considerations

- These guidelines have been developed in consultation with public health recommendations, diocesan guidelines, and the specific situation of our community here at CCUP
- **Attendance at weekend Mass continues to be optional**
 - It remains advisable that those particularly at risk (the elderly, sick, and those with pre-existing conditions) refrain from attendance
 - Live-stream of the 11 a.m. Mass will continue for those who remain at home
 - Daily Masses (**M,W,F at 12:05 p.m.**) will be held in the main church and may provide a good opportunity to attend Mass with limited physical contact
- **We can *mitigate* risk but not *eliminate* it**
 - Any public gathering involves increased risk of exposure
 - Not everyone who returns to Mass will be as sensitive to certain matters as we are
 - Since the diocese has decided to *recommend* most changes rather than *mandate* them, our hope is that people will be responsible in following the guidelines and respecting the decisions of others

Before you arrive...

- Please note our **summer Mass times**:
 - **Saturday - 4:30 p.m. - No Music**
 - **Sunday - 9:00 a.m. - NEW MASS for the summer months**
 - **Sunday - 11:00 a.m.**
- After each Mass, staff will be **disinfecting** chairs, door handles, restrooms, and other areas and objects used in common.
- **Masks/Face-Coverings** will not be mandated at CCUP, but it is highly recommended that those in the congregation wear one while in the building.
 - Disposable masks will be available at Mass if you'd like one.
- **Hand sanitizer** will be available when you enter and exit, but providing your own will allow our limited supply to last longer.
- **Worship aids** will be available when you enter church (hymnal use is discontinued), but you can print it ahead of time at home if you prefer. It will be available on our website by Friday at 5 p.m.
 - Bulletins will continue to be emailed and available on our website, but will not be printed

When you arrive...

- Try to **stagger your arrival** and entrance into the building so to avoid a large build up of individuals entering at the same time.
- **Secure collection boxes** will be available near the baptismal font for all donations/weekly offerings. Collection baskets will not be passed during the Mass.
- **Baptismal font** will be empty.
- **If you live with them, you can sit with them** is the general rule. Please leave **at least two chairs** between you or your group and another individual or group. You'll notice we've removed a significant amount of chairs to meet the guideline of limiting the church to 50% capacity. Sitting in groups with space between will ensure we can seat the maximum amount of people but in a safe manner.
- There will be **overflow** seating arrangements if we reach capacity in the church

During Mass...

- **Sing in a modest manner.** We will still have music and a limited choir, but we encourage the congregation to sing modestly (especially if not wearing a mask) to lower the risk of spreading infection.
 - There will be NO MUSIC at the 4:30 Mass or Daily Masses for those particularly concerned about infection through singing
- No Offertory **Presentation of Gifts**
- The **Our Father** will continue to be prayed without holding hands.
- The **Sign of Peace** will continue to be suspended.
- The distribution of the **Precious Blood** is suspended.
- The **Communion line** will be single file based on section. Fr. Jeremy will announce instructions before Communion. Tape will be on the floor to ensure social distancing.
- It is encouraged that the **Eucharist be received on the hand** instead of on the tongue.

When you leave...

- **Dismissal** will follow the general flow of row by row starting from the back
 - **Hospitality** after Mass is discontinued and **congregating in the Gathering Space** after Mass is discouraged. Please feel free to congregate in the parking lot according to social distance recommendations.
 - **For those who would like to continue to pray after Mass**, the Daily Chapel will be open for this purpose. Please proceed directly there after dismissal.
 - Recycling bins will be available in the gathering space to **dispose of worship aids**.
 - **Father Jeremy** will announce at the end of the Mass where he will greet people after Mass

Whether you decide to worship with us in person or not, you are still a part of our church family. Please be patient with us as we navigate this exciting yet difficult time together.



SAVE THE DATE

for 50th Anniversary Events this Fall

EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON DEVELOPMENTS IN
THE PUBLIC HEALTH SITUATION THIS FALL



Corpus Christi
University Parish

Christ-centered Community
with a Unified Purpose

On August 14, 2020, our parish will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding. Pastoral Council in conjunction with our parish staff are planning a series of events to celebrate the history and legacy of our parish.



Aug
16
2020

Sunday Mass at 4:30 p.m. in the Ingman Room of the Student Union to memorialize the days of the "pilgrim church." Community dinner and social event to follow.



Oct
2-4
2020

*Events and liturgies on **Homecoming** weekend to bring together students, permanent community, and alumni. More details to come.*



Oct
13
2020

*Lecture by **Dr. Richard Gaillardetz** on Vatican II's reception and its legacy going forward | 6:00 p.m. at CCUP*



Oct
22
2020

*Annual **Toledo Symphony** performance at CCUP with a 50th anniversary flare.*

Can You Lend Your Time & Talent?

We have a great group already working on preparations for these events. However, we would love other interested parishioners to join the committees working on planning these events. We can use help with such tasks as

- Event planning
- Promotion/publicity
- Alumni and permanent community outreach

If you would like to learn more about how you can help or are interested in plugging in to one of these groups, contact Pastoral Council member Mark Tooman at mctooman@buckeye-access.com.

CCUP Honors UT Graduates

It was usually our custom at the last Mass of the semester to acknowledge the academic accomplishments and future plans of our Parish's graduating UT students. We are happy to continue this tradition virtually by featuring a few UT Graduates each Thursday on our Facebook page and in the bulletin! The full list will be on our website. Congratulations to all UT Graduates!



Elle Baum

Bachelor's in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering

"I have accepted an offer at UC San Diego for a master's in electrical engineering to study bioelectronics."



Elise Illius

Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences
Minor in Chemistry

"My future plans include returning to Toledo next fall to complete my Doctor of Pharmacy."



Corinne Harris

Bachelor of Science in Speech-language Pathology
Minor in Counseling

"I will attend graduate school in the fall at the University of Toledo to earn my masters degree in Speech-language Pathology."



Katherine (Katie) Hermann

Masters of Arts in Speech Language Pathology
Graduate Certificate for Teaming in Early Childhood

"I am gainfully employed after graduation with Light Street Special Education Solutions as a full-time, school-based SLP in Phoenix, Arizona!"