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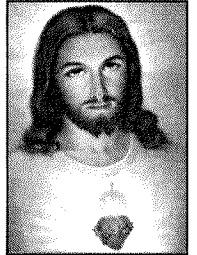
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The Ascension of the Lord

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Begotten by Love: Dr. Scott Hahn Reflects on the Sixth Sunday of Easter

In today's first reading, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and he has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

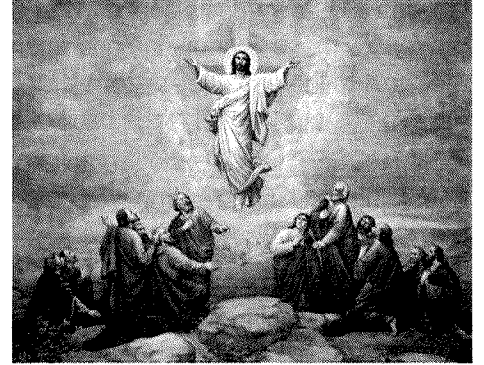
The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf. Indeed, his intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the first reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit". Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life, we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit, we must be purified through baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the first Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.

(To read more, to go <https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/the-good-news-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-ascension-of-the-lord-2/>)



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	May 15	5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	May 16	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Rosie & Cyril Gerszewski by Denise & Bill Lien.	The Ascension of the Lord
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Susan Gudajtes by John Gudajtes.	
Monday	May 17	_____	No Monday morning Masses in Minto.	
Tuesday	May 18	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Alyce Schanilec Stendahl by Theresa Cemik.	<i>St. John I, Pope & Martyr</i>
Wednesday	May 19	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Janice Wysocki by PNA Lodge 3043 of Warsaw.	
Thursday	May 20	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Doris Rudnik by Dorothy Plutowski.	<i>St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest</i>
Friday	May 21	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Mike Callahan by Lucas Mondry.	<i>St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</i>
Saturday	May 22	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Sidney S. Dvorak by John & Irene Janda.	<i>St. Rita of Cascia, Religious</i>
		5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	May 23	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Rae Ann Fiscus by Gary & Liz Grzadzielewski.	Pentecost Sunday
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Jim Gudajtes by the Coles family.	
Monday	May 24	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Tony Ebertowski by Henry Rudnik.	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i>

CONFESSIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call.

Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

Confessions in Minto will be in the confessional area & confessions in Warsaw will be in one of the classrooms in the church basement.

WEEKLY OFFERING May 9, 2021: Minto = \$2,914 Warsaw = \$2,322

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, May 22: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. **Lector:** Vern Schreiner.

Sunday, May 23: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. **Lector:** Joan Schanilec.

WARSAW: Sunday, May 16: Altar Servers: Joseph & James Vandal, Dominic & Damian Bushaw. **Lectors:** Members of the Class of 2021.

Sunday, May 23: Altar Servers: Jaxon Sands, Krystian Gudajtes, Blake & Braydon Lizakowski. **Lector:** John Kerian.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL 2021: Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2021 God's Gift Appeal. As of May 14, Sacred Heart Parish was 77% towards its goal of \$27,947 with a participation rate of 35% and St. Stanislaus Parish was 79% towards its goal of \$19,659 with a participation rate of 42%. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it by putting your GGA envelope in the regular collection basket, dropping it off at or mailing it to the parish office, or by mailing it directly to the Diocese of Fargo. If you do not have a card, commitment envelopes/cards are located in the back of the church.

FOR THOSE OF YOU who are able to make a weekly contribution to the church, please mail it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261; drop it off at the parish office, or put it in the weekend collection basket.

ROGATION DAY MASSES have been scheduled for **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26**, at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, and for **7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 27**, at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw. Mass intentions will be for a safe and successful farming season.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS: Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, will be at 9:00 a.m. at St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw.

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR CEMETERIES: The mowing season is here and the cemeteries are in need of funds. Any memorial or donation will be greatly appreciated.

RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION: Join Bishop John Folda as he invokes God's blessing upon our rural communities at the 4th annual Rural Life Celebration on **June 27**. The celebration will be held on the Russ and Mary Mauch Farm at 16305 Hwy. 13, Barney, ND beginning at 4:00 p.m. The day will include Mass, blessings of land and machinery, a meal, and entertainment. Bring a container of soil or seed from your field or garden to be blessed. If it rains, the event will be moved indoors. For more information, visit fargodiocese.org/rural-life.

MADE FOR GREATNESS MEN'S RETREAT: Would you like to be closer to God, but He sometimes seems distant? Can prayer be a battle for you at times? Join us for the Made for Greatness Men's Retreat on **July 16-18** to learn how to go deeper in friendship with God. This will a time to explore Catholic spirituality specifically as men. There will be comradery, great food, and the chance for real spiritual growth. The retreat will be held at Stiklestad Lodge, a corporate hunting retreat center near Fort Ransom, ND, so there will also be opportunities for trap shooting, campfires, sports, and more. To find out more or to register, visit www.fargodiocese.org/mfg.

COME CELEBRATE WITH FR. BERT MILLER on his 30th anniversary of ordination and his 66th birthday on Tuesday, **June 1**, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Park River (located west of the Cenex Station).

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: MAY 16, 2021 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD: *"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God."* – 1 JOHN 4:15 How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donation: **Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **William & Mary Mondry, Lyle Mondry, Karen Farder, and Allen Mondry** by Eugene & Mary Ellen Balek.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the First Communion breakfast last Sunday. Thank you to all the workers who made it happen.

EASTER FLOWERS FOR THE TAKING: Please help yourself to any of the assorted Easter flowers that are in the sacristy if you wish.

BACCALAUREATE at Sacred Heart Church will be at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **May 16**. **Rolls, pastries, fruit, coffee, and juice** will be served after Mass in honor of our 2021 graduates. Please come downstairs after Mass and wish them well. **Everyone is welcome!** Congratulations to the following graduates: MaKenna Fenner, Blaise Miller, Seth Robinson, Elizabeth Schanilec, and April Schmitz.

FLOWERS FOR MEMORIAL DAY ON SACRED HEART & ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERIES may stay until Sun., **June 20**. Please take all flowers and wreaths off no later than the evening of June 20 so that they are not in the way of the mowers.

MAY CHURCH CLEANING: LEAD: Doreen Gruchala. Marvin & Sherrie Altendorf, Wally Ebertowski, Elaine Kilichowski, Denise Lien, Tina Lien, Patrick & Diane Riske.

WARSAW

BACCALAUREATE at St. Stanislaus Church will be at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **May 16**. **Rolls and coffee** will be served after Mass in honor of the 2021 graduates. Please come downstairs after Mass and wish them well. **Everyone is welcome!** Congratulations to the following graduates: Juan Cronquist, Karley Gudajtes, Andrew Plutowski, Lucia Sands, and William Schuster.

THANK YOU to all the people, especially the youth, who helped clean out the tree row in the cemetery.

SOME TREES have been removed from the cemetery because branches have broken off of them too frequently.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

OPEN HOLY HOUR on **Sundays at 2:00 p.m.** Please contact Joan at 360-2499 if you would like to take this Holy Hour.