

For the Week of 5/10 to 5/17:

5/11	Monday	No Service Today		
5/12	Tuesday	9:00 AM	Bridgeport	August & Irene Rozmiarek
5/13	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Dalton	Rosa Devier
ASCENSION THURSDAY - HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION				
5/14	Thursday	7:00 AM	Dalton	Grandma Bess
\	Thursday	10:00 AM to 2:00 PM	Bridgeport	Staff the Food Pantry
	Thursday	6:00 PM	Bayard	John Michael Glasco
	Thursday	7:30 PM	Bridgeport	Mike Hall
5/15	Friday	No Service Today		
5/16	Saturday	6:00 PM	Bayard	For the People of the Parishes
5/17	Sunday	8:00 AM	Dalton	Dec. of the Ernest Families
	Sunday	10:30 AM	Bridgeport	Father Jacob Bauer

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - - -

It is nice to be back home again in the parish. My visit with my sister Nancy and her husband was relaxing and very enjoyable. While there, I went over to Ashville, North Carolina and to the Smoky Mountain National Park along the North Carolina and Tennessee borders. The flowers and vegetation abounds in the moist climate there.

May is a joyous time for many as we honor our graduates. The work and effort they have put forth is to be commended. We pray for them that they may be blessed in all their future endeavors, whether it is further education or joining the workforce. And may they always stay close to God.

As we observe Mother's Day this weekend, it is a good time to reflect upon the importance of every child having a mother and father to relate to and be nurtured by. This has always been the basis of society as we know it. I believe it is part of God's plan. Regardless of how courts decide or laws that are made, marriage is the sacramental covenant between a man and a woman. That is God's plan. Period. Let us honor our mothers. They may not have always been perfect, but they brought us into this world and nurtured us. May God bless them.

The new assignments for priests have come out. With three priests retiring in our Diocese, I am now the oldest active priest in a parish assignment. How can that be? While at Fairfield Glade in Tennessee, I was going to Mass "incognito" when it was announced there was no priest to celebrate Mass. In good conscience, I felt I had to rise to the occasion, so I ended up celebrating the Mass. It is sad to think there are times and will be so more frequently when there will not be a priest always available to celebrate the Sacraments. We need to continue to pray and to encourage church vocations

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among our young people. Their lives will make a real difference.

The month of May is traditionally a month in which we pay special honor to Mary, the mother of God. It is a time of May crownings of Mary and also of praying the Rosary, a devotion suitable throughout the year. If you have any springtime flowers, you are invited to bring them to church to honor our Lord and His Mother.

I have paid the premium for our property and liability insurance for Sacred Heart at \$1,864.00, and St. Mary's at \$4,046.00. The cost for the Rectory I ended up dividing proportionately. \$229.60 for St. Mary's, \$164.00 for Sacred Heart and \$262.40 for All Souls. This was in addition to the above premiums. This lowered All Souls premium to \$5,954.40. This bill is overdue. So far, we have not received a penalty. There have been some special donations and memorials made towards the insurance, and for this I am appreciative. The Knights from All Souls have given their fish fry profits of

\$1,037.89 towards the insurance. Thanks, so much. We are over halfway to our goal.

ASCENSION THURSDAY THIS WEEK - Forty days after Easter we celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation. Our Lord returns to his rightful place at the right hand of his Father. Where He has gone, so we hope also one day to go. Check the above schedule for Mass on Ascension Thursday. The 7:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's move along quickly so the kids can be on their way to school and others to their schedule. There will be donuts-to-go afterwards to help you on your way.

UPCOMING HIGHER GROUND WEEKS - It is not too late for you to register for a Higher Ground week. If the cost of the week is too expensive for you, contact Father Dave about financial assistance. Our teenagers who have attended previous years will testify to the benefit of these retreats. Go online for more information at youthgidiocese.weebly.com

UPCOMING PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN MAY - Elections will be on May 10th at Sacred Heart, May 17th at St. Mary's and May 17th at All Souls. If asked to serve, feel honored, and then say "YES!"

A VOCATION VIEW - Have you discovered yet that there is more to life than what only material things have to offer? We live in the Spirit. Only in the Lord can we find lasting peace. Speak the Good News.

Sacred Heart

- Cleaning for May: Hoffman, Cadwallader, Araujo
- Prayer chain requests may be made to Paula Contreras - 586-2992 or Berna O'Neal - 262-9990

All Souls:

- Prayer line requests may be made to JoAnn - 262-0558 or Teresa - 262-0439.
- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.

Saint Mary's:

- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.
- Prayer line requests may be made to Margaret - 377-2420.

Our Gift to God: Last Weekend's Collection:

Accounts	All Souls	4/26/2015	St. Mary's	4/26/2015	Sacred Heart	4/26/2015
Adult	\$827.00	\$605.00	\$1,110.00	\$1,285.00	\$811.00	\$170.00
Youth	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$1.00	\$6.00	\$0.00	\$8.00
Plate	\$284.09	\$182.00	\$43.00	\$47.00	\$60.29	\$136.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$1,111.09	\$799.00	\$1,154.00	\$1,338.00	\$871.29	\$314.00
Ascension					\$10.00	
Rice Bowl			\$9.71			
Rent		\$70.00				
Catholic Home Missions		\$138.00		\$84.00		\$113.00
Easter Offering		\$5.00				
Seminary					\$10.00	
Appeal		\$225.00	\$25.00			
Building Fund	\$120.00		\$10.00		\$35.00	
TOTALS	\$1,111.09	\$1,012.00	\$1,163.71	\$1,422.00	\$891.29	\$427.00