

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

TOTUS TUUS COMES TO ST. JOHN'S, LONGMONT and IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, NORTHGLENN ... AND THEY ARE INVITING GUARDIAN ANGELS!

St. John's summer Catholic catechetical program is for:

- ♦ Grades 1st - 6th, June 27th—July 1st, 9:00 am—2:30 pm, St. John's Parish in Martin Hall. Cost: \$25.00
- ♦ Grades 7th-12th, June 26th – June 30th, 7:30 pm—9:30 pm, St. John's Parish in the Youth Center. Cost: \$25.00

For more information at St. John's, please contact Karen Sabo at 303-776-0737, x109 or karens@johnthebaptist.org

Immaculate Heart of Mary's summer Catholic catechetical program is for:

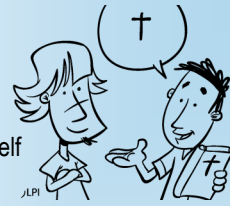
- ♦ Grades 1st—6th, Monday, July 25th—Friday, July 29th. 9:00 am—2:30 pm, IHM Parish Center. Early Registration \$25 prior to July 3rd. Late Registration \$30.00.
- ♦ Grades 7th—12th, Sunday, July 24th—Thursday, July 28th, IHM Youth Room. Early Registration \$25.00 prior to July 3rd. Late Registration \$30.00.

For more information at IHM, please contact Donna Kroll at 303-452-2041, x120 or donnak@ihmco.org.

FAMILY TIME

Sharing the Gospel—Before Jesus went back to Heaven, He gave His friends a very special job - to share the good news! Jesus came so that the whole world could be saved, and Jesus did not want anyone to be left out. Now it's **your turn to tell your friends about Jesus**, so they can go to Heaven, too!

Prayer—Jesus, show me how to tell my friends about You.



Something to Draw—Draw a picture of yourself telling a friend about Jesus.

Mission for the Week—Invite a friend over to play. Ask your friend if she would like to come to church with you.

In Memory of Beverly Yuska

A new bench at the Parish Hall was donated by Jeff & Ann Yuska family in memory of Jeff's mother, Beverly Yuska. Thank you from all of us at Guardian Angels!



Make Our VISITORS Welcome... to all new families and individuals!

Registration in a parish is the norm and is required for registration to receive sacramental preparation (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and for sponsorship certificates.) Parish registration forms can be found in the display rack by the church door or at the parish office. Please return your completed forms to the office or during the mass collection baskets. We looking forward to having you in our parish family!

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Young Angels (YA) = High School
Kids for Christ (KFC) = Middle School
Steve & Sheryl Senesac, Youth Ministers
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SUMMER SIZZLES ...

- ♦ 'Dancing the night away' by sharing your talents at the **100 Year Dinner Dance at Scooter Hinge Hall on Saturday, June 11th.** Please let Sheryl know if you are interested!
- ♦ Our first summer social will be **Thursday, June 16th** at Guardian Angels. Meet at **6:00 pm** for a **barbecue and good old-fashion games!** We will provide the meat and dessert, **please bring chips, fruit, or any other side you would like.** All new 6th graders are invited to join us! Please RSVP!
- ♦ For all high school youth, we will be having a **progressive fast food dinner on Tuesday, June 21st.** We will be congratulating all seniors at this time for a job well done. Meet at the Senesac's home at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP.
- ♦ Join us at **WaterWorld on Wednesday, July 13th from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm.** Cost: \$22.10. Of course, RSVP!



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Broadway musical, Spider-Man, Turn Off the Dark, is filled with high-flying aerial stunts that astounded audiences when they worked correctly. A significant part of the buzz surrounding the production, with its music by Bono and Edge, comes from the fact that the spectacular aerial displays don't always work. Actors have ended up being suspended in midair while stage crews hastened to untangle cables and pulleys. Sometimes, instead of Spiderman flying through the air with the greatest of ease, he ends up hanging helplessly above the stage.



From Icarus to NASA, humankind has imagined ways of leaving the earth. Watching birds soar aloft has provoked our imaginations into thinking that we too could one day lift ourselves to the Heavens. The Scriptures for the feast of the Ascension leave us with the same vision as Jesus was lifted up in a cloud. Two men in white ask the apostles, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?"

Why, indeed? Jesus is no superhero, despite having His own rock musical, Jesus Christ Superstar. Looking to the Heavens is not what this feast is about. As the Gospel for today reminds us, we are given a great commission: to make disciples of all nations, baptizing people and teaching them to observe what Jesus has commanded. We are not spectators like the audience at a Broadway musical, looking up to see what might happen. We are, instead, actors, taking our roles in the great story of salvation history. The commission Jesus gives in the Gospel is not only addressed to the eleven disciples who gathered with Him on a mountain in Galilee. That commission is given to all of us, to go out into the world and to make disciples. Much of the language during this Easter season has an upward movement. Now Christ has commanded us to lift up others so they may be raised to new life in Him.

GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

JUNE 5, 2011—ASCENSION OF THE LORD—SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Sunday 8:30—Noon
Monday Noon—5:30 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Mass Schedule:
Mondays 5:30 pm
Saturdays 5:30 pm
Sundays 9:00 and 10:30 am

Reconciliation:
Mondays by Appointment Only

Sacraments: Call Office
(Baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Funerals)

Dear Families and Friends of Guardian Angels Parish,

When I was growing up, there was nothing better than the holidays. I grew up in a world and culture in which religious holidays were as important, significant, and practiced as were the secular, political holidays of our annual calendar. All that world has changed.



Today, the religious holidays (except for Christmas maybe in some families) have all but disappeared; they are not days off from work, and they have little if any role in family life. Strangely enough this even parallels the secular and political holidays, such as Memorial Day we just celebrated. In our culture, Memorial Day mostly means the beginning of summer, and minimally a memory of the dead. We are so "politically correct" that we include all the dead (if we remember them at all) instead of singling out those who actually died giving their lives for their country. This "niceness" of our culture minimizes the immeasurable and profound sacrifice of those who sacrificed and gave their life for their country. In my own case, I certainly remember my sister who served her country in Vietnam, and she is indeed a veteran. However, she did not die while in service, and so is not really a part of Memorial Day.

This was partially brought home to me because at Mass on Memorial Day morning, I cannot tell you how many people said to me, "Happy Memorial Day!" What an odd expression to say when we are supposed to be remembering the dead, not just beginning summer vacations with a barbeque. It made me think about our culture and the ways in which we don't even really celebrate the secular holidays. Labor Day is the same; many have forgotten the hard-won labor justices, and we only think of it as the end of summer and the beginning of school. If we can't get these days right in our heads, it's no wonder we cannot get religious holidays right. It is almost as if they went away with the Middle Ages.

When I was growing up, holidays were important in my families. Feuds and work were set aside, and people came together for a meal and a day together as an extended family. This meant that anywhere from 50 to 75 people descended upon my paternal grandmother's house or my maternal great aunt's house. One or the other meant a trip in the family station wagon. (There were no SUVs in those days.) Us boys who sat in the far back, backward facing seats, were always stuck with the large round container of liquid nitrogen with American Breeders Association products frozen inside. That part was weird.

Wherever we went ... my parents and all of us spoke of "going up" to Grandma's or Teta May's house. We always went up, regardless of the real geographical location we began from. "Going up" was part of the excitement for us. It meant something fine and grand was going to happen. The day was going to be special and different from all others.

As humans we need these opportunities to celebrate our family, our faith, and our future together. The lack of celebration disconnects us from our faith, the history of the reign of God, and indeed from the reign of God over us. Instead, materialism and consumerism and the pursuit of happiness reigns over us. On Memorial Day I took nice long drive in the mountains. In a restaurant for lunch in Dillon, I saw the perfect example of our disconnection: an entire family was sitting at the table next to me and every one of them was playing with their electronic device, even the mom. What kind of celebration was that? What kind of Memorial Day? What kind of thing is this "new" post-nuclear family? ... *continue on page 2*

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Mt 28:19-20

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When I remember that it was "convenience", one of the divinities in the American pantheon, caused the bishops to move Ascension Thursday, literally 40 days after Easter, to the following Sunday. "Convenience", and then we can forget about it altogether. Yet, this day is very important theologically.



ASCENSION

The Catechism teaches us (#664) that the Ascension signifies that Jesus is the true Priest who enters the heavenly sanctuary to take His place at His Father's right hand and inaugurates His kingdom. This kingdom of God challenges us to make a decision about our allegiances, especially the allegiances of our values, morality, and ethics. To whom are we going to belong: to this passing world or to the world that will not end? Are we witness of this or not? Are we "going up" or are we just content to stay put here as long as we can?

So summer has begun! I hope it is a time of renewal, rest, and being refreshed in your families. For those travelling, I hope you all come and go in safety, being respectful of the earth and environment, and enjoy this beautiful creation God gave us.

Sincerely yours, *Fr. Alan*

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday, June 6, 2011—5:30pm

Saturday, June 11—5:30 pm

Lector: Lou Bustamante
EME: Ruth Grout & Jane Murphy
Server: Paul Globensky
Hospitality/Gifts: Klocek Family



Sunday June 12—9:00 am

M of C: Pat Sanchez
Lector: Susie Finke
EME: Rita Deligio & Angels Sanchez
Server: Kristina Cavey
Hospitality/Gifts: Blossom Family

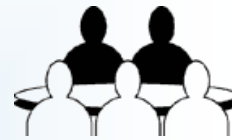
Sunday June 12—10:30 am

Lector: Ernie Jasmund
EME: Helen Jasmund & Volunteer
Server: Jack Pease
Hospitality/Gifts: Bracken Family

Collection Counters: Ernie Jasmund & Dorothy Kinch

June Altar Linens: Diane Seguin

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LEADERSHIP MEETING

On Thursday, June 9th at 6:30 pm, the Finance Council will meet in the parish hall, followed by a combined meeting of the Development and Pastoral Council at 7:00 pm. Please contact Dianne Hofmeister at 970-532-2338, or any other council member, if you have any suggestions or questions for their agenda that evening.

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Join us in Celebrating a Century of Faith!

100 Year Dinner Dance
June 11, 2011
Scooter Hinge Hall

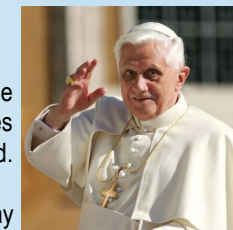


Today is the last chance to buy tickets for this Saturday's June 11th Dinner at Scooter Hinge! No tickets available at the door!

This event celebrating a century of faith is a family affair ... all ages welcome! Tickets only \$6 per person, including a catered dinner of Colorado naturally grown fried chicken, garlic mashed potatoes with brown gravy, garden grown fresh niblets of corn, dinner rolls with butter, lemonade, ice tea, coffee, water, plus beer and wine available at cost. Live music for your entertainment provided by the Prohibition Six. Join the fun, invite your neighbor, bring an appetizer or dessert...you won't want to miss this once-in-a-century party!

HOLY FATHER'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTIONS:

General Intention: That priests, united to the Heart of Christ, may always be true witnesses of the caring and merciful love of God.



Missionary Intention: That the Holy Spirit may bring forth from our communities numerous missionary vocations, willing to fully consecrate themselves to spreading the Kingdom of God.

ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL

"The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you..." (Mark 4:24) All parishioners are strongly encouraged to support the 2011 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal, regardless of the amount. This year, perhaps more than any other year, our strength will be in our numbers. Remember to mail your donation directly to Archbishop Chaput this week, not Guardian Angels.

	Collection for May 29, 2011	\$ 2,026.00
	4th week May 2010	1,876.00
	Children	42.00

Love-Your-Church Offering

Second Collection: The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) focuses on finding new ways to bring the gospel message to you by working to be wherever the faithful and those seeking faith are. Today's second collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This annual collection supports the Catholic Church's local communication efforts including the *Denver Catholic Register*, the archdiocesan website at www.archden.org, Denver's weekly televised Sunday Masses for the homebound and elderly, plus our growing social networking projects such as our Facebook page, our weekly email newsletters and our growing RSS feeds. Learn more at www.archden.org/communications. Please give generously! Envelopes available in pew if needed.



Linda Sandoval & Randy Baird

Saturday, June 18, 2011

Guardian Angels Church

Our parishioner, Linda Sandoval and her sweetheart Randy Baird are looking for an amateur photographer and an amateur videographer for the wedding ceremony only. If anyone is interested in helping, please let her know at 303-684-8223; since they cannot afford a professional. They thought it would be a fun way for someone to attend. Thank you!

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There are people in this world who do some serious waiting. I'm not talking about the time some of us spend in a doctor's office or the checkout line. Those are brief moments. And even those who line up for several nights to buy opening game tickets or concert tickets can't count their camping out in front of the box office as serious waiting. The people who do serious waiting are those like the spouses of soldiers who have been deployed overseas who spend their days wondering if

their loved one will come home. It is the parents who are watching an illness slowly debilitate their child, even as they wait in hope for some possible cure. It is the woman who is pregnant, anxiously waiting nine months while her child grows within her.

This Sunday is one of waiting. The risen Lord has ascended to Heaven and the disciples are on their own. They are huddled in the Upper Room wondering what will happen. The Gospel that the church gives us in these days between Ascension and Pentecost is the prayer of Jesus at the Last Supper as found in the Gospel of John. In this prayer Jesus acknowledges that He has entrusted the message of eternal life to His followers. And He prays for all those who have accepted His word.

Liturgically, we wait for the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. But in reality, the Spirit is already given to each of us who have been baptized and who believe in the name of Jesus. Even though this Sunday is like a pause between two great feasts, the wait is already over for us. The Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts. We can't wait huddled in some Upper Room. We who are in the world are called to take the word of Christ into the world today.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 5, 2011

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Morning: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday 'Vigil': Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b
or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Next Sunday 'Day': Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

