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Ascension of the Lord • May 20, 2012

May 20, 2012
dear Padre
Did Jesus' body ascend
into heaven?

I've always heard that Jesus ascended into heaven body and soul. Why would Jesus need his body in heaven?

Judy

Dear Judy,

The Gospels do not use "body and soul" language with respect to the Ascension. Mark 16:19 and Luke 24:51 say that Jesus was simply "taken up" into heaven.

However, if we are speaking of bodies, souls, heaven, and the Ascension, it might be good to remind ourselves that in the Apostles' Creed we proclaim our belief in the resurrection of the *body* and life everlasting.

Sometimes it seems that Christians are hoping only that some spiritual part of ourselves, a "soul," will go to heaven and remain there happily with God forever. But that is not our hope.

After his death, Christ did not ultimately become a disembodied spirit. He gained a new kind of body. Christ ascended into heaven not as a soul carrying useless baggage, but as the first fruit of a new creation and as a pledge of the ultimate marriage of heaven and Earth.

Christ's resurrected and ascended body is a foretaste of what we hope for ourselves. We don't long to enter a heaven where bodies will be unnecessary. We hope for the day when all things will be transformed and, in our resurrected bodies, we will enjoy the glorious union of heaven and Earth.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at our Coffee Social or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both per the Calendar online or as announced inside the bulletin. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

By appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

VISITATION TO THE SICK:

We are most anxious to help anyone who is not able to celebrate Mass with us in Church due to illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call 860-643-4466.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH

BOLTON, CT (26)

THIS WEEK

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19 – 20, 2012

USHERS GROUP I

2nd Collection – World Charities Combined Collection

SATURDAY, MAY 19

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Michael Leiner request of Mary Anne Murphy

SUNDAY, MAY 20

7:30 A.M. Mass Offered for +Casimir and +Thomas Kurys request of Helen Kurys and Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – First Communion

Mass Offered for 1st Communicants

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, MAY 21 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Olga Guglielmino request Samuel Guglielmino

5:00 P.M. Parish **BINGO** – Food available from 5 P.M. GAMES begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAY 22 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Wayne Fruke (4th Anniversary) request of Kathy Fruke

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Barbara Sullivan request of the Armstrong and Zabielski Families

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, MAY 24 – No Mass

FRIDAY, MAY 25 – No Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 26

4:30 P.M. – St. Maurice Students Confirmed at Sacred Heart Church

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

NEXT WEEK

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 26 - 27, 2012

USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, MAY 26

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Michael Leiner request of Theresa Cison

Altar Servers: Stephanie Leiner, Maria Cinea

Lector: Kyle Toce

Eucharistic Minister: Patti Cinea

SUNDAY, MAY 27

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for Donald Holbrook request of Gloria Holbrook & Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Stephen Paul

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – First Communion

Mass Offered for +Mary Nicholson request of Dolores Lynch

Altar Servers: Angelica & Alex Czercowy

Lector: Paul Brown

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, MAY 28 – MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Steven Gaumond request Theresa Cison

5:00 P.M. Parish **BINGO** – Food available from 5 P.M. GAMES begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAY 29 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Bob & +Jimmie Booth request of Jennifer & Phil Daly

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Barbara Sullivan request of the Edward Murphy Family

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, MAY 31 – No Mass

FRIDAY, JUNE 1 – No Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 20, 2012

Last week's Offertory May 13, \$3,566

Last year's Offertory May 15 \$2,932

"This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven." ACTS 1:11

How strong is your faith? Do you believe that Jesus will return? In the Gospel Jesus tells us that He will return and when He does He will separate us into sheep and goats, depending on how much we used our blessings to help those in need. So how strong is your faith? The answer can be found in how much you give.

Readings for the Week of May 20, 2012

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

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 28:16-20, 30-31/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

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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DAY OF RECOLLECTION

St. Edmund's Retreat
Mystic, Ct.

Thursday, May 24, 2012

10 AM – 3:30 PM

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Engaged Encounter Weekend! One of the most important parts of your wedding planning is your marriage preparation program. Engaged Encounter is a weekend-long program and meets all the aspects of marriage preparation required by the Diocese. Engaged Encounter Weekend: June 29-July 1 at Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic call 860-536-8665. Early registration is advised.

Visit www.engagedencounter.org.

Prayer for those touched by cancer

Novena to St. Peregrine

Saint Bernard Church-Rockville, CT

June 3 & 11 at 7PM

What is a novena? A novena is simply a catholic tradition of nine days of prayer. We gather together at a prayer service on the first and ninth day; at the first prayer service a booklet which includes nine days of scripture readings and reflection will be given. Saint Bernard Church (Rockville, CT) will host a novena to St. Peregrine with a prayer service on June 3 & 11. Neighboring parishes are invited to join together in prayer for all those touched by cancer.

On behalf of the St. Maurice Property Management Committee, I would like to extend a most sincere expression of gratitude to those many workmen, contractors, and volunteers who provided service to our parish over the past year. As you can notice, there have been extensive repairs to all three buildings and grounds, some of which required immediate attention. Some of this was due to damage from intense storms. The gift here is that our parish received not only high quality workmanship, but many of the workers gave of their time and talent at a reduced or no charge to the parish. This has enabled our parish to have this work completed without breaking the bank!

Fr. Wojciech

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS

If you are silently grieving after an abortion; healing, forgiveness and peace can have a beginning with a **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**. Retreats are for women and men who have been struggling emotionally and spiritually. All inquiries are confidential. Retreat June 8-10 in Putnam, CT call 401-421-7833 ext.118. Retreat June 22-24 in Litchfield, CT call 203-631-9030. www.rachelsvineyard.org

"Project Rachel" is a Diocesan outreach for anyone in need of healing. Priests in "Project Rachel" can help you through healing and forgiveness. Call 860-889-8346 ext.283.

All inquiries are confidential.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

Religious freedom is a God-given right. It is protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our U.S.

Constitution, which dates back to Dec. 15, 1791. The government should not be allowed to force people or groups to violate their most deeply held religious convictions. To quote Cardinal Timothy Dolan, president of the USCCB, "Religious freedom is our heritage, our legacy, and our firm belief, both as loyal Catholics and Americans." This is not a Catholic issue, it will impact all religions.

Please contact the offices of your Congressional Representatives and United States Senators to express your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate. For addresses and phone numbers, please visit: www.ctcatholic.org or www.norwichdiocese.org



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