

# ASCENSION OF THE LORD ~ MAY 17, 2026

## BISHOPS APPEAL



To date 186 St. Alfred parishioners have donated to the Bishop's Appeal, and we have raised \$17,320.58 for the appeal. We have reached our goal of \$13,152.18 and have a surplus of \$4168.40 for our Youth Ministry Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Cheques are to be made payable to St. Alfred Church. Please remember to put your name and address on the envelope for the Bishop's appeal not just your envelope number. Envelopes for the Bishop's Appeal are available at the main entrance of the church.

**Monday May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.**

**The Office is closed**

**There will be no Adoration**

**There will be no confession**

### Olive Wood Fundraiser

Next weekend, on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> there will be a Holy Land Olive Wood Fundraising display to help our starving brothers and sisters in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, putting food on their tables and supporting their Christian presence during this brutal war. Your support through the purchase of these items is a direct way to show solidarity and care for our fellow Christians in need. Accepted methods of payment include Visa, Mastercard, Debit, and cash.

## The Ascension of the Lord

The fortieth day after Easter Sunday, the Church commemorates the Ascension of Christ into heaven, according to Mark, Luke and Acts. In the liturgies generally the day is meant to celebrate the completion of the work of our salvation, the pledge of our glorification with Christ, and His entry into heaven with our human nature glorified. In the Nicene Creed we confess that, on the fortieth day after his resurrection from the dead, our Lord ascended into heaven with the same body and sat at the right hand of the Father. With this same body "he is to come judge the living and the dead, his kingdom shall have no end". The feast of the ascension brings to a close the forty-day period after Easter celebration. The message of the feast is that although Jesus is no longer physically present, he is enthroned in heaven as the king of peace and will return to judge the world. The gospel lesson appointed for this day is called the "great commission" because here Jesus entrusts his apostles to the important task of preaching the gospel to the whole world, teaching and baptizing in the name of the Holy Trinity. He also assures them and us that he will not leave us alone in our sacred duty to spread the good news.

## Springing into Summer Festivities

**SUNDAY JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> 2026**

**1-4 PM**

PASTORAL CENTER, ST ALFRED CHURCH

SERVING BEEF ON A BUN, COLESLAW,

DESSERT FOR ONLY \$15.00

ENJOY YOUR VERY OWN St Alfred choirs, English, Spanish, Filipino, Club Roma as well as

Spanish Dancers

FEATURING BRENYO IRISH DANCERS

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE

**Tickets will be sold this weekend in the main lobby of the church after each Mass**

**ALSO INCLUDED A SILENT AUCTION**

**AND BAKE SALE DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED FOR OUR SILENT AUCTION -**

**(ONLY NEW ITEMS ACCEPTED) CAN BE**

**DROPPED OFF AT PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE**

**INFORMATION CALL-289-687-6472**

## Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	May 18	9:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving/ Anna Mitine
Tue	May 19	8:00 a.m.	Aldo Morlacchetti/ Eileen Tapley
Wed	May 20	8:00 a.m.	Joe Afonso/ Joseph Nguyen Thanh Thau
Thu	May 21	8:00 a.m.	Carmela Limoncelli/ Joseph Nguyen Thanh Thau
Fri	May 22	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Nguyen Thanh Thau/ Stephen Paul Cain
Sat	May 23	8:00 a.m.	Tony Cernecca/ Mary Cernecca
		5:00 p.m.	Helen McDonell/ Henry Langelan
Sun	May 24	7:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
		9:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Michele Danielle/ Giuseppe Mandarinò
		11:30 a.m.	Frank Rozman Sr. Marcella Bonanni

### Special Collection

Today there is a Special Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. Your envelope for the Pope's Pastoral Works Collection can be found in your box of envelopes. If you are not an envelope user there are Pope's Pastoral Works Collection envelopes at the entrances of the church. Please pick one up. There is only one collection today so please place your donation for the Pope's Pastoral Works collection along with your regular Sunday offering.

### As we celebrate the MONTH of MARY – MAY:

If you are interested in having a Statue of Mary in your home to increase prayer time and closer devotion to Mary, we have a program that allows families to host a Statue of the Virgin Mary in their homes.

The purpose is to encourage prayer and devotion to Mary and to bring the graces of Fatima.

How it works is that 2 members of the Legion of Mary will bring the statue to your home, set it up, lead a welcome prayer ceremony, and recite the Rosary with you. The family is encouraged to pray the rosary daily together. At the end of a given time that is convenient for you, we will return for a farewell prayer ceremony.

The benefits can range from increased family prayer to health improvements. We have even had someone say that their time with Mary helped them get a job offer.

All we ask is the statue should be placed in a prominent part of the home so that the family can gather easily for prayer. The visit can be private or public, depending on the family, meaning you can invite friends and family members who do not live in your home.

Please give us a call 289-228-9347 (Nicola) or 289-931-2522 (Naomi) or email nicolam6868@gmail.com

## ASCENSIONE DEL SIGNORE

17 Maggio 2026

### GESU' E' SALITO AL CIELO

Quando una persona amata scompare, ci lascia nella desolazione. L'esistenza sembra perdere ogni senso. Ma a volta capita che uno strano sentimento si risvegli: la certezza di una nuova presenza della persona assente. Ci si ricorda del passato e si comprendono atteggiamenti, espressioni che sembravano allora misteriosi e si vuole continuare in qualche modo la sua opera.

Dopo l'Ascensione, Gesù ha lasciato gli apostoli, ma all'improvviso Egli è presente, più reale che mai. Scompare ai loro occhi ma essi entrano in un ordine di realtà fino allora insospettata. Possono partire per il mondo e annunciare la Buona Novella: in Gesù, presente con noi fino alla fine dei tempi, si attua il Regno. **Dio è con noi per sempre.**

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**Lunedì 18 maggio**

**La messa sarà alle 9:00.**

**L'ufficio è chiuso.**

**Non ci sarà adorazione.**

**Non ci saranno confessioni.**

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**La Santa Messa per la festa di  
Madonna della Grazie si terrà  
martedì 19 maggio alle ore 19:00.  
Tutti sono benvenuti.**

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**Springing into Summer fest**

**DOMENICA 14 GIUGNO 2026**

**DALLE 13:00 ALLE 16:00**

**CENTRO PASTORALE, CHIESA DI  
SANT'ALFBIO**

**MANZO IN PANINO, INSALATA DI  
CAVOLO E DOLCE A SOLI 15,00 \$  
ASCOLTATE I cori di Sant'Alfredo, il  
Club Roma e i ballerini spagnoli  
CON LA PARTECIPAZIONE DEI  
BRENYO IRISH DANCERS**

**I biglietti saranno in vendita questo  
fine settimana nell'atrio principale  
della chiesa dopo ogni Messa.**