

Office hours are Wednesday & Thursday 7:30 am—5:30 pm.

If there is an Emergency you may call Corinne at 715-250-2109 or Father David at 920-228-1814. Thank-you.

St Mary's Mass schedule in Black Creek: Saturdays @ 4 PM, Sundays @ 8 AM, Tuesday—Friday @ 7:30 AM

**Father David Greskowiak—Administrator**

Sunday 5/10/2026 = \$1,089.00 Attendance = 109

Amount needed per week - \$ 1,583.27

**Mass Intentions—**

05/17/26— Mearl & Lillian Erb by Barb Erb

05/24/26— Private Daniel W. Hanus (Korean War) "For He Who Gave His All"

**Mass Servers –**

05/17/26— Beau Diemel, Henry Greisbach

05/24/26— Malachi Gray, Reagan Krings, Nina Drossart

**Ministers of the Word –**

05/17/26— Randy Short

05/24/26— Kevin Peters

**Hospitality**

05/17/26—Keith Pennings, Charlie Herb, Rene LaFond

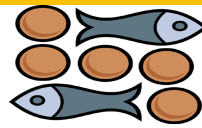
05/24/26— Karen VanLanen, Barb Erb, David Nowak

**Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry**

Wednesday, May 20 4—6 PM

Saturday, May 23 9—11 AM

Thank you for all the donations so far this year!!



Mass Intentions that are available for the year of 2026:

October 25; November 26 Thanksgiving; December 20, 27, and New Years. You may contact the office.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Parish Council meeting May 21 @ 6 PM following Finance meeting @ 7 PM

**Happy Birthday!**

- MAY 17 Andrea Burch; 18 Debbie Jarek; 19 Michele Eggers; 20 Judy Berreitter; 25 Samantha Bierhals; 29 Sharon Habeck
- JUNE 01 Damon Scott, Roman Short; 03 Steve Diemel, Becca Carpenter; 05 Gerald Mastey, Aaron Evenson; 06 Rachyl Hutter, Lincoln Griesbach; 07 Jerry Banker, Barb Maroszek, Raylee Maroszek, Cathy Ashenbrenner; 09 Steve Hartlaben; 12 Brook Martin; 13 Garrett Krull; 14 Parker Bohm, Tom Krull; 15 Paul VandenHeuvel, Owen Anderson; 17 Alexis Beschta, Debbie Bannker; 20 Veronica Malueg; 22 Brooke Coisman; 23 Kade Kent; 24 Dylan Burch, Rick Banker; 25 Savanna Krull, Tracy Peters; 27 Luke Erb; 28 Gerald Hartlaben; 29 Jimmy Peters

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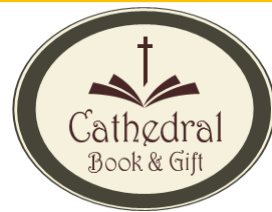
**PARISH FUNDRAISING DAYS!**

June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

St. Lawrence Parish in Navarino  
will receive 10% of our sales!

In-Store and Online

When you shop ONLINE at [cathedralbookandgift.com](http://cathedralbookandgift.com) please  
Indicate parish name in the comments.



**Reflection on the Ascension**

Here is an excerpt from an article titled: "Ascension of the Lord Year A, Sunday May 17, 2026" found on the "Young Catholics" website—[young-catholics.com](http://young-catholics.com):

**Commission, Power, and Promise**

The Ascension of the Lord Year A shows Jesus leaving His disciples with a mission. He tells them to go and share His message with all nations. This command is not just for them but for every believer. Jesus calls His followers to be witnesses of His love and truth in the world. Jesus does not send His disciples out alone. He promises that the Holy Spirit will come to help them. The Spirit gives strength, wisdom, and courage to carry out this mission. The same Spirit works in believers today, guiding them in faith and service.

The Ascension also points to the hope of Jesus' return. The disciples watch Him rise into heaven, but they are told He will come again. This promise brings joy and encouragement. It reminds believers to stay faithful and focused on living as Jesus taught...

**Answering the Call to Be Disciple Makers**

The Gospel for the Ascension of the Lord Year A reminds believers that Jesus is always with them. Though He ascends to heaven, He does not abandon His followers. He gives them a mission to make disciples and spread His teachings.

Being a disciple maker is more than knowing facts about Jesus. It is about loving others and leading them closer to God. Jesus showed this love by sacrificing Himself for others. His followers are called to show the same love in their words and actions. Sharing faith requires stepping outside of comfort zones. It means listening, guiding, and walking with others on their faith journey. This work is not always easy, but it is full of blessings. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to help those who take on this mission...

**Trusting in God's Power**

The second reading for the Ascension of the Lord Year A speaks about the power of God. Paul prays that believers will understand the strength and wisdom that comes from Him. This same power raised Jesus from the dead and placed Him above all things.

The disciples may have felt uncertain as they watched Jesus ascend. They were used to having Him with them, and now He was leaving. But God's power would still be at work in them. He would give them what they needed to carry on Jesus' mission. God's power is not just for a few chosen people. It is available to all who trust in Him.

**Memorial Day Observances**

There will be a blessing of graves at the parish cemetery next Sunday, 24 May, after Mass.



There will be a Mass on Memorial Day, 25 May, at 8:00 AM at St Mary's Church in Black Creek.

**Reflection on the 7th Sunday of Easter**

Here is an excerpt from an article titled: "The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Year A, Sunday May 17, 2026" found on the "Young Catholics" website—[young-catholics.com](http://young-catholics.com):

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 1:12-14; Resp. Psalm: Psalm 27; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16; Gospel: John 17:1-11

**Jesus Prays for Our Relationship with God**

The Gospel for the 7th Sunday of Easter Year A shows Jesus praying to the Father before He leaves His disciples. He speaks about eternal life and says that knowing God is the key to true life. This reminds us that our faith is not just about rules or traditions. It is about having a real relationship with God. As Catholics, we build this relationship through prayer, reading Scripture, and receiving the sacraments. When we pray, we are not just saying words. We are speaking to God, who listens and cares for us. Jesus shows us that prayer is more than asking for things. It is about being close to God.

The sacraments, especially the Eucharist, also help us grow in this relationship. When we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we are united with Him in a special way. This is a reminder that God wants to be close to us. He invites us to know Him and trust Him. The 7th Sunday of Easter Year A encourages us to deepen our faith by spending time with God. Jesus prayed for us to have eternal life, which means being close to the Father. We should take time each day to talk to God, listen to Him, and grow in our love for Him.

**Jesus Prays for Unity Among His Followers**

In the Gospel for the 7th Sunday of Easter Year A, Jesus prays for His disciples. He asks the Father to protect them and keep them united. He knows that they will face challenges, but He wants them to stay together. This shows us how important unity is in our faith.

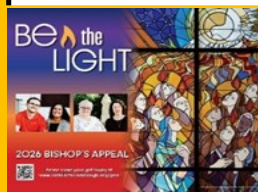
The Catholic Church is made up of people from different backgrounds and experiences. Sometimes there are disagreements, but Jesus calls us to remain one in Him. Being united does not mean we always agree on everything. It means we support one another and stay focused on Jesus.

Prayer and the sacraments help us stay united. When we come together for Mass, we are not just individuals. We are one body in Christ. When we pray for one another, we strengthen our bond as members of the Church. The 7th Sunday of Easter...reminds us to work for unity in our families, parishes, and communities. Jesus prayed for His followers to be one, just as He and the Father are one. We can follow His example by being patient, forgiving others, and focusing on what brings us together...

**Jesus Prays for Love Among All Believers**

In the Gospel...Jesus prays not only for His disciples but for all who will believe in Him. He asks the Father to fill them with His love. This shows that Jesus' prayer is not just for a small group. It is for everyone who follows Him. As Catholics, we are called to love one another as Jesus loved us. This love goes beyond our own families and communities. It includes people from all parts of the world. Even when we do not always understand others, we are still called to love and respect them.

Love is shown in actions, not just words. We show love by being kind, helping those in need, and forgiving others. Jesus' prayer reminds us that love is what unites all believers. When we love as He did, we bring His presence into the world. The 7th Sunday of Easter Year A invites us to reflect on how we love others. Do we treat people with kindness and respect? Do we pray for those who are different from us? Jesus prayed that all believers would be filled with God's love. We can be part of answering that prayer by sharing His love with the world.



**2026 Bishop's Appeal**

**"Be the Light"**

We invite everyone who is able, to please participate in the Bishop's Appeal. Our parish goal this year is \$14,805.00. As of 12 May we have received 46 gifts of \$12,958.00. Thank you! **We are 88% of our way there.**

If you have already given, thank you so much. If you haven't given before, please consider making your first gift this year. Every gift makes a difference. Those who are able may want to join the Crozier Society with a gift of \$500 or more, which helps these ministries to reach even more people.

Please prayerfully consider supporting the 2026 Bishop's Appeal. You may have received a pledge card at home in the mail. If you have not, we have materials at the entrances of the church. You can also visit [www.catholicfoundation.org/give](http://www.catholicfoundation.org/give).

Thank you for helping St. Lawrence Parish and our Diocese share the light of Christ.

