

**The Ascension of the Lord  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel  
Sunday May 29, 2022**



**Lift High The Cross**

**Lift high the cross  
The love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world  
Adore His sacred name.**

**Penitential Rite**

**Glory to God**

Glory to God Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth peace to people of good will

We praise you we bless you we adore you  
We glorify you we give you thanks for your great glory  
Lord God heavenly King O God almighty Father  
Lord Jesus Christ Only Begotten Son

Lord God Lamb of God Son of the Father  
You take away the sins of the world have mercy on us  
You take away the sins of the world receive our prayer

You are seated at the right hand of the Father  
have mercy on us  
For you alone are the Holy One you alone are the Lord  
You alone are the Most High  
Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit  
In the glory of God the Father Amen, Amen.

**I Reading** Acts 1:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm** 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  
God Mounts His Throne To Shouts Of Joy  
A Blare Of Trumpets For The Lord

**II Reading**

Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**Gospel** Luke 24:46-53

**Homily**

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

*At the words that follow up to and including "the Virgin Mary," all bow.*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty;  
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of Saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayer of the Faithful**

We pray to the Lord – **Risen Lord Hear Our Prayer**

**Here I Am**

**Tom Booth**

**Refrain**

**Here I am, standing right beside you.  
Here I am; do not be afraid.  
Here I am, waiting like a lover.  
I am here; here I am.**

**Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest

**Memorial Acclamation**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your  
Resurrection until you come again.

**Great Amen**

Amen, amen, amen  
Amen, amen

## **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world  
Have mercy, mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world  
Have mercy, mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world  
Grant us, grant us peace.

## **We Come To Your Feast**

Michael Joncas

**We Come To Your Feast,  
We Come To Your Feast:  
The Young And The Old,  
The Frightened, The Bold,  
The Greatest And The Least.  
We Come To Your Feast,  
We Come To Your Feast  
With The Fruit Of Our Lands  
And The Work Of Our Hands,  
We Come To Your Feast.**

## **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

## **Rise Up with Him**

Janet Vogt

**Refrain  
And we'll rise up,  
rise up with him, and we'll rise,  
rise to new life!  
And we'll rise up,  
rise up with him, for with Jesus  
who leads us  
by grace we will rise up with him.**

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## **TODAY'S READINGS**

### **1. Acts of the Apostles 1: 1-11**

Luke begins his second work with a review of his Gospel account of what Jesus said and did before returning to his heavenly Father. Especially important here is the instruction Jesus gives the apostles, with the Lord's particular emphasis on what his Father's word has revealed about the Kingdom of God and his own mission to bring that Kingdom to fulfillment. Their task is to witness to the Lord and to carry on as his faithful servants, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### **2. Ephesians 1: 17-23**

Paul prays that the heavenly Father give readers the wisdom to appreciate all the gifts granted them in faith. This Jesus, who had walked among them, has been raised from the dead and is now seated at the right hand of the Father – with authority over all creation.

### **3. Luke 24: 46-53**

Luke presupposes that the reader of his Gospel knows that his story about Jesus will be continued in his second volume in the "Acts of the Apostles," which will unfold the story of the developing Church, but begins by repeating the account of the Ascension. As the central theme of the post-resurrection appearances, Jesus reminds his disciples of the necessity for the Messiah to suffer and die and to be raised up. As witness of this, they are commissioned to preach this to the nations for the forgiveness of sin, and will be confirmed in this preaching by the power of the Holy Spirit. The actual event of the ascension is narrated very briefly. Jesus raised his hands, blesses his disciples and is taken up. They returned to Jerusalem with joy, to await the promise of the Spirit.

### **Reflections for the Week**

1. Have you ever felt that Jesus was "commissioning" you for a special work?
2. Paul speaks about "the hope that belongs to his call." Called as a Christian do you live in hope today?
3. Do you feel in your heart the same joy in living the Gospel as the disciples did. Why? Why not?

