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Seventh Sunday of Easter /The Ascension of the Lord

May 24, 2020

From: Fr. Christian Adike

## WHAT IS GIVEN IS NEVER LOST

His name was DESIRE, he was a poor Scottish farmer.

One day when he was trying to make a living for his family, he heard a call for help from a nearby swamp.

He dropped his tools, ran there and found a young boy sunk to the waist in the swamp, frightened, screaming and trying to break free. The farmer saved the young man from what could have been a slow and cruel death. The next day, an elegant team presented itself at the farm.

A nobleman, elegantly dressed, came out and introduced himself as the father of the boy the farmer had helped. "I want to reward you," said the nobleman.

You saved my son's life!

I can't accept payment for what I did, replied the Scottish farmer.

At the same time, the farmer's son came to the door of the cabin. This is your son? asked the nobleman. "Yes," replied the farmer proudly. So, I'm offering you a deal. Let me offer your son the same education as my son. If the son is like the father, I'm sure that he will be a man of whom both will be proud. And the farmer agreed. Farmer's son Fleming attended the best schools. And at the grand finale, he graduated from the School of Medicine at the Sainte-Marie Hospital in London. Carrier of a great aspiration, he continued until being known the whole world. The famous Dr. Alexander Fleming had indeed discovered penicillin.

Years later, the son of the same nobleman, who had been rescued from the swamp had pneumonia.

Who saved his life this time? ... Penicillin.

What was the nobleman's name? Sir Randolph Churchill and his son, Sir Winston Churchill.

Someone once said:

"Everything that goes away comes back ..."

Work like you don't need money.

Love like you've never been hurt.

Dance like no one is watching you.

Sing like no one is listening to you.

Live as if Heaven was on Earth. (Copied)



When you help someone or do something good for someone, you are doing it for yourself. The Scottish farmer saved the life of the noble man's son which made the nobleman to finance his son's education and with the Scottish farmer's son's knowledge of medicine he was able to discover "penicillin" that saved the life of the noble man's son when he had pneumonia. Life is all about give and take; whatever you sacrificed in life will come back to you most times in different forms. If the nobleman did not finance the Scottish farmer's son's Education his son would have died of pneumonia because there won't be penicillin. Therefore, treat anyone that comes your way as an important person in your life. NO ONE KNOWS WHAT WILL HAPPEN TOMORROW. A lot of people are having different hard times due to the devastating effects of Covid-19, please try to reach out to those you think may not find it very easy this time of global pandemic and help as you can. These basic needs; food, shelter and clothing are essential in human life. Look around you and beyond your environment and put some smiles on people's faces. Some ones prayer or act of penance may be the reason why God will admit you into His Kingdom when you die. Be good or give fair treatment to anyone God allows you to come in contact with and when God allows you to come into contact with a person it is for a good reason. Good deeds are like money deposited in a bank which yield interest after some time. God rewards every good act. Wish you a blessed weekend. Fr Christian.

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(In case of an EMERGENCY and you need to reach Fr. Tony Hesse, call 507-616-1337)

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### **BAPTISM**

Contact the parish office to set an appointment for class and baptism.

### **MARRIAGE**

Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage.

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING**

1-866-670-5163

### **PRAYER NETWORK**

Contact Bev Passe  
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**EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY - May 24**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*Acts 1:12-14 (59A), 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a*

Mass Intentions: *People of our Parishes*  
*d. Susie Fischer*

- 10 AM Mass - *Live Steam*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*
- 4-5 PM Holy Hour-Adoration - *Live Stream*

**MONDAY - May 25**

**Memorial Day**

**St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of Church**

**St. Gregory VII, Pope**

**St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin**

*Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33*

- 7:30 AM Mass-St. Mary Cemetery  
*d. Floyd Kramer*
- 8 AM Mass-St. Catherine Cemetery  
*For all Veterans*
- 9 AM Mass-St. Anne Cemetery-*Live Stream*  
*d. Norb & Veronica Johanneck*
- 10:30 AM Rosary-OLV Cemetery (*If rain, no rosary*)
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

Bring a lawn chair or you may have to stay in vehicle.

**TUESDAY - May 26**

**St. Philip Neri, Priest**

*Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a*

- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*
- 5:15 PM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*  
*d. Richard Phillips*
- 6 PM Mass - *St. Mary-Seaforth*  
*d. Arlene Maertens*

**WEDNESDAY - May 27**

**St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop**

*Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19*

- 8 AM Mass - *Our Lady of Victory-Lucan-Live Stream*  
*d. Harry Petsinger*
- 8 AM Mass - *St. Mathias-Wanda*  
*d. Don Schmacher*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

**THURSDAY - May 28**

*Acts 22:30;23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26*

- 8 AM Mass - *St. Anne*  
*d. Ed & Rita Price*
- 8 AM Mass - *St. Mary-Seaforth-Live Stream*  
*d. LaVonne Bernardy*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

**FRIDAY - May 29**

**St. Paul VI, Pope**

*Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19*

- 8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*  
*d. Mel Liebl*
- 8 AM Mass - *St. Mathias-Wanda-Live Stream*  
*Forgotten Souls*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

**SATURDAY - May 30**

*Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Jn 21:20-25*

- 8:30-9:30 AM Confessions & Adoration-*SA*
- 9-10 AM Confessions-*SC*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*
- 5 PM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*  
*d. William Kohout*
- 5 PM Mass - *St. Mathias-Wanda*  
*In Thanksgiving*
- 7 PM Mass - *Our Lady of Victory-Lucan*  
*d. Shirley Macht*

**SUNDAY - May 31**

**Pentecost**

*Acts 2:1-11 (63A), 1Cor 12:3b-7,12-13; Jn 20:19-23*

- 8 AM Mass - *St. Mary-Seaforth*  
*l & d Martin Gowarecki family*
- 9:30 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*  
*People of our Parishes*
- 10 AM Mass - *St. Anne*  
*d. Rick Guetter*
- 12 Noon Angelus & Rosary - *Conference call*
- 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*
- 4-5 PM Holy Hour-Adoration

**Notice:**

**EWTN:** <https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live>

For **Live Stream** check our websites: ([www.mystcatherines.org](http://www.mystcatherines.org) or [www.lowafc.org](http://www.lowafc.org)) click on Watch Mass

**Facebook** page [www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/](http://www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/)

For **conference call** with Rosary everyday at 12 noon call 1-408-418-9388 use access code 620677749#. Password: 1234# (If you don't have free long distance calls, there will be a charge)

**FORMED:** [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) then click on "Sign-up", click on "I belong to a parish or organization" enter Redwood Falls St. Catherine. If you have any questions call the parish office.

Our Gifts to God and to His Church			
Adult Contribution	4,785.00	Adult for Week	4,785.00
Catholic Schools	750.00	Adult Budget	4,808.00
Maintenance	595.00		
Cemetery	280.00		
Cemetery-HN-Vesta	200.00		
Cemetery-SM-BI	20.00	YTD Actual	195,203.23
Total	6,630.00	YTD Budget	221,168.00
St. Catherine - Diocesan Ministry Appeal			
120 Donated as of May 19			
Goal	Total Received & Pledged	Amount Due	Parish 20%
\$23,261.63	\$35,260.80	(\$11,999.17)	\$6,762.16

**CALLED TO ETERNAL LIFE**

Our sympathy and prayers go to the families and friends of Jim Rima, husband of Sue. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

**Blessed crosses & soil**

There are blessed crosses and soil available at the entrances of the church's, please feel free to pick one up.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Religious Education May 2020**



Sunday, April 19  
- 9:30 AM Confirmation Mass—*postponed until Fall*  
Sunday, May 3  
- 9:30 AM First Holy Communion—*postponed TBD*

**Confirmation** - Confirmation celebrations in our Diocese have been postponed to the Fall of 2020. We will gather together a few times before Confirmation for a retreat and preparation. More info will come asap when we schedule the new date.

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion** – the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion has been postponed, new dates TBD.

**AFC Baccalaureate Mass** is scheduled for May 30/31, we will celebrate the 2020 Senior High School Class Graduates from our parishes.

**Welcome to our church!**

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like that are included. A simple hello and a smile go a long way!

**Knights of Columbus Scholarship**

KC scholarship application forms are available at the parish office or call to have it emailed to you, for students from St. Catherine's who will be as of May 2020.



- in their senior year of high school
- a freshman or sophomore at college
- in their first year of vo-tech

Once qualified a student receives the scholarship for 2 years of vo-tech or 4 years of college as long as they continue to meet the criteria. Conditions to be met are a full time student, at least one parent is a current member of St. Catherine's, maintaining a C+ average, be a practicing Catholic, in financial need and involvement in church, college and volunteer work.

If interested, please contact the parish office for an application form. Deadline to apply is **June 1, 2020**.

**For more prayers or resources, check our diocesan website at: [www.dnu.org](http://www.dnu.org)**

**COVID-19 Updates:** *You may be able to help The Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Minnesota Department of Health, is asking that offers for help be funneled to these two places during the COVID-19 pandemic.*

- **Volunteers (people)** at <https://mnresponds.org>
- **Products, medical equipment, venues** (from businesses, schools and universities, medical facilities) at [hsem.ppp@state.mn.us](mailto:hsem.ppp@state.mn.us).

*For Department of Labor and Industry updates related to COVID-19, visit: [www.dli.mn.gov/updates](http://www.dli.mn.gov/updates).*

**We Remember-Memorial Day**

We remember the many brave men and women who have given their lives through the history of our country to protect us from danger and harm. We remember all those who sustained injury in mind and/or body in the course of their service. We salute all those who served in the military.



~Author Unknown

**FOOD SHELF DRIVE**



As we are going through a time of uncertainty we will need more food on our food shelves to help the families in need. We will continue to have the shopping cart out for collection of items to donate to the Redwood Area Food Shelf. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the parish office or in the collection basket.

**Prayer Time**

Volunteers from St. Catherine's are willing to pray for you and with you. All you need to do is call Bev Passe at 637-5967 or email [bpasse60@yahoo.com](mailto:bpasse60@yahoo.com) or call church at 644-2278 or go to our website and state that you would like prayers. We keep the information very simple and keep it in the strictest confidence.

**Blood Drive-Redwood County**



Blood Drive on Wed., May 27, 2020 from 9 AM - 3 PM at 403 So. Mill St. in Redwood Falls, MN (Enter on the back side of the Government Center). Please call Heidi to schedule an appointment at 507-637-4016.

**Making Braided or Cross palms**

Do you know how to braid or make a cross with palms? If you have this talent and are willing to make some, please call the parish office at 644-2278.

**Carris Health-Redwood needs homemade masks**

Carris Health-Redwood is still in need of homemade masks. We have a donation box that has been placed in the vestibule at the hospital's main entrance so masks can be dropped off without entering the facility. I hope you consider this unique requests as an opportunity to volunteer your talent during this challenging time. Please label your donation with your name, contact information and the amount of time spent making the item(s). If you have any questions please contact Samantha Loomis at 507-637-4668.

**Choices Pregnancy Center fundraiser**

You can make a donation to Choices Pregnancy Center's fundraiser held from Mother's Day thru Father's Day. Because of the coronavirus we will not use the baby bottles, but are still having a fundraiser from Mother's Day to Father's Day. We ask you to drop off at church or mail your donation to the church. Please make checks to Choices Pregnancy Center, CPC.

**This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winners:**

Wed.,	May 20	\$25	Thomas Stotesbery
Ascension-Thurs,	May 21	\$75	Erica Pope
Friday,	May 22	\$50	Elaine Schmidt
Sunday,	May 24	\$50	Butch Hennen

Checks will be mailed out to the address on ticket stub. Thank you for buying a raffle ticket.



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Jeremiah 29:11

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