ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 25, 2025

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SATURDAY May 24th - 5:00pm
Frank Garel by Janis Garel-Martel
SATURDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm
In Honour of Our Lady of Help in China by G. Pang

SUNDAY- May 25th - 9:00am
Luka Balanovich by Maria Fazzalari
Archabbot Douglas Nowicki O.S.B by Barbara Nenadovich
11:00am - for all your intentions –

***Please* Pray for our priests on retreat June 26th to 30th**

TUESDAY May 27th - 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration
Gemma Guillemete by Maria Fazzalari
WEDNESDAY May 28th - 9:00am - *Communion Service*
THURSDAY May 29th - 5:00pm - *Rosary & Adoration*
FRIDAY May 30th - 9:35 am - *Communion Service*

SATURDAY May 31st - 5:00pm
Blessing for Fox Family by David Fox
Joseph Tavano by Tavano & Ligotti Families
SATURDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15
In Honour of our Blessed Mother by G. Pang
SUNDAY- June 1st - 9:00am - *The Ascension*
Clementina Giovinazzo by Tina, Nancy & Rosa
Conrad & Jean-Luc Lemelin by wife & mother
11:00am - for all your intentions –

World Communications Day
June 1, 2025

This day we Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communications (Films, radio, television, newspapers, audiovisuals) and how they influence our lives. The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church's ministry if two-fold. The media can be used to help promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth.

Last Week's Collection
Sunday Offerings $1555.00
Pope's Pastoral Works – 75.00

Office Closed Next Friday
Open Thursday
10:00am – 2:00pm

The Easter Alleluia
Saint Augustine, Bishop

Our thoughts in this present life should turn on the praise of God, because it is in praising God that we shall rejoice for ever in the life to come; and no one can be ready for the next life unless he trains himself for it now. So, we praise God during our earthly life, and at the same time we make our petitions to him. Our praise is expressed with joy, our petitions with yearning. We have been promised something we do not yet possess, and because the promise was made by one who keeps his word, we trust him and are glad; but insofar as possession is delayed, we can only long and yearn for it. It is good for us to persevere in longing until we receive what was promised, and yearning is over; then praise alone will remain.

Because there are these two periods of time – the one that now is, beset with the trials and troubles of this life, and the other yet to come, a life of everlasting serenity and joy – we are given two liturgical seasons, one before Easter and the other after. The season before Easter signifies the troubles in which we live here and now, while the time after Easter which we are celebrating at present signifies the happiness that will be ours in the future. What we commemorate before Easter is what we experience in this life; what we celebrate after Easter points to something we do not yet possess. This is why we keep the first season with fasting and prayer; but now the fast is over and we devote the present season to praise. Such is the meaning of the Alleluia we sing.

Both these periods are represented and demonstrated for us in Christ our head. The Lord's passion depicts for us our present life of trial – shows how we must suffer and be afflicted and finally die. The Lord's resurrection and glorification show us the life that will be given to us in the future.

Now therefore, brethren, we urge you to praise God. That is what we are all telling each other when we say Alleluia. You say to your neighbour, "Praise the Lord!" and he says the same to you. We are all urging one another to praise the Lord, and all thereby doing what each of us urges the other to do. But see that your praise comes from your whole being; in other words, see that you praise God not with your lips and voices alone, but with your minds, your lives and all your actions.

We are praising God now, assembled as we are here in church; but when we go on our various ways again, it seems as if we cease to praise God. But provided we do not cease to live a good life, we shall always be praising God. You cease to praise God only when you swerve from justice and from what is pleasing to God. If you never turn aside from the good life, your tongue may be silent but your actions will cry aloud, and God will perceive your intentions; for as our ears hear each other's voices, so do God's ears hear our thoughts.

No Evening Confession This Week

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