

The Hour of Glory *Seventh Sunday of Easter (When the Ascension was celebrated Thursday—Year A)*

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him." [John 17:1-2](#)

The entirety of Chapter 17 of John's Gospel is traditionally referred to as Jesus' High Priestly Prayer. This prayer concludes the Last Supper Discourse, which we have been reading for the past two weeks. It marks a transition from the conclusion of Jesus' public ministry to His Passion and glorification. With His teaching completed, Jesus begins His prayerful offering of His life to the Father. The prayer can be divided into three sections:

Verses 1-11a: Jesus' intimate prayer to the Father focuses on their mutual glorification through the completion of His sacrifice. This "hour" of sacrifice and glory is now at hand.

Verses 11b-19: Jesus prays for the disciples who accompanied Him during His earthly ministry, asking for their protection, sanctification, and perseverance in their mission.

Verses 20-26: Jesus' prayer extends to all future believers, the Church throughout time, including us today. He prays for unity among believers, rooted in the love of the Father and the Son.

Today, in liturgical Year A, we read the first section of this prayer, when Jesus speaks of His divine mission and His imminent return to the glory He shared with the Father before creation. This prayer highlights a central theme in John's Gospel: Jesus' "hour."

The theme of the "hour" was introduced at the wedding at Cana, the beginning of Jesus' signs. When the Blessed Mother intercedes for the couple, saying, "They have no wine," Jesus replies, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come" ([John 2:3-4](#)). From that moment, Jesus references the concept of His "hour" throughout His ministry, pointing to the appointed time for His Passion and glorification.

In today's High Priestly Prayer, Jesus makes His final and definitive reference to His hour: "Father, the hour has come..." ([John 17:1](#)). The hour of His sacrifice, the pinnacle of His earthly mission, has now arrived. Though Jesus was fully aware of the suffering He was about to endure, He did not enter into that suffering with dread or fear. Rather, He did so with eager resolve, knowing that everything He had done throughout His life and public ministry pointed to this moment, which had finally come.

Jesus' human disposition while praying at this pivotal moment offers us an invitation to approach His Sacrifice in the way He did. His "hour" continues in our lives every time we are invited to embrace His Cross. Therefore, every opportunity for sacrifice—no matter how small—must be prayerfully embraced in union with Jesus' prayer.

Jesus' prayer teaches us that sacrifice is not something to resist or begrudge. Instead, every sacrifice becomes an opportunity to glorify God and receive a share in His glory. When we embrace sacrifice with generosity and trust, we unite ourselves to Jesus' perfect Sacrifice, participating in His work of redemption and giving glory to the Father.

Reflect today on the interior disposition Jesus manifested as He faced His imminent suffering and death. He did not cower or hesitate. He looked at His Cross with divine eyes, seeing His Sacrifice as the pinnacle of His life's mission and the source of glory for Him and His Father. As we strive to embrace our own sacrifices, turn to Christ in prayer, asking for His grace and strength to offer His prayer as He offered it to the Father.

Most glorious High Priest, when Your hour of suffering had arrived, You embraced that Sacrifice with unwavering resolve. That resolve revealed the glory You shared with the Father. Please draw me into Your sacrificial love and help me to prayerfully choose every sacrifice to which I am called with the same determination modeled in Your High Priestly Prayer. Jesus, I trust in You.

Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

May 17th 2026

The Ascension of the Lord 7th Sunday of Easter



Holy Mass and Sacraments Schedule

Sunday Mass: 10:30 am

12:30 pm English Mass

Reconciliation: Sundays at 12:00 am

Baptism and Holy Matrimony:

The family should be registered and active members at Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish for a least three months prior to Baptism or Holy Matrimony. Couples are engaged to marry need to contact Fr. Ishida at least four months prior to the wedding date for marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick:

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Welcome to Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

To all visitors who are joining us
for worship today. May your
time with us be grace-filled and
may the Lord Jesus bless you
and your loved ones today and
every day.



happy
 Birthday
 may your wish
 come true



Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart.

O Jesus, I pray for your faithful and fervent priests;
 for your unfaithful and tepid priests;
 for your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields;
 for your tempted priests;
 for your lonely and desolate priests;
 for your young priests;
 for your dying priests;
 for the souls of your priests in Purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to you the priests dearest to me:
 the priest who baptized me;
 the priests who've absolved me from my sins;
 the priests at whose Masses I've assisted and who've given me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion;
 the priests who've taught and instructed me;
 all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way, especially ____

O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.

Amen.

Angelus Recite at daily

6 am, Noon, 6 pm

V/. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
 R/. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.
 V/. Behold the handmaid of the Lord,
 R/. Be it done unto me according to your Word. Hail Mary...
 V/. And the Word was made flesh,
 R/. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...
 V/. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,
 R/. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts: that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS

can be emailed and kept anonymous if requested or needed. Please call Pam Harper 509-496-5930 to request prayers. or email

stanneprayer-chain@yahoo.com



Pray for our priests and Bishop Daly *We pray that Jesus will keep them close to His heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.*

“For those who have no one to pray for them.

Accept my prayers dear Father, for those who have no one to love them enough to pray for them.

Where and whoever they are, give them a share of my blessings, and in thy love let them know that they are not forgotten”.

THE “GOLDEN ARROW” PRAYER “

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most incomprehensible and unutterable Name of God be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified in Heaven, on earth, and in the hells, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Amen.



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Liturgical color: white

Lectionary #59

Acts 1:12–14
 Ps 27:1, 4, 7–8
 1 Pt 4:13–16
 Jn 17:1–11a

Gloria
 Creed

Please note: Mass Intentions take approximately 2 weeks to get processed and on the calendar. Please note this when giving your stipends for Intentions.

MASS INTENTIONS

10	Sunday	Pro Populo
11	Monday	
12	Tuesday	Pauline Schegel
13	Wednesday	
14	Thursday	
15	Friday	
16	Saturday	
17	Sunday	Pro Populo

Mary, Queen of Heaven ... Pray for us!
St. Anne ... Pray for us!

Starts: May 17th **Philip Neri** Feastday May 26th Patron saint of US Special Forces, humor and joy

Starts: May 21st **St Joan of Arc** Feastday May 30th Patron saint of France, captives, military personnel

Starts: May 16th **Novena to the Holy Spirit** Feastday May 25th Patron saint of

Starts: May 22nd **Visitation** Feastday May 31st Patron saint of Pro-Life , babies to conceive a child

Starts: May 23rd **Mary St Justin Martyr** Feastday June 1st Patron saint of philosophers and lecturers

Starts: May 26th **Corpus Christi** Feastday June 4th Patron saint of Blessed Sacrament, Eucharist, Real Presence

Starts: June 3rd **Sacred Heart** Feastday June 12th Patron saint of the Apostleship of Prayer

Starts: June 4th **Immaculate Heart of Mary** Feastday June 13th Patron saint of Apostleship of Prayer Alliance of Sacred Hearts

Starts: June 4th **St Anthony** Feastday June 13th Patron saint of finding one's spouse, lost items, people, and souls

Starts: June 6th **St Germaine Cousin** Feastday June 15th Patron saint of abused children, abandoned and disabled people, loss of parents

Starts: June 12th **St Aloysius Gonzaga** Feastday June 21st Patron saint of students, young people, the blind, purity, plague victims and against epidemics

Starts: June 13th **St Thomas More** Feastday June 22nd Patron saint of adopted children, lawyers, civil servants

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Mary Queen Calendar May—June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English The Ascension of the Lord	18	19	20	21	22	23 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
24 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English Pentecost Sunday	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
31 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English The Most Holy Trinity	1 June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart	2	3	4	5 First Friday	6 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm First Saturday
7 Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:30 English The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christ	8	9	10	11	12	13 St Anne Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm

Are you sick, preparing for a surgery, or homebound? Is someone you know very ill?

And would like a to receive communion and the anointing of the sick from Fr. Ishida. For these urgent needs call, (509) 998-7093