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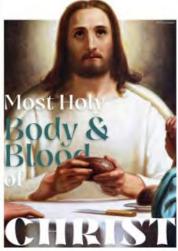
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Masses

4:00 pm
9:00 am, 11:00 am
6:00 pm
7:00 am
7:00 am
7:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday	5:30-5:45 pm
Saturday	3:00-3:30 pm



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 2, 2024 What's New?

I never noticed it before, but our reading from Mark's gospel is similar to the story in John's gospel of the wedding feast at Cana. They begin with a problem presented to Jesus: Lack of wine (John) and a place for Passover meal (Mark.) Jesus responds to both by giving orders: to the waiters (Jn) and to the apostles (Mk.) And both have miraculous changes: water into wine (Jn); bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood (Mk.) Now the wedding feast showed Jesus replacing the water used for purifying dishes with wine to bring joy to the wedding. He replaced the kosher laws with a new one, the law of love, symbolized by the feast. In our gospel today, Jesus replaces ordinary food with spiritual food. He is doing something new, beyond the requirements of the Old Testament.

What does that mean for us? Jesus is showing God's love for us in a new way. The bread and wine at the last Supper were signs of Jesus' body being broken and his blood poured out for us on the cross. When he gave his life for us, he rose from the dead to give us hope. And now we have the Eucharist, in which he becomes our new food and drink.

Do we really believe that the Eucharist is Jesus, the Son of God? The way to measure that is to ask, how has Jesus changed your life? Do you love others more because you know God loves you? Do you have less fear of the future, because the Holy Spirit gives you courage? Let us look forward to being renewed in spirit whenever we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

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Eucharistic Adoration

Come and Adore. Jesus is Waiting for YOU.

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the Blessed Sacrament expressly for you, for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart."

-Saint Therese of Lisieux

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

The Pope's Prayer Intention — June 2024 For Those Fleeing Their Own Countries

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.



Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars—7pm Church Office Third Floor Monday, June 3, 2024 Monday, July 8, 2024 Monday, August 5, 2024

Baptisms—Following 4pm Mass

Saturday, June 22, 2024 Saturday, July 27, 2024 Saturday, August 24, 2024

Dates are subject to change. Please contact Lily Skidmore during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

Anointing of the Sick

Every <u>First Tuesday</u> following 6pm Mass, our parish celebrates the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for those who are seriously ill, experiencing depression, battling cancer treatments, disabled in any way, the elderly and those who are to undergo surgery in the near future. Father Greg will administer the Anointing of the Sick, <u>Tuesday June 4, 2024</u>.

Four to six months is recommended between anointing unless otherwise urgent.

Ritualsong

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ #1192 Entrance: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #714 Preparation: **Instrumental** Communion: All Who Hunger #1032 Sending Forth: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing #613

We welcome the Order of Alhambra to 4pm Mass Saturday, June 1 as they celebrate their Quarterly Communion with us.

A Grateful Acknowledgement

A grateful acknowledgement is made to all the parishioners who provided hospitality for our traditional May Devotion of praying the Rosary at their homes throughout the month of May.

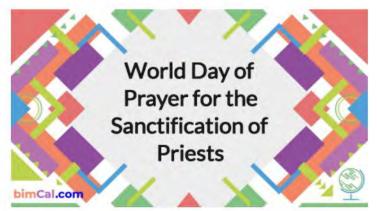


June Devotion: The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Major Feast: Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Friday following Corpus Christi Sunday) The Sacred Heart is a profound reminder of the humanity of our Lord and of His immense love for us. It is often depicted as a heart, bloodied

and broken, but burning with Love. This image beautifully illustrates the great sacrifice that Christ made for you.

As Jesus said to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque: "Behold this Heart which has so loved men that it has spared nothing, even to exhausting and consuming itself, in order to testify its love."



On World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests (Friday, June 7), Pray for Priests to be Faithful Stewards and Strengthened in Service to the Gospel.

St. John High School 2024 Maypole Court



The 85th Annual St. John High School Maypole Ceremony was held at the Carl F. Grant Civic Center Sunday, May 5, 2024. As tradition dictates, senior maids and their young attendants process in the Maypole. The senior maid with the highest academic standing is named the Maypole Queen. To honor Our Blessed Queen Mother, the true Queen of May, a traditional May Crowning is performed by the newly named Maypole Queen.

Front Row L to R: Lakelyn Alexis Devillier, Chloe Layne Smith, Queen Mackenzie Grace Janét, Leslie Anne Bueche, Marguerite Leigh Hedges, Genevieve Marie Prejean

Top Row L to R: Alyse Michelle Landry, Tairah Naguel Dorsey, Bradleigh Elise Canella, Caroline Elizabeth Bueche, Kennedy Christine Landry, Hunter Rylie Blair, Layla Marie Martinez Photo credit Donna Kirkland

Congratulations to the 2024 Maypole Court!

Parish Activities — June 2024

Monday, June 3 Baptism Seminar Parish Office 7pm	Э
Sunday, June 9	
Ladies of Peter Claver Parish Hal	d I
2pm	
Holy Spirit Prayer Group Church	٦
4-6pm	
Sunday, June 16 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	1
Catholic Daughters Sweet Sale Church	n
Fathers Club Membership Drive Chur	
Before and After all Masses	
Wednesday, June 19—Juneteenth—Office Closed	
Saturday, June 22	
Baptisms Church Following 4pm Mass	า



Catholic Daughter's Annual Sweet Sale

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. John #1214, will have their Annual Sweet Sale on Father's Day

Weekend, June 15 and 16. Specialty cakes may be ordered by calling Anita Gilchrist at 225.776.8087 or 225.659.2514. <u>Deadline for ordering specialty cakes is Saturday, June 8</u>.

The sweets will be sold outside the main doors of church before and after all Masses.

What better way to honor Dad on Father's Day than to treat him to a Catholic Daughter sweet?

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Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

June 2024

St. John the Evangelist Rev. Gregory J. Daigle

One Minute Meditations

St. Anthony of Padua

Born Fernando de Bulhom in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1195, St. Anthony was inspired to join the Franciscans after hearing the news of five martyred "Anthony." At a meeting of the Dominican and Franciscan Orders, St. Francis charged him with overseeing the studies of Franciscans. He is known for working miracles and Child.

The face of Christ

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How do you show the face of Christ to people around you? Do you bake for others? Can you sing or play music for others' enjoyment? If you have a car can you drive people who need rides to church or their doctors? Whatever you can offer, your community can use it. Call your parish to find out how you can help.

"One loving spirit sets another on fire." St. Augustine

Franciscans, taking the name Anthony was spontaneously asked to preach a sermon. His listeners were so inspired, St. receiving a vision of the Christ

(Confessions)

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Thrive spiritually in today's secular world

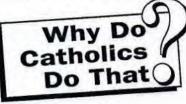
One challenge for contemporary Catholics is balancing a faithful, God-centered life with the secular temptations of modern society. Here's how we can constructively engage with the world while staying devout:

Active participation: Regularly engage in parish activities. Attend weekly Mass, partake in Sacraments, and support parish outreach programs. These activities strengthen our religious identity and nurture a supportive faith community.

Grow in knowledge: Enhance your

understanding of Catholic teachings, history, and tradition through formal education if available, personal reading, or online forums such as Formed.org or Wordonfire.org. Consult your priest for additional recommendations.

Weave faith into daily life: Incorporate prayer and devotion into



Catholics believe the Catholic Church is the "original" church, because it is the only one founded by Jesus Christ. Apostolic Succession means there is an unbroken papal line starting with St. Peter, emphasizing divine continuity. Early Church

your daily routines. Dedicate at least 15 minutes to prayer each day, observe seasonal devotions, and celebrate Catholic liturgical feasts to connect faith with everyday life. Dialogue with others of

different faiths: Engage in discussions with people of differing religious beliefs to deepen your own spiritual understanding and commitment. This not only challenges you to know and critically consider your faith but also helps you articulate your beliefs clearly, fostering a deeper personal connection to Catholicism.

Community engagement: Actively participate in service activities that reflect Catholic values. This practical application of your beliefs demonstrates a faith committed to loving your neighbor.

By embracing these practices, we can maintain our Catholic identity and have a positive impact on others.

Why do we believe the Catholic Church is the "original" one?

Tradition is the foundation of what has become widespread practices in

Christianity. The role of the Roman See, with the Pope as Peter's successor, centralized Church authority. Doctrinal continuity means that teachings and practices align closely with early Christian doctrines, asserting spiritual and historical continuity.



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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Growing in Faith™

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June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a symbol of His passionate love for us and a reminder of the cost of our salvation. Consider these simple ways to honor His heart this month:

Make the morning offering daily: Begin each day with a prayer of dedication to the Sacred Heart, "O Jesus, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings today, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, for the intentions of Your Sacred Heart." This daily offering reinforces our connection to His divine love.



Display the image of the Sacred Heart: Jesus promised to bless every place where the image of His Heart is exposed and honored. Display the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your workspace, car, or home as a reminder of God's promised blessing.

Return love for Love: Each Friday, imitate Jesus' love by acknowledging His ultimate act of love on Good Friday. Choose a sacrifice to make every Friday this June, as a gesture of love, gratitude, humility, and reparation.



This passage tells of two miracles Jesus worked to demonstrate the crucial importance of faith. It recounts the story of a woman who, despite suffering from continuous bleeding, demonstrated her faith by touching Jesus' cloak, and Jairus, who

pleaded for his dying daughter even after learning of her death. These examples teach us the importance of a proactive and trusting faith.

In these accounts, Jesus' actions underscore His compassion and willingness to assist those marginalized by society, such as the woman deemed unclean. He

provided hope and healing through



June 2 – Corpus Christi Sunday. On this solemnity, we celebrate the transformation of the bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Pope Urban IV ordered a Church-wide celebration for Corpus Christi in 1264.

June 6 – St. Norbert (1134). St. Norbert lived in twelfth century Prémontré, France. He is known for founding the Norbertines to combat heresies and religious indifference. The Norbertines successfully converted heretics, reconciled enemies, and

Mark 5:21-43, Faith in action

acts of kindness, urging us to emulate His example.

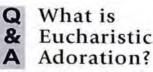
The text illustrates how Jesus instills hope, even in dire circumstances like the death of Jairus' daughter. It reassures us that no situation is too desperate, and that we can rely on Jesus' aid, for even death is within His domain. Ultimately, our joy in life and our eternal

salvation hinge on possessing an active faith. This faith should not only trust in Jesus' help but also extend compassion and maintain hope during challenging times.

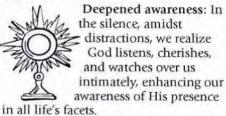
rekindled the faith in indifferent believers.

June 11 - St. Barnabas (First Century). A contemporary of the Apostles, his name means "son of encouragement." He was also a sponsor for St. Paul and accompanied him on his first evangelical journey.

June 26 – St. Josemaría Escrivá (1975). Born in Barbastro, Spain in 1902, St. Josemaría was ordained a priest in 1925. He ministered secretly during the religious persecution of the Spanish Civil War. In 1928, he founded the Opus Dei organization for those living in the world to become holy by dedicating their daily duties to God.



Eucharistic Adoration is a profound encounter with Jesus Christ outside the liturgy of the Mass. Before the Blessed Sacrament displayed in a monstrance, we engage in a deep act of worship and honor towards God's tangible presence. This practice enriches our spirituality with:



Strengthened faith: What appears to be mere bread is, in fact, the divine — Jesus Christ in His entirety: Body, Blood, soul, and divinity. Spending time in Adoration is a profound declaration of belief, reinforcing our faith and deepening our understanding.

Enhanced longing for the Mass: Love compels us to give fully of ourselves. Just as Jesus offers His whole self during Mass, He invites us to reciprocate with our entire being, deepening our relationship with Him through this sacred exchange.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 8-4pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Tina & Jake Loyacano, Vincent M. Ferachi; Dudley Landry Family, Joe Coletti, Sr. Family; Amelia, Wheel & Gayle Badeaux; Michael Laurent, Jack Laurent; Joseph Graves, W. A. Graves Family, Michael Rarick, Thomas Morales Family; Patrick Gaudet, Iris & Audry Callegan; Edna Ball; M/M Victor Crescionne, Crescionne Family; Michelle Family, Sister Joycelin Staempfli; Pat Messina; Lorraine Achee Fourroux; Sylvia Rivet

Sunday, June 9-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, June 9-9am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Guy Hopkins & Family; Anthony "Pet" Cilano; Cathie Blanchard; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Denise Miranda; Jason Guidry; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Seneca Rafflee; Katherine Kiely, Steve & Gloria Cedotal; Sue Jackson, Estelle & Henry Tullia

Sunday, June 9-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Marshall & Virginia Peavy, Cleo & Ella Dupont; Mrs. Ellis Tanoos; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Isaac Vaughn, Sr., Nilda Vaughn; George O. Michel, Alvin Joseph Daigle, Sr. Family, Anatole Nestor Michel Family

Tuesday, 11-6 pm Mass

Frances A. Himel; William E. Barker III Family, Walter Marionneaux, Jr. Family, David Wendt, Sr. Family

Wednesday, June 12-7am Mass

Dudley Nicolosi, Beryl Fourroux, Schexnaildre & Nicolosi Families

Thursday, June 13-7am Mass Rosemary Cox

Friday, June 14-7am Mass

A. J. Laurent, Jr.



Called By Name Chosen for Consecrated Life

"Christ came as high priest." Jesus the Eternal Word continues to call many to lives of holiness as priests. Could you be one of them? Talk to

your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.



Sanctuary Candle June 2, 2024 St. John the Evangelist

Mary & Chuchie Flatau Anthony & Carmella Orcino Orcino & Flatau Families

St. Clement of Rome Joshua "Josh" Landry Harry & Vivian Banta Gloria & "Joe" Landry

Coffee & Donuts

June 9, 2024 Pete & Bonnie Blanchard (7:30am Mass)



Steve & Faith Maddox (9am Mass)

St. John Altar Society

Essential Support System of the Church

Altar Society Team 1 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, June 5. Volunteers are welcome.



June 2, 2024

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Scripture Readings Week of June 2, 2024

Sunday	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	
	Ex 24:3-8, Ps 116:12-13, 15-18;	
	Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26	
Monday	2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-12	
Tuesday	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14,	
	16; Mk 12:13-17	
Wednesday	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1-2;	
	Mk 12:18-27	
Thursday	2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10,14;	
	Mk 12:28-34	
Friday	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-6;	
	Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37	
Saturday	Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the	
,	Blessed Virgin Mary	
	2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15b, 16-17,	
	22; Lk 2:41-51	
Sunday	Gn 3:9-15; Ps 130:1-8; 2 Cor 4:13—5:1;	
ý	Mk 3:20-35	

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