

PARISH CALENDAR

Solemnity of the
Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ

June 18, 2017

Bread of Life!

Saturday, June 17	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, June 18	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, June 19	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, June 20	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Finance Committee Meeting - Kamiano Trailer
Wednesday, June 21	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, June 22	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p. m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, June 23	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, June 24	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass



NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Jer:20:10-13: Suffering Jeremiah laments and praises God.

Rom:5:12-15: Christ's grace overshadows Adam's sin.

Mt:10:26-33: Jesus counsels the apostles to not be afraid.

Living Catholic in the 808

Eucharist as the Ultimate Invitation to Mature Discipleship

One of the central meanings of Eucharist comes from what Jesus did at the First Eucharist, namely getting on his knees to wash the feet of others.

We should be on our knees washing each other's feet because that is precisely what Jesus did at the first Eucharist and he did it to teach us that the Eucharist is not a private act of devotion, meant to square our debts with God, but a call to, and a grace for, service. The Eucharist is meant to send us out into the world ready to give expression to Christ's hospitality, humility and self-effacement.

To take the Eucharist seriously is to begin to wash the feet of others, especially the feet of the poor and those with whom we struggle most relationally. The Eucharist is both an invitation that invites us and a grace that empowers us to service.

And what it invites us to do is to replace distrust with hospitality, pride with humility and self-interest with self-effacement so as to reverse the world's order of things – wherein the rich get served by the poor and where the first priority is always to keep one's pride intact and one's self-interest protected.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUILDING FUND ASSISTANCE: St. Rita Church in critical need of individuals willing to devote their time and talent to either fund-raising and/or grant writing. While Building Fund donations continue to be truly impressive, we remain well short of our ultimate capital requirements. If any parish member or visitor is willing to help, please speak with Deacon Hal or any Building Committee member. Mahalo!

PHOTOS REQUEST: We are trying to put together a “memorial” book with photos from as far back as possible until now of St. Rita Church, inside and out. This book could be used as a fund raising souvenir for all parishioners, local or visitors. Please send any photos you have, to Sebastian at sebastianjflopez@gmail.com or 808-224-6691. The photos will be scanned and returned quickly. If you have any great stories to add, these would also be appreciated.

PETE’S PENCE COLLECTION: Our special collection today is for Peter’s Pence, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from the collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

WORD OF LIFE: “God uses creation to bring us into loving relationship with himself, most notably through the sacraments. We experience this most powerfully in the Eucharist, the true body and blood of Christ, received under the appearance of bread and wine, where “all that has been created finds its greatest exaltation” (LS 236).” *Serene Attentiveness to God’s Creation USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities.*
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WEEKLY READINGS

Jun 18 Sun: The Most Body and Blood of Christ

Dt:8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147; 1 Cor:10:16-17; Jn: 6:51-58

Jun 19 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

2 Cor:6:1-10; Ps:98: 1, 2b 3b, 3cd-4; Mt:5:38-42

Jun 20 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

2 Cor:8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a; Mt: 5:43-48

Jun 21 Wed: Aloysius Gonzaga, religious

2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112: 1bc-2, 3-4, 9; Mt:6:1-6, 16-18

Jun 22 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

2 Cor:11:1-11; Ps:111: 1b-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mt: 6:7-15

Jun 23 Fri: Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Dt:7:6-11; Ps:103: 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10; 1 Jn: 4: 7-16; Mt: 11:25-30

Jun 24 Sat: Nativity of John the Baptist

Is:49: 1-6; Ps 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts: 13:22-26; Lk: 1:57-66, 80

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

Among the compelling Eucharistic themes proclaimed in today’s readings is the nation of “participation” as found in Saint Paul’s letter to the Corinthians. Good stewards are part of a Eucharistic family: loving, welcoming, serving. An important part of living as steward comes about in the many ways we can participate in the life of the Church. No matter how much time we have to give, no matter what our skills or interests, no matter what our level of commitment, there is a way to participate as a good steward to enrich our lives and the lives of others to build up the Body of Christ. How do you participate in the life of your parish? (International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin)

FLESH AND BLOOD

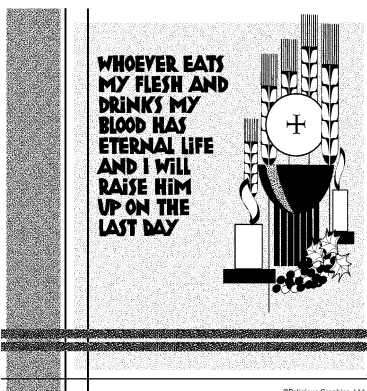
The intimate bond that unites families is well described by the phrase “flesh and blood.” “How can you treat your own flesh and blood so harshly?” a father might ask his son. “I can’t give up my baby for adoption; she’s my own flesh and blood,” a daughter may say to her mother. “I love you as though you were my own flesh and blood,” a brother might say to a stepbrother. It is as though our families are an inseparable part of us. Even those who have traumatic or abusive experiences with family members recognize the depth of emotional and spiritual connection we have with our families.

In Jesus’ words to the crowds in today’s Gospel we hear him talk about our participation in the Eucharist as a sharing in his own flesh and blood. Through the Eucharist Christ himself dwells in us. His divine and eternal life courses through our veins. Like a family gathered at table, we become more and more intimately connected with Christ and one another. As Paul tells us, “We, though many, are one body” (1 Corinthians 10:17), united as members of Christ’s own flesh and blood.

FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD

Within the Body of Christ today, many are suffering as Jesus once did, and the suffering of one of our “brothers and sisters” should be of deep concern to us. We who partake of the Body and Blood of Christ must be prepared to be broken and poured out as Jesus was “for the life of the world” (John 6:51). We must become willing to suffer ourselves if it will benefit a member of our own “flesh and blood.”

As you receive Holy Communion this week, open your heart to the intimate connections that unite us as family within the Body of Christ. Then reflect on how those bonds will affect the way you treat your own flesh and blood this week.



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