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Eating in Scripture: Where God meets us at the table



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In a world of instant consumption, it's easy to forget the holiness of meals. But the Bible keeps returning us to the table — not just as a place of nourishment, but of encounter.

From Eden to the Book of Revelation, **the Bible tells its story through meals**. Not just food, but the act of eating — shared, offered, forbidden, or even symbolic — shapes the drama of salvation history. Eating, in Scripture, is never just about sustenance. It's where relationships are forged, covenants are broken or sealed, and the divine draws close.

At the heart of the Christian faith is a meal: the Last Supper. But that moment is part of a larger pattern. **Jesus, in the Gospels, is often at a table**. He eats with tax collectors and sinners Matthew 9:10, feeds the hungry crowds with loaves and fishes Mark 6:41–42, and breaks bread with his disciples at Emmaus after the Resurrection Luke 24:30–31. Even when glorified, he remains deeply human — asking for something to eat in the upper room, and later grilling fish on the shore for his friends Luke 24:41–43; John 21:12.

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Weekend Masses, Saturday Vigil at 4:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

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“The Son of Man has come eating and drinking,” Jesus says Luke 7:34. It was enough to scandalize his critics. But **his table habits weren’t random — they revealed the Kingdom.** In a world that categorized people by purity, status, and power, Jesus used meals to upend expectations. He didn’t just teach at the table. He healed there, forgave there, even called disciples there.

A Supper, not a Sermon

To eat with someone was, and still is, a form of intimacy. You don’t share a meal with just anyone. But Jesus did. Every meal becomes a form of revelation, a living parable of communion. It’s no accident that **the Eucharist is not a sermon or a song, but a supper.**

And the Bible doesn’t start with a sermon either — it starts with fruit.

The first to eat in the Hebrew Bible is Eve; the last in the Christian Bible is John. One reaches for fruit from a tree Genesis 3:6, the other receives a scroll from an angel Revelation 10:9–10. Eve is tempted by a serpent to eat; John is commanded by an angel. “It tasted sweet as honey,” he says, “but it turned sour in my stomach.” One act ushers humanity into the story of sin; the other concludes the vision of restoration. **Eating marks both fall and fulfillment.**

In between Eve and John lies a long history of sacred meals: manna in the desert, Elijah’s hearth cake, the Passover lamb, the wedding at Cana, and finally the Bread of Life himself, offered on a hill outside Jerusalem.

Food in Scripture is never a backdrop — it’s a **bearer of meaning.** It teaches us that God meets us in our hunger. He does not demand we transcend our human need; instead, He enters it. Jesus doesn’t float above the table — He takes bread in His hands. He breaks it. He gives it.


In a world of instant consumption, it’s easy to forget the holiness of meals. But the Bible keeps returning us to the table — not **just as a place of nourishment, but of encounter.** To eat, in faith, is to remember that heaven is not a retreat from the body, but a feast.

As Revelation promises: “Blessed are those invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb” Revelation 19:9.

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Eucharistic Adoration Every Wednesday
At Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

Personal Worship—Church Open All Day



Begin the day with:

8:00 AM - Mass

8:30 AM - Beginning Adoration

5:30 PM - Rosary Recitation

6:00 PM - Exposition and Adoration

7:00 PM - Adoration Ends for the Day



June 22, 2025

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Gen 14:18-20 | 1 Cor 11:23-26 | Lk 9:11b-17

Written by
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today's feast is set apart to reverence the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist. In our limited human capacity, this concept can feel abstract, and we may struggle to understand it. In these moments, I find that pondering the person of Jesus Christ in the Gospels illuminates my mind and heart. Hearing the familiar story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes in today's Gospel, I'm particularly struck by the first line of the passage: "Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured." Notice that Luke doesn't say that Jesus heals *everyone*, rather, he heals those who *need* to be cured. This is not an act of favoritism, but a revelation of his perfect divine wisdom and a glimpse into the true person of Jesus Christ. In his great mercy and perfect love, Jesus knew instantly what each person needed. And this Jesus, who came to heal and cure, is the one we receive in the Eucharist today.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's feast is a reminder of the staggering truth that 2,000 years later, at every Eucharistic celebration in Catholic churches around the world, Christ becomes truly present. The same Jesus of the Gospels who taught the crowds, multiplied the loaves, and gave himself completely on the cross, gives himself to us *today*: body, blood, soul, and divinity. We are not unlike the crowds in today's Gospel — we have come with our hopes and needs to encounter Jesus. Today, at this table, no one goes hungry; Jesus meets our needs by giving us his unconditional love while nourishing us both physically and spiritually. We can be reassured that God is always present in our lives.

REFLECT

In a special way today, reflect on the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian life." The word Eucharist comes from Greek and Latin words for "thanksgiving." Pray with a grateful heart today that Jesus, the Bread of Life, makes himself truly present to us.

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." (Jn 6:35)



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Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

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We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

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Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm



Grief Support

At this time, individual/one-on-one *Grief Support* is available by calling Rachel at the church office.

Group support meetings will take place when a group is formed.

For more information call:
867-3663

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 21, Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
8:00 a.m. Tobias, Rose, and John Weber (dec)

Saturday, June 21, Vigil for The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
4:00 p.m. Paul Mayhew (dec)

Sunday, June 22, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
8:00 a.m. Paul Mayhew (dec)
9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners and Robert Jacks (liv)
11:30 a.m. Gabriella Mullins (dec)

Monday, June 23, Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. The Forteau Family (liv and dec)

Tuesday, June 24, Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
8:00 a.m. Carmen Forteau and Angela Brown (dec)

Wednesday, June 25, Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

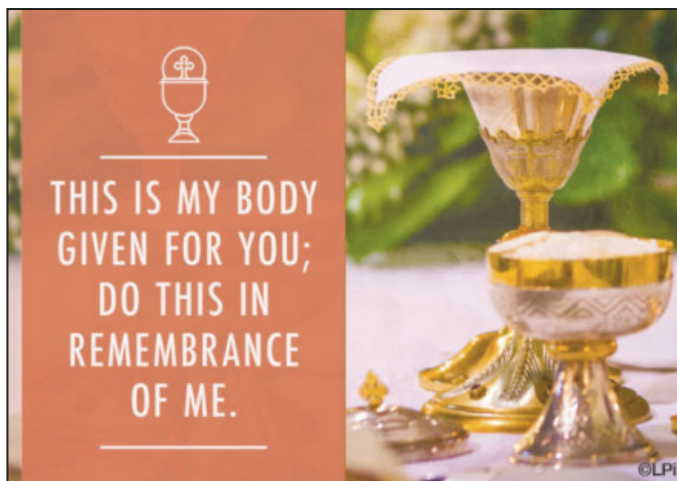
Thursday, June 26, Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Mary Becker (liv)

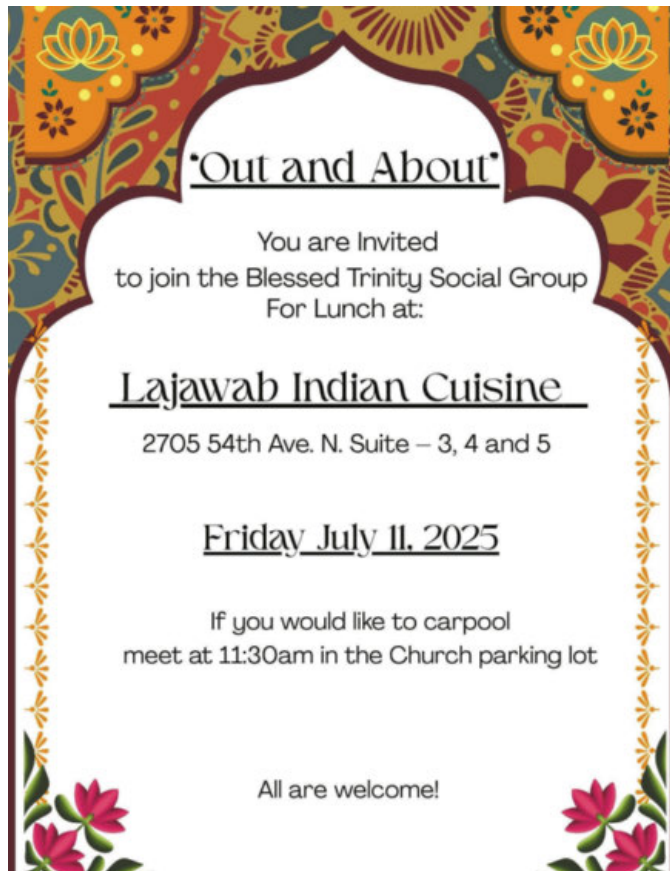
Friday, June 27, Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
8:00 a.m. Joseph and Dolores Ciminera (dec)

Saturday, June 28, Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
8:00 a.m. Ann Marchese (dec)

Saturday, June 28, Vigil for The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
4:00 p.m. Carol Davison (dec)

Sunday, June 29, The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
8:00 a.m. Tom and Marie Cullen (dec)
9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners and Dorothy Drucis (dec)
11:30 a.m. Thomas Walsh (liv)





Weekly Offering

Weekly Giving 06/15/25

Offertory	\$ 8,096
Other Donations	\$ 550
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 264
Restoring the Sacred	\$ 50
Catholic Ministry Appeal	\$ 279

Thank you for your generosity!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

When I was a child, I can remember stopping by my parish or another local Catholic church to just spend some time in prayer before the Holy Eucharist. We didn't have exposition and adoration much in those days, but we were keenly aware of the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle. I would sometimes stare at the lighted candle near it and know that Jesus was alive.

I had never heard someone speak about a stewardship way of life back then. If I am honest, the primary message I heard in those days was along the lines of "We need to be as good as we are able." Sacrifice was only at Lent, disciples were people in the Bible, and generosity mostly had to do with the collection basket and the poor box at the church entrance. I even went to Catholic schools!

Maybe the message of stewardship was there somewhere packaged differently, and I just missed it. It wasn't until I was an adult, and after acquiring two theology degrees, that I understood both with my head and my heart what a stewardship way of life really meant. But I look back at those days, and I realize that the groundwork was laid for me to understand these things. It was those times before the Holy Eucharist that I began to understand true sacrifice. It was at those times that I began to understand how actions and realities that seem so simple to the human eye can be so profound. And it was at those times that I began to see true love knows no bounds. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Catholic Ministry Appeal



Thank you for your prayerful giving!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 22

Coffee and Donuts after the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses PC

Monday, June 23

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit CYH

Wednesday June 25

Adoration

8:30 am Church open all day for prayer CH

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition and Meditation

7:00 pm Benediction

Thursday, June 26

4:00 pm SVDP Meeting CYH-1

Friday June 27

Blessed Trinity's Social Group meets after 8:00 am Mass
@ Kahwa Coffee 400 45th Ave. South

Monday, June 30

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit CYH

Tuesday, July 1

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting PC

Wednesday, July 2

Adoration

8:30 am Church open all day for prayer CH

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition and Meditation

7:00 pm Benediction

Friday, July 4- Independence Day

Parish Office Closed

Key for Events

PC= Parish Center, MR=Music Room, CYH= Courtyard Hall, CH=Church, CYH-1= Courtyard Hall Classroom #1, CR=Choir Room, FF=Faith Formation Room, PL=Parking Lot

Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

*God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe,
you have set the earth on its foundation
and all the elements of nature obey your command.
We humbly beseech you to keep us safe from all dangers
and calm the storm that threatens us.
May we be secure in your loving protection
and serve you always with grateful hearts.
We ask this through our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.*



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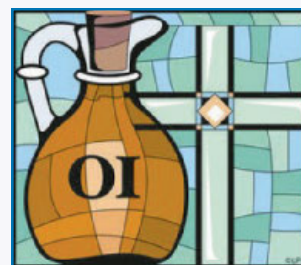
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