

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE 10, 2007 - SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Today is the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**. The High Mass is of the feast with the Commemoration and Last Gospel of the Sunday. The Low Masses are of the Sunday within the Octave.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONTINUES ALL AFTERNOON.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed all day today until our closing Benediction that follows the 4:45 PM Vespers. If you have not yet spent time in adoration this Corpus Christi, come this afternoon and visit with Our Savior, King and Friend. He should not be left alone on this day of all days.

Our annual outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this morning after the High Mass, with outdoor Benediction, as well as Benediction in the church at its conclusion. The third and final Benediction of the day follows Vespers, beginning at 4:45 PM.

Members of the **Rosary Confraternity** are kindly asked to sit together as a group, on the Gospel side of the church, at the 9:00 AM High Mass and take part in the Eucharistic procession, and *to take turns adoring* the Blessed Sacrament from 1 - 3:00 PM.


The men of the **Holy Name Society** are kindly asked *to take turns adoring* the Blessed Sacrament from 3 - 4:45 PM.


✠ THE SACRED HEART

The feast of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friday, June 15th**, should be marked with special fervor in our families where He has been enthroned as King of Love. Decorate your Sacred Heart shrine, renew your consecrations as a family and receive Holy Communion at the 11:30 AM or the 5:45 PM Mass.

This feast offers us an opportunity to repair the damage done to His Sacred Heart by our coldness and indifference to the Blessed Sacrament, as well as to remember just how much He loves us. Make an effort to attend an extra Mass in His honor during the Octave.

Remember, this is a feast Our Lord specifically requested personally of St. Margaret Mary. Shouldn't you come?

 Ladies, join us **Friday, June 15th**, the Feast of the Sacred Heart, for an *Evening of Recollection* with **5:45 PM Mass, Benediction**, and a *Spiritual Talk* at **7:00 PM** with opportunity for questions and discussion. Confessions will be heard before the talk. Refreshments conclude the evening.

 **FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION** **Wednesday, June 13th**, we observe the second of our Fatima Rosary Processions. It is also the feast of St. Anthony of Padua. Mass will be offered at 5:45 PM (*please note the special time - we hope this will allow more people to attend the Mass and procession*) in honor of St. Anthony to honor his great love of Our Lady and for all of our lost souls. Following the Mass, at approximately 7:00 PM, members of the Rosary Confraternity, and all parishioners, are asked to drive or carpool to the parking lot of the First Watch Restaurant at the corner of Union Center Blvd. and Floer Dr. The address is 9233 Floer Dr. Floer Drive runs parallel with Muhlhauser Road. You may enter Floer Drive from either Union Center Blvd. or Muhlhauser Road. Please make a sacrifice to pray this public rosary with us. Your witness and your prayers are sorely needed for our Church, our country and our families.

Jesus, whose Heart is the principle and centre of all perfect affections, have mercy on us.

Hashers

SUNDAY - JUNE 17, 2007

7:30 AM Joe Andreotta, Tom Kamphaus, John Wiesman, Kent Maki
9:00 AM Dale Wilker, Jim Gebel, Richard Smith, Bernie Brueggemann
11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Jim Kolenich
5:45 PM John Seyfried

Servers

JUNE 11, - JUNE 17, 2007

•WED 06/13 5:45 PM LOW: G. Keaveny, J. Bayer
•FRI 06/15 5:45 PM LOW & BENE: Keaveny, Briggs, Ritze, Bayer
•SAT 06/16 6:30 AM LOW: C. & T. Simpson
8:00 AM HIGH: G. Keaveny, J. Bayer
•SUN 06/17 7:30 AM LOW: D. & S. Brueggemann
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: T. Simpson, J. Lotarski; ACs: T. Simpson, F. Puglielli; TH: R. Hill (A. Lotarski); TORCH: N. Puglielli, A. Richesson, T. Kunkel, B. Lotarski
11:30 AM LOW: S. & S. Cozzens
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Collection Report

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2007 \$5387.62
SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION \$1739.16

*Thank you for your generosity!
Remember St. Gertrude's in your will!*

✠ POETRY CORNER

ACTS OF LOVE TO JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT *HEART TALKS WITH JESUS*

I love Thee, O Jesus, a tiny Babe
In Bethlehem's manger stall
But I love Thee, my Love, in the
Sacred Host
A thousand times more than all.

Oh! Thy Infant Form was fair to see
In Its lovely human guise,
But Thy fair, sweet form in the
Sacred Host
Is more beautiful still to mine eyes.

And Thy Infant Voice was music sweet
When it fell on Mary's ear.
But the same sweet Voice my listening
soul
In its fervent prayer doth hear.

I love Thee, O Jesus, a growing Boy
In Nazareth's humble house,
But here more than all, Thou art my joy,
My King, my God, my Spouse.

I love Thee, O Jesus, a comely youth
Fairer than all to see,
But fairer Thou art to eyes of faith
Here where Thou dwellest for me.

I love Thee, O Jesus, on Thabor's height
By radiance all surrounded.
But I love Thee more in this Sign of Love
Of limitless love unbounded.

Yes, I love Thee much on that mountain
height
Alone with Thy chosen three,
But here Thou remainest both day and
night,
And I also am chosen by Thee.

I love Thee, O Jesus, taken down
And laid in Thy Mother's arms.
Come then, to my poor heart,
For my whole soul feels Thy charms.

I love Thee, O Jesus, my very God
In Heaven's highest sphere,
But nowhere in Heaven or earth so much
As in this sweet Sacrament here.

✠ THE CALENDAR

- MON 06/11/07 WITHIN THE OCTAVE - ST BARNABAS, AP**
 11:20 AM Exposition, followed by **High Mass & Benediction** *Lynn Ahlgrim (M/M Tom Kunkel & Family)*
 4:15-6:00 PM **Knights of the Sacred Heart** (Sharonville Park)
St. Angela Merici Girls' Group (Sharonville Park)
- TUES 06/12/07 WITHIN THE OCTAVE - ST JOHN OF SAHAGUN, C - SS BASILIDES & COMP, MM**
 11:20 AM Exposition, followed by **High Mass & Benediction** *For Rain Soon (Frances R. Mattingly)*
- WED 06/13/07 WITHIN THE OCTAVE - ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, CD**
 9:00 AM **8th Grade Graduation**, Exposition, followed by **High Mass & Benediction** *Benefactors of St. Gertrude School*
 5:45 PM **Low Mass** *St. Anthony for Several Intentions He Helped to Answer (Bill & Pat Bendel)*
 7:00 PM **Fatima Rosary Procession**
- THUR 06/14/07 OCTAVE DAY CORPUS CHRISTI - ST BASIL THE GREAT, BPCD**
 11:20 AM Exposition, followed by **High Mass & Benediction** *†John R. Sunnenberg - 6th Anniversary (Tom & Stella Simpson)*
- FRI 06/15/07 SACRED HEART OF JESUS**
 11:00 AM **Confessions**
 11:30 AM **High Mass** *In Reparation to the Sacred Heart*
 5:15 PM **Rosary & Confessions**
 5:45 PM **Low Mass, Novena, Benediction, Confessions** *P. A. Kemper - Poor Souls (MAW)*
 7:00 PM **Ladies' Evening of Recollection**
- SAT 06/16/07 WITHIN THE OCTAVE - MOST PURE HEART OF MARY**
 6:30 AM **Low Mass**, followed by **Confessions** *Charles Simpson In Thanksgiving for Your Help (Greg Wnek)*
 7:45 AM **Confessions**
 8:00 AM **High Mass, Confessions** *Special Intention - Deceased (Troy Burns)*
- SUN 06/17/07 SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE SACRED HEART - PENTECOST III - FATHER'S DAY**
 7:30 AM **Low Mass** *†Martha Brueggemann - Birthday 6/18*
 9:00 AM **High Mass** *For All of Our Fathers, Living & Deceased*
 11:30 AM **Low Mass** *Katie Bischak (Debbie Wilker)*
 4:45 PM **Vespers & Benediction**
 5:45 PM **Low Mass** *For the People of St. Gertrude*

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

I write these lines on Tuesday, a magnificent June day, but still dry. I am sure we need to pray more for needed rain, and many, many more intentions as well. How better to pray than before the very Face of God in the Blessed Sacrament Exposed? Love these days of Corpus Christi! Linger a bit today, and plan to come again to pray later today or on another day. Finally, let us be particularly united to honor the Sacred Heart with a Holy Communion of Reparation on Friday, the very feast of the Sacred Heart. Decorate your home altar, assemble the family, and renew your consecration to the King of Love enthroned in your home.



Our "season" thus ends on a wonderful note during these incredibly rich days of grace. I thank everyone who has made this year so proper and rich and edifying, so beautiful for God and man. May Our Lady reward you!

Beloved St. Anthony comes Wednesday, during the Octave, and most fittingly so, for he is a great saint of the Blessed Sacrament. His Mass is followed by the second of our Fatima Rosary Processions which makes this week a "two procession" week again. Thanks for taking part.

On Wednesday our little school has its 8th Grade Graduation and final school Mass for the summer. I thank our young scholars for their beautiful and edifying singing, and serving all year long. I am proud of you! I hope to see them, as well as public and home schooling children, at weekly Mass during the summer. Parents, with a little organization you can get your children great vacation graces. There is no vacation from a vocation, remember! Oh, and don't forget regular Confession, either.

I wish you a splendid, holy week, a week full of Eucharistic graces and much love.

Bishop Dolan

✠ HEART OF JESUS, MODEL OF GENEROSITY

Generosity is a virtue that by its very nature wins the love and admiration of all. It bespeaks an unselfish nature – a noble giving of self for the good of others.

The Heart of Jesus is an abyss of generosity. His devotion to

the interests of others knows no limit. What was His coming to earth but a marvelous act of Divine generosity! From the crib to the cross He spent Himself unsparingly for others. To give and not to count the cost, to give until it hurt, to give even when the giving brought in return insult and injury, scourging and crowning with thorns, yes, even the ignominious death of the cross, such is the generosity of the dear Heart of our Savior.

And to me in a personal way, how generous He is! Whatever I have He has given to me. Life, all the wondrous gifts of the body and the marvelous gifts of the soul, all are from Him. For me He offers Himself ten thousand times each morning on the altars of the world. For me He makes the tiny tabernacle His earthly dwelling place that I may have Him near me all the days of my life. To nourish my famished soul He feeds me with His very Flesh and gives me His Precious Blood to drink. Generous? Infinitely, untellably so!

And what of myself? How shamefully unlike my Divine Model! How ungenerous with God — Begrudging Him the petty sacrifices His service demands! How ungenerous with my fellow men — always thinking of self and doing so little for others!

Can I not be a little more generous just for today? I can and I shall for love of the dear, generous Heart of my Savior.

Heart of Jesus, Model of generosity, have mercy on us.

THE 5:45 PM MASS

Please note that this week's "extra 5:45" Mass is scheduled for Wednesday the 13th in honor of St. Anthony and just before the second of our Fatima Rosary Processions at 7:00 PM.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

Our prayers and best wishes to Megan Keaveney who graduated last Saturday from Centerville H.S. and will be attending Denison University, Granville, Ohio (30 Minutes east of Columbus); and our two Grade School Graduates, John Lotarski and Addy Wilker. Please remember to keep all our grade school, high school and college students in your prayers.

THIRTEEN TUESDAYS OF ST. ANTHONY

We will open our traditional 13 Tuesdays of St. Anthony on Tuesday, June 19th, at a special 5:45 PM Mass followed by St. Anthony Devotions - and then the St. Anthony Blessing of Animals. Come to participate in this powerful devotion every Tuesday this Summer!

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES SCRIBES

The St. Francis de Sales Scribes will meet on June 24th, at 10:45 AM, following the 9:00 AM High Mass, in the School Office. We will be having a special guest speaker. Anyone who writes or is interested in writing is welcome to attend.

IN YOUR CHARITY...

Please pray for all of our sick and shut-ins, especially Linda Cardamone and Connie Kamphaus.

NEXT SUNDAY - FATHER'S DAY

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the Month and Sacred Heart Sunday. The Blessing of Expectant Mothers follows all Masses.

All our fathers, living and deceased, will be remembered at the special High Mass next Sunday. Envelopes are available in the pews, the vestibule and the Gift Shop. Please fill them out and return them to the Office or in the collection basket if

you wish your own father to be included.

Set your missal: *June 17th. Sunday Within the Octave of the Sacred Heart*, with the commemoration of the Third Sunday After Pentecost. **PREFACE** of the Sacred Heart.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **June 19th:** 5:45 PM Low Mass and Opening of the 13 Tuesdays of St. Anthony. 7:00 PM the *Annual Blessing of the Animals* in honor of St. Anthony.
- **July 24th - 26th:** Boys' Camp
- **August 21st - 23rd:** Girls' Camp

DRESS CODE:

It's a struggle, especially in summer, isn't it? But I'm willing if you are. Men and boys are obliged to wear a jacket and tie, please. Ladies and girls should "dress up" for church in a nice, modest Sunday way. Please avoid tight, form revealing tops, low cut dresses, slit skirts, etc. These rules help to maintain modesty and a most respectful reverence for God's House and day. Please don't fight us on them... fight the devil and sin. May God reward you for your goodness.

BISHOP DOLAN

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All the land lay barren,
all our joy was fled,
Now the vine is budding,
that lay sere and dead;
Now the grape is swelling,
where no life was seen,
Earth awakes from mourning,
life grows fair and green.
Bitter was the winter,
all our hearts grew chill;
Now the spring comes leaping
over stream and hill.
Now the blade is sprouting
where the grain was sown,
Wheat springs up in plenty
from one seed alone.
Seedtime yields to harvest,
famine yields to feast
When the nations gather
from the west to east,
In the sun of summer
where the Savior reigns
Reaping peace and justice
in the ripened plains.

—ANONYMOUS



A PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

Throughout the year, O Jesus, Thou dost remain humbly hidden within the tabernacle, awaiting, receiving, and hearing the souls who come to Thy feet in search of sympathy and consolation in their sorrows, light and support in the trials of life. Only on this day, leaving Thy silent loneliness, Thou goest forth, passing in triumph and benediction through the streets and squares of the cities in a maze of lights and music, incense and flowers, in the midst of joyous multitudes, who fall down in adoration before Thee.

In the synagogue of Capharnaum, the unbelieving throng, revelling against Thy words of faith and love, deserted Thee; but in the Upper Room that last evening of Thine earthly life, when the dark clouds of betrayal were already settling upon Thy sorrowful soul, Thou didst make Thy divine promise a reality, perpetuating in the institution of the Holy Eucharist, as in a living memorial, the infinite love with which Thy Heart was overflowing towards mankind. By means of this august Sacrament, Thou wouldst prolong Thy presence in the world even to the end of time; and the souls of men, seated at Thy heavenly banquet, were to taste inwardly the sweet irradiations of Thy grace and the ineffable delights of Thy love.

O Jesus make me feel the overwhelming attraction of Thy silent tabernacle, which has ever drawn not only the little ones, but has always been and will continue to be the joy of pure and great souls. Grant me a living faith and an ardent love for Thee hidden under the sacramental species, so that, frequently drawing near to Thy table where the "Bread of Life" is set out, I may receive the germ of a life that will not die. Amen.

THE FATHER AT WORK

"He that spared not even His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how hath He not also, with Him, given us all things?"

(Rom 8: 32).

The words *He spared not* mean only that God did not exempt Him from the penalty, for there was not in Him any fault to be matter for sparing. God the Father did not withhold from His Son an exemption from the penalty as a way of adding anything to Himself. God is perfect. But He so acted, subjecting His Son to the Passion, because this was useful for us.

This is why Saint Paul adds, *"but delivered Him up for us all,"* meaning that God exposed Christ to the Passion for the expiation of all our sins. *"He was delivered for our sins,"* says Isaiah, and *"the Lord laid on Him the iniquity of us all"* (Is 53: 5, 6). God the Father delivered Him over to death, decreeing Him to take flesh and to suffer, inspiring His human will with a burning love by which, eagerly, He would undergo His Passion. *"He delivered Himself for us,"* Saint Paul says of our Lord (Eph 5: 2). Judas, too, and the Jews delivered Him, but by an activity external to His.

There is something else to notice in the words, *"He that spared not His own Son."* It is as though it said: Not only has God given other saints over to suffering for the benefit of mankind, but even His own, proper Son.

—SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Second Sunday After Pentecost

Courtesy

St. Luke 14:16 - 24

Every once in a while the Gospels startle us into a wry smile. The illustrations and examples are so aptly modern. Anyone who has ever attempted to induce a friend to attend a week-end Retreat, a series of lectures on some serious topic or a worth-while study club, will nod his head as the priest reads: "And they all with one accord began to excuse themselves."

"The Master of the house was angry" as is the master of any house when guests send silly excuses for their failure to attend a carefully prepared banquet. Since this Gospel occurs in the Mass of the Sunday that follows the Feast of the Body of Christ, (Corpus Christi), the Church undoubtedly wishes us to apply it to the great banquet that God spreads for us in the Communion of the Mass.

When Christ first promised this banquet, "many of His disciples walked no more with Him." "This is a hard saying and who shall bear it?" When Christ at the Last Supper prepared the banquet and offered it for the first time, there was a traitor present, and it may be that one of the very first twelve to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ partook sacrilegiously. One of the most slashing things that Paul the Apostle ever wrote was his condemnation of some Corinthians who treated disrespectfully the banquet of the Body and Blood of Christ.

It is something we simply cannot explain, this disrespect toward and neglect of the Body

HOW TO APPROACH CHRIST'S PASSION

I appeal to you by the mercy of God. This appeal is made by Paul, or rather, it is made by God through Paul, because of God's desire to be loved rather than feared, to be a Father rather than a Lord. God appeals to us in His mercy to avoid having to punish us in His severity.

Listen to the Lord's appeal. In Me, I want you to see your own body, your members, your *heart*, your bones, your blood. You may fear what is divine, but why not love what is human? You may run away from Me as the Lord, but why not to Me as your Father? Perhaps you are filled with shame for causing My bitter passion. Do not be afraid. This cross inflicts a mortal injury, not on Me, but on death. These nails no longer pain Me, but only deepen your love for Me. I do not cry out because of these wounds, but through them I draw you into My *Heart*. My body was stretched on the cross as a symbol, not of how much I suffered, but of my all-embracing love. I count it no loss to shed My Blood; it is the price I have paid for your ransom. Come, then, return to Me and learn to know Me as your Father, who repays good for evil, love for injury, and boundless charity for piercing wounds.

—ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS



and Blood of Christ. The Almighty could offer no greater gift to human beings. If there were but one spot in the world, where once in our lifetime we could partake of the Body and Blood of Christ, we would scrape and save for half a lifetime to travel to that spot, and for the rest of our lives we would cherish the memory of that one day. Yet day by day, in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, God spreads the banquet table and broadcasts His invitation. "Bring in here," He says to the servants, "the poor and the crippled and the blind and the lame... Go out into the highways and hedges and make them come so that My house may be filled." And yet they come not.

No wonder the Master of the House is angry. Must He not be angrier still when He looks upon the millions who actually do fill His house Sunday after Sunday, and still ignore the invitation spoken by the priest in the name of Christ: "Take you and eat, all of you." They are cutting themselves off from sharing in the full fruits of the Holy Sacrifice: "that as many as partake at this altar of the most Sacred Body and Blood of Thy Divine Son may be filled with every heavenly blessing and grace." What does the Master think of these millions whose offering of the Holy Sacrifice is so often incomplete?

It may be too late to change the minds and change the habits of many who have grown up in this tradition of indifference to the Body of Christ, in this false separation of Mass and Communion; but mothers and fathers and teachers should drill into their children that the normal, complete offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass means two things: the offering to God of Christ and ourselves and the receiving of the Body and Blood of Christ from the hands of God.

Mothers and fathers, let your children see you approach God's banquet table from the very first Sunday they go with you to church, and from your obvious joy in receiving, let there grow in them an eagerness for the day when they too may receive Christ. Let them see in you and in your home the unity, the peace, the Christliness that should be the fruit of your every communion. When you plan your parties and their parties, never give your children reason to think that in your mind a late dance or an early-morning snack is more important than the Body and Blood of Christ.

—THE EVERYDAY CATHOLIC

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION

Our Lady of Fatima implores us to pray the Rosary
The Most Holy Rosary is the KEY to our salvation

Please join us to pray for our
Families, Church, and Country



WEDNESDAY EVENING

JUNE 13, 2007



After the 5:45 p.m. Mass, approximately 7:00 PM; Starting in the
First Watch parking lot, corner of Union Center and Floer Dr.