

# CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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Parish Office is open 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Monday-Thursday  
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

*For Sacramental Emergencies after office hours,  
please call 701-425-1483 and leave a voicemail.  
We will return your call in a timely manner.*

## WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

*Holy Days as scheduled and may differ than below.  
See the inside of the bulletin for details.*

Saturday (Vigil of Sunday) .....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
Monday-Friday.....12:10 p.m.

## MISSION STATEMENT

***As disciples of Jesus, we live our faith through  
Word, Sacrament, and Service.***

Msgr. Patrick Schumacher, S.T.L., Pastor ..... 255-4600  
Rev. John Paul Gardner, Parochial Vicar..... 975-9802  
Rev. Dinoy Rebera, Parochial Vicar ..... 975-9818  
Tracy Kraft, Parish Manager..... 975-9803

## PASTORAL MINISTERS

Cindy Anderst, Adult Formation ..... 975-9810  
Sarah Bengtson, Pastoral Care ..... 975-9805  
Sebastian Haboczki, Music Ministry ..... 975-9806  
Cole Jones, Youth Ministry..... 975-9804  
Melanie Konieczka, Faith Formation ..... 975-9809  
Tammy Schafer, Pastoral Care..... 975-9816  
Sr. Ivo Schoch, Outreach Ministry ..... 975-9808

**DEACONS:** Bob Wingenbach, Brian Lardy, Michael Fix,  
Lonnie Grabowska, Rex McDowall (Retired)

## PARISH SUPPORT STAFF

Jane Bosch, Kitchen Manager..... 255-4600  
Niel Heinze, Maintenance Technician ..... 975-9815  
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**PRAYER TREE:** 255-4600

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Noon on Tuesdays (typed format)



## June 22, 2025

## SACRAMENTS

**Reconciliation** - Reconciliation is offered, behind a screen, weekdays from 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and from 3:00-3:30 p.m. on Saturdays or by appointment by calling the parish office at 701-975-9803. No Reconciliation prior to Communion Services. Schedule may change on Holy Days or Special Liturgies.

**Baptism** - The Baptism Preparation Program and Schedule are by arrangement. Please call the office at 701-255-4600 to register or do so online at [corpuschristibismarck.com/baptism](http://corpuschristibismarck.com/baptism) prior to your delivery date and the program coordinator will return your call. Parents must be registered at Corpus Christi or have permission from their parish.

**Marriage** - Couples planning to be married should contact the parish office at 701-975-9805 at least **12 months** in advance for completion of Diocesan requirements.

**Natural Family Planning Classes** are offered by the Bismarck Diocese. The methods offered are Billings Ovulation Method, Creighton Model Fertility Care System, Marquette Model and Sympto-Thermal Methods. If you have questions about NFP please contact the Bismarck Diocese at 701-222-3035 or [www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp).

**OCIA Classes** - Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith may call Tracy Kraft at 701-975-9803.



## CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member, stop by the Parish Office or scan this QR Code.



## CORPUS CHRISTI APP (MyParish APP):

Download the app for any smart device.

Text the word *App* to 55321.

Or scan the QR Code.

## From the Desk of Msgr. Patrick A. Schumacher, S.T.L., Pastor

Happy Feast Day, everyone! This is our Feast Day on this Corpus Christi Sunday. I gave a homily a while back, a daily Mass in fact, which hit a nerve in many of you as evidenced in your comments and texts. The Gospel was John 14:1-6 and the day was Friday, May 16. At this Last Supper discourse, Jesus makes a promise we need to remember. A promise that he has prepared a place for us. He said, *"I will go and prepare a place for you."* I said at that 12:10 p.m. Mass that in our lives, if we are not to become lost souls, we need to ask and find answers to the questions, 'What will I do?'; 'With whom will I live?' and 'What is my place in this world?' These are questions for life and I always advise young people to be patient as their lives unfold and as they answer these three questions. But we can also ask them, honestly, at anytime in our lives; 'What will I do *now*?', and 'With whom will I live *now*?', and '*Now*, what is my place?' Again, questions for this life. In all of them, we need to remember that our Lord has promised to prepare a place for us in the next life; an eternal home, rest, in the presence of God. This prism of our place in the next life should help us trust whenever there are open answers to any of these three questions in this life. As Jesus said in that Gospel, *"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God, have faith also in me."* That was the gist of that homily and many adults needed to hear it.

On this Corpus Christi Sunday, let us also remember our place at the Altar during Mass. I always tell the young First Holy Communicants that they now have a place at the Altar, and if they are absent the Church will miss them. That is a great reminder for us all. As we will do for the third year in a row, we will process around our Church on our Feast Day with the Blessed Sacrament, proclaiming to the world our belief in the Real Presence of our Savior in the Eucharist. I'd like to specifically thank the Knights of Columbus for their coordination of the processions. In fact, let me thank them for all they do! I became a member of the Knights of Columbus when I was a teenager and I'm a 4th Degree Knight today. I use their financial services and they will be whole-heartedly and publically supported by me wherever I am Pastor.



### AMINA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
 Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
 O Good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds hide me.  
 Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me.  
 At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you  
 That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever. Amen.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Please review the schedule and contact the office to let us know if you are willing to serve as a minister next weekend.  
 If you are not scheduled and would be willing to help, call Tracy Kraft at 701-975-9803.

Date: June 28-29	June 28, 2025 4:00 PM		June 29, 2025 8:30 AM		June 29, 2025 10:45 AM		June 29, 2025 5:30 PM	
<b>Hospitality</b>	1		1	Heather Steffl	1	Rita Mastel	1	
	2		2	Brian Steffl	2		2	
	3		3		3		3	
	4		4		4		4	
<b>Ushers</b>	1	Helen Berger	1	Dave Schmitz	1	Milissa Kelly	1	Darcy Neigum
	2	Gisele Thorson	2	Linda Schmitz	2	Joel Meyer	2	
	3	Derek Theurer	3	Ron Torkelson	3	Maggie Meyer	3	
	4	Sam Theurer	4	Virginia Torkelson	4	Brianna Feist	4	
	5		5		5	Dennis Mastel	5	
<b>Lectors</b>	1	Heather Lundeen	1	Dale Kasowski	1	Rodger Wetzel	1	Todd Van Orman
	2	Sandy Wald Clooten	2		2	Rose Kruckenberg	2	Mary Soucie
<b>Servers</b>	1	Olivia Lundeen	1	Avvy Quintus	1	Elise Brossart	1	Evan Hinnenkamp
	2	Conner Lundeen	2		2	Triston Brossart	2	
<b>Eucharistic Min</b>		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST
	R-1	Marsha Lembke	R-1	Dale Kasowski	R-1	Rita Mastel	R-1	Tim Bohan
	2	Father	2	Father	2	Father	2	Father
	3	Claus Lembke	3	Gerard Mathern	3	Cathy Schatz	3	Margie Schiff
	4	Heather Lundeen	4	Pam Mathern	4	Makayla Schatz	4	Mary Soucie
	5		5	Colleen Fylling	5	Pamela Vetter	5	
	6		6	Carl Jackson	6	Gary Feist	6	
	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon
	8		8	Andrea Jackson	8		8	
	9		9		9	Justin Reisenauer	11	
	10		10		10		12	
	11				11			
<b>Mask Room at 4</b>	D12				12			
	LG		LG	Mary Kasowski	LG		LG	

**Livestreaming Schedule:**

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

**Holy Days as Scheduled**

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Mon., June 23** (12:10 p.m.) - ✠ *Eudora Sticka*

**Tues., June 24** (12:10 p.m.) - ✠ *Paty & Kathy Knudson*

**Wed., June 25 - Collective Intention**

(12:10 p.m.) - ✠ *Gerald Ripplinger*

✠ *Robert Schempp*

✠ *David Cervillino*

✠ *Angie Geiger*

**Thurs., June 26** (12:10 p.m.) - ✠ *Leo & Mary Margaret Pudwill*

**Fri., June 27** (12:10 p.m.) - ✠ *Leo, Regina & Paul Lauinger*

**Sat., June 28** (4:00 p.m.) - ✠ *Francis Fritz*

**Sun., June 29** (8:30 a.m.) - ✠ *Jeanie Deichert*

(10:45 a.m.) - ✠ *Julia, & Leo Mattern*

(5:30 p.m.) - *Pro Populo*

CONTRIBUTIONS (General Fund) - (2,464 households)	
Adult Envelopes (242 Envelopes) . . . . .	\$18,618.54
Youth Envelopes . . . . .	\$219.35
TOTAL RECEIVED (June 15) . . . . .	\$18,837.89
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday June 1 . . . . .	\$17,349.96
Online Giving Week (May 26-June 1) . . . . .	\$7,092.15
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday June 8 . . . . .	\$18,605.42
Online Giving Week (June 2-8) . . . . .	\$6,095.00
Electronic Contributions (June 5) . . . . .	\$13,143.68
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday June 15 . . . . .	\$18,837.89
Online Giving Week (June 9-15) . . . . .	\$6,771.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday June 22 . . . . .	\$0.00
Online Giving Week (June 16-22) . . . . .	\$0.00
Electronic Contributions (June 20) . . . . .	\$0.00
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday June 29 . . . . .	\$0.00
Online Giving Week (June 23-29) . . . . .	\$0.00

*We are grateful for your generosity, which is part of being a faithful steward of Corpus Christi.*



**June 1-30**

The African Missionary Team will be at the Bismarck Diocesan Mission in Kisii, Kenya. Staff and volunteers will be assisting in the office while Fr. Gardner, Tracy Kraft and Sarah Bengtson work at the Mission. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. Please pray for the Corpus Christi African Missionary Team.



**Feast of Corpus Christi**

June 21 & 22



The Eucharist is the *“source and summit of the Christian life.”*

(Second Vatican Council, Lumen Gentium, no. 11).

In the Eucharist, Jesus Himself re-presents His Sacrifice on the Cross (Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:26-29), gives Himself to us in Holy Communion (Exodus 16:4, 35; John 6:1-14, 48-51), and remains among us until the end of the age (Luke 24:13-35; Matthew 28:18-20).

He comes to us in this humble form, making Himself vulnerable, out of love for each one of us.

Yet, as God Himself, the Body and Blood of Christ deserve our utmost respect and love, as well as our adoration. (EWTN.com)



**The Food Pantry is in need of:**

**Canned Fruit**

**Thank you for your support of the  
Corpus Christi Food Pantry!**



Prefer not to shop? Monetary donations are accepted to assist in the purchasing of meat, bread, milk, eggs, and other pantry staples as needed.



**Stewardship Opportunities**

Our **Media and Technology Ministry** needs help. If you are comfortable around a computer and have an interest in the Liturgy and helping the Church, we will train you.

**Do you like to take photos?** Are you willing to help capture special moments at Corpus Christi? Consider volunteering to take photos for special liturgies. You do not need to be a professional or have special equipment. Snapshots/candid photos of the various activities and liturgies is what we are looking for. Can you help?



Knights of Columbus Meeting  
Tuesday, July 8, 2025 - 7 pm  
Touchmark on West Century

**Congratulations to June Knight of the Month:**  
**Bill Knudson**

*"A small amount, if given with love, never ends, but becomes a source of life and happiness. Such was the case with the jar of meal and jug of oil of the widow of Zarephath, who offered a cake of bread to the prophet Elijah; it was also the case with the loaves blessed, broken and given by Jesus to the disciples to distribute to the crowd. Such is the case too with our almsgiving, whether small or large, when offered with joy and simplicity." - Pope Francis*



**Peter's Pence Collection:**  
**June 28 & 29**



What is the Peter's Pence Collection? Peter's Pence is a Pontifical Collection which expresses a sense of belonging to the Church and love and trust for the Holy Father. It is a tangible sign of communion with Him, as Peter's Successor, and also of attention to the needs of the most disadvantaged, for whom the Pope always cares. Peter's Pence Collection aims to support the Holy Father's mission throughout the world and supports numerous charitable works in aid of people and families in difficulty.

Envelopes are available at the church entrances or you can give by using a standard envelope with "Peter's Pence" written on it.

For more information on Peter's Pence, visit [www.peterspence.va/en.html](http://www.peterspence.va/en.html).



**Corpus Christi Women's Group**  
**Wednesday, June 25**  
**9:30-11:30 a.m., Parish Hall**

We will start with brunch and then watch the documentary entitled "Radiating Joy: The Michelle Duppong Story." This video was produced by FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students.) Women of all ages and walks of life are invited for a wonderful morning of friendship with our Corpus Christi Women's Group. No registration required. For more information, contact Cindy Anderst at the Parish Office at 255-4600.

**Art in the Park - KC Pancake Breakfast July 3-4**

Each day, breakfast is served from 7-11am on the Morton Mandan Library Patio behind the Bandshell on Main Street in Mandan. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children aged 10 and under. Proceed to benefit various charities.



**What's Going on Here This Week**

- Sun. 6/22** Eucharistic Processions at all Masses  
Children's Liturgy of the Word, 10:45 a.m. Mass  
SNAC, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Room 140
- Tues. 6/24** Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Community Room  
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:40-7:00 p.m.
- Wed. 6/25** Women's Group, 9:30-11:00 a.m., Parish Hall
- Thurs. 6/26** Wedding Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Church
- Fri. 6/27** Konieczka/Marchant Wedding, 3:00 p.m., Church  
Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00 p.m., Church
- Sat. 6/28** Hoffert/Pratt Wedding, 1:30 p.m., Church
- Sun. 6/29** *Happy 32nd Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood, Msgr. Patrick Schumacher!*  
SNAC, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Room 140



**High School SNAC (Grades 9-12)**  
Sunday, June 22: 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Topic: Corpus Christi & Bonfire  
**All Youth Grades 6-12:**  
Wednesday, June 25: *City-wide event (see below)*  
*Cathedral of the Holy Spirit*

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**

**June 22 - 10:45 a.m. Mass**

Lessons are geared for preschool - 2nd Grade.  
No registration required.



**Have you tried Online Giving?** It is easy, convenient, and secure. You have the option to give weekly, monthly or even annually. Changes can be made at any time. Scan the QR Code or visit [corpuschristibismarck.com](http://corpuschristibismarck.com) and click on the "Online Giving Button". (Look for the image at right)

**Please note:** Weekly envelopes are not automatically cancelled when you sign up for Online Giving because of the special collection envelopes that are included in your mailed envelopes. If you participate in Online Giving and do not wish to receive envelopes, contact the Parish Office, 255-4600. Thank you for your financial support Corpus Christi!



**Catholic Market**  
**Saturday, June 28, 2025**  
**10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
**1424 W. Century Ave, Bismarck**

*Beloved Pearl Boutique* has partnered with local Catholic small businesses to host the **Catholic Market** to offer the faithful a fantastic array of products for all your Catholic Needs.  
*Everyone is invited!*

*The Diocese of Bismarck is firmly committed to the health and protection of children, young people, and vulnerable adults.*

**25 Ways to Make Kids Safer: Tip #17**

Remind children not to play alone outside, to take a friend whenever they walk or bike, and to stay with a group when going on outings.

To learn more about child safety, visit [BeHereForKids.org](http://BeHereForKids.org)

**Your stepping stones back into life...**

**LOTUS** (*Looking Onward to Understanding and Serenity*) is a group for men, women and young adults who have experienced a death. During the summer months (June-July-August), meetings are held at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway once a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for both men and women. The next meeting is on Tues., June 24. Topic: "Memory cups & Broken clay pots."

**Healing Hearts** *Grief Support Group*. Healing Hearts is a group for anyone who has experienced the loss of a child and provides guidance on the path to healing. This group is made for miscarriages, infant, toddler, youth, teen and adult loss. This grief support group is open to the public and held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway. The next session is Tues., June 24. Topic: "How Grief Changes & Softens"

**Gospel PraiSing Fiesta**

**Nourish your soul & body!**

*Christian music presented by Colleen Reinhardt, Julie Ternes, and various guest musicians.*

**Mayas Mexican Restaurant • 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

(1601 W. Century Ave, Bismarck)

**June 22**

**Lunch is available for purchase off the menu.**

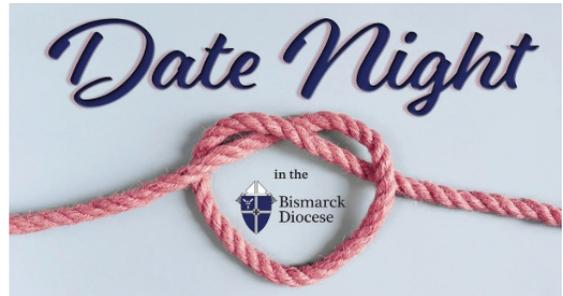
**We welcome you to Corpus Christi!**

To register as a Parish Member, stop by the parish office or scan this QR Code.



Light of Christ Catholic Schools

**Job Opportunities at Light of Christ Catholic Schools:**  
 Various faculty, professional and support staff positions are open. Please visit <https://lightofchristsschools.org/employment>.



**Date Night:** Join us for an adults only, fun-filled date night to learn and grow together in your faith. Plan for Friday, July 25. The night begins with Mass at the Pro-Cathedral of St. Mary in Bismarck at 5:30 p.m. followed by a social and dinner at the Radisson. During dinner, speakers, Matt and Mindy Dalton of Marriage Ministries, will present "*The Beauty of Marriage*." The evening concludes with bingo and prizes. Registration fee (required) is \$65, including dinner. Cash bar available. Register early as spots are limited by visiting <https://bismarckdiocese.com/datenight>. Call Katie with the Diocesan Office of Family Ministry, at 701-712-0418 for more information.

**Visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and grow in relationship with Him!**

*"Ask and it will be given to you; Seek and you will find; Knock and the door will be opened for you." Matthew 7:7*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

**Tuesdays 1:00-7:00 p.m., Corpus Christi Church**

**FORMED: The Catholic Faith on Demand**

Access thousands of enriching Catholic movies, programs, audio, and books instantly. A generous donor of Corpus Christi has gifted the parish with an annual subscription so FORMED is free! <https://formed.org>.



"Tony, Tony, come around, something's lost that must be found." *Prayer to St. Anthony, Patron Saint of Lost Things*

**LOST & FOUND** can be found near the elevator doors on the main level of the church. If you lost glasses, we have a large collection in the parish office. Items of greater value, such as wallets, purses, and phones are generally turned into the office.

**Sunday, Jun 22, 2025**

### **Satisfying beyond measure**

Human need doesn't get much more basic than food and drink. But our hunger and thirst go beyond the physical. We also have essential spiritual requirements: We hunger and thirst for God. To our eternal good fortune, God satisfies all of our needs through the Body and Blood of Jesus. The sacrament of the Eucharist is a living reminder that God is with us and provides us with abundance where there was scarcity; presence where there was absence; life where the shadow of death once fell. It is a miraculous level of satisfaction. What more do we need?

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Genesis 14:18-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11b-17 (169).  
*"All ate and were satisfied."*

**Monday, Jun 23, 2025**

### **Take a clear-eyed look at others**

In Matthew's gospel, Jesus warns, "Stop judging, that you may not be judged." While you may have to make some judgments every day, Jesus forbids judging a person's character, worth, intentions, or standing before God on the basis of what you see. Jesus used the word *hypocrite*, which comes from the Greek word for "actor," someone who wears a mask. The gospel asks that you unmask yourself, be real, and see more clearly. Indeed, "to speak only of the faults of others does not represent total reality," says Saint Maximilian Kolbe, "for every man, in addition to his faults, also has virtues, a good side."

Genesis 12:1-9; Matthew 7:1-5 (371). *"You hypocrite, remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter from your brother's eye."*

**Tuesday, Jun 24, 2025**

### **His name is John**

John cuts a courageous figure of faith we do well to remember and honor. "His name is John," both his parents insist. And what does that tell us? Saint Pope John Paul II explains: John, "in Hebrew means 'God is benevolent.' God is benevolent to human beings; he wants them to live; he wants them to be saved." So we do well to listen to John as he prepares the way, "towards the land, where peace and justice reign."

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80 (587). *"Surely the hand of the Lord was with him."*

**Wednesday, Jun 25, 2025**

### **Leaders we deserve**

"For leadership, there is only one road: service," said Pope Francis. Unfortunately, it is often difficult to trust those in leadership. Some of our leaders resort to deception and concealment to further their own ends or those of the institutions they represent. Our faith, including our biblical tradition, however, offers a reliable guide to tell whether what we're being told is the real deal. Do leaders actually end up doing what they say they are going to do? Do people get to a better place because they followed a particular leader? It may take some time, but outcomes always reveal true intentions. Place your trust in leaders who have shown themselves worthy of serving.

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Matthew 7:15-20 (373). *"By their fruits you will know them."*

**Thursday, Jun 26, 2025**

### **Start with a strong foundation**

In the wake of devastating earthquakes, there often follows review of building codes and criticism that buildings had not been built properly to withstand such events. Jesus uses similar imagery to describe the condition of those who rely only on the facade of doing good as their claim on salvation. He says it's not enough to call him "Lord." It's not even enough only to "drive out demons" and do spectacular deeds in his name. All of that is good showmanship; it's curb appeal, but if that pretty life is not built on the rock-solid gospel values of compassion, forgiveness, justice, and love, then one might rightly worry about the shifting ground below. We cannot control the changes and dangers in the world, but we can choose where we build and on what foundation.

Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16; Matthew 7:21-29 (374). *"Be like a wise man who built his house on rock."*

**Friday, Jun 27, 2025**

### **Tend to the heart**

We've all known the ache of a broken heart. Today, as we celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we remember that God, too, has felt that same pain—in the person of His Son, Jesus Christ. The image of a heart burning with love yet pierced by thorns perfectly mirrors our own experience when life falls apart—when those we love suffer or when we ourselves are overwhelmed by sorrow. But it's also an image of God's own heart, wounded by a world that resists the joy, peace, and wholeness He longs to give. In *Dilexit Nos*, Pope Francis reflects: "If each of us considers his or her own sins and their effect on others, we will realize that repairing the harm done to this world also calls for a desire to mend wounded hearts where the deepest harm was done, and the hurt is most painful." Align yourself with the heart of Jesus by actively trying to repair the broken hearts around you.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Ezekiel 34:11-16; Romans 5:5b-11; Luke 15:3-7 (172). *"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance."*

**Saturday, Jun 28, 2025**

### **Welcome Jesus in**

Before Catholics receive Holy Communion at Mass, they pray the simple words, "Lord, I am not worthy for you to enter under my roof, but only say the word and I shall be healed." The words "enter under my roof" take on a deeper meaning when we consider that they are the same ones spoken to Jesus by a Roman centurion who desperately sought healing for his servant. This soldier humbly acknowledged he was not worthy of having Jesus enter into his home yet at the same time boldly asked for Jesus' help. This faith—both humble and courageous—amazed Jesus, who responded by praising the centurion and healing the servant. When next you utter these words, remember the faith of the centurion and welcome Jesus in.

Genesis 18:1-15; Matthew 8:5-17 (376). *"Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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