



# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." ~ John 6:51

**Mission Statement:** Stirred by the Holy Spirit, the mission of Holy Family Parish is to evangelize our community with the transforming power of Christ through love and compassion for God and neighbor.

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**Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am, 3 pm (español)

Tues/Wed: 5 pm

Thurs/Fri/first Sat: 9 am

**Confessions**

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

and by appointment (call the office)

**Eucharistic Adoration**

First Friday of each month,

9:30 am-4:30 pm

**Marriages**

Contact Fr Kyle at least six months prior to anticipated date.

**Baptisms**

Contact Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

**Charitable Outreach**

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

**Religious Education**

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

**Youth Ministry**

Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

**RCIA (instruction for new Catholics)**

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

**Bulletin Deadline**

Tuesday, noon.



The honor of your presence is requested at a  
**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**  
today, June 19,  
right after the 11 am Mass.

We will process out of the church,  
all around the outside, and then back inside.  
Come take part in this ancient and beautiful tradition.

**From Our Pastor:**

**THE NEWNESS OF BIBLICAL FAITH (1)**

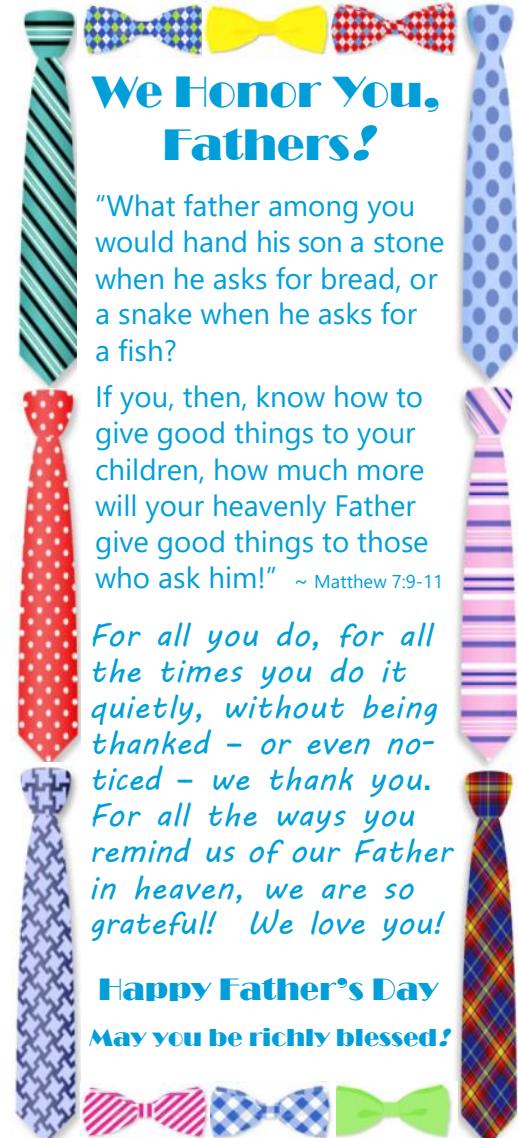
Part 14 of Reflections on

Pope Benedict XVI's Encyclical  
**DEUS CARITAS EST (God Is Love)**

As we saw the last few articles, Pope Benedict has shown that *eros* and *agape* aren't contrary to each other, but rather are two dimensions of the same reality. *Eros* leads us up to God and *agape* leads us down from God to our neighbor. So far, he has spoken philosophically and not yet theologically, at least with regard to divine revelation. Now remember, if we are made in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:27) and *eros* and *agape* are two dimensions of the same reality of love, then we could also speak of God loving in the same way. This is the uniqueness of biblical faith he mentioned earlier, and only now does he explain himself.

"First, the world of the Bible presents us with a new image of God. In surrounding cultures, the image of God and of the gods ultimate-

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#### ***From Our Pastor, continued***

ly remained unclear and contradictory. In the development of biblical faith, however, the content of the prayer fundamental to Israel, the *Shema*, became increasingly clear and unequivocal: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord" (Deuteronomy 6:4). There is only one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, who is thus the God of all. Two facts are significant about this statement: all other gods are not God, and the universe in which we live has its source in God and was created by him. Certainly, the notion of creation is found elsewhere, yet only here does it become absolutely clear that it is not one god among many, but the one true God himself who is the source of all that exists; the whole world comes into existence by the power of his creative Word. Consequently, his creation is dear to him, for it was willed by him and "made" by him. The second important element now emerges: this God loves man. The divine power that Aristotle at the height of Greek philosophy sought to grasp through reflection, is indeed for every being an object of desire and of love—and as the object of love this divinity moves the world—but in itself it lacks nothing and does not love: it is solely the object of love. The one God in whom Israel believes, on the other hand, loves with a personal love. His love, moreover, is an elective love: among all the nations he chooses Israel and loves her—but he does so precisely with a view to healing the whole human race. God loves, and his love may certainly be called *eros*, yet it is also totally *agape*" (*DCE*, 9).

Unfortunately, it's easy to equate philosophy with atheism. Most new philosophy to arise in the last two centuries became increasingly atheistic. So it may be hard to imagine the great ancient philosopher Aristotle as one who believed in God. In fact, unlike the philosophers of late, Aristotle actually saw that God was something you could reason to. Now when I say "God" here I'm using His name in one way and not another. One can reason to the existence of the triune God, whom we know from biblical reve-

lation and whom we worship. We know God in that sense because He told us and only because He told us. The God Aristotle is talking about is the same God but seen from a different angle. Remember my experiment at the beginning of my homily last week, where I posited that there had to be something outside of time to set time in motion, and I at first called that thing the unmoved mover? That argument originated with Aristotle. This Unmoved Mover Aristotle called God. He didn't know our God who had revealed Himself to Abraham and the people of Israel, but he was able to reason to one aspect of that same God. Furthermore, as Pope Benedict mentions, the God Aristotle reasons to is the object of our desire and love. Aristotle gets at the beginning of a theology that can only be completed by biblical revelation which says God isn't only an object of love but is Himself a lover.

"The Prophets, particularly Hosea and Ezekiel, described God's passion for his people using boldly erotic images. God's relationship with Israel is described using the metaphors of betrothal and marriage; idolatry is thus adultery and prostitution. Here we find a specific reference—as we have seen—to the fertility cults and their abuse of *eros*, but also a description of the relationship of fidelity between Israel and her God. The history of the love-relationship between God and Israel consists, at the deepest level, in the fact that he gives her the *Torah*, thereby opening Israel's eyes to man's true nature and showing her the path leading to true humanism. It consists in the fact that man, through a life of fidelity to the one God, comes to experience himself as loved by God, and discovers joy in truth and in righteousness—a joy in God which becomes his essential happiness: "Whom do I have in heaven but you? And there is nothing upon earth that I desire besides you ... for me it is good to be near God" (*Psalm 73:25, 28*)" (*DCE*, 9).

You can see this elevation of Aristotle's Unmoved Mover. God is personal, relational, and loving. Furthermore, not only do we desire Him, but to love Him is our greatest good. I wanted to show you the images the Holy Father makes reference to in the books of Ezekiel and Hosea. Indeed, they are prophetic images of God's spousal love for His people and what happens to Israel when she is unfaithful to that love. Both are graphic, intense, and too long to share in this article. To read them for yourself, see Ezekiel, chapter 16, and Hosea, chapters 1-8.

*J. Kyle*

There is nothing  
so great as  
the Eucharist.



If God had something  
more precious,  
he would have given it to us.

~ St John Vianney

### Retrouvaille Weekend for troubled marriages

\*\* There is hope! \*\*

Retrouvaille [French: "reunion"] is a retreat designed to provide help and support to married couples undergoing difficulties in their relationship. Sponsored by the Catholic Church, Retrouvaille is open to couples of all faiths. It has proven helpful to couples who are troubled and stressed, or whose marriages have grown cold and distant. The next opportunity to make a Retrouvaille Weekend is June 24-26 at the William Kelly Retreat Center in Bay St Louis. To learn more or to register, visit [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) or email [retrovailenola@gmail.com](mailto:retrovailenola@gmail.com).

**A good man is not a perfect man:  
a good man is an honest man,  
faithful and unhesitatingly responsive to the voice of God in his life.**

St John Fisher, Cardinal, Bishop, Priest, Martyr (1469-1535) - feast day June 22  
executed by order of King Henry VIII

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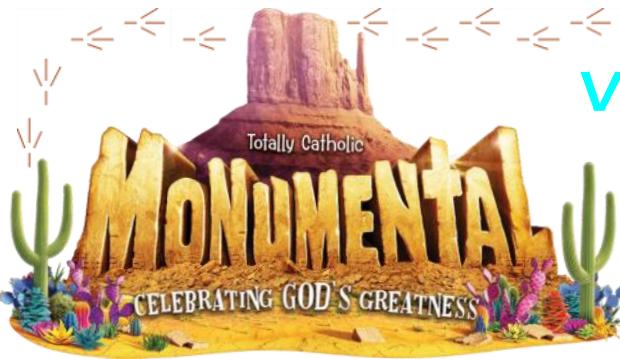
Sometimes we need to contact you for some reason. Or we just want to check on a parishioner we haven't seen in a while. It has become increasingly difficult to do so lately, with so many disconnected land lines and returned mail. If you've had any change of name, phone number, email or mailing address in the past five years, please take a moment to call our office: **985-839-4040**. We promise not to overload you with calls or texts, and it'll prove very helpful if/when we *do* need to get in touch. Thanks so much.

### Reserve your space ASAP for Holy Family's July 27 retreat at the Abbey

If you want to go deep, Holy Family has reserved the St Joseph Abbey Retreat Center for a day retreat on July 27, led by Sister Judy Gomila, an in-demand speaker all over the archdiocese. Our day begins at 8:30 am, ends at 2 pm, and is **open to both men and women**. Mass and the opportunity for Confession will be provided by Fr Peter Hammett, OSB. The cost is \$45; hot lunch included. **Deadline to register is July 11**; call our office, 839-4040. A check to **Abbey Retreat Center** reserves your spot. If you've never made a retreat before, a one-day retreat is a good way to get your feet wet. (*This wonderful opportunity is extended to all by the Altar & Rosary Society.*)



Rose window in  
the Abbey church.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!

JULY 11-15, 9AM-NOON  
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TEENS 13+ AND ADULTS WHO'D LIKE  
TO HELP: CONTACT RENÉE, 985-630-1121

registration:



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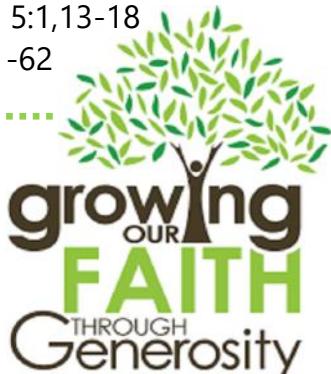
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**Stewardship Report**

**regular collections \$ 3,325.00**  
**building fund \$ 400.00**

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**This week's Scripture readings**

**Mon 6/20**

**Ordinary Time Weekday**

2 Kings 17:5-8,13-15,18  
 Psalm 60:3-5,12-13  
 Matthew 7:1-5

**Tues 6/21**

**Aloysius Gonzaga**

**Religious**

2 Kings 19:9-11,14-21,31-36  
 Psalm 48:2-4,10-11  
 Matthew 7:6,12-14

**Wed 6/22**

**Ordinary Time Weekday**

2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3  
 Psalm 119:33-37,40  
 Matthew 7:15-20

**Thurs 6/23**

**Nativity of John the Baptist**

Isaiah 49:1-6  
 Psalm 139:1-3,13-15  
 Acts 13:22-26  
 Luke 1:57-66,80

**Fri 6/24**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Ezekiel 34:11-16  
 Psalm 23:1-6  
 Romans 5:5-11  
 Luke 15:3-7

**Sat 6/25**

**Immaculate Heart of Mary**

Lamentations 2:2,10-14,18-19  
 Psalm 74:1-7,20-21  
 Luke 2:41-51

**Sun 6/26**

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1 Kings 19:16,19-21  
 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11  
 Galatians 5:1,13-18  
 Luke 9:51-62

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the Real Presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.

It also burns June 19-25 in memory of

**August Larsen, Robert Reed,  
 and Bernard Nunenmacher**

by request of Ronald and Jackie Nunenmacher



**Mass Intentions**

6/18	5 pm	Sky Ibarra Kreamer Family †Ernest 'Butch' LeBlanc Jr †Roy LeBlanc †Frank Lugo †Lenix Morel Horace Williams
6/19	8:30 am	†Henry Bryer †Danny Foley Henderson Family †Albert Lauzon †Doug LeBlanc †Leroy and Ella Mitchell
6/19	11 am	Our Parishioners
6/19	3 pm	Juan Ibarra
6/21	5 pm	†Ernest 'Boo' LeBlanc Sr
6/22	5 pm	Mark and Mary Hudachek
6/23	9 am	Wood Family
6/24	9 am	†Ernest 'Boo' LeBlanc Sr

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**Upcoming events**

6/18	<b>Fr Kyle's 10th Ordination Anniv Party</b>	6 pm
6/19	Bible Study	9:45 am
6/19	Corpus Christi Procession	12 noon
6/22	Women's Bible Study Connect Coffee	6:30 pm
6/23	Holy Hour	9:30 am
6/23	Pastoral Council	6 pm
6/24	Rosary	8:30 am
6/25	Confessions	3:30-4:30 pm
6/26	Parish Breakfast	9:45 am
6/30	Holy Hour	9:30 am
7/1	Rosary	8:30 am
7/1	Eucharistic Adoration	9:30 am-4:30 pm
7/2	Rosary	8:30 am / First Saturday Mass
7/3	Bible Study	9:45 am
7/4	Office closed (Independence Day)	
7/8	Rosary	8:30 am

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