



## Trinity Sunday — June 7, 2020

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**“Blessed are you who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim.”** One of the most bloodthirsty leaders in the Communist Revolution of Russia was responsible for the brutal deaths of those who refused to deny their faith in Jesus Christ and His Church. One day, he told a peasant of rural Ukraine, “We are going to tear down your churches and your bell towers.” The faith-filled peasant responded, “I suppose you could, but you won’t be able to tear down the mountains or destroy the stars. These signs of the glory and grandeur of God will continue to teach our children about the God who made all of creation, including man, as an act of pure love.” On this Blessed Trinity Sunday, what can we offer but praise that dares go beyond the small boundaries of our finite understanding to the realm of light inaccessible?

### **Familiaris Consortio (cont.)**

**25.** Love for his wife as mother of their children and love for the children themselves are for the man the natural way of understanding and fulfilling his own fatherhood. Above all where social and cultural conditions so easily encourage a father to be less concerned with his family or at any rate less involved in the work of education, efforts must be made to restore socially the conviction that the place and task of the father in and for the family is of unique and irreplaceable importance. As experience teaches, the absence of a father causes psychological and moral imbalance and notable difficulties in family relationships, as does in contrary circumstances, the oppressive presence of a father, especially where there still prevails the phenomena of “machismo”, or a wrong superiority of male prerogatives which humiliates women and inhibits the development of healthy family relationships.

**Thank you for a blessed celebration :** Thank you to Sarah Krebs and Kris Ehlis for their hard work and efforts at making our First Holy Communion Mass last Saturday at Saint Mary’s so sacred and beautiful. Thank you to our children for your reverence and joy as you received our Lord in the Holy Eucharist for the first time. You remind us adults to foster that same awe and wonder every time we receive our Lord at the Holy Mass. God bless our children and their families as they continue to make Sunday Mass and reception of the Holy Eucharist the very foundation of their spiritual life and family life. There was unfortunately one sad aspect of that day: the social distancing norms set forth by our bishop did not allow for a fellowship after the First Holy Communion Mass. Father Gary was so looking forward to a nice big piece of homemade chocolate cake at the fellowship. It was so sad, just so sad, but maybe there is a way to remedy this? [Note: cocoa is now on sale at the grocery store].



**Perhaps next year:** After printing the bulletin last week, I received an e-mail from Bishop Kagan concerning directives for a Corpus Christi Procession on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (i.e. Corpus Christi Sunday). Bishop does not allow for parishioners to join in the Eucharistic procession; this is reserved to priests and deacons alone. The parishioners are to merely stand in two lines, watching the procession. This destroys the entire solemnity, beauty, and grandeur of the Corpus Christi procession. Normally, the people of God carry the baldacchino; processional torches; parish organization standards; and floral bouquets (strewn in front of the Blessed Sacrament). Without all of these elements, there is no majesty and awe to a Corpus Christi procession. Therefore, I have to sadly cancel the Eucharistic procession at Saint Elizabeth’s of Lefor on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We were going to have a 7:00 p.m. Mass that evening, followed by the Corpus Christi procession. Instead, we will go back to our usual weekend Mass schedule, with Mass at Saint Elizabeth’s on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. Hopefully, we can have this beautiful procession next year, with the hope that the corona virus will go away and/or common sense will become normative once again.

## MASS & ADORATION SCHEDULE

### Monday, June 8th

7:30 AM SM—Communion Service

### Tuesday, June 9th

7:30 AM SM—+Reggie Gentz & +Cecelia Jung by their families

6 00 PM SE—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM SE—+Benedict Benz by John, Jaleigh & Nita Schneider

### Wednesday, June 10th

7:00 PM SM—Rosary, Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions

+Joseph & +Joan Madler and Family by Mike Madler

### Thursday, June 11th

7:30 AM SM—+Josie Heidt by Richard Stagl

### Friday, June 12th

7:30 AM SM—+Benedict Benz by Toni & Gary Jung

8:00 AM—9:00 AM SM—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### Saturday, June 13th

8:30 AM SM—Special Intention by Betty & Larry Heick

5:00 PM SM—+Laverne Urlacher by Rick & Reyne Schaefer

### Sunday, June 14th

8:30 AM SE—+Deceased members of KC Council #5477  
by KC Council #5477

10:30 AM SM—Pro Populo

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Gene Wert, Theresa Tarpo, Todd Leach, JoAnn Urlacher, Zane Sabo, Brad Novak, Josie Steier, Katie Stolz, Hazel Jacobs, Amber Urlacher, Bonnie Benz, Anise Masterson, Nate Hernandez, Andy Prokop, Henley Johnson, Duane Grundhauser, Pete Schaefer, Marilyn Jacobs, Leo Heck, Arlene Rohr, Brenda Barton, Elven Kaufman, Suzette Printz, Linda Reisenauer, Cindy Martin, Howard Schiwal, Theresa Decker, Yvonne Fettig, Kim Kuhn, Don Miller, Bonnie (Krebs) Dick, Dorothy Kohl, Colleen Churchill

**Assisted Living and Nursing Home Residents:** Marvin Wert, Marilyn Wert, Gilbert & Ruth Buzalsky, Mary Hanson, Joe & Aggie Wandler, Charlotte Krebs, Harvey Herberholz, Archie Jalbert, Sylvia Koppinger, Leona Gordon, Donnella Koppinger, Marilyn Jeske, Willie Emmil, Frances Heick

**Our Deceased Loved Ones:** +Richard Jambor, +Chuck Brusich, +Joan Binstock, +Kevin Jacobs, +Betty Biel, +Wenzel Roller, +Shawn Flaherty, +Duane Dobitz, +Dan Frank, +Cecelia Jung, +Benedict Benz, +Kenneth Stagl, +Florentine Bohlman, +Josie Heidt, +Dale Schoeder, +Ed Pechtl, +Magdalen Schorsch, +Dale Reindel, +Adam Schulz, +George Koffler, +Edwin Lefor, +Louise Krebs, +Regina Gentz, +Tina Rixen, +Rose Krebs (SE), +Herbert Emmil, +Joan Madler, +Eugenia Stagl, +Mike Urlacher,

### A point to ponder

*Light travels faster than sound. That's why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.*



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## Mark your calendars:

### Father's Day—June 21st

**Marriage:** Contact Pastor at least nine months prior to your anticipated wedding date.

**Baptism:** Pre-Baptism preparation session required.

**Anointing of the Sick:** By request.

**Reconciliation (Penance):** Before Mass in both Parishes

#### St. Mary's Liturgical Ministers June 13th & 14th

MINISTRY	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 10:30AM
Lector	Diane B.	Kris E.
Mass Servers		
Eucharistic Ministers		
Gifts		
Rosary Leader	Jim K.	Maureen G.
Greeters		
Homebound Minister		

#### Collection Report St. Mary's May 30th & 31st, 2020

Adult		Youth
\$ 1247.00	Envelopes	\$ 22.00
\$ 10.00	Loose Plate	
\$ 1279.00	Total	
\$ 9140.91	Monthly Total	

#### Saint Elizabeth's Liturgical Ministers June 14th

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lector		
Mass Server		
Eucharistic Ministers		
Gifts		
Greeters		
Ushers		

#### Collection Report St. Elizabeth's May 31st, 2020

Adult		Youth
\$ 1610.00	Envelopes	\$ 4.00
\$ 164.00	Loose Plate	\$
\$ 1778.00	Total	
\$ 4126.00	Monthly Total	



### **Eucharistic Miracles, *The Miracle of Altari, Italy***

In the year 1228, in Altari, Italy, a young lady of the city was attracted to a handsome young man, who had many admirers. Trying in vain to get his attention and interest, she decided to try black magic and found a woman who practiced the occult. The woman promised the young lady a “love potion” if she would go to Mass, receive the Holy Eucharist, delicately remove it from her mouth, and bring it to her in a cloth. The girl was hesitant at first, but the woman declared, “What medicine could be more potent than the one made with the divine body of the King of hearts?”

The young lady did as she was instructed and was certain that no one saw the removal of the Blessed Sacrament. Her conscience, however, was immediately troubled. During her walk home, and especially when she entered the house, she was so anxious and decided to sooth her conscience by hiding the Sacred Host. Placing the Blessed Sacrament in a small pouch, she looked for a secure hiding place and decided upon a remote corner of the house where the bread was kept.

Two days and two nights passed. During a fitful sleep, she was tormented by nightmares and imagined she heard voices of judgement that consigned her to the eternal fires of hell. On the third day, soon after dawn, she rose from her bed to retrieve the Host. While debating whether to give the Host to the woman who had given her such bad advice or return it to the church, she opened the pouch and lifted the linen cloth. To her horror, she saw that the Host no longer looked like bread, but had turned the color of flesh . . . which she knew was alive!

Her tears and sobs attracted the attention of her family, who rushed to her, saw the miracle, and quickly told the neighbors. The news spread throughout the community and the parish priest was notified. He went to the house, took the pouch containing the Host, and covered it with a veil. He decided to bring the Host to the bishop, who had the Host placed upon the altar of the Cathedral, amid candles and flowers. The line of people who approached to examine the Host seemed endless.

Today, the miraculous Host is kept in its own chapel in the Cathedral of Altari and is displayed to the faithful twice each year: on the First Sunday after Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) and the First Sunday after Pentecost (Blessed Trinity Sunday). In 1960, the reliquary containing the Host was taken from the chapel to a room in the Cathedral, where the seals were carefully inspected and found to be intact. The glass tube in which the Host is kept was removed from the reliquary, the seal was broken, and the Host was extracted. Those present, including the Bishop of Altari, declared that the Host remained as a piece of flesh, slightly brown, yet shiny in every part. After the examination, the Host was returned to the glass tube and enclosed with a double seal. It was then placed in a silver and gold ostensorium, which is shaped like a cross with undulating rays of gold. It is still revered by countless numbers of faithful Catholics and has deepened their faith in the Holy Eucharist . . . the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



### **Help wanted**

We are still in need of volunteers at Saint Mary’s Parish to organize a parish clean-up day some time in June. We have to clean the church windows; clean the gutters; and attend to other matters on the parish property. It may seem like a daunting task, but if Saint Elizabeth’s of Lefor can line up plenty of volunteers to do the same work on their property, then we should be able to do the same. Where’s that “Saints’ Pride” that was always proudly proclaimed when our school was still in operation?

### **On the lighter side**

Two antennas meet on a roof and fall in love and get married. The ceremony wasn’t much, but the reception was wonderful.



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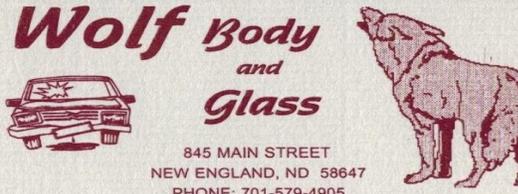


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