



Sts. Peter & Paul  
Mantador





# “The Eucharist and Right Relationship to the Land”

Honoring the Eucharistic Revival. [2nd installment]

We cannot be Christ’s sacrament for the world unless we’re in right relationship with one another and all creation. Jesus taught, “If you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift (Mt 5:23-24). When we cooperate with Christ to heal broken relationships, we can receive his broken body that reconciles us with the Father.

Every time we present the gifts of bread and wine for Mass, these are not simply food products; they embody our relationships to the soil and to all God’s creatures with whom we share God’s this Great Garden.

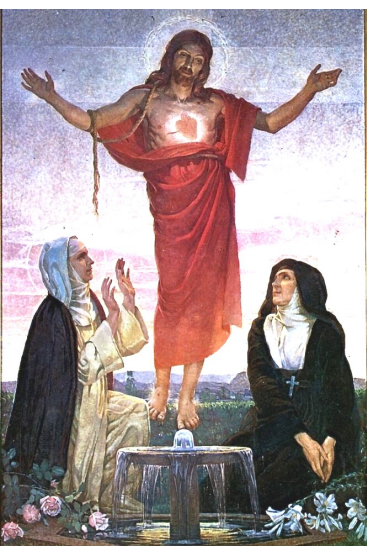
In the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, the emerging social sciences helped us see the relationships between persons mediated by the market and civil society. Economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology have given the Church new ways to understand the Gospel. In time, these sciences helped us put together Catholic Social Teaching. The Church’s social doctrine focuses on the dignity of the human person within society. Our *full, conscious and active participation* in the liturgy of the Eucharist stirs us to pursue justice as we come to the altar with bread and wine which are the “work of human hands.”

We’re claiming to stand in right relationship with all laborers whose dignity is embodied in every form of work.



## CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE

Applying the teachings of Jesus Christ for the betterment of rural America



**JUNE, MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART.** This past Friday, I celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the beautiful Immaculata Chapel of the University of San Diego. Sorry I couldn’t be with you.

One of the features of the university campus, which is like a huge botanical garden, were the many fountains—big stone bowls, or bowls inside of bowls, spilling waters into a surrounding pool.

Weds evening, exhausted from much listening and visiting and grateful for all I’d witnessed, I walked the lonely campus after nighfall. On a short stone wall creating a pond for one of these fountains, I laid down, using my sweater as a pillow. I just looked up into the cloudy sky, listening to the music of splashing water.

Most images of the Sacred Heart are wounded—the spear thrust Jesus received on the Cross. His Open Heart is a Fountain.

**Dear Lord Jesus, as our Land cries out for rain, help us hear deep within ourselves the Flow, the Splash of your Mercy, your constant care for us. Washed in your Love, fill us with patient confidence that the Rain is on its way. Amen!**



Knock knock...Who is there?...Boo... Boo Who?... Don’t cry, it’s Father’s Day!  
Knock Knock!... Who’s there?... Noah... Noah who?... Noah good joke for Dad?  
Knock Knock... Who’s there?... Omelette... Omelette who?... Omelette Daddy have a good long nap for Father’s Day. 😊😊😊😊

A long overdue THANK YOU to Greg Lingen for building a mighty fine work bench in the rectory garage, 108 in. X 31 in. Saint Joseph, bless this guy!

Keeping God’s House Beautiful, June

**Church Cleanup**



**Sts PP:** \*Kari Foertsch, Jo Mertes, Trudi Glynn, Patty Lingen

**St A:** \*Alyson Krier, Mary Erbes, Kirsten Erbes, Jeri Pausch, Anita On-chuck, Tiffany Carlson

**THIS WEEK’S CELEBRATIONS:**

Niya Griffith, Donna Thiel, Cory Callenius, Marvin Lugert, Matthew Boyle, Ardy Fettes

Joanne (& Vernon\*) Althoff, Bill & Sandy Mauch



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**JUNE 20, CATHOLIC CHARITIES NORTH DAKOTA CELEBRATES THEIR 100TH ANNIV, BONANZAVILLE, 5:30-8:30 PM.**

**JULY 19-21, WOMEN OF THE CHURCH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, COLLEGEVILLE, MN**