



# *Saint Andrew*

*Roman Catholic Church*

## *Solemnity of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)*

June 11, 2023

2100 S.E. Cove Rd. Stuart, FL 34997 772-781-4415

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### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm  
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30am  
 Monday-Friday 7:30am

### Holy Days

Vigil 4:00pm  
 7:30am & 6:00pm

### Confession

Saturday: 2:30pm-3:30pm  
 Those wishing to receive  
 the sacrament  
 should be here no later than  
 3:00pm

### First Friday

7:30am Mass followed  
 by confessions

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### Pastor

Reverend John Barrow

### Office Hours:

Sunday-Friday  
 9am-12Noon  
 Saturday 2-4pm



DRE:

Mrs. Donna Hernandez



### Divine Mercy Chaplet



Please join us in  
 praying the  
 Chaplet after the  
 daily 7:30am  
 Mass in room C  
 on Mondays and in the church  
 the rest of the week. We pray for  
 our Country, our Priests and for  
 the Sanctity of Life.



June	10	Sat.	4:00pm	Father's Day Novena
June	11	Sun.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	11	Sun.	9:00pm	Muriel M. Decker+
June	11	Sun.	10:30am	Sahni Families
June	12	Mon.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	13	Tues.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	14	Wed.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	15	Thurs.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	16	Fri.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	17	Sat.	4:00pm	Father's Day Novena
June	18	Sun.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	18	Sun.	9:00pm	Joseph Tonra+
June	18	Sun.	10:30am	Louis Hernandez

## June

THE MONTH OF THE

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS



### BE ONE WITH JESUS

### Eucharistic Adoration

In the Chapel

M-F 8:00am -12:00noon

### An Hour of Paradise

The object of Eucharistic adoration is the  
 Divine Person of our Lord Jesus Christ  
 present in the most Blessed Sacrament.  
 He is living there. He wants us to speak to  
 Him, and He will speak to us. This conversation between the  
 soul and our Lord is true Eucharistic adoration.

Look upon the hour of adoration assigned to you as an hour  
 in Paradise. Go to your adoration as one would go to  
 Heaven, to the divine banquet. You will then long for that  
 hour and hail it with Joy. Take delight in fostering a longing  
 for it in your heart. Tell yourself, "In four hours, in two hours,  
 in one hour, our Lord will give me an audience of grace and  
 love. He has invited me; He is waiting for me; He is longing  
 for me."

When an hour is particularly difficult, rejoice all the more;  
 your love will be greater for its suffering more. It is a  
 privileged hour that will count for two.... **GO TO OUR LORD  
 JUST AS YOU ARE.** Be natural in your meditation... You  
 can be sure our Lord wants your heart and not that of  
 someone else.

**May you come and spend time with the Lord  
 in the Blessed Sacrament.**

## Parish Ministry

772-781-4415

Please call office for all  
 Parish Ministries

### Adult Education (RCIA) & Lectors

Christine Michaelian  
 Thursday 6:30pm-8:00pm

### Adoration

M - F 8:00am -12:00pm in Chapel  
 Susanna Page

### Servants of the Eucharist & Care of the Sick

Kathleen Sullivan

### Annulments

John Ginnetti

### Prayer Shawl Ministry 1st Wednesday of each month 10:00am

Meet at Discovery Village  
 Norma Olio

### Bible Study

TBA

### Ignatian Spirituality Prayer Group

Gerri Murray

### Disciples of Prayer

Camille Lascari  
 qtcatcl@gmail.com  
 &

Bob Greeson  
 cobra12220@aol.com

### Parish Website

saintandrewcatholic.org  
 Webmaster:  
 Michael Brennan

### Community Outreach

#### APOSTLES OF JOHN PAUL II

Please call for an  
 appointment  
 772-291-0002

### Rosary Maker Ministry

Kathleen Sullivan  
 Wednesday 10:00am

### Ushers

Jane Engelbrecht

### Pray & Sing in Latin

Jim Reynolds  
 Monday 9:00am

### Ab Aestate interruptus

### Men of Saint Andrew Dave Olio

Monday evening 6:30-8pm  
 772-919-2555



# Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

by Very Rev. Stephen Schultz, Pastor

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). The Catholic Church has consistently taught from Apostolic times that during a valid celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the bread and wine are truly changed into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This is what is meant by the “True Presence” or “Real Presence” of Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist. Although the elements still have the appearance of bread and wine, they have – through the power of the Holy Spirit – actually changed into Jesus’ Body and Blood, just as they did at the Last Supper.

The Second Vatican Council referred to the Eucharist as “the source and summit” of our faith. As such, there is the need for proper respect regarding the Eucharist. This respect for the Eucharist means observing the rule that we must fast from food and beverages for one hour before receiving Holy Communion, **including abstaining from chewing gum**. It is *permissible* to drink water, and a small amount of food is permissible if needed to take with medicine. Respect for the Eucharist also means arriving for Mass on time and not leaving early. Respect for the Eucharist means observing silence or very quiet conversation both before and after Mass as a courtesy to others who are praying in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Respect for the Eucharist means that those who are physically able should genuflect reverently when entering and leaving a pew when they arrive for Mass and leave from Mass in a church in which the Blessed Sacrament is kept. If unable to genuflect, a deep bow is an appropriate sign of respect. Respect for the Eucharist means that we should not receive Holy Communion if we are aware of being in a state of serious sin (see 1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Such persons should go to Confession, or in the case of cohabitation or a marriage outside of the Church, should see a priest about having their situation corrected so that they may worthily receive the Sacraments of the Church.

On this feast of Corpus Christi, established by Pope Urban IV in the year 1264, we celebrate the miracle of the Eucharist. When we share in the Eucharist, we share in Jesus’ miraculous love for us and for all sinners. Our Lord Jesus Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, is worthy of our worship, our respect, and our love. In the Most Holy Eucharist, we truly receive Jesus – his Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity – nourishing us for those lonely moments that are so often part of our human experience, and reassuring us that God is always present in our lives.

## Weekly Announcements



The Sanctuary  
Candles are for  
**William Ventresca**



The Candles at the Shrine of Our Lady  
of Perpetual Help are for  
**Michael Zigrand**



The Candle burning during  
Adoration in the Chapel of  
the Two Hearts is for  
**Dane Zigrand**

## Remaining Faithful

Ed Wheat M.D. & Gloria Okes Perkins

## Marriage



*Builders*

The ongoing choice to be faithful to your spouse makes all the difference between an empty relationship and a vital, intimate relationship, which continues to grow in the security of steadfast love. It is also a continuing call to action. If you don't express it and demonstrate it in your daily life, it can't be faithfulness.

One couple was married only a year when the wife became ill with multiple sclerosis. Unable to bear the thought of being a burden to her husband, she decided she would “set him free.” But her husband refused to leave. Instead, he showered tender care and love on her as long as she lived. Why did he do it? “Because,” he said, “when I vowed before God ‘in sickness and in health,’ I meant it. And God made both of us unbelievably happy.”

In contrast, consider another husband whose wife came to the last months of her terminal illness. He decided he couldn't give her all the attention she needed, because he felt it necessary to live his own life, which must come first. Both of these men had made their vows, but only one continued to choose faithfulness under difficult circumstances.

There is great comfort when you can count on each other to be faithful, no matter what.

- ♦ *What difficult circumstances are you facing that require you to choose to be faithful?*
- ♦ *How can you demonstrate love and faithfulness to your spouse in new ways this week?*

*Scripture passages to reference and provide further insight into this weekend's devotion:*

**Saturday:** Genesis 2:24; Lamentations 3:22-23  
**Sunday:** Matthew 5:3-10

## Eucharistic Adoration Practices

### Connect With the World, Exult With the Heavens

Jean Kasparbauer, fspa

#### Gaze

"Our whole being should be seized with fear, the whole world should tremble and heaven rejoice, when Christ the Son of the Living God is present." (Francis of Assisi, "Letter to a General Chapter, "Omnibus p105

#### Consider

We spend time in prayer to do what St. Francis of Assisi asked his followers to do just before he died. With Francis, we desire to connect with the world through our prayer and to exult with the heavens by our lives. We praise Christ present on the altar of our churches and in everyone we meet. We adore the body of Christ present in the hungry of the world. We share the blood of Christ when we assist the poor and suffering in the world. With delight, we exult with the amazing creatures in the depths of the sea. With awe and wonder, we praise the living God, Loving Presence, in the expanding universe. In all the atoms, molecules, waves, and particles of light, we give glory to the living God by our lives and by our prayer.

#### Contemplate

O Loving Presence, we adore you on the altars of worship.

O Loving Presence, we praise you on the altar of the earth.

O Loving Presence, we stand in awe at the wonders and mystery of the universe.

May we know the wonder of your love in the Eucharist.

May we treasure all peoples of the earth.

May we tremble with delight at the galaxies of the heavens. We adore you, O Loving Presence, every day of our lives.

#### Imitate

Today, tomorrow, and the next day, be intent when you awake to adore Christ with a loving thought, to exult with a gracious greeting the living God in your neighbor, and to offer praise when you stand in awe of a sunset or a thundercloud. What do you plan to do in order to live each day in wonder and awe of Loving Presence?

Eucharistic Adoration Reflections in the Franciscan Tradition by [Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration](#)

*42 Years of Grace And Blessings*

*You are invited to a celebration  
of the 42nd Anniversary of  
the apparitions of  
Our Lady of Medjugorje*



**Sunday**  
**June 25, 2023**  
**at 6:00pm**

**St. Andrew Catholic Church**

### The Eucharist and Unity

Imagine a person who receives Communion, accepts the Host when the priest says, "The Body of Christ," says "Amen," and then breaks off a piece, hands it back, and says, "Except this piece, Father!" This is what the person who rejects other people may as well do. In receiving Christ, we are to receive the whole Christ, in all his members, our brothers and sisters, whether convenient or inconvenient, wanted or unwanted, born or unborn.

As St. John remarks, Christ was to die "to gather into one all the scattered children of God." Sin scatters. Christ unites. The word "diabolical" means "to split asunder." Christ came "to destroy the works of the devil" (1Jn.3:8). The Eucharist builds up the human family in Christ who says, "Come to me, feed on My Body, become My Body." Abortion, in a reverse dynamic, says, "Go away! We have no room for you, no time for you, no desire for you, no responsibility for you. Get out of our way!" Abortion attacks the unity of the human family by splitting asunder the most fundamental relationship between any two persons: mother and child. The Eucharist, as a Sacrament of Unity, reverses the dynamic of abortion. <https://www.priestsforlife.org>

### Ushers Needed for all Summer masses

Your willingness to serve God as an usher reflects your commitment to Christ, to be a friendly and a welcoming presence to those coming to worship here at St. Andrew Catholic Church.

Please call the [Parish office 772-781-4415](#) and leave a message for Jane Engelbrecht

## ***The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ***

### ***The gift of all gifts***

Standing at the crowded table in the dim candle light of the Upper Room during the Last Supper, Jesus Christ did not hand out Bibles to the Twelve Apostles and solemnly tell them, “Take this, all of you, and read it. This is my book, written for you.” Jesus gives us Himself, not a book. On today’s Feast, we commemorate God’s greatest gift to mankind, the person of Jesus Christ. God gives us His Son, and then Christ gives us Himself, body and blood, soul and divinity, under the accidents of bread and wine in the Holy Eucharist. Gift, gift-giver, and receiver meld into one in this sacrament of sacraments.

In the era of the early Church, it was customary for an excess of bread to be consecrated at Mass so that the Eucharist could be carried to the sick who had been unable to attend the Holy Sacrifice. This practice led to the adoption of the pyx as the first sacred vessel for reservation of the Eucharist. Some modern churches pay homage to these Eucharistic origins by hanging an oversized pyx on their wall to use as a tabernacle, imitating the early Church custom. Permanent reservation of the Eucharist led, over the centuries, to enthroning the Lord amidst the greatest splendor in churches. By the early medieval period, the time had long passed when the Eucharist was reserved merely to be brought to the sick. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, street processions, chants, confraternities, songs, flowers, and all the splendid trappings of a feast day covered this dogma in glory by the High Middle Ages, and continue to wrap it in honor today.

Saint Thomas Aquinas taught that the most necessary sacrament was Baptism but that the most excellent was the Holy Eucharist. This most excellent sacrament has been, for some, too excellent. In the Gospel of John, when Jesus tells His disciples that they must eat His body and drink His blood, many are incredulous and walk away. But Jesus does not compromise or say He was misunderstood. He lets them keep on walking. This initially hard teaching for the few was destined, over time, to be lovingly welcomed by the many.

The Old Covenant of the Old Testament was gory. In a kind of primitive liturgy, Moses had goats and sheep slaughtered on an altar and their blood gathered into buckets. He then splashed this blood over the people, sealing their acceptance of the written law. Flying droplets of animal blood splattered against people’s skin to remind them of their promise to God. No such bloody drama breaks out at Sunday Mass. We each bless our head and torso with holy water and receive a pure white host on the tongue. The New Covenant is based not on the blood of goats, bull calves, or on the ashes of a heifer. It is rooted in the generosity of the Son of God, who “offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit.” Christ’s Covenant with his people is established verbally and liturgically at the Last Supper and physically on the cross the following day. The consecration of the

Sacred Species at Mass continues Christ’s physical presence among us, while adoration of the Blessed Sacrament suspends the consecration of the Mass, stretching it out into hours, days, months, and years.

We naturally desire to leave a part of ourselves to our loved ones. We send photos, solemnly pass on a cherished memento, or give a baby a family name. Soldiers used to carry a locket holding a few strands of their wife’s or girlfriend’s hair. We need to be close, physically close, to those we love in concrete, tangible ways. Jesus desired the same, and, not being constrained by the limitations of human nature, He did the same, and more. He *has* left us Himself! That dogma processing down the street is a person! And that dogma behind the golden doors of the parish’s tabernacle is the same person! So bend that body low and set that heart on fire, for the Saving Victim opens wide the gate of heaven to all below. We stand as close to Christ in the Holy Eucharist as the Apostles ever did on Mount Tabor.

*Lord of the Eucharist, we venerate You with heads bowed, as the old form of worship gives way to the new. With faith providing for what fails the senses, we honor the Begetter and the Begotten, loving back at what loved us first, apprentices in the school of love.* <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/corpus-christi---body-and-blood-of-christ--solemnity>

### **Corpus Christi Sunday**

Jesus, Body and Blood,  
we are grateful for the gift  
of your life  
and the way it strengthens us  
to live ours.  
Teach us to draw on the gift  
of your Body and Blood  
for energy, renewal,  
strength and grace.  
May we never take the gift  
of your presence for granted.  
Amen.

