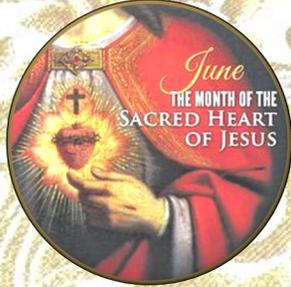




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Saturday 8:00am Saint Martin (Bilingual)
 4:30pm Santa Monica (English)
 6:30pm Prince of Peace (Spanish)
Sunday 8:30am Saint Martin (Bilingual)
 10:30am Prince of Peace (English)
Monday 8:00am Prince of Peace (Bilingual)
Tuesday 6:00pm Saint Martin (English)
Wednesday 4:00pm Santa Monica (English)
Thursday 6:00pm Prince of Peace (Bilingual)
Friday 8:00am Prince of Peace (Bilingual)

CONFESSIONS * CONFESIONES

Saturday 9:30am Prince of Peace
 4:00pm Santa Monica
Sunday 8:00am Saint Martin
Tuesday 6:30pm Saint Martin
Wednesday 3:30pm Santa Monica
Thursday 6:30pm Prince of Peace

ADORATION * ADORACIÓN

Tuesday 6:30pm Saint Martin
Thursday 6:30pm Prince of Peace

CARE FOR THE SICK

If you know someone who is sick and homebound who would like a visit from a priest or in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick please call the office to schedule a visit.

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 email and text!



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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

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| SATURDAY/SABADO | June/Junio 21, 2025 |
| Santa Monica | 4:00pm |
| For the People of the Parish | |
| Prince of Peace | 6:30pm |
| +Ramon Paredez and +Javier Paredez by Martinez Family | |
| +Jose Luis Martinez by Family | |
| For Healing of Santiago Paredez by Martinez Family | |
| SUNDAY/DOMINGO | June/Junio 22, 2025 |
| St. Martin of Tours | 8:30am |
| +Erik Chavez by Family | |
| +Antonia F. Rodriguez by Family | |
| In Thanksgiving for 27 yrs of Marriage for Frank and Becky Rodriguez | |
| In Thanksgiving for Zoey Rodriguez by Family | |
| Prince of Peace | 10:30am |
| +Sylvia V. Flores by Family | |
| +Isidore Krnavek, Sr. by his daughter, Frances | |
| +Raymond Krnavek by Family | |
| In Thanksgiving for Wayne Ames and Isadore Krnavek, Jr. by Family | |
| MONDAY/LUNES | June/Junio 23, 2025 |
| St. Prince of Peace | 8:00am |
| +Deacon Cruz Carlos | |
| TUESDAY/MARTES | June/Junio 24, 2025 |
| St. Martin of Tours | 6:00pm |
| +Deacon Cruz Carlos | |
| WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES | June/Junio 25, 2025 |
| Santa Monica | 4:00pm |
| +Deacon Cruz Carlos | |
| THURSDAY/JUEVES | June/Junio 26, 2025 |
| Prince of Peace | 6:00pm |
| +Deacon Cruz Carlos | |
| FRIDAY/VIERNES | June/Junio 27, 2025 |
| Prince of Peace | 6:00pm |
| +Deacon Cruz Carlos | |
| SATURDAY/SABADO | June/Junio 28, 2025 |
| St. Martin of Tours | 8:00am |
| For the Wellbeing of Thomas, Jannifer and Lisa Quintero by their Parents | |

MASS OFFERING/OFRENDAS

PRINCE OF PEACE

Saturday, 6/14 Reg. Offering: \$434.38 2nd Collect: \$82.00
 Sunday, 6/15 Reg. Offering: \$842.80 2nd Collect: \$83.00
 Transfer Deposit: \$6,720.21 Expenses: \$4,097.55

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

Sunday, 6/15 Reg. Offering: \$541.00 2nd Collect: \$245.00
 Transfer to POP: \$4,772.21 Expenses: \$1,294.13

ST. MONICA

Saturday, 6/14 Reg. Offering: \$434.38 2nd Collect: \$82.00
 Transfer to POP: \$1,948.00 Expenses: \$597.07

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

| DAY | DATE | ACTIVITY OR LITURGICAL CELEBRATION |
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| SUNDAY | 06/22 | Solemnity of Corpus Christi |
| MONDAY | 06/23 | Monday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time |
| SEBASTIAN | 06/23 | 7:00am Daily Mass |
| TUESDAY | 06/24 | Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist |
| SEBASTIAN | 06/24 | 6:00pm Daily Mass |
| WEDNESDAY | 06/25 | Wednesday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time |
| SANTA MONICA | 06/25 | 4:00pm Daily Mass |
| THURSDAY | 06/26 | Thursday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time |
| LYFORD | 06/26 | 6:00pm Daily Mass |
| FRIDAY | 06/27 | Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| LYFORD | 06/27 | Solemn Mass at 6pm (There will be no 8:00am Mass) |
| SATURDAY | 06/28 | Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary |
| SEBASTIAN | 06/28 | 8:00am Daily Mass |
| LYFORD | 06/28 | Confessions 9:30am |

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

1st Reading: Genesis 14:18-20
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
 Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

DAILY MASS READINGS



Liturgical Color for next Sunday June 29: Red
 For The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles



CELEBRATING THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

8 DAYS OF CORPUS CHRISTI

FROM THURSDAY JUNE 19 TO THURSDAY JUNE 26TH, 2025

Each weekday Mass will be followed by adoration. The devotion of the siege of Jericho will be prayed during adoration followed by a Eucharistic procession around the exterior of the church.

ON JUNE 19, THERE WILL BE CONFESSIONS AND A DECLARATION OF OUR INTENTIONS.

THE SIEGE OF JERICO

involves many prayers to tear down the physical and spiritual "walls" or obstructions caused by sin that prevents God's grace from penetrating in our lives, the walls that prevent a person or community from experiencing the Love of God and his call to conversion

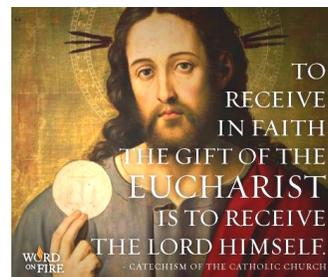
CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

JUNE 22, 2025
 THE SIEGE OF JERICO WILL TAKE PLACE AT 7PM



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Please make note that Father Josh and Marlena will be out on vacation from June 30 to July 13.

THE BREAD OF ANGELS

HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN LATERAN

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This evening I would like to meditate with you on two interconnected aspects of the Eucharistic Mystery: worship of the Eucharist and its sacred nature. It is important to reflect on them once again to preserve them from incomplete visions of the Mystery itself, such as those encountered in the recent past. First of all, a reflection on the importance of Eucharistic worship and, in particular, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We shall experience it this evening, after Mass, before the procession, during it and at its conclusion. A unilateral interpretation of the Second Vatican Council penalized this dimension, in practice restricting the Eucharist to the moment of its celebration. Indeed it was very important to recognize the centrality of the celebration in which the Lord summons his people, gathers it round the dual table of the Word and of the Bread of life, nourishes and unites it with himself in the offering of the Sacrifice.

Of course, this evaluation of the liturgical assembly in which the Lord works his mystery of communion and brings it about still applies; but it must be put back into the proper balance. In fact — as often happens — in order to emphasize one aspect one ends by sacrificing another. In this case the correct accentuation of the celebration of the Eucharist has been to the detriment of adoration as an act of faith and prayer addressed to the Lord Jesus, really present in the Sacrament of the Altar. This imbalance has also had repercussions on the spiritual life of the faithful. In fact, by concentrating the entire relationship with the Eucharistic Jesus in the sole moment of Holy Mass one risks emptying the rest of existential time and space of his presence. This makes ever less perceptible the meaning of Jesus' constant presence in our midst and with us, a presence that is tangible, close, in our homes, as the "beating Heart" of the city, of the country, and of the area, with its various expressions and activities. The sacrament of Christ's Charity must permeate the whole of daily life. Actually it is wrong to set celebration and adoration against each other, as if they were competing. Exactly the opposite is true: worship of the Blessed Sacrament is, as it were, the spiritual "context" in which the community can celebrate the Eucharist well and in truth. Only if it is preceded, accompanied and followed by this inner attitude of faith and adoration can the liturgical action express its full meaning and value. The encounter with Jesus in Holy Mass is truly and fully brought about when the community can recognize that in the Sacrament he dwells in his house, waits for us, invites us to his table, then, after the assembly is dismissed, stays with us, with his discreet and silent presence, and accompanies us with his intercession, continuing to gather our spiritual sacrifices and offer them to the Father. In this regard I am pleased to highlight the experience we shall be having together this evening too. At the moment of Adoration, we are all equal, kneeling before the Sacrament of Love. The common priesthood and the ministerial priesthood are brought together in Eucharistic worship. It is a very beautiful and significant experience which we have had several times in St Peter's Basilica, and also in the unforgettable Vigils with young people — I recall, for example, those in Cologne, London, Zagreb and Madrid. It is clear to all that these moments of Eucharistic Vigil prepare for the celebration of the

Holy Mass, they prepare hearts for the encounter so that it will be more fruitful. To be all together in prolonged silence before the Lord present in his Sacrament is one of the most genuine experiences of our being Church, which is accompanied complementarily by the celebration of the Eucharist, by listening to the word of God, by singing and by approaching the table of the Bread of Life together. Communion and contemplation cannot be separated, they go hand in hand. If I am truly to communicate with another person I must know him, I must be able to be in silence close to him, to listen to him and look at him lovingly. True love and true friendship are always nourished by the reciprocity of looks, of intense, eloquent silences full of respect and veneration, so that the encounter may be lived profoundly and personally rather than superficially. And, unfortunately, if this dimension is lacking, sacramental communion itself may become a superficial gesture on our part. Instead, in true communion, prepared for by the conversation of prayer and of life, we can address words of confidence to the Lord, such as those which rang out just now in the Responsorial Psalm: "O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your handmaid. / You have loosed my bonds. / I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving / and call on the name of the Lord". I would now like to move on briefly to the second aspect: the sacred nature of the Eucharist. Here too we have heard in the recent past of a certain misunderstanding of the authentic message of Sacred Scripture. The Christian newness with regard to worship has been influenced by a certain secularist mentality of the 1960s and 70s. It is true, and this is still the case, that the centre of worship is now no longer in the ancient rites and sacrifices, but in Christ himself, in his person, in his life, in his Paschal Mystery. However it must not be concluded from this fundamental innovation that the sacred no longer exists, but rather that it has found fulfilment in Jesus Christ, divine Love incarnate. I would also like to stress that the sacred has an educational function and its disappearance inevitably impoverishes culture and especially the formation of the new generations. If, for example, in the name of a faith that is secularized and no longer in need of sacred signs, these Corpus Christi processions through the city were to be abolished, the spiritual profile of Rome would be "flattened out", and our personal and community awareness would be weakened. Or let us think of a mother or father who in the name of a desacralized faith, deprived their children of all religious rituals: in reality they would end by giving a free hand to the many substitutes that exist in the consumer society, to other rites and other signs that could more easily become idols. God, our Father, did not do this with humanity: he sent his Son into the world not to abolish, but to give fulfilment also to the sacred. At the height of this mission, at the Last Supper, Jesus instituted the Sacrament of his Body and his Blood, the Memorial of his Paschal Sacrifice. By so doing he replaced the ancient sacrifices with himself, but he did so in a rite which he commanded the Apostles to perpetuate, as a supreme sign of the true Sacred One who is he himself. With this faith, dear brothers and sisters, let us celebrate the Eucharistic Mystery today and every day and adore it as the centre of our life and the heart of the world. Amen.



SOLMENITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

FRIDAY JUNE 27, 2024

HOLY MASS
AT 6:30PM
AT PRINCE OF PEACE.

COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US
THE LOVE OF CHRIST FOR US!

THERE WILL NOT BE MASS
AT 8AM THAT DAY

LECTIO: CONFIRMATION SUMMER SERIES

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THE SACRAMENT OF EVANGELIZATION

WE WILL CELEBRATE THE BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL OF
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY NEXT SATURDAY
JUNE 28TH AT 8:00AM MASS AT PRINCE OF PEACE.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar!

EL PAN DE LOS ANGELES

HOMILIA DE SUS SANTIDAD BENEDICTO XVI BASÍLICA DE SAN JUAN DE LETRÁN

Queridos hermanos y hermanas:

Esta tarde quiero meditar con vosotros sobre dos aspectos, relacionados entre sí, del Misterio eucarístico: el culto de la Eucaristía y su sacralidad. Es importante volverlos a tomar en consideración para preservarlos de visiones incompletas del Misterio mismo, como las que se han dado en el pasado reciente.

Ante todo, una reflexión sobre el valor del culto eucarístico, en particular de la adoración del Santísimo Sacramento. Es la experiencia que también esta tarde viviremos nosotros después de la misa, antes de la procesión, durante su desarrollo y al terminar. Una interpretación unilateral del concilio Vaticano II había penalizado esta dimensión, restringiendo en la práctica la Eucaristía al momento celebrativo. En efecto, ha sido muy importante reconocer la centralidad de la celebración, en la que el Señor convoca a su pueblo, lo reúne en torno a la doble mesa de la Palabra y del Pan de vida, lo alimenta y lo une a sí en la ofrenda del Sacrificio. Esta valorización de la asamblea litúrgica, en la que el Señor actúa y realiza su misterio de comunión, obviamente sigue siendo válida, pero debe situarse en el justo equilibrio. De hecho —como sucede a menudo— para subrayar un aspecto se acaba por sacrificar otro. En este caso, la justa acentuación puesta sobre la celebración de la Eucaristía ha ido en detrimento de la adoración, como acto de fe y de oración dirigido al Señor Jesús, realmente presente en el Sacramento del altar. Este desequilibrio ha tenido repercusiones también sobre la vida espiritual de los fieles. En efecto, concentrando toda la relación con Jesús Eucaristía en el único momento de la santa misa, se corre el riesgo de vaciar de su presencia el resto del tiempo y del espacio existenciales. Y así se percibe menos el sentido de la presencia constante de Jesús en medio de nosotros y con nosotros, una presencia concreta, cercana, entre nuestras casas, como «Corazón palpitante» de la ciudad, del país, del territorio con sus diversas expresiones y actividades. El Sacramento de la caridad de Cristo debe permeare toda la vida cotidiana.

En realidad, es un error contraponer la celebración y la adoración, como si estuvieran en competición una contra otra. Es precisamente lo contrario: el culto del Santísimo Sacramento es como el «ambiente» espiritual dentro del cual la comunidad puede celebrar bien y en verdad la Eucaristía. La acción litúrgica sólo puede expresar su pleno significado y valor si va precedida, acompañada y seguida de esta actitud interior de fe y de adoración. El encuentro con Jesús en la santa misa se realiza verdadera y plenamente cuando la comunidad es capaz de reconocer que él, en el Sacramento, habita su casa, nos espera, nos invita a su mesa, y luego, tras disolverse la asamblea, permanece con nosotros, con su presencia discreta y silenciosa, y nos acompaña con su intercesión, recogiendo nuestros sacrificios espirituales y ofreciéndolos al Padre.

En este sentido, me complace subrayar la experiencia que viviremos esta tarde juntos. En el momento de la adoración todos estamos al mismo nivel, de rodillas ante el Sacramento del amor. El sacerdocio común y el ministerial se encuentran unidos en el culto eucarístico. Es una experiencia muy bella y significativa, que hemos vivido muchas veces en la basílica de San Pedro, y también en las inolvidables vigiliias con los jóvenes; recuerdo por ejemplo las de Colonia, Londres, Zagreb y Madrid. Es evidente a todos que estos momentos de vigilia eucarística preparan la celebración de la santa misa, preparan los corazones al encuentro, de manera que este resulta incluso más fructuoso. Estar todos en silencio prolongado ante el Señor presente en su Sacramento es

una de las experiencias más auténticas de nuestro ser Iglesia, que va acompañado de modo complementario con la de celebrar la Eucaristía, escuchando la Palabra de Dios, cantando, acercándose juntos a la mesa del Pan de vida. Comunión y contemplación no se pueden separar, van juntas. Para comulgar verdaderamente con otra persona debo conocerla, saber estar en silencio cerca de ella, escucharla, mirarla con amor. El verdadero amor y la verdadera amistad viven siempre de esta reciprocidad de miradas, de silencios intensos, elocuentes, llenos de respeto y veneración, de manera que el encuentro se viva profundamente, de modo personal y no superficial. Y lamentablemente, si falta esta dimensión, incluso la Comunión sacramental puede llegar a ser, por nuestra parte, un gesto superficial. En cambio, en la verdadera comunión, preparada por el coloquio de la oración y de la vida, podemos decir al Señor palabras de confianza, como las que han resonado hace poco en el Salmo responsorial: «Señor, yo soy tu siervo, siervo tuyo, hijo de tu esclava: rompiste mis cadenas. Te ofreceré un sacrificio de alabanza invocando el nombre del Señor» (Sal 115, 16-17).

Ahora quiero pasar brevemente al segundo aspecto: la sacralidad de la Eucaristía. También aquí, en el pasado reciente, de alguna manera se ha malentendido el mensaje auténtico de la Sagrada Escritura. La novedad cristiana respecto al culto ha sufrido la influencia de cierta mentalidad laicista de los años sesenta y setenta del siglo pasado. Es verdad, y sigue siendo siempre válida, que el centro del culto ya no está en los ritos y en los sacrificios antiguos, sino en Cristo mismo, en su persona, en su vida, en su misterio pascual. Y, sin embargo, de esta novedad fundamental no se debe concluir que lo sagrado ya no exista, sino que ha encontrado su cumplimiento en Jesucristo, Amor divino encarnado. La Carta a los Hebreos, que hemos escuchado esta tarde en la segunda lectura, nos habla precisamente de la novedad del sacerdocio de Cristo, «sumo sacerdote de los bienes definitivos» (Hb 9, 11), pero no dice que el sacerdocio se haya acabado. Cristo «es mediador de una alianza nueva» (Hb 9, 15), establecida en su sangre, que purifica «nuestra conciencia de las obras muertas» (Hb 9, 14). El no ha abolido lo sagrado, sino que lo ha llevado a cumplimiento, inaugurando un nuevo culto, que sí es plenamente espiritual pero que, sin embargo, mientras estamos en camino en el tiempo, se sirve todavía de signos y ritos, que sólo desaparecerán al final, en la Jerusalén celestial, donde ya no habrá ningún templo (cf. Ap 21, 22). Gracias a Cristo, la sacralidad es más verdadera, más intensa, y, como sucede con los mandamientos, también más exigente. No basta la observancia ritual, sino que se requiere la purificación del corazón y la implicación de la vida.

Me complace subrayar también que lo sagrado tiene una función educativa, y su desaparición empobrece inevitablemente la cultura, en especial la formación de las nuevas generaciones. Si, por ejemplo, en nombre de una fe secularizada y no necesitada ya de signos sacros, fuera abolida esta procesión ciudadana del Corpus Christi, el perfil espiritual de Roma resultaría «aplanado», y nuestra conciencia personal y comunitaria quedaría debilitada. O pensemos en una madre y un padre que, en nombre de una fe desacralizada, privaran a sus hijos de toda ritualidad religiosa: en realidad acabarían por dejar campo libre a los numerosos sucedáneos presentes en la sociedad de consumo, a otros ritos y otros signos, que más fácilmente podrían convertirse en ídolos. Dios, nuestro Padre, no obró así con la humanidad: envió a su Hijo al mundo no para abolir, sino para dar cumplimiento también a lo sagrado. En el culmen de esta misión, en la última Cena, Jesús instituyó el Sacramento de su Cuerpo y de su Sangre, el Memorial de su Sacrificio pascual. Actuando de este modo se puso a sí mismo en el lugar de los sacrificios antiguos, pero lo hizo dentro de un rito, que mandó a los Apóstoles perpetuar, como signo supremo de lo Sagrado verdadero, que es él mismo. Con esta fe, queridos hermanos y hermanas, celebramos hoy y cada día el Misterio eucarístico y lo adoramos como centro de nuestra vida y corazón del mundo. Amén.



Thank you for the love and support that you have shown to Father Josh during the death of his father, Deacon Cruz.

**Please continue to keep him
and his family in your prayers....
REST IN PEACE +DEACON CRUZ CARLOS**

St. Martin's Cleaning Day

Please mark your calendars for St. Martin's Cleaning Day for June 28th. The church buildings need attention and we need volunteers to make the changes.

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12 Noon - 1:30pm 8413 Park Ave. Lyford, Tx 78569

Smiley Face Park

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm 605 S. 3RD St. Raymondville, Tx 78580

San Perlita Fire Department

12 Noon - 1 pm 14115 FM 2209 N San Perlita, Tx. 78590

And June 30TH Aug. 8TH, 2025:

Lasara ISD Community Resource Ctr

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