



# Corpus Christi Catholic Community

*Building the Body of Christ*

**January 19, 2020**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Sunday Reflection

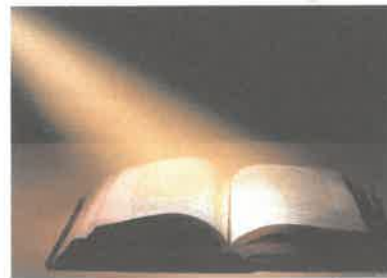


On the cusp of fame, power, or influence, would you turn it down? Today's Gospel again features John the Baptist. Controversial but popular, John has gathered quite a group of followers. He has disciples. People come from near and far to be baptized by him. Pharisees and government leaders are drawn to his preaching. If John was another man, a lesser man, he would have claimed his own greatness. Instead, John the Baptist is a witness to humility.

"The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Behold the Lamb of God ... he is the one of whom I said, "A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me."... the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known.'" Rather than point to himself, John points to Christ. John could have grasped at what he had accumulated. He could have seen Jesus as a Messianic competitor. Instead, John knows who he is. He knows his place as forerunner. Because John knows who Jesus is. "I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

A life of humility, a life for others, *(continued on page 3)*

## Sunday of the Word of God



On September 30, 2019, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God, "so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in

that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people." (Misericordi et Misera, 7).

Pope Francis declared that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God."

The Scriptures are treasures filled with countless riches! From Genesis to Revelation, God speaks to us in human language. By speaking to us, God reveals his part in this great love story: "God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him" (1 John 4:16). *(continued on special insert inside)*

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## Corpus Christi Directory

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### Parish Office Hours:

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Sat, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm, Sun 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

### Weekend Masses:

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### Daily/ Holy Day Masses:

See next column.

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):** Available on Saturdays from 2:00 to 3:45 pm; by appointment (call the Parish Office); during the parish Advent and Lent penance services.

**Sick Calls and Communion Calls:** Please call the Parish Office when there is serious illness in your household so that we may place the sick on our prayer list and arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing. We are happy to make home, hospital, and nursing home visits.

**Baptisms:** Please call the Parish Office for more information.

**Weddings:** Please call the Parish Office 6 months before wedding.

**Bulletin Copy:** Please contact Miriam Hudson by phone or email.

## This Week at Corpus Christi

### Monday, January 20

*Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr*

*Saint Sebastian, Martyr*

*Martin Luther King Day*

10:00 am MLK DAY MASS

@ Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

### Tuesday, January 21

*Saint Agnes, Martyr*

7:20 am ADORATION

8:30 am COMMUNION SERVICE

6:00 pm OPCA Board Meeting

### Wednesday, January 22

*Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*

7:20 am ADORATION

8:30 am MASS

### Thursday, January 23

*Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr*

*Saint Marianne Cope, Religious*

7:20 am ADORATION

8:30 am MASS

### Friday, January 24

*Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

### Saturday, January 25

*The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle*

10:00 am SVDP Food Pantry

11:00 am GOF Set-Up

2:00 pm Recovery Group

3:00 pm CONFESSIONS

4:00 pm MASS

### Sunday, January 26

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:45 am Noah's Ark Nursery

11:00 am MASS/Liturgy of the Word with Children

11:00 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1

12:30 pm GENERATIONS OF FAITH

4:00 pm Better Men Outreach



## IIAAYL (It Is All About You Lord)

Deacon Paul Mueller, Pastoral Associate

Today's topic is the REAL PRESENCE of the Lord in the Eucharist. I would like to start off with several stories, very short stories, of some of my prior experiences.

1... Several years ago, I was invited to a Methodist service. There were about 30 or 40 of us in attendance. It was called an "open altar" service since it was not exclusively Methodists in attendance. The Methodist minister stood behind an altar table and recalled the story of Jesus and the Last Supper. There was bread on the table. I would describe the bread as similar to white bread like we use for eating sandwiches. The Methodist minister reminded us how Jesus asked us to remember him by repeating this meal where Jesus would be present. All of us in attendance were asked to come forward and share in the bread. As we stood around chatting after the service the minister cleaned up the remaining pieces of bread and put them in the trash.

2... You can't take the engineer out of me! Several years ago, I got to wondering how often we Catholics offered Mass. Based on the data I found on the internet I did the math and found that, on the average, Mass is offered about four times per second! Four times each second the Lord comes again into the bread and wine.

3... Several years ago, I attended a lecture at a Lutheran conference. Most of the attendees were Lutheran but it was intended for people of all Christian denominations. I nearly fell out of my seat at the Lutheran minister's first comment in the lecture. "We Lutherans should do like the Catholics and have the Eucharist every Sunday, not just once per month!"

4... In one of my recent homilies I mentioned the "genius of God" for having the Eucharist excite each of our five human senses. Of course, we can see the bread and the wine. We can smell the sweetness of the wine. Our hands and tongue can feel the Eucharist. Our tongue can taste it. And even our ears can hear the bread being broken by the priest at the altar.

5... A fellow deacon told a story of his conversation with another Christian (not a Catholic). This other man told the deacon: "If I really believed *(continued on special insert)*

## Sunday Reflection *(continued from page 1)*

can be challenging to live. So much of our culture is built around achievement and individualism. We can justify it, too, in pursuit of "greater goods" and higher ideals. In the process, however, we might miss our own participation in the kingdom of God. John, for all of his humility, was not an afterthought. In another Gospel passage, Jesus calls him "the greatest prophet," even the greatest of men. Why? Because he fulfills the mission given to him by God: to announce the coming of the Messiah. We too are prophets and forerunners. Our witness to the Gospel is meant to point people to Jesus. Consider your own mission this week. To whom are you called to announce the good news of the Son of God? ©LPi

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## Young Adult News

### Theology On Tap:

#### The Journey To Union With God

Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 6:30 PM – 8:30 pm  
@ Royal Oak Taphouse  
714 S Washington, Royal Oak

— Do you long for a deeper relationship with God? Start your new year off by exploring how to grow deeper in your relationship with God. Dr. Patricia Cooney Hathaway will present St. Teresa of Avila's teaching on prayer as moving through the stages of acquaintance, to friendship, and finally, transforming union with God as friend, companion, and beloved. Come at 6:30 pm for food, drinks and time to meet with friends, followed by the talk at 7:00 pm. Sign up at [www.facebook.com/events/840754253020780/](https://www.facebook.com/events/840754253020780/).

### GIVEN Catholic Young Women's Leadership Forum

June 10 - 14, 2020 in Washington DC

— Designed to help young adult Catholic women identify their particular gifts and find practical pathways to put them in the service of the Gospel. Applications are due by February 3, 2020! Visit <https://giveninstitute.com/given-forum-2020/>.

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### ■ Take Time To Chat

Spend time together this Sunday reflecting on John the Baptist's testimony to Jesus (John 1:29-34).

**Who was John the Baptist?**

**Church of the Home** Why did John the Baptist call Jesus the Son of God?

St. Francis de Sales wrote a book to remind people that all are called to be holy, not just priests and religious. As a family, how can we become more holy? You might close your discussion with the Family Prayer below.

(excerpted from **52 Sundays**, a dynamic guide to help families reclaim the Lord's Day; to view all of today's content, please visit [www.52sundays.com/sundays/january-19-2020](http://www.52sundays.com/sundays/january-19-2020). To view the content for Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, please visit [www.52sundays.com/sundays/january-26-2020](http://www.52sundays.com/sundays/january-26-2020). Sign up for weekly email reminders at [www.52sundays.com/](http://www.52sundays.com/).)

### FAMILY PRAYER

January 19, 2020 — 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun in Ordinary Time

**Leader:** Father in Heaven, when the spirit came down upon Jesus at His Baptism in the Jordan, You revealed Him as Your own Beloved Son. Keep us, your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to our calling. May we, who share in Your Life as Your children through Baptism, follow Christ's path of service to people. Let us become one in His Sacrifice and hear His Word with faith. May we live as your children, following the example of Jesus.

**All:** Amen.

*Invite each person to share any prayer intentions they may have.*

**Leader:** We ask all these prayers through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### ■ Nature At Night

Nature At Night is a celebration of animals who call Belle Isle home and become more active after dark. This FREE, family-friendly event at the Belle Isle Nature Center is planned for Thursday, January 23 from 6 - 8 pm and includes guided walks and activities to learn about Belle Isle's night life. All vehicles entering Belle Isle Park are required to have a recreation passport.



### "Choosing The Flame"

All teens currently in the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade or higher who have not been prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to register now for Corpus Christi's 2019 - 2021 program. For more information, please contact Joe Long at 248-231-8200 or [joe@josephelong.com](mailto:joe@josephelong.com).

### ■ ASH All School Open House

Academy of the Sacred Heart will welcome families to the school's campus on Sunday, January 26 from 1 to 3 pm, for it's winter all-school open house. The event will showcase the Academy's offerings for students from infancy through Upper School. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call 248-646-8900 or visit [www.ashmi.org](http://www.ashmi.org).

### ■ Everyday Stewardship

How many times have you sung the church song, "Here I Am, Lord"? If you grew up Catholic and are around my age (still 50!), the answer is more than you can count. The song that quotes various verses of Scripture is sung using guitar, piano, or organ, by cantors and choirs, in traditional and modern churches. It is truly a Catholic greatest hit of the modern Church. The question is how many times when singing the refrain have you really taken to heart what you were singing.

"Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night." Like the biblical figure Samuel, we are responding to the call of God by asking for clarification that we are indeed the one being called. We then follow up the question with a profound statement: "I will go if You lead me." It is profound because we are pledging to our God that we are willing to go wherever He wants. We are accepting the challenge put forth in the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter, "Stewardship: A Disciple's Response," to become mature disciples who respond to the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We have sung this pledge repeatedly for many years.

We never have any idea what God (continued on page7)



## BULLETIN BOARD

**FOUND:** Baby's hat (pink & purple stripes); man's hat (black); umbrellas (1 pink IKEA family, 1 red); hand sanitizer (Molina Health Care); gloves (1 black with blue & beige argyle pattern, 1 black with "shiny spots"). These items are in the "Lost and Found" cabinet in the Ushers' Room at back of church.

**SUPPORT FOR PREGNANT TEENS:** Gianna House, a pregnancy and parenting residence, has room to house a few more pregnant teens, ages 13 to 17. If you know a teen who needs a safe and loving environment that provides parent education, life skills, and career planning, please have them call 586-445-0440 or email [jbrubaker@giannahouse.org](mailto:jbrubaker@giannahouse.org).

**TRAUMA SUPPORT GROUPS:** Open Arms provides supportive services, court advocacy, resources, and intervention to crime victims on Wednesdays from 4 pm to 6 pm at Victory Community Church, 14025 Hubbell, Detroit. For more information, call 313-369-5780.

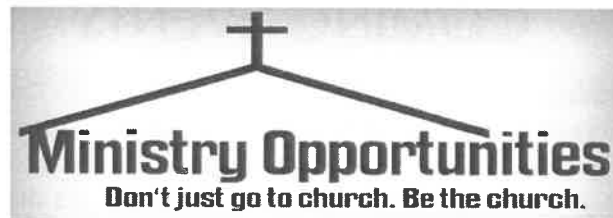
**LAUNDRY SERVICE:** Parish member will do washing and/or ironing for you. Reasonable rates. Call Marilyn at 586-995-3677 for more information.

**RIDE HOME FROM MASS NEEDED:** Parishioner living in the 14 Mile Road/Main Street area of Clawson needs ride home after the 11:00 Mass; needs some help with wheelchair; call Beverly at 313-819-8060.

**HUSTLE EXERCISE CLASSES:** Mondays at 7 pm at Franklin Athletic Club, 29350 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield; cost is \$5/class; no membership required. Contact parishioner Kim Summers at 313-205-2883.

**SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERANS:** Volunteers of America Michigan (VOAMI) Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSFV) has funding available to provide assistance to veterans who are currently experiencing homelessness. VOAMI also offers transitional housing and employment services programs. Call 313-502-0688 for more information.

**SHRINES OF ITALY JOURNEY:** April 23 - May 6, 2020. For further information, call 860-399-1785.



### ★ CCSEM Gala Volunteers

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM) is seeking volunteers for their annual Gala subcommittees; help is needed with pre-event publicity and promotion, silent auction, decorating and set-up; registration assistance, and check-out assistance. Please contact Adam Perry at [perrya@ccsem.org](mailto:perrya@ccsem.org) or 586-416-2300 ext. 3621.

### ★ Nursery Caregiver

Adult caregivers are needed to provide a loving, safe environment for infants and toddlers while their parents are at the Sunday 11:00 Mass. The nursery is located in the Activities Center (convent building). Commitment is 1 ½ hrs (10:45 am - 12:15 pm) every 6 weeks. On-call caregivers are needed for other parish events (Infant baptism classes, young married couple events, etc.) Parish registration and background check required. Please call 313-537-5770 to volunteer.

### ★ Sunday Bus Driver

A volunteer is needed to drive parishioners to and from 11:00 Mass via the church bus approximately every 5 weeks. Parish registration, a valid driver's license, recent driving experience, a background check, and attendance at a Protecting God's Children workshop is required.

### ★ Greeters and Ushers

Volunteers are needed to create a spirit of warmth and welcome for those attending our weekend masses and special liturgies. Please contact Verna Kelser, Greeter Coordinator, at 248-559-3901 or Gregory Spight, Usher Coordinator at 313-537-5770.





## COMING EVENTS

### Jan 20 MLK Jr Day Mass

Presented by the Archdiocese of Detroit Cultural Ministries Office and Black Catholic Ministries on Monday, January 20. Prelude at 9:45 am, Mass at 10 am in the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward Ave, Detroit. Main celebrant will be Most Rev. Donald F. Hanchon.

### Jan 20 MLK Jr Day Celebration

DMC Sinai-Grace Hospital invites you to their annual celebration to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This free celebration will take place on Monday, January 20 from 11 am to 12 noon in the Ground Floor Auditorium of Sinai-Grace Hospital, 6071 West Outer Drive, Detroit. The keynote speaker will be Rev. Robert Bolden, pastor of Central Baptist Church. There will be free parking and a free lunch (first 100).

### Jan 21 MLK JR Presentation

Gesu Parish will host "Reflections of a Civil Rights Food Soldier" on Tuesday, January 21 from 7 to 9 pm in the Gesu Parish Social Hall, 17139 Oak Drive, Detroit. John W. Hardy, a former freedom rider, will use the story of his own experience to lead a discussion about the Freedom Rides of 1961 and their continuing reverberations in today's social struggles. For more information, call 313-862-4400 or visit [www.gesudetroit.com](http://www.gesudetroit.com)

### Jan 21-28 Grief Support

1/21 Tuesday 1 - 2:30 pm Dearborn Hts  
Hospice of Michigan *Living On* 313-578-6328

1/21 Tuesday 6 - 7 pm  
Hospice of Michigan *Men Overcoming Loss*

— online support group for men who are dealing with a loss of any kind; to register, go to [www.hom.org/virtual-touch](http://www.hom.org/virtual-touch) or call 586-263-8514

1/28 Tuesday 10:30 am - 12 Nov  
Ascension At Home *Healing The Heart* 586-464-4841

### Jan 24-25 CCSEM Social Media Telethon

A 24-hour live Social Media Telethon 2020 to benefit Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan will be held Friday - Saturday, January 24 - 25. Call 734-240-3850.

## Retreat Schedule

*Mon, Jan 20, 9:30 am - 11:30 am*

Women-to-Women

@ Manresa Jesuit Retreat House  
1390 Quarton Road, Bloomfield Hills

— The group meets in the Manresa library for coffee and socializing, and then gathers for lectio divina (reading, reflecting, and praying with Scripture). Come away refreshed, renewed, heard, affirmed, supported, and spiritually nourished. No registration is necessary. Facilitated by Anne Smith. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

*Fri - Sun, Jan 24 - 26*

Retreat Weekend for Men

@ St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center  
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit

— Rooms available after 4:30 pm on Friday. Buffet supper opens the retreat at 6:30 pm; orientation at 7:30 pm. Suggested donation is \$215; \$30 non-refundable deposit required. Register online at [stpaultretreat.org](http://stpaultretreat.org) or call 313-535-9563 to register.

*Fri - Sun, Jan 24 - 26*

A Retreat for Caregivers

@ Manresa Jesuit Retreat House  
1390 Quarton Road, Bloomfield Hills


— Both personal and professional caregivers are invited to explore spiritual practices to sustain you, deepen your understanding of your caregiving experience, let the community gathered support you, and find some relaxation and rest. Retreat begins with dinner at 7 pm and ends by 1 pm Sunday. For more information or to register, call 248-644-4933 or visit [www.manresa-sj.org/012420-care](http://www.manresa-sj.org/012420-care).

*Fri - Sun, Jan 24-26*


20/20 ... Seeing With A New Spiritual Vision

@ St Mary's Retreat House  
775 W Drahner Rd, Oxford

— Cost is \$160 and includes lodging, meals, and program; a deposit of \$40 required. Check-in is 5 - 7 pm; retreat begins at 8 pm. For more information or to sign up, contact Ellen Matczak at 248-961-3617.



## Stewardship UPDATE



### Collection Report

Weekly Budget	\$ 8475.00
Sunday Offerings 1-12-2020	\$ 5238.36
Shortfall for the Budget Year	\$

### Everyday Stewardship (continued from page 4)

will call us to do and where to go. Sometimes the request can ask us for quite a lot. Hopefully, we respond like a mature disciple. If not, maybe we should reflect more the next time this song is played. The melody will not allow for the words, "I will see if I am busy and then decide to go if you lead me." Then again, I don't want to sing that to God, the source of all life anyway. Do you?

—Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPI



### Scriptures for the Week

#### Readings for the Week of January 19, 2020

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34  
 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12  
 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19  
 Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22  
 Mk 16:15-18

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23—9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17  
 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17



### Questions of the Week

#### First Reading

Isaiah spoke of God's desire to have his "salvation reach to the ends of the earth." What would the world look like if this happened?

#### Second Reading

Today's reading is the opening greeting of Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Here and in other letters, Paul speaks of believers as being "called to be holy." Who are some people you consider "holy" in your life?

#### Gospel Reading

John the Baptist spoke of Jesus metaphorically as "the Lamb of God." What do you think this image means?

### Please Pray For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Dolores O'Neill (12/29), sister in law of Elaine O'Neill  
 Angie Peresky (1/7), relative of the Mueller Family  
 Wilfred Taylor (1/15), father of Lucretia Taylor & Miriam Hudson  
 Marianne Zammit (1/16), cousin of Paul Billion



### Please Pray For Those In The Military:

Jared Brooks (Marines), Caija Campbell (Army), Anthony Carson (Army), Anthony Ford (Army), Thomas Dixon (Navy), Anthony Hollins, Jr (Army), Jonah LaTour, Jon LaTour, John Maurer (Air Force), Robbie Mayes (Marines), Christopher Moniere (National Guard), Corey Sullivan (Army), and Lance Walker II (Army).



## Mass Intentions January 20 - 26

Monday		No Mass or Communion Service
Tuesday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Wednesday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Thursday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Friday		No Mass or Communion Service
Saturday	4:00 pm	+ Amour (Butch) Guerrin (req by Yvonne Nemeth)
Sunday	9:00 am 11:00 pm	For the People of Corpus Christi + Scott Smale (req by Yvonne Nemeth)

Please call the parish office (313-537-5770) to add or remove a name from our prayer lists.

### Please Pray For Our Sick Members:

Troy Anderson	Renita Fletcher	Marilyn Lewandowski	Leatrice Robinson	<b>Homebound:</b>	Ruth Hill
Tony Baines	Roy Ford	Bob Lindsay	Elyse Ryder	Synia Benjamin	Ronald Hills
Ken Banka	Rosemary Givens	Nancy Loper	Michael Sands	Jackie Bodenhorn	Marie Leonard
Doris Billion	Gary Greening	Kathy Montgomery	Pauline Simpson	Evelyn Brantley	Sharon Lewis
Paul Billion	Virginia Harkey	Shirley Myles	Bernice Slaughter	Beverley B-Johnson	Beverly Miller
Marcelle Blackmon	Clint Harris	Yve Nemeth	Donna Storie	Angeline Butler	Beatrice Neail
Wanda Bradley	Sr Stephanie Holub	Shirley Oldenburg	Colletta Sykes	Michelle Cagle	Margaret Nielsen
Alelia Busby	Irma Horton	Sharon Ortman	Brendia Thomas	Joseph Cagle Sr	John Onwudinjio
Jefferie Cook Sr	Mary C. Hustoles	Helen Parkman	Charlotte Turner	Clairmina Danjou	Sue Padalino
Karen Cook	Edward Hustoles	Vernard Plain	Adele Waddell	Felisa Deluna	Evangeline Pruett
Terrie C-Henderson	Gloria James	Thelma Polley	Kathy Wilson	Judories Fort	Hulda Reed
Sheri Dargin	John Johnson	Phyllis Raines		Margaret Gassoway	Isiah Searls
Cid Davis	Roswitha Jordan	Sally Rimbart		Ella Goldsmith Sr	Joseph Shelton
Kevin DeMatas	Fannie Larkins	Joy Robinson		Rachelle Harper	Mary Pat Shelton
David Derouselle Sr	Myrna Leonard	Juanita Robinson		Martha Harris	



### Please Pray For Our Relatives and Friends:

Susan Absher	Chris Downing	Tom Hustoles	Jerry Mercier Jr	James Pefley	Donald Sims Sr
Kelley Adams	Elizabeth Downing	Robert Jarey	Robert Miller Jr	Alicia Penman	Emily Smale
Duncan Alfes	Lloyd Earl	Aliyaa John	Darwin Mills	Ethel Person	Kathy Smith
Cynthia Archer-Gift	Virginia Etherly	Arnim Johnson	Florence Mills	Marquon Perry	Beverly Sneed
Jim Agnello	Stephen Farkus	Fred Johnson	Willard Mitchell	Matt Phillips	Tom/Dorothy Sobota
Sue Bates	Phillip Faucher	El Caleb Jones	James Molloy	Reginald Phillips	Nicholas Stephens
Marie Beard	Ronald Fletcher	Dorie Kaiser	Karen Momper	Anthony Plain	Gus Sternberg
Joan Beckley-Fletcher	Barbara Ford	Bill Kelley	Elizabeth Moore	Erin Plain	Rochelle Stewart
Edward Bejesky	Kyle Foster	Shirley Kenney	Shirley V Moore	David Remo	Trevor Sullivan
Katy Bessey	Jerry & Patricia Franks	Mary Alice Kenny	Glanda Mooror	Sandra Reynolds	Kevin Sweeney
Kenneth Black	Mavis Frazer	Kristen Kingzett	Verita Morris	Michael Rice	Frances Sykes
Bryan Bowman	Barbara Gay	Katie Lutz Kissell	Louis Morzynske	Matthew Rich	Patt Taylor-Braxton
James Bryant	Nestelyn Gay	Ed Kmett	Mike Mueller	Viola Richburge	Rick Thompson
Bria Brown	Erin Knight	Erin Knight	Pierce Mueller	Dorothy Roberson	Carolyn Thrash
Linda Brown	Shawn Gore	Fred Kolp	Joyce Mulhall	Eugene Rohde	Gerry Tremonti
Ron Brown	Marlene Grant	Emilia Kullman	Mignon Murray	Alfredo Rojas	Amy Turner
Auby Bryson	Morty Green	Marta Lagos	Sara Nell-Wallace	Patrick Ryder	Eleanor Ursulan
F. Chennault-Johnson	Cora Harper	Dianne Leitertman	Margaret Nelson	Anthony Salem	Robert Vanden Berg
Jenny Churchill	Alfonzo Harris	Antoinette Litzinger	Ernestine Nimmons	Frank Salem	Al Victors
Scott Clinton	Millie Harris	Cheryl Lofton	Charles Nutt	Sherry Samuel	Alicia Walker
Leah Closson	Sharon Harris	Anthony Lorenger	Charlotte, Donna,	Ethel Mae Sanders	Kelley Walker
Perry Conway	Lisa Harston-LeDoux	Harold Lowe	John & Tyler O'Neill	Larry Schneider	Lance Walker
Ronald Crane	Bob & Jane Hazen	William Mapp	Jeff Padalino	Helen Schroeder	Brady Wesley
Betty Cross	Donna Hebel	Michael Mathis	Patty Page	Mildred Scott	Jamal Williams
Chuck Davis	Summer Henry	Scott McDonald	Celena Parker	Alice Sheehan	Ruth Wilson
Natacha Desir	Carol Holm	Anthony McNeal	Willie Parker Jr	Larry Shelton	Barbara Woods
Shannon Dodd	Sullivan Horton	Michael McNeece	Paula Parham	Lenny Simmons	Doris Woody
Jerry Douglas	Jean Houck	John/Mary Jo Meakin	Cyndi Pask	Curtis Simpson Sr	Kyle Yanke



## IIAAYL (It Is All About You Lord)

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that Jesus was present in the Eucharist I would be in front of that tabernacle, lying on the floor, flat on my chest, in awesome adoration."

More about these experiences later.

Let's look into the Sacred Scriptures for the source of our understanding of the Eucharist. In the Gospel of Luke, we read about the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.

**Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." And likewise, the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you." (Luke 22:19-20)**

**"My body." "My blood." "Do this in memory of me."**

So, what did the early Christians do? St. Paul has some strong words about that in his First Letter to the Corinthians.

**The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? (1 Cor. 10:16). Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. (1 Cor. 11:27)**

We Catholics call this fantastic occurrence of the body and blood of Jesus in the bread and wine the **"REAL PRESENCE."** It's "mind-boggling," it's "over-the-top," it's an "ultimate treasure." The Church actually created a word to try to describe it, namely "transubstantiation". Back in the year 1551, the Council of Trent wrote the following. "By the consecration, the transubstantiation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is brought about. Under the consecrated species of bread and wine Christ himself, living and glorious, is present in a true, real, and substantial manner: his Body and his Blood, with his soul and his divinity." [document called DS, paragraphs 1640 and 1651]. In more recent history, 1965, Pope Paul VI wrote the following: "This presence is called 'real' ... because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present." [Pope Paul VI's document *Mysterium Fidei*, paragraph 39]

Going back to the five stories I started with, let me comment on how the **"REAL PRESENCE"** fits into our

## Holy Homework



Brothers and Sisters,  
there is no greater  
treasure we have  
than the presence  
of God in our lives.

For Holy Homework this week,  
please read Deacon Paul's column  
about the Real Presence.

— *Fr. Patrick*

## Generations of Faith God's Messengers Unleash The Gospel



Sun, Jan 26, 2020  
The Gospel of Luke

### "At This Table"

Sr. Barbara Rund OP, who serves full time as the Pastoral Associate at St. Hugo of the Hills Parish in Bloomfield Hills, is our presenter this month. She will share insights on meals in Luke's Gospel and how the gospel was unleashed through gatherings around the table with Jesus.



Sr. Barbara has served in many parish roles, during her ministry as an Adrian Dominican Sister. She is a Master Teacher and holds a Doctorate of Ministry in Preaching (D.Min.) from St. Louis University in addition to other degrees. Sr. Barbara will certainly bring a depth of knowledge and experience to her Corpus Christi presentation on the Gospel of Luke!

GOF begins in church after the 11:00 am Mass, followed by lunch in the gym for GOF attendees only. GOF will end at about 3 pm. The cost is a freewill donation for lunch (children eat free).

Catholic lives.

1... For us Catholics the Mass is not simply a way to remember what Jesus did 2000 years ago. The Mass is where the priest invites the Lord to be truly present in the bread and wine. That presence is not simply a temporary event. After Communion we take all the consecrated hosts and put them in a safe place, a tabernacle. Those hosts are then available when we wish to take them to someone in a hospital or to someone who is confined to their home or a senior citizen facility. Yes, Jesus remains in the host. The host is the **"REAL PRESENCE."**

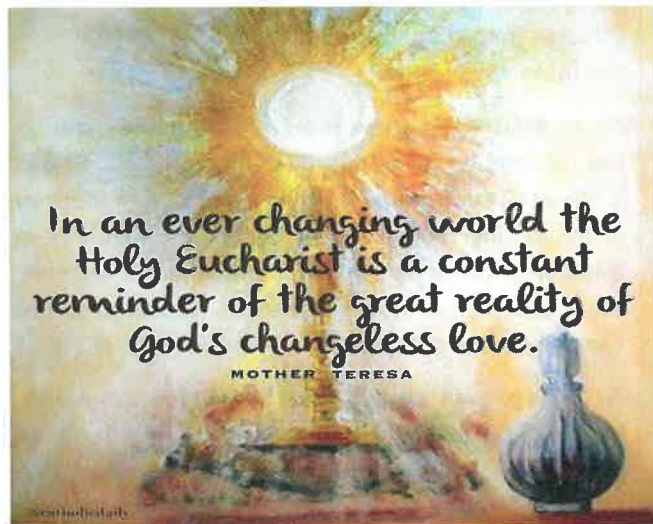
2... The humility of the Lord! At the average of four times per second, somewhere around the world, the Lord listens to the request of the priest or bishop, and enters into the bread and wine to become the **"REAL PRESENCE"** for some community of believers.

3... For centuries, from the early Church in the Bible until this very day, Sunday has been our primary day of worship at the Mass. And for centuries, the Mass has been said **daily** at churches, monasteries, convents, hospitals and other chapels. Yes, we crave the **"REAL PRESENCE"**!

4... Yes, God is truly a genius. God knows human beings and their senses. God instituted the Eucharist to get our attention through all the senses that God has given us. God is using our human senses so we get a sense of the **"REAL PRESENCE"**!

5... A question! How do each of us react to the **"REAL PRESENCE"** as we return to our pew after receiving Holy Communion?

— **Deacon Paul Mueller**



## Sunday of the Word of God

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In the Archdiocese of Detroit, we hear a lot about the power of the Word of God. We speak of the Gospel as some- thing to be unleashed. We recognize that the Word of God has the potential to change hearts. When we proclaim the Word to others, they encounter the **power** of the Word and the **person** of the Word: Jesus Christ. But have you personally spent enough time hearing what Jesus is saying to you through the Word?

Pope Francis is asking everyone in the Church, every diocese, parish, family, and parishioner, to read and listen to the Word of God anew. In preparation for next Sunday, consider your favorite Scripture passage. How has God used it to speak to you, change your heart, lead you, or bring you peace? Ask yourself how can I be open in these coming days to receive the gift of loving the Word of God more? How can I make my own these words from today's psalm, "In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart" (Psalm 40:8-9)?

— written by Reverend Brian Meldrum



### Encountering Christ: A Free On-Line Course for Lent

March 2 - April 12, 2020

— The course is conducted entirely on-line, giving participants the freedom to engage with material and course activities around their schedule. Please visit <http://explore.shms.edu/encounter> to register and/or for more information about the course.

### Lenten Day of Spiritual Renewal

Saturday, March 14, 2020

@ St. Joan of Arc Parish, Saint Clair Shores

— All are invited to a Lenten day of reflection on the theme of "Reconciliation: God's Mercy Has No End." Presentations, sacrament of Reconciliation, individual prayer, lunch, and Mass are offered. Cost is \$10. Go to <https://march14dayofspiritualreflection.eventbrite.com> to register.

Weekend Ministries Schedule ■ January 25/26 ■ 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

	LECTORS	EMES	SERVERS	GREETERS	LITURGY OF WORD W/ CHILDREN	LITURGICAL ASSISTANT
Sat 4 pm	Marcia Closson Lola Liggons	David Loper Sr Ellen Schmitz	Ekene Uzosike Obinna Uzosike	Elaine O'Neill	-----	Parris Kenney
Sun 9 am	No 9:00 Mass - Generations of Faith	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Sun 11 am	Diane Chapman Richard Kohler	Team 3 - Ernestine O'Neil	Amira Hines Justin Martin Anthony Peter-Koyi Nyla Peter-Koyi	Cynthia Heath Vickie Hodnett	Miriam Hudson Cynthia Adams Lynnette Mueller	Eric McDonald
	SUNDAY BUS DRIVER	NOAH'S ARK NURSERY	COFFEE/DONUTS 9:00	COFFEE/DONUTS 11:00	COFFEE/DONUTS 11:00	COFFEE/DONUTS 11:00
	Anthony Gill	TBD	No Coffee/Donuts - Generations of Faith	-----	-----	-----
CATECHESIS OF GOOD SHEPHERD 1		CATECHESIS OF GOOD SHEPHERD 2/3		RCIA CLASS		RCIA DISMISSAL
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**Q** The Bible talks a lot about “testifying” or “giving testimony” to our faith. That makes me think of a courtroom. What does testifying to faith look like in everyday life?

**A** The courtroom image isn’t too far off for some Christians. The Church has often been persecuted, and it was especially intense in the early days of the Church, when Acts and the various epistles were being written. For persecuted Christians, it did mean attesting publicly to their faith in Jesus Christ, sometimes before harsh judges. To testify is to bear witness, and this is something we are all called to do.

The call of Jesus is, first and foremost, a call to conversion of life. It is a repentance from sin, a casting off of old ways of seeing and moving in the world. The Christian life is one of transformation, becoming more and more like our God of love. In one sense, to testify to faith should happen naturally as we live like Jesus did. Our lives should bear witness in the respect we accord to others and the uncompromising dignity we honor in them. We bear witness in our gratitude, in our joy, in our hope in God’s power and grace. This is where we start! Sometimes others might inquire, as St. Peter puts it, as to “a reason for your hope.” Now you’re on the stand! It’s time to offer, “with gentleness and reverence,” the Good News of the Gospel (c.f. 1 Peter 3:15-16). ©LPi



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