June 7, 2020

The Most Holv Trinity



"Important Announcement"

Hello Corpus Christi Family — I pray this bulletin article finds you well, staying safe and healthy, and radiating the love of Jesus as best as you can where you can. This week, I'd like to communicate in this forum some important information about the Archbishop's announcement — that the next step for the Archdiocese in the Unleash the Gospel Movement will involve parishes joining with other parishes to form what will be called Families of Parishes.

If you visit our website, you will find on the home page a letter that I have written to the parish about this next step for the Archdiocese. I do believe this is a Holy Spirit inspired movement, and that though we may experience some challenges with change, the Holy Spirit is guiding us. The letter has been sent via the parish "bulk" email, and a hard copy was mailed to all of our registered parishioners as well.

At this time, it is important for me to inform you that I have chosen to remain as parish administrator for the next year (July 1, 2020 - July 1, 2021) rather than to seek the office of pastor at this time. I have spoken with Archbishop Vigneron about this and he has agreed to assign me at this time to another year as parish administrator. I love this parish and am happy to continue to serve here in a leadership role, and I believe God has great things in store for Corpus Christi.

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Sunday Reflection

A well-choreographed dance can be truly inspirational. Each movement and step are interconnected, each contributing a piece of the unfolding artistic story. The beholder is caught up in the rhythms, music, and gestures, realizing that none are dispensable and all are necessary. The same is true of the Divine Dance of the Trinity. Each Person plays a part, using unique gestures and movements that are connected to the other Divine Partners. They tell a story of love. Every movement and step is born of love and flows on into eternity. The Divine Dance never ends.

God the Creator powerfully, yet with gentle love, leads. Creating and recreating, birthing and sustaining, He (continued on page 3)

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Corpus Christi Directory

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Parish meetings and gatherings remain cancelled and parish staff continue to work from home.

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Sat 4 pm, Sun 9 am & 12 noon See page 6

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<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> (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.

<u>Sick Calls and Communion Calls</u>: 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.

<u>Baptisms</u>: Please call the Parish Office for more information.

<u>Weddings</u>: Please call the Parish Office 6 months before wedding.

<u>Bulletin Copy</u>: Please contact Miriam Hudson by phone or email.

A Contagion Of Hope

Christ Our Light!

Your light rises in our darkness and assures us that you are present with us and that your powerful closeness to us transforms our fear into hope.

May we join with our Holy Father, Francis, in spreading a "contagion" of hope " from heart to heart".

Protect all your selfless servants who continue to serve the needs of the most vulnerable by both hands and heart.

Give our elected leaders wisdom of heart in decision-making that the common good of our human family may be achieved and the gift of each person's human dignity respected.

May the new Easter fire of love, energy, and resilience burn within our hearts so that we may give witness to the mystery of your resurrected life among us and within us.

Amen.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Henrietta Barnhill

mother of Troy Anderson

Darlene Conway and Claudette Twyman,

sisters in law of Shelly Bradford

Michelle DeSouza

sister of Olivian DeSouza

Elizabeth Moore

in-law of Elaina Moore

Marina Hollins

member of the parish

Rev. Dana Porter Ashton

niece of Joan Burch

Michelle Talley

cousin of Karen Cook

Glory Be

by Sr Therese MacKinnon, Faith Formation Director

Today is the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, at which time we honor the mystery of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As we meditate on this great mystery, we see the love of God expressed in the Trinity as the example for all of us in our families and in every relationship. From all eternity, the Holy Trinity looked upon earth and decided that the best way to care for people was to send Jesus who would always be our leader and guide, who goes before us in everything, paving the way for us. Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Because of the pandemic, we were unable to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation as usual. Currently we plan to celebrate First Eucharist on the weekend of August 1/2, or whenever is best for the families. DessieRee Smith, our RCIA candidate, will be received into the Catholic Church in a few weeks.

Faith Formation events are being planned for next year, please ask the Holy Spirit to guide us in our plans.

This summer the Northwest Detroit Youth Coalition (NWDYC), which usually sponsors summer camps for children, will be sponsoring a virtual summer camp for students 5 to 12 years old July 6 - 31 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am - 2:30 pm. The overall theme this year is **Peace Making**. Activities include Martial Arts, Hip Hop Dance, Story Time/Reading, Science/Art, Cooking/Nutrition, and Exercise. On Fridays, there will be a drive through at Corpus Christi parking lot to collect supplies. Registration information is available on the Corpus Christi Parish website. Please register early, by July 19 at the latest, so that we know if there is sufficient interest to sponsor the events and so we can procure enough supplies.

NWDYC also sponsors six Little Free Libraries. This year paper books, which will include activity books, sticker books, and more surprises will be available. Out of safety concerns caused by the coronavirus pandemic, books may **not** be returned this summer — you may keep them! There is a Little Free Library located behind the church in O'Hair Park and in front of the parish Outreach Center.

Next Sunday, June 14, is our Parish Feast Day, Corpus Christi. Along with the bulletin will be a packet of seeds, one for everyone, symbolizing seeds of hope.

Hear God's Word . . . Plant God's Love
Sow Justice . . . Reap Peace — Sr Therese

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He dances with the compassionate incarnate Son, guided by the breath of the Holy Spirit. They are three distinct Persons but move as One. On one hand, the cascading flow of their Presence appears motionless, yet on the other, flows and moves with effortless attention. They share one heart, one goal, and one purpose and invite all of creation to join in their dance, their joy.

The energy of the Trinity flows through all created things. The dance continues in the majesty of a mountain, the power and wonder of an ocean, and the vastness of the universe. It moves in the cry of a newborn infant and in the soul of one who has been forgiven. It flows in the cry for justice and in the wounds of the oppressed. It circles through the changing of seasons, the cycles of birth and death, and the wisdom that one acquires when they love God.

The Dance never ends. Its movements and rhythms go on forever. The Trinitarian Dance sustains all things, endures all things, and brings hope. You are invited to dance. Don't just watch as if you were simply a spectator. Join in the dance and move as they move. ©LPi

Young Adult News

NEW!

Text DetroitCYA to 84576 and receive a monthly link to all things happening with Detroit Catholic Young Adults.

Spiritual Closeness Spotify Playlist

— With the coronavirus pandemic throwing the world into chaos, it's not unusual to feel our trust in God being challenged. The Unleash The Gospel Team put together a playlist of songs that remind us to place our trust in God. You can find the playlist at: https://www.unleashthegospel.org/2020/03/spiritual-closeness-spotify-playlist/.

10 Guideposts for Christians

Check out the Archbishop's guideposts at: www.unleashthegospel.org/spiritual-closeness/



■ Take Time To Chat

Gather as a family and have someone read today's Gospel, For God So Loved The World (John 3:16-18), then take some time to

Church of the Home discuss this good news.

- Which member of the Trinity do you turn to the most? Why?
- Why did God send Jesus, his Son, into the world?
- How does a family mirror the Trinity?

Close your sharing by praying the **family prayer** below.



God, our Father,, you have blessed us and bestowed on us the gift of families in different shapes and sizes. You created the family to be the image of the love

and unity revealed to us in the Blessed Trinity. We commit ourselves to model that love and unity in our daily lives and in all our relationships.

Guide us on our journey as we read and reflect on your holy word. By your word, we are transformed, so that, by our witness, we may become leaven for the transformation of the world.

May the Holy Spirit, who dwells within us through our Baptism, shine through our interactions within our family and through our encounters with others.

May all families within our parish become hearers and followers of the word, so that our parish family might mirror the love and unity you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Corpus Christi Kids Video

Fr. Patrick's new Corpus Christi Kids video about **Pentecost** was released Thursday, May 28th. Feel free to share it with your children, grandchildren, or anyone you know. Find it at **www.corpuschristi-detroit.org**. Click on the "Fr. Patrick's Kids Weekly Video" button.



Attn BSA Scouts! Earn The Pope Pius XII Medal!

A class for Pope Pius XII, a Scouting program designed for Roman Catholic Scouts who will begin Grade 9 or higher in the fall is being formed. The program is designed to explore and discuss different life choices (single, married, religious, ordained), occupations, and ministries in the church as calls from God. It includes youth-led discussions on current issues facing the church and society. Scouts who complete the program earn the Pope Pius XII medal and will be recognized at a Scouting ceremony at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. The class will be facilitated by Steven Koponen, Troop 179, Farmington Hills and parishioner of Corpus Christi Parish, Detroit. At this time, the meetings and discussions will be done virtually. More information about the program can be found at this pdf: https://bit.ly/PopePiusXII or you may contact Steven Koponen at koponens@yahoo.com or steven.koponen@fpsk12.net.

■ Talking With Kids About Race

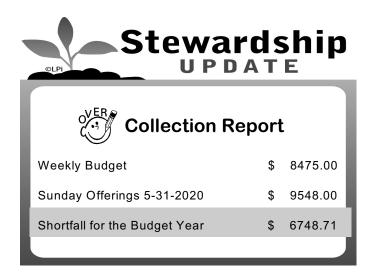
Our country is hurting as a pandemic, economic hardship and civil protests and unrest all churn. And, in our homes, we may be grappling with how to talk to our kids about all of this. Here are 2 resources:

https://www.metroparent.com/m-parenting-issu es-tips/talking-kids-race/

https://www.cnn.com/2020/06/06/app-news-secti on/cnn-sesame-street-race-town-hall-app-june-6 -2020-app/index.html

■ Everyday Stewardship

Where is that guy with the rainbow wig holding a "John 3:16" sign in the end zone at NFL football games? Younger readers may not have any idea what I am talking about! You used to see this guy on TV all the time wearing "Jesus Saves" shirts and holding his sign. Most thought he was a harmless guy, but now he is serving multiple life sentences for taking hostages at a hotel near LAX in 1992. His name is Rollen Stewart and he believed — and continues to believe while in prison — that Jesus' second coming (continued on page 5)



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is imminent. His extreme actions were meant to make people take notice and listen to him. Now he sits behind bars, and most in the world see his name as nothing more than an answer to a trivia question.

It is a sad story when people hurt others or use extreme methods in the name of God. Mr. Stewart's belief that simply getting people to listen to his message is the most important step in their salvation is misguided. His poor stewardship should stand in stark contrast to our good stewardship. Our actions, seasoned at times with our words, should be the evidence people need to see the transformative power of Jesus Christ. We do believe that he is indeed coming again. But once you have committed yourself to him and live in his life on earth, when he returns is not our main concern. We are ready whenever that time comes, and hopefully, we can help others be ready as well by our example.

— Tracy Earl Welliver



Scriptures for the Week

Readings for the Week of June 7, 2020

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13

Jn 3:16-18

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Mt 5:1-12 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Mt 5:13-16 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26 Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32 Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Mt 5:33-37

Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Questions of the Week

First Reading

In Moses' appeal to the Lord to remain with the Israelites despite their sinfulness, God reveals his fidelity and mercy. Where do you see these aspects of God in your life journey?

Second Reading

We hear today one of the earliest New Testament references to the Holy Trinity in Paul's closing remarks to the Christians in Corinth. For Paul, the Trinity embodies grace, love, and fellowship. What insight does this offer us about our Triune God?

Gospel Reading

This well-known text from the Gospel of John reveals to us God's self-sacrifice for our salvation. Why do you think so many people reject or simply ignore this offer of eternal life from God?

Please Pray For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Fr. Dennis Bagley, former AOD priest **Fr. John O'Keefe,** retired AOD priesth





Please Pray For Those In The Military:

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



Monday	8:30 am 12:15 pm	For An Increase In Vocations + Jerome Crawford (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Tuesday	8:30 am 6:00 pm	For Those Who Are Homebound + Veronica Davis (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Wednesday	8:30 am 12:15 pm	For Those Who Are Caregivers + Wendell Adams (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Thursday	8:30 am 6:00 pm	For Those In Nursing Homes and Rehab Centers + Sr Margaret Lorenger (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Friday		No Mass
Saturday	4:00 pm	+ Erick Strand (req by Rosemary Burke)
Sunday	9:00 am	For the People of Corpus Christi Parish

For An End To Racism

Mass Intentions June 8 - 14

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

12:00 pm

Please Pray For Our Sick Members:

Tony Baines
Ken Banka
Doris Billion
Paul Billion
Marcelle Blackmon
Alelia Busby
Faye C-Johnson
Jefferie Cook Sr
Karen Cook
Terrie C-Henderson
Sheri Dargin
Cid Davis
Kevin DeMatas
David Derouselle Sr
Curtis Dickerson

Renita Fletcher
Roy Ford
Dionne Garner
Gary Greening
Virginia Harkey
Clint Harris
Irma Horton
Gloria James
Lynn James
John Johnson
Roswitha Jordan
Fannie Larkins
Myrna Leonard
Marilyn Lewandowski
Nancy Loper

Carol Merritt
Kathy Montgomery
Pierce Mueller
Shirley Myles
Yve Nemeth
Sharon Ortman
Helen Parkman
Vernard Plain
Thelma Polley
Sally Rimbert
Joy Robinson
Elyse Ryder
Michael Sands
Pauline Simpson
Donna Storie

Jeranne Jackson

Brendia Thomas
Charlotte Turner
Adele Waddell
Kathy Wilson
Homebound:
Etta Bagley
Jackie Bodenhorn
Evelyn Brantley
Beverley B-Johnson
Angeline Butler
Michelle Cagle
Joseph Cagle Sr
Clairmina Danjou
Vivian Dorsey

Colletta Sykes

Ella Goldsmith
Sr Rachelle Harper
Ruth Hill
Ronald Hills
Sr Stephanie Holub
Mary C. Hustoles
Edward Hustoles
Marie Leonard
Sharon Lewis
Bob Lindsay
Clemencia Massey
Beverly Miller
Beatrice Neail
Margaret Nielsen

Margaret Gassoway

Shirley Oldenburg
John Onwudinjo
Sue Padalino
Evangeline Pruett
Milford Raines
Hulda Reed
Juanita Robinson
Leatrice Robinson
Isiah Searls
Joseph Shelton
Mary Pat Shelton
Bernice Slaughter
Irene Williford
Joyce Wilson
Audrey Zielinski

Please Pray For Our Relatives and Friends:

Susan Absher Jim Agnello **Duncan Alfes** Cynthia Archer-Gift Sue Bates Marie Beard Joan Beckley-Fletcher Edward Bejesky Kenneth Black Malcom Boudreaux Bryan Bowman Bria Brown Ron Brown James Bryant **Ernest Cabule** Michael Derrick Cade Jenny Churchill Scott Clinton Leah Closson Perry Conway Nancy Copeland Ronald Crane **Betty Cross** Chuck Davis Natacha Desir Shannon Dodd

Jerry Douglas

Chris Downing Elizabeth Downing Lloyd Earl Virginia Etherly Stephen Farkus Phillip Faucher Barbara Ford Kyle Foster Jerry & Patricia Franks Mavis Frazer Barbara Gay Nestelyn Gay Elwood Gneckow Becky Goodrich Shawn Gore Marlene Grant Morty Green Alfonzo Harris Millie Harris Sharon Harris Lisa Harston-LeDoux Bob & Jane Hazen Donna Hebel Summer Henry Carol Holm Sullivan Horton Jean Houck

Robert Jarey Aliyaa John Arnim Johnson Fred Johnson El Caleb Jones Dorie Kaiser Bill Kelley Shirley Kenny Joe Kieffer Kristin Kingzett Katie Lutzo Kissell Erin Knight Fred Kolp Emilia Kullman Marta Lagos Antoinette Litzinger Anthony Lorenger Shannon Lorenger Harold Lowe William Mapp Michael Mathis Scott McDonald Anthony McNeal Michael McNeece John/Mary Jo Meakin

Ashley Melonson

Jerry Mercier Jr Robert Miller Jr Darwin Mills Florence Mills Willard Mitchell James Molloy Karen Momper Elizabeth Moore Shirley V Moore Glinda Moorer Verita Morris Mike Mueller Joyce Mulhall Mignon Murray Sara Nell-Wallace Margaret Nelson **Ernestine Nimmons** Charles Nutt Charlotte, Donna, John & Tyler O'Neill Patty Page Celena Parker Willie Parker Jr Paula Parham Cyndi Pask James Pefley

Alicia Penman

Ethel Person Marquon Perry Matt Phillips Reginald Phillips Anthony Plain Erin Plain David Remo Sandra Reynolds Michael Rice Matthew Rich Viola Richburge Dorothy Roberson Crystal Roberts Eugene Rohde Alfredo Rojas Patrick Ryder Frank Salem Sherry Samuel Ethel Mae Sanders Larry Schneider Helen Schroeder Mildred Scott Alice Sheehan Larry Shelton Lenny Simmons Curtis Simpson Sr

Donald Sims Sr

Emily Smale Kathy Smith Beverly Sneed Tom/Dorothy Sobota Nicholas Stephens Rochelle Stewart Trevor Sullivan Kevin Sweeney Frances Sykes Patt Taylor-Braxton Rick Thompson Carolyn Thrash Gerry Tremonti Amy Turner Eleanor Ursulan Robert Vanden Berg Al Victors Alicia Walker Kelley Walker Lance Walker Brady Wesley Jamal Williams Ruth Wilson Barbara Woods Doris Woody Kyle Yanke

A Word From The Heart

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There are two reasons for my decision to remain as an administrator that I'd like to share with you. First, with the new Families of Parishes model, the Archdiocese intends to utilize the gifts and talents of priests better for a missionary focus as they work more collaboratively on teams that serve a family of parishes. It's no secret that I struggle with administration. While I am certainly open to continuing to serve in a role of administration, in the new structure of Families of Parishes, it may be the case that I would serve more impactfully on a team led by a priest who is gifted with an administration charism, whereas my primary focus would be the pastoral and evangelistic endeavors that align with my God-given passion and gifts.

Second, as the Archdiocese is heading into this discernment phase, I would be uncomfortable taking on the office of pastor knowing that the discernment the Archdiocese is going through could yield a result that would have me effectively step down from being pastor after only being one for a short time. Such a change could be unnecessarily difficult for our parish, which I would like to avoid if possible.

Whatever the discernment yields, I will gladly serve the Lord in any capacity to which I am called, and I'm committed to walking with Corpus Christi through this time of discernment. Should it be that I'm called to become pastor of Corpus Christi, and perhaps another parish or two as well in a family of parishes, I welcome the Lord's will in my life with open arms.

Please join me in praying for the Archdiocese and our parish as this discernment unfolds, that the Lord's will be done. I'm confident we're in God's hands and all will be well. Love you and bless you!

- Fr. Patrick

Holy Homework



For Holy Homework this week: Let's keep on working on our devotion to the Holy Spirit by praying frequently, "Come Holy Spirit!"

Volunteer Spotlight

Volunteers (under age 65) are needed to help make our parish members and visitors comfortable as they return to Mass:

Parking Lot Ministers

Parking Lot Ministers are needed to help to direct foot traffic to the three check-in lines.

Parking Lot Ministers need to arrive 40 minutes before the start of mass, as the check-in stations will open 30 minutes prior to the start of mass. After the mass has begun, the parking lot ministers' duties have been completed and they are free to attend mass (you must be registered) or head on home.

Check-In Ministers

Check-In Ministers are needed to facilitate the check-in/assessment process before Mass begins.

There will be three check-in lines, each with a "2-person" Check-In Minister team. Check-In Minister 1 will welcome the parishioner and check the registration list for his/her name; Check-In Minister 2 will take the parishioner's temperature and ask one appropriate health question. One Check-In Minister would serve as "captain," to keep an overall count of the number of parishioners signed in that when the mass starts and the "late entrance" is opened, we'll know how many open spots are still available. Check-In Ministers need to arrive 40 minutes prior to mass.

Hospitality Ministers

Hospitality Ministers are needed to seat parishioners, put bulletins and collection baskets on tables in gathering space of church, and carry hand sanitizer during communion.

Hospitality Ministers meet parishioners at the doors and escort them to seats, keeping physically distant. There will be three ushers serving each side of the church. After mass begins the Hospitality Ministers will shift to the "late entrance" (parking lot entrance) to escort late arrivals to seats. After the homily, Hospitality Ministers will bring out bulletins and collection baskets and set them on the tables near the exit door (parking lot entrance door). If needed. Hospitality Ministers assist during Communion with hand sanitizer. Hospitality Ministers need to arrive 40 minutes prior to mass.

Questions? Sign-up? Call 313-537-5770!

Announcements

- Weekend Masses: 4 pm on Saturday, and 9 am and 12 pm on Sunday. Weekday Masses: 8:30 am and 12:15 pm Mondays and Wednesdays; 8:30 am and 6 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- The Archdiocese has instructed that masses for the time being are to have a limited capacity of seating. After reserving space for the priest, a small music ministry ensemble, and a few other ministers of the mass, we'll have room for **75 additional people**.
- If you are planning to attend a weekend Mass, you will need to make a reservation by 12 noon on the Saturday prior to the weekend Mass you plan to attend. The Sign Up Genius link is available at 12 noon Monday at www.corpuschristi-detroit.org. If you do not have computer or internet access you may call the parish office at 313-537-5770 to RSVP.
- Sunday Mass will continue to be **livestreamed at 12:00 pm**; a direct link to the Mass is available at the parish website: www.corpuschristi-detroit.org. Thank you for your continued support of the parish through your Sunday offerings; you can continue to mail your offerings to the parish office at 19800 Pembroke Ave, Detroit MI 48219-2145) or you may give online at www.corpuschristi-detroit.org.
- The parish office and outreach center remain closed. Parish staff are working from home. Please be sure to leave a message on the parish office answering machine to let us know about illness, a death, or to request prayer or the Sacrament of the Sick. The parish office answering machine is checked regularly. Fr. Patrick will be notified of urgent requests as soon as possible. All calls will be returned. Please be sure to leave both your full name and phone number and to speak clearly and slowly when leaving a message.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays from 1 to 3 pm in the covered walkway between the school building and the Activities Center. This will keep us from having to disinfect the church prior to the 4:00 pm Mass.

Calling All Grads!

Congratulations to all Corpus Christi parishioners who have graduated or will be graduating! We want to recognize the accomplishments of all <u>parish members</u> who are graduating from high school, college, or a professional program (this includes our December 2019 grads, too!)

Please call the parish office at 313-537-5770 or send an email to **corpuschristidetroit@comcast.net** to let us know you are a graduate. Be sure to let us know the institution you are graduating from, the degree you've earned, and, if you are a high school grad, your plans for the fall.

Have a grandchild, niece or nephew, or other family member graduating this year? Let us know, and we'll include them in the bulletin listing the parish 2020 grads.

Prayer For Spiritual Communion



My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually in my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

The National Black Catholic Congress ®



Statement regarding the Death of George Floyd

by the Most Reverend Roy E. Campbell, Jr. President of the National Black Catholic Congress

Issued June 3, 2020

My fellow citizens of these United States of America, we have witnessed in graphic video detail, racism on display in the twenty-first century in the killing of George Floyd, an arrested, unarmed, hand-cuffed and subdued black man by a white police officer, who refused to acknowledge a fellow human being's cries of distress.

The National Black Catholic Congress (the Congress) joins the nonviolent calls and protests for a complete and transparent investigation of the killing of Mr. Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Along with a call for investigation and justice, the Congress echoes Archbishop Bernard Hebda, of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, in which he states in part, "...Let us pray for comfort for his grieving family and friends, peace for a hurting community and prudence while the process moves forward. We need a full investigation that results in rightful accountability and veritable justice..."

Justice is what Mr. Floyd and his family and friends deserve. Justice through equal and fair treatment under the law is what every person in this country deserves. Justice brings about Peace, and Peace allows Love to Flourish. This is what the founding fathers of this country tried to promote in the Constitution and what this nation fought a Civil War to uphold, that ended one hundred and fifty-five years ago. However, the racism brought on by the enslavement of Black Americans in the years leading up to the establishment of the United States of America to the Civil War, still exists and all too frequently displays its ugly effects today in racist attitudes and actions that discriminate one people from another.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once wrote: "Discrimination is a hellhound that gnaws at Negroes in every waking moment of their lives to remind them that the lie of their inferiority is accepted as truth in the society dominating them." He also wrote: "Law and order exist for the purpose of establishing justice and when they fail in this purpose, they become the dangerously structured dams that block the flow of social progress."

Today, as we seek justice for George Floyd and his family, each of us must commit ourselves to the untiring pursuit of Justice, Peace and Love for every person in this country; because, together every person in this country makes us the United States of America.



https://detroitcatholic.com/newsletter s/subscribers/new

Catholics Gather to Pray for Peace and An End To Racism

Catholics plan to gather in prayer during each day of protest in effort to 'Unleash the Gospel' while calling for peace and an end to racism. Organizers Msgr. Daniel Trapp and Fr. Mario Amores said that anyone is welcome to join the group, which will continue to congregate at St. Aloysius Parish in downtown Detroit each day at 4 pm.

Panel Discussion

On Saturday, June 6 at 1:00 pm, Father Ted Parker, pastor of St. Charles Lwanga Parish, will be the moderator of a panel discussion: Inherent Dignity: Catholic Teaching and Response to the Sin of Racism. Panelists include: Bishop Donald Hanchon, Auxiliary Bishop and Moderator of the Central Region of the Archdiocese of Detroit; John Thorne, Executive Director of the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance; and Vickie Figueroa, Manager, Office of Black Catholic and Cultural Ministries for the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Public Rosary

On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>June 7 at 1:30 pm</u>, Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron will lead a public Rosary to pray for peace and for an end to the sin of racism on the plaza outside the Basilica of Ste. Anne, 1000 Saint Anne St., Detroit, MI 48216. All are welcome; please bring a mask; please note that although this event is held outdoors, all attendees are asked to observe safe social distancing guidelines.

Resources

"Agents for the New Creation: A Pastoral Note on Christ's Victory Over the Sins of Racism." (Archbishop Vigneron, June 18, 2018)

"Combating Racism" — Find prayers and resources at www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/racism/.



Why do Catholics have a Pope?

To answer the question of why Catholics have a pope, we have to pull the lens back and think about the very nature of the Church herself. According to the Nicene Creed (which is the statement of beliefs that we recite each Sunday at Mass), we profess that the Church is "one, holy, catholic, and apostolic." These adjectives are called the marks of the Church, and they help us see that the Church is bigger than just our individual parish communities or even the Christians living in a particular region or country.

To help ensure that the community of disciples would remain united in a communion of love, Jesus entrusted the Apostles with special authority to teach, heal, and forgive sins in his name. And from among this group, Jesus chose Simon Peter to play a special role, designating him as the "rock" on which the Church was to be built (see Matthew 16:18-19; John 21:15-17). Peter "the Rock" became the visible sign of union within and among the Apostles. In time, as Peter and the other Apostles passed away, other men were chosen to take their place. The successors of St. Peter — who we honor as the first Bishop of Rome — and the successors of the other Apostles (the bishops) continued the work entrusted by Jesus to that first generation of Church leaders.

According to long-standing tradition, the successor of Peter was Linus, who was followed by Cletus, who was followed by Clement I, etc. This line of succession continues to Pope Francis in our own time.

Over the centuries, these Bishops of Rome — who came to be known as the "pope" (from papa, which means "father" in Latin) — still continue to act as the "rock" of the Church and as the visible sign of unity for all the Catholic Christians. The pope, more than any other bishop, stands as the Church's primary teacher and as pastor of the Church throughout the world, helping to ensure that the Church remains what Jesus intended her to be: one, holy, catholic, and apostolic. To learn more, see the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (no. 857-862 and 880-882).

