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CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA SCHOOL

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2 Pre -Grade 3

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - June 22, 2025

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Standing before thousands of pilgrims from across the globe, Pope Benedict XVI once said “the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima is the ‘altar of the world’, a place where the prayers, sufferings, joys, and hopes of humanity are lifted up to God.”

That phrase has stayed with me. “The altar of the world.” It’s poetic, yes, but also deeply Eucharistic. Because that’s exactly what the Eucharist is, the place where heaven and earth meet. The altar at every Catholic Mass is a small corner of the world transformed into a sacred place where Christ offers Himself for us and with us. And each time we gather at the altar, the world in all its brokenness and beauty is gathered up into Christ’s perfect offering. So many people today feel overwhelmed by uncertainty, loneliness, injustice, and the constant pressures of life. The world can seem chaotic and yet, in the Eucharist, we find peace.

When we say “Amen” and receive the Body of Christ, we are not escaping the world; we are being sent more deeply into it, bearing the very presence of Christ. We become little altars where the love of God meets the needs of the world.

When you offer your suffering in prayer, or reach out to someone in pain, you make your life an altar. When you receive the Eucharist, then turn and care for your neighbor, forgive an enemy, or feed the hungry, you become a living sign of God’s real presence.

The little shepherd children of Fatima had no great platform or influence, yet through their faith and witness, they helped lift the sorrows of a war-torn world to heaven. You and I are called to do the same. The Eucharist is not just for us, it is for the world. And we are its messengers.

Our world desperately needs Jesus. And Christ chooses to come into the world through the humble altar, and through the hearts of those who receive Him.

This is not poetic idealism, it is the most concrete reality that has ever existed. In the Eucharist, God does not stand far away, He becomes small, draws near and is all ours. May we become His.

With prayer before the altar,

Fr. Bryan



MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 21 - JUNE 29

SATURDAY JUNE 21	5 PM PATRICIA O'BRIEN FROM CURMI FAMILY
SUNDAY JUNE 22	10 AM BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS JHOANNES GUBANTES FROM ELEONORA GUBANTES 12:30 PM. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUESDAY JUNE 24	12:30 PM LETICIA CO FROM TERESA MARCELO
WEDNESDAY JUNE 25	12:30 PM SPECIAL INTENTION OF DR. VIC JOSEPH FROM ANDREA SELVARAJA
THURSDAY JUNE 26	12:30 PM JOSEPH PANAKAL FROM SR. RINI PANAKAL
FRIDAY JUNE 27	12:30 PM GOOD HEALTH FOR DR. LILLIAN GARCIA DOTY FROM PATRICIA MERCURI
SATURDAY JUNE 28	5 PM CHARLES CZYSZ, FRED SAVAGE, HENRY HEISER, & FAMILY DADS FROM LAURA CZYSZ & KEN HEISER, CATHY & ALLIE SAVAGE
SUNDAY JUNE 29	10 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH FROM FRANCIS S. VASQUES FROM DESIREE & TOM MCMAHON

Sunday Scripture

June 22

Gen. 14:18-20

1 Cor. 11:23-26

Luke 9: 11b-17

June 29

Acts 12:1-11

2 Tim. 4:6-8, 17-18

Matthew 16:13-19

DONATIONS



OVER THE WEEKEND OF
JUNE 14 AND 15, 542 PEOPLE
ATTENDED MASS WITH
AN AVERAGE DONATION OF \$30.82.

ONE TIME
GIFTS AND
VISITORS



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YOU FOR
ALL OF
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PARISHONERS



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Rule!

Bring donuts to share
after the 10 Mass!

Email donuts@olcjc.org
to find out how!





Devotions

Catholic people can choose from many *devotions* to grow in our faith. Devotions are traditional ways of praying that help us grow in piety, one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. They are dedicated to different parts of the faith, such as the Eucharist, the Blessed Mother, or saints in Heaven.

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, who was inspired by visions of Jesus, began a devotion to His Sacred Heart of going to Mass on the first Friday of the month for nine repeated Fridays as a discipline in gaining graces and realizing Jesus' love for the world.

Other devotions include praying the rosary to grow closer to Mary and understand Jesus' life as she experienced it; attending Adoration and embracing the mystery of praying before the Blessed Sacrament; and praying novenas (the same prayer repeated for nine days) to specific saints depending on what they are especially dedicated to helping people with.

For example, St. Christopher is the patron saint of travel. A summer devotion to him, asking him to bring your prayers to God, could help you grow in holiness as you approach your summer travels!

More about St. Christopher

Saint Christopher is the patron saint of travellers, including motorists, who sometimes hang a small image of him in their vehicles for blessings.

One day Christopher was crossing a river when a child asked to be carried across. He lifted the child on to his back and crossed the river even though the child was extremely heavy. Unknown to Saint Christopher the child was really Christ, carrying the weight of the whole world.



Saint Christopher carrying the Infant Christ, c. 1540
Currently in National Gallery, London



Prayer to the Sacred Heart



Here is a prayer you can pray today and any day this month to connect with His heart, especially when you want help loving others the way He loves them:

O most holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you [...] I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure, and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me when there is danger; comfort me in my afflictions; give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing in all that I do, and the grace of a holy life. Amen.

The **Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** is also a moveable feast -it, too, depends on when Easter falls in the year, because it is the **second** Friday after Trinity Sunday, which is the Sunday after Pentecost. This is why we have special Catholic calendars! This year, that day is **June 27th**.



To Do: Support Mercy House!

Donate

Food: pasta, sauce, canned fish/meats, cereal, rice, pancake mix, mac & cheese, milk, juice, snack bars, corn

Donate

Baby items: diapers, wipes, gently used clothes & equipment, toiletries

Donate

Household items: kitchenware, bedding/linens, seasonal decorations

Donate

Personal items: adult & teen clothes, toiletries, fem. hygiene

Bring to Mass

**Last Sunday
of each month**

Adoration

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,* and I will give you rest.”
Matt 11:28

7PM
EVERY FRIDAY



✠ *OLC First Holy Communion & Confirmation Prep*

2025-26 Registration for
Sacramental Preparation for
First Holy Communion
& Confirmation

Now Open!

Students prepare for each Sacrament through a two-year educational program: Grades 1 and 2 for Communion and Grades 7 and 8 for Confirmation. Please go to www.olcjc.org for signup and more information.

Are you praying for
something or someone?

Would you like more time with God?

Come to weekday Mass
Tuesday-Friday @ 12:30

*The Mass is the most perfect form of
prayer.*

Pope Paul VI