

# St. John The Beloved Parish



## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. - Lk 9:16

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**JUNE 19, 2022**

**VERY REV. JOSEPH PIEKARSKI V.F., PASTOR**

### **Liturgy Schedule**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	11:30 a.m.
	5:00 p.m.

### **Weekday Masses**

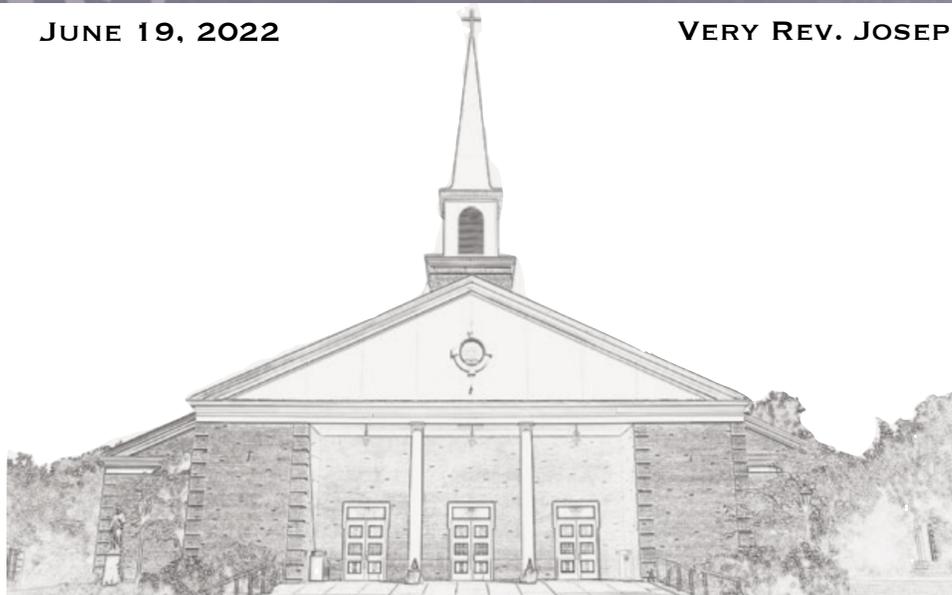
Monday - Saturday	8:00 a.m.
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### **Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### **Parish Address:**

907 Milltown Road, Sherwood Park  
Wilmington, DE 19808  
(302) 999-0211



*Our Mission: "Growing a welcoming community of disciples through participation in the sacraments, service, prayer and ongoing formation."*

**Welcome to St. John the Beloved Parish.**  
 Please visit [SJBDE.org](http://SJBDE.org) and click the "Join Our Parish" button to register and become a member of our faith community.  
 Registered **Parishioners**, if it's been a while, please take a minute to update your information at [wilmington.parishsoftfamilysuite.com](http://wilmington.parishsoftfamilysuite.com).  
 We appreciate your assistance. **Thank you!**

**CHURCH STAFF**  
 Very Rev. Joseph Piekarski, V.F., Pastor  
 Rev. Michael Preston, Associate Pastor  
 Deacon Thomas A. Bailey  
 Deacon Mark Fontana  
 Deacon Stephen Oldiges  
 Mr. Frank Julian, Parish Administrator  
 Mrs. Sue O'Hanlon, Bookkeeper  
 Dr. Lisa Papili Carlsen, D.M.A.,  
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 Mr. Jamie Moulthrop, Coordinator

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:**  
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 Cathedral: 656-3323  
 Gate of Heaven: 732-3690

Unable to attend Mass in person this week? Our 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays is streamed live and posted at [SJBDE.org/livestream](http://SJBDE.org/livestream). To be notified whenever we go LIVE, subscribe to our parish You tube Channel at [Youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBelovedParish](http://Youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBelovedParish).

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confession)**  
 Is available every Saturday from 4 - 4:45 p.m. A confession guide is online at [SJBDE.org/Reconciliation](http://SJBDE.org/Reconciliation).

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**  
 Complete the form online at [SJBDE.org/Wedding](http://SJBDE.org/Wedding).

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
 To schedule a Baptismal Preparation Class call the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**  
 Anyone seriously ill, or facing surgery, please call a priest to make arrangements.

**HOLY DAY MASSES** as announced.

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is every Friday after 8:00 a.m. Mass, through 10:00 a.m.

**Adult Choir** rehearses Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the church and sings at the 11:30 Sunday Mass. New members welcome. Contact Joe Ambrosino via the parish office.

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group** meets Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. in the Gerres Building (behind the church). Bring your Bible. For more information call the Parish office.

**First Saturday Devotions with the Blue Army** are held every first Saturday of the month starting at 8 a.m.

**Legion of Mary** meets Monday evenings, 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Fr. Gerres building.

**Lazarus Ministry** helps those who have lost a loved one. [More at SJBDE.org/lazarus-ministry](http://SJBDE.org/lazarus-ministry).

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith, or in learning more about the Church? Please call the Parish Office.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality** meets the first Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. Mass to honor our Blessed Mother, (September - June). Please join us after mass to pray the rosary.

**St. Vincent DePaul Society** provides help through works of service, spirituality and friendship. For information call (302) 999-0211.

**Parish Hospitality** to join this new Ministry, please call the Parish Office.

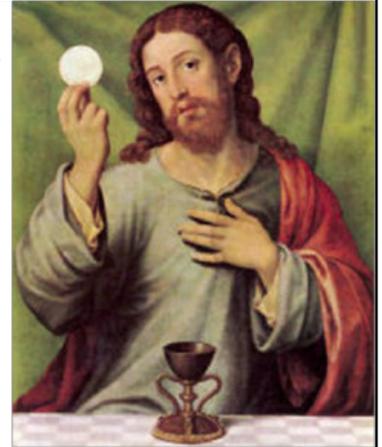
**Parents with Young Children Ministry** Contact Ruthie at 484-554-5618 for more information.

## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today we celebrate the solemn feast of Corpus Christi or Body and Blood of the Lord. It is the festival of the Roman Catholic Church in honor of the real presence of the body (corpus) of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

To emphasize the supremacy of Christ's real presence among us, the United States Bishops are launching a three year National Eucharistic Revival, starting today. Our Bishop Koenig is joining this effort for our Diocese today, Sunday, June 19th, with the Corpus Christi Mass at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Cathedral; followed by a Eucharistic Procession from the Cathedral. All are invited.

The focus is to reinstruct Catholics on the great depth of our faith. Unfortunately, many have lost the faith required to believe the Eucharistic Presence, submitting to the conventional mindset that Eucharist is metaphorically our oneness with Christ. Recalling the words of Jesus, which relate the Last Supper with His sacrifice at the cross, in Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24, Lk 22:17-20, 1 Cor 11:23-25, the Catholic Church professes that, in the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.



In the Gospel of John 6:51-55, after Jesus said His flesh is true food and His blood true drink, Jesus faced opposition by many who walked away from Him. Jesus responded with clarity and confidence: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink His Blood, you do not have life within you."

Christ is present to His Church in many ways, but most especially through the sacrament of His Body and Blood. The presence of the Risen Christ in the Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery that the Church can never fully explain in words. We must remember that the triune God is the creator of all that exists and has the power to do more than we can possibly imagine. At Mass, bread and wine are changed in essence from the physical to the spiritual, containing fully the Real Presence of the Resurrected Lord. We can then take the tangible presence of the Lord and consume Him ourselves and share this privilege with the sick and dying.

The sacredness of this Real Presence goes far beyond a sacred meal but actually unites us with Christ Himself. That is why we need to receive Communion respectfully in a state of grace, be reverent in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, and take special care not to ignore the One within us.



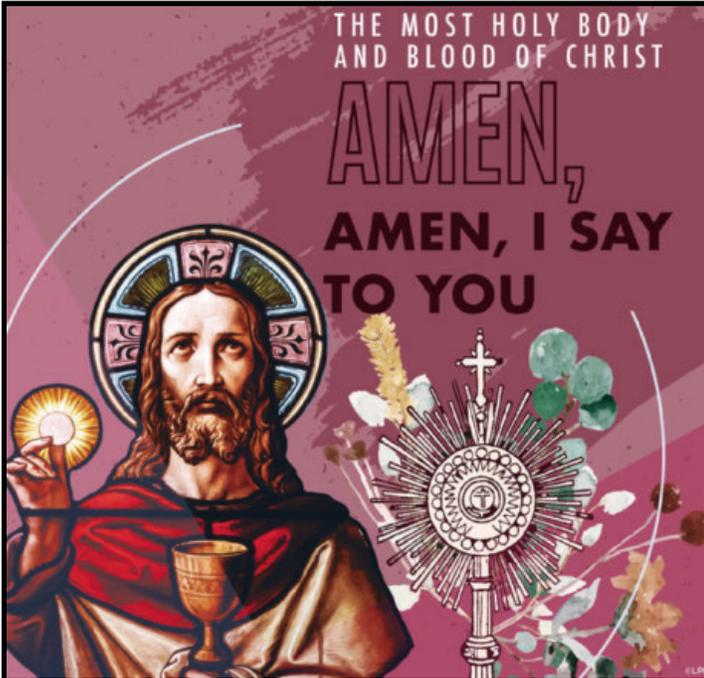
**As we celebrate Father's Day**, we honor those men who parent us by passing on life in loving fulfillment of duty. We honor those men who selflessly support and guide us, regardless of their own aspirations, hopes and hardships. Knowing that these men protect us, their children, is a great source of security. And to a higher level, are those fathers who inspire us in faith. Saint Joseph, guardian of Jesus, models the attributes of a good father. May St. Joseph hear the prayers of our fathers and those who imitate them in our lives. And for those men who left this world, may they have the reward of the just and honorable servants of God.

*Fathers Piekarski and Preston;  
Deacons Bailey, Fontana & Oldiges; Seminarian Dennis and our staff*

Dear Friends,

With an abundance of gratitude, I write to thank you for your support of the 2022 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. Your willingness to share and your commitment to serve others enables the diocese to do the work of Our Lord by providing the necessities of life to those in material need, peace and comfort to those in spiritual distress, religious instruction to eager minds and guidance for struggling families and individuals. On behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, I extend to you my gratitude in prayer and ask God's blessing on you and those you love. Walking by Faith, we bring the face of God to those in need.

Sincerely in Christ, Father Joe Piekarski



**Readings for the week of June 19, 2022**

Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17  
 Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5  
 Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/ Mt 7:6, 12-14  
 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20  
 Thursday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6/ Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80  
 Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7  
 Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 2:41-51  
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

Your gifts make a meaningful difference to St. John The Beloved Parish's ministries and programs. We wish to extend a sincere **THANK YOU** to everyone who financially supports our parish through weekly giving, special collections, one-time gifts, and all of the other avenues of giving (e.g. volunteering your time and talent). Everyone's income and needs are different, and each gift is understood to be a sacrifice given for the greater good. May God Bless your efforts. **We appreciate you.**

**Saints and Special Observances**  
**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
**(Corpus Christi) Father's Day; Juneteenth**

7:30 a.m. All Father's; Living & Deceased  
 9:30 a.m. All Father's; Living & Deceased  
 11:30 a.m. All Father's; Living & Deceased  
 5:00 p.m. All Father's; Living & Deceased

**Monday:** 8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family  
 Ralph DegliObizzi

**Tuesday: Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**  
 8:00 a.m. Olgierd J. Musik  
 Michael Guarino

**Wednesday: Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs**  
 8:00 a.m. Angela Santoro Boehner  
 Francis & Marie Murray

**Thursday: THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
 8:00 a.m. Mario Renai  
 Mary King Murray

**Friday: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**  
 8:00 a.m. Fred Bogucki  
 Rocci Rapposelli

**Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 8:00 a.m. Henry & Eleanor Scubelek  
 Terrence Sullivan  
 Frederick Winter  
 Audelia Corona  
 Cecilio Gomez  
 Carla Gomez  
 5:00 p.m. Glenda D'Costa

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 7:30 a.m. Patrick & Shawn Breslin  
 9:30 a.m. Helen Bradley  
 11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family  
 5:00 p.m. John & Elizabeth Parra

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

**June 6, 2022**

Offertory	\$ 16, 132.65
Building/Maintenance/Energy/Landscaping	180.00
Holy Days	35.00
Altar Candles / Other	163.25
Votives	226.00
Outreach	310.00
<b>Total Parish Collections</b>	<b>\$ 16, 983.65</b>
St. Vincent DePaul	230.00
Retired Priest's Fund.	4, 477.28
Diocesan Collections	60.00
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 21, 814.18</b>

## PARISH NEWS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have gone before us, and the recently deceased members of St. John the Beloved Parish Community:

+ JUNE CIARAMELLA

+ THOMAS J. GROVES

+ WILLIAM J. COUGHLIN

+ ALBERT S. LEWANDOWSKI

+ JOANNE M. CAPODANNO

+ SR. JEAN CLAIRE ROHE

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

HOSPITALITY  
SUNDAY



Hospitality Sunday for June will be on Sunday, June 19 after the 9:30 AM Mass. Please join us then for light refreshments.

Walking  
by Faith

Our parish has achieved 90% of our \$193,229.00 goal. Can you help us achieve our goal? Once we collect our goal amount, we receive a rebate! The Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal invites our participation in accomplishing God's work throughout our communities. By participating, we become partners in our Church mission. Please pray for the success of the Walking by Faith campaign and consider a donation.

**"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving" ~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta.**

Are you being called to the priesthood or religious life? In the Catholic Church, a deacon is an ordained member of the clergy and they can be married. To learn more visit [CDOW.org/catholic-diocese-of-wilmington-offices-and-ministries/vocations](http://CDOW.org/catholic-diocese-of-wilmington-offices-and-ministries/vocations).

### Registration for SJB's 2022 Fall Sports is OPEN

Football (grades 4-8): Contact Jeff Nowell - [jnowell19@gmail.com](mailto:jnowell19@gmail.com)

Soccer (grades 3-8): Contact Jamie Solomon - [jamiepsolomon@gmail.com](mailto:jamiepsolomon@gmail.com)

Flag Football (grades 1-3): Contact Todd Oliver - [psu9296@yahoo.com](mailto:psu9296@yahoo.com)

Cheerleading (grades 4-8): Contact Mary Hall - [mhall@morrisnichols.com](mailto:mhall@morrisnichols.com)

Cross Country (grades 3-8): Contact Mark Hutton - [markhut@yahoo.com](mailto:markhut@yahoo.com)

Girls Volleyball (grades 4-8): Contact Angie Boyer - [angsianni@aol.com](mailto:angsianni@aol.com)

General sports registration questions can also be directed to Todd Oliver



St. John the Beloved



**A Huge Thank You** to everyone who directed and supported our **54<sup>th</sup> Annual Carnival**. It was a great success because of the many people who pulled together, again, to create this parish event. A special, special thank you to the Carnival leaders and ALL workers, various committees and volunteers. Your many efforts made this year's Carnival a memorable one. May you get rest now and know our true appreciation from the Parish Athletic Association and the Parish itself.

### **PILGRIMAGE- Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> -Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> EWTN - Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine-Caritas**

Many of our parishioners have asked about a pilgrimage to Caritas of Birmingham. During this pilgrimage on All Souls Day, there will be a talk/tour, recitation of the Holy Rosary on their Field of Apparitions and a bonfire in the evening, to celebrate Hallows Eve. **Other Pilgrimage Highlights include.** Daily Mass, round trip motorcoach transportation, 7 nights hotel stay, daily breakfast, buffet dinners, 2 full day retreats with a televised Mass, talk by Fr. Mitch Pacwa, in addition to day trips to the Creation Museum, Noah's Ark Encounter and St. Anthony's Chapell Shrine. Cost: \$2,699 with a \$100 discount until June 30<sup>th</sup>. Meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon with refreshments. Please call for location and to reserve your spot.

**Only 4 Seats Left!** Germany, Oberammergau Passion Play, Poland, and Prague. August 3-14<sup>th</sup>. All inclusive, \$4,799. Optional bus transportation to the airport, additional.

For more information on both these pilgrimages, look in back of church and/or contact Helen Holroyd at [helenshorizons@gmail.com](mailto:helenshorizons@gmail.com) or 610-213-4141.

# SOCIAL MINISTRIES of SJB PARISH

Our mission is **“Growing a welcoming community of disciples through participation in the sacraments, service, prayer and ongoing formation.”** Every ministry, every committee is important. We sure can use your help in building the Kingdom of God. Visit [SJBDE.org/Ministries](http://SJBDE.org/Ministries) to review the many ministries and organizations St. John the Beloved Parish offers to discover where you may be called to minister within our beloved parish.

Saint John the Beloved Council of the Knights of Columbus invites all men age 18 and older to join us in our ongoing support of our Church, Diocese & Community.

Each year our Council of nearly 200 parish men, donates over 10,000 hours of our time and \$14,000 in direct financial assistance through our various programs. Join us so that we can continue our good works. We need you and we welcome you.

For more information please visit our council website at <https://sjbkofcde.org>.

Join The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at SJB. As part of the international organization that includes regional and diocesan functions, members of SVDP respond to the temporal needs of families within the parish. Please contact the Parish Office for more information at (302) 999-0211. More at <https://sjbde.org/svdp>.

We are looking for those who are able to assist at the Altar as Adult Servers. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to be trained for this parish ministry. Thank you.

A big thank you to the outpouring of support for all of our Moms in need at **Outreach**. Your generosity over Lent and this Easter season with diapers and other baby products has had a huge impact. We'd like to go back to our traditional food items now that we are stocked up with a particular emphasis on pasta sauce and black beans.

Please visit The Table of Plenty Outreach Center Ministry of SJB website at [www.tableofplentyde.org](http://www.tableofplentyde.org) to stay informed.

Any high school students that are looking to perform service hours this summer are welcome to join us at Outreach. Please visit our website or contact Jamie Moulthrop, Director of Outreach, for more information or to sign up on specific dates. Advance registration is required. Visit [SJBDE.org/outreach](http://SJBDE.org/outreach) for more information.

Perhaps you have lost someone dear in the past and received help through family, friends, or even the Lazarus Ministry and wish to continue the cycle of giving. We are not a support group, but rather, a group of people who understand grief and wish to lend an ear and supply helpful reading material to the grieving of our parish. We reach out to those who have lost a loved one buried from our Church in the past year by sending cards, Care Notes, and the occasional phone call. Your help is done in the comfort of your home and all supplies and stamps are provided. Contact Karen Kohler at 593-0443.

Food donations can be left in the bins in the back of the Church or brought to The Table of Plenty Outreach Center Ministry of SJB office which is located at Community of Christ Church 1205 Milltown Rd.

Clip this list to shop & donate:

- breakfast cereal
- peanut butter
- jelly
- black beans
- soup
- mac and cheese
- rice
- canned fruit
- canned vegetables
- tuna, canned meats
- shampoo, deodorant
- body wash, soap
- toothpaste & toothbrushes



Donate a gift at <https://SJBDE.org/Give>. We appreciate your generosity and support. Thank you.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

**Eucharistic Revival Opening Mass & Procession** — Sunday, June 19, 2022, marks the Feast Day of Corpus Christi, whereon Catholics celebrate and honor the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. The Feast of Corpus Christi this year also starts the beginning of a three year National Eucharistic Revival for Catholics in the United States.



To celebrate this momentous occasion, on Sunday, June 19 at 2:00 p.m. a special Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Peter (500 N West Street, Wilmington, DE) by Bishop Koenig followed by a procession with the Holy Eucharist through the streets of Wilmington beginning at 3:00 p.m. All are invited by Bishop Koenig to join the Corpus Christi Mass and Eucharistic Procession for this special day of devotion and prayer in the City of Wilmington.

As this marks the beginning of the Diocesan Year of the Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Wilmington, all parishes are invited to send at least five representatives to participate in this special Mass and Procession. Anyone interested in representing St. John the Beloved Parish; please notify the parish office.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS:** Hopefully you eat dinner together most days. Ponder how you nourish each other both with food and kindness.

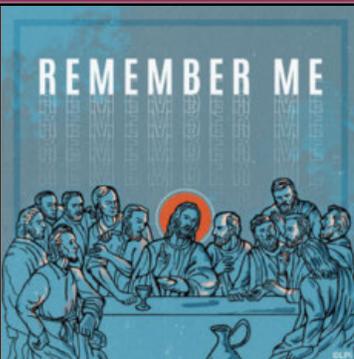
**PARENTING POINTERS:** What qualities do you think make an ideal father? Did you learn any of these from your own father? Tell him in person or prayer. Identify one quality that you especially want to pass on to your own child. Take a step to do it today.

**Religious Freedom Week 2022, Life and Dignity for All, takes place from June 22 to 29.** The Week begins with the Feast of Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More, ends with the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, and includes the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. During Religious Freedom Week, Catholics are encouraged to pray and act each day for religious freedom.



**Diocesan Synod Closing Mass – June 22<sup>nd</sup>** - All are invited to join Bishop Koenig on Wednesday, June 22 @ 6 pm at Holy Cross Church, 631 S. State Street in Dover, DE for the Closing Mass for the Diocesan Phase of the Synod on Synodality. It will be a special moment of prayer to give thanks to God for this opportunity to better “journey together” as a Church and to reflect upon the fruits of the Synodal Process in the Diocese of Wilmington.

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Good dietitians will remind us that we are not only the product of what we eat but the disciplines we undertake. Many people spend a great deal of time and effort eating a healthy diet, getting a sufficient amount of rest, and engaging in regular exercise. Experts tell us that attending to these increases our chances for a longer life. While this is certainly a worthy pursuit, is our earthly life really the one that requires the most attention and effort? Faith kicks in to remind us that we are meant to live forever with God. Hence, isn't it our eternal destiny that requires most of our effort and attention? The food and nourishment we need to achieve this goal and fine tune our souls for this promised inheritance are the Body and Blood of Christ. Only this heavenly sustenance will unite us with God and our brothers and sisters, strengthen us to do what the Gospel asks us to do and prepare us for life eternal. Through the discipline of prayer, our desire to receive our Lord is deepened. It is this yearning, above anything else, that we want clearly seen and front and center when we close our eyes in death. God loves us so much that he gave us his only begotten Son. Let us rush to receive him! ©LPi

## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### ENTRANCE HYMN:

#### GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT #329

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REFRAIN: You satisfy the hungry heart, With gift of finest wheat, Come give to us, O saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.

2. With joyful lips we sing to you, Our praise and gratitude, That you should count us worthy, Lord, To share this heav'nly food. (R)

3. Is not the cup we bless and share, The Blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare, Our oneness in the Lord? (R)

4. The my'stry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain, Comes in our hearts to dwell. (R)

5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; Then selfless let us be, To serve each other in your name, In truth and charity. (R)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Psalm 81:17

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

#### Genesis 14:18-20

In those days, Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine, and being a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram with these words: "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, the creator of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who delivered your foes into your hand." Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

### Responsorial Psalm

#### Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4

R. You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

### Second Reading

#### 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Brothers and sisters: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

### Sequence (short form) Lauda Sion Lo!

The angel's food is given To the pilgrim who has striven; See the children's bread from heaven, Which on dogs may not be spent. Truth the ancient types fulfilling, Isaac bound, a victim willing, Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling, Manna to the fathers sent. Very bread, good shepherd, tend us, Jesu, of your love befriend us, You refresh us, you defend us, Your eternal goodness send us In the land of life to see. You who all things can and know, Who on earth such food bestow, Grant us with your saints, though lowest, Where the heav'nly feast you show, Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen. Alleluia.

### Gospel Acclamation

#### John 6:51

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. (R)

**Gospel****John 9:11b-17**

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to the disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.

**HOMILY****PROFESSION OF FAITH****THE NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist****Presentation and Preparation of Gifts****HYMN: BREAD OF ANGELS #349**

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1. Bread of angels, we receive you;  
with us now abide.  
Precious Jesus, manna of ages,  
with us now reside.  
Panis angelicus fit panis hominum,  
Dat panis caelicus figuris terminum.
2. Cup of Mercy overflowing,  
fill us with your grace;  
Cup of passion, O Son begotten,  
we flee to your embrace.  
Ores mirabilis manducat Dominum,  
Pauper, Pauper, servus, et humilis.
3. Word incarnate, dwell within us;  
pierce our hardened hearts.  
Tender Jesus, Love so gentle,  
never let us part.  
Te, trina Deitas unaque, poscimus,  
Sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus.
4. Though unworthy, we receive you,  
sacrament divine.  
Bread of angels, accept our praises,  
let your glory shine!  
Per tuas semi duc nos quo tendimus,  
lucem, Ad lucem quam inhabitas.

**Prayer over the Offerings****The Eucharistic Prayer****HOLY HOLY****MYSTERY OF FAITH**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.  
AMEN

**RITE OF PEACE****THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**LAMB OF GOD**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

**Communion Rite****COMMUNION ANTIPHON John 6:27**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**COMMUNION HYMN: THE SUPPER OF THE**

**LORD** #348 (Text and music © 1994, 2012, Laurence Rosania. Published by OCP. Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-621383. All rights reserved.)

REFRAIN: Precious body, precious blood,  
seen as bread and wine;  
here the Lord prepares the feast divine.  
Bread of love is broken now,  
cup of life is poured: come,  
share the supper of the Lord.

vs. 1 This is the bread of God  
coming down from heaven,  
giving life to us, to all the world. (R)

vs. 2 I am the living spring of eternal life;  
you that drink from me shall not thirst again. (R)

vs. 3 I am the bread of heaven giving life to you;  
you that eat this bread shall never die. (R)

vs. 4 All those who feed on have their life in me,  
as I have my life in the living God. (R)

vs. 5 All praise to you, O Christ, present in this  
feast; in this bread, we share in one life, one  
Lord. (R)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION****THE CONCLUDING RITES****Final Blessing and Dismissal****RECESSIONAL HYMN: I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE #326** (verses 1,2,5)

1. I am the Bread of Life You who come to me shall  
not hunger; And who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

REFRAIN: And I will raise you up, and I will raise  
you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life  
of the world, and if you eat of this bread,  
You shall live forever, you shall live forever. (R)

5. Yes, Lord, we believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God, who has come \_ into the world. (R)



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