Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church

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Mass & Sacraments

Sunday Masses: 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 6:30 pm *(This Mass is often in the Extraordinary Form (Latin Mass))*

Weekday Masses
Monday through Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday Evening Mass: 6:30 pm

Saturday Masses 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursdays 7-8 pm
(with reception for young adults after, hosted by Spirit and Truth St. Louis)

Sacrament of Penance:
Saturday, 7:30-7:50 am
Sundays, 10-10:20 am & 6-6:20 pm
Tuesdays, 6-6:20 pm OR by appointment

Baptisms: Contact the parish office to Register.

Marriages: Contact the priest at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

Funerals: To be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.

Change of Address or Telephone Number: Please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: 4:00 pm Monday.

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. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

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The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ
June 19, 2022

Phone: 314-781-1199

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL

Chant for Beginners -Would you be interested in a workshop on the history and some of the basics of chant? We're considering offering a single-evening event in the early fall for parishioners and singers of all ages. Before scheduling it, though, and sorting out more specifics I'm wondering how many people, generally speaking, might be interested. Please just let me know after Mass so I can have an idea of whether we have a good enough sized group.

Mass on July 4 will be at 8 am.

Corpus Christi will be celebrated with a procession on June 19 at the 10:30 am Mass. If you would like to attend Corpus Christi on Thursday (the original date before it started being transferred), please see the option below. Note that the Sunday 6:30pm Mass on Jun 19 is *not* Corpus Christi but will be a normal Sunday after Pentecost Mass.

Children's summer camp. Every year we have a chant camp for the parish children – age 5 through high school. They learn to sing parts of the Mass. We also have tons of fun with games, snacks, etc. If you've never participated, I highly recommend it. Most families return year after year and the camp is open to non-parishioners, too. Registration and more info is here - https://epiphanystl.org/choir-camp

Communion Ministers for home visits. We're updating our list of volunteers as extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion for our homebound. John and Kay Gundy are going to be organizing the list and will, in the future, assign ministers. If you currently visiting someone, please let them know so our information is accurate. If you would like to start volunteering, you can also email them. Once we know who are ministers are going forward, I think we'll have a brief meeting to be we're all on the same page. Thank you!
Email John Gundy at johngundy@sbcglobal.net

The solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart is this Friday June 24. I'll offer a TLM that evening at 7 pm.

Sacramental Prep for next year Now that the PSR year is over, planning for next year already begins. *If you are a home-school family and have a child who is going to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year, please let me know as soon as possible* so I can either put your confirmation time on my calendar and/or get you a spot reserved with our group at the Cathedral.

Here's the text of the Marian Hymn after Mass

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae,
vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra salve.
Ad te clamamus, exules filii Evae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes,
in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia ergo, advocate nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos,
ad nos converte.
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.

Hail holy Queen, mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy towards us,
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.O clement, o loving, o sweet Virgin Mary.

Fr. Michael

Stewardship... *"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." Luke 9:17*

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

ProLife June 19th "Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the irreplaceable role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!" Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux "Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Sacred Vessels

Have you ever paid attention to the purification of the sacred vessels after Holy Communion? If you haven't, I highly recommend doing so this Sunday. See the care with which the priest handles the chalice and the paten, pouring water into them to cleanse any loose particles of the Body and Blood of Christ. Observe the loving reverence he uses in wiping them dry with a special purificator. It's a ritual unto itself, and a powerful moment for reflection.

These vessels begin as earthly objects. They are made by human hands. There is nothing special about them — not until they go about the work for which they have been created. Until they contain the Body and Blood of Christ, they are only ordinary objects. But after they have carried within them the Eucharist, they are never the same. They will always be special and deserving of special care.

That's why partaking of the Eucharist is, for us, an evangelical undertaking. It is both a transformation and a declaration. When we accept this tremendous gift, we are proclaiming what we believe, and we are accepting the grace to follow through on that commitment.

When we are receiving the Eucharist, it is not possible for us to be passive. We become the vessel. We carry Christ into the world with us.

But do we act like it? Do we treat ourselves — our bodies, our souls — with the same respect as the priest cleansing the chalice? Do we treat one another with the reverence we would reserve for a sacred object? When we look at another person with anger or irritation or envy, do we acknowledge the change that we have willingly undergone by receiving Christ's Body and Blood into ourselves?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

If one's gift or talent is making money, and one uses that money for honorable purposes, is it considered a spiritual gift? What does our faith teach us about wealth and stewardship?

Answer:

Jesus said it best: to whom much is given, much is expected. All gifts come from God, and our abilities are given to us to be used for the benefit of ourselves and of others and at the service of the Gospel. In an article entitled "The Many Faces of Stewardship," Catherine Doherty wrote about stewardship in the "nitty-gritty everydayness of my life," and about the currency or "money" of spiritual stewardship: love, understanding, and unselfishness.

For a gift to have a spiritual benefit, our intention and involvement would be part of the consideration. If I give money to a charity, but do so in order to gain a tax advantage, it could hardly be a virtuous thing on my part. But if I give because I want to help and, in fact, am even willing to get involved, I have committed myself in a deeper, more meaningful way. Regardless of our money-making talents, in the end, true stewardship comes down to how well we practice the virtues of faith, hope, and love within our life and with those in our community and church. Ultimately, the most important element in stewardship is not intangible—it's you!

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SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022 | THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday, June 19 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
8:00 am Thomas O'Reilly
10:30 am Parishioners
6:30 pm Catherine Coursey

Monday, June 20
8:00 am Joseph F & Kathryn H Darpel

Tuesday, June 21
8:00 am Gary Lee
6:30 pm Angie Sims (***Good Health***)

Wednesday, June 22
8:00 am Arthur Lee Ennis

Thursday, June 23
8:00 am Joan Huelsmann

Friday, June 24
8:00 am Enrollees & Benefactors of Epiphany Memorial Fund
7:00 pm Mary Grace Quinlan

Saturday, June 25
8:00 am Don Yorker
4:00 pm Mary Coleman

Sunday, June 26
8:00 am William & Mildred O'Reilly
10:30 am Parishioners
6:30 pm Bob Calloway

Please Pray For the Homebound & Sick Of Our Parish

Michelle Hartzall Judy Hof Kay Gundy

Jim Janis All Coronavirus Patients

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

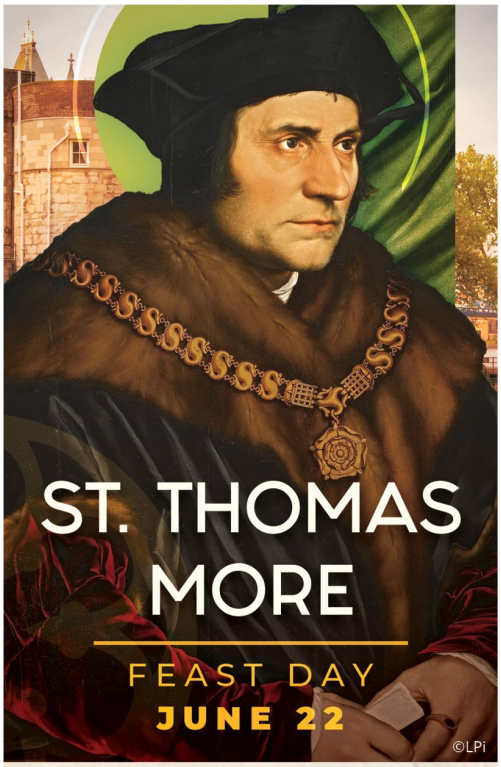
Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

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

Annual Love and Life Mass

You are invited to enjoy an afternoon of faith, fellowship and fun in celebration of the 54th anniversary of the release of Humanae Vitae. Join families from around the St. Louis area for this anticipated annual event sponsored by the Archdiocese of St. Louis Office of Natural Family Planning. Mass followed by a Food Truck Picnic at the playground. Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 11:30 am. (Sunday Mass), Archbishop T. Mitchell Rozanski, Celebrant, St. Mary Magdalen Church,2618 S Brentwood Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63144 RSVP bit.ly/NFP-LL-2022. RSVP is appreciated, but not required to attend. For more info: 314.997.7576 or stlnfp@archstl.org



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Sir Thomas More was a humanist and statesman in Tudor England. He is still widely known today as the author of Utopia. More was a prolific writer and theologian. A true martyr of the Church, he was beatified by Pope Leo XIII in 1886, and canonized by Pope Pius XI on May 19, 1935.

More was born in London in 1478, the son of Sir John More, a lawyer and judge. He attended Oxford where he studied Latin and Greek, as well as formal logic. He left Oxford in 1494 to train as a lawyer in London. After attaining the Bar, he spent time discerning a call to the priesthood. Though attracted to the Franciscan order More remained a lay Christian, continuing to fast, pray, and wear a hair shirt. He was married twice, the loving father of three daughters, a stepdaughter by his second marriage, and one son. More wrote many letters to his children when he was away on business and his daughters were known for their academic abilities, as they received the same education as his son, an anomaly at the time.

More rose to the Privy Council in 1514. He became the good friend and advisor to Henry VIII, and in 1521 he was knighted. In 1529 he was made Lord Chancellor of England. However, this appointment was the beginning of the end for the saint. He could not support the break with the Church in Rome when Henry failed to receive from the Pope the annulment of his first marriage to Katherine of Aragon to wed Anne Boleyn. More resigned as Lord Chancellor and continued to refuse to accept Henry as the head of the Church in England. Eventually he was imprisoned, tried, and sentenced to a traitor's death, to be hanged, drawn, and quartered. Henry commuted the sentence of his former friend to the more humane beheading. More was executed at Tower Hill, on July 6, 1535, before his death he famously proclaimed that he was "the king's good servant, but God's first."

Our Volunteers Are Valuable…

We have always known that the many parishioners who volunteer to serve in our various parish organizations and ministries are most valuable. Now we have confirmation. Based on the average hourly wage, experts currently estimate that one hour of volunteer time is worth $17.55. However, to us your volunteer time is ***invaluable.*** Through the gifts of time and talent that our parishioners so generously share we are able to truly be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ here in Epiphany. Many thanks to all those faithful and generous stewards who volunteer in our parish! Your time is worth everything to us!

A Thought from St. Teresa of Avila
"Christ has no body now
on earth, but yours;
no hands but yours;
no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which
He is to go about doing good;
yours are the hands
with which He is
to bless people now."

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

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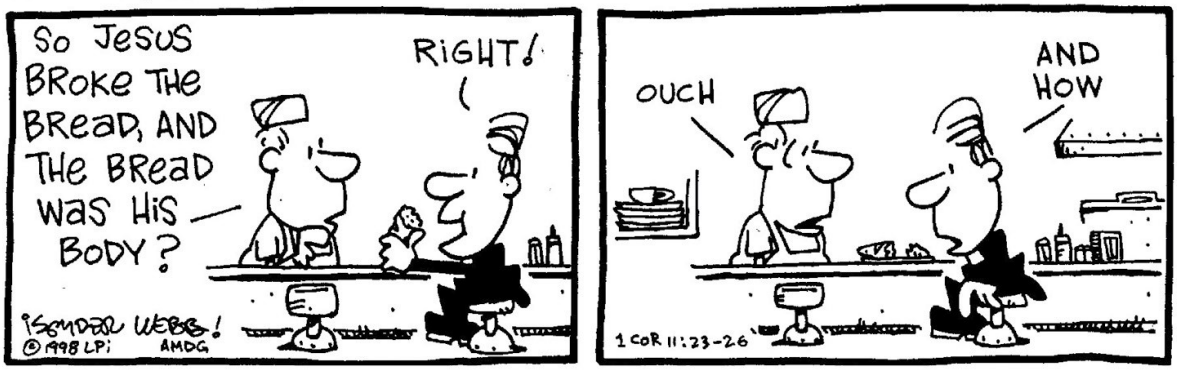


READ THE GOSPEL AND COMLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Jesus told his friends to give a whole crowd of people something to eat. All they had was a little fish and bread. How could they possibly feed all those people with so little food? God gave them what they needed to help other people. When you want to help other people, trust God to give you what you need.

PRAYER

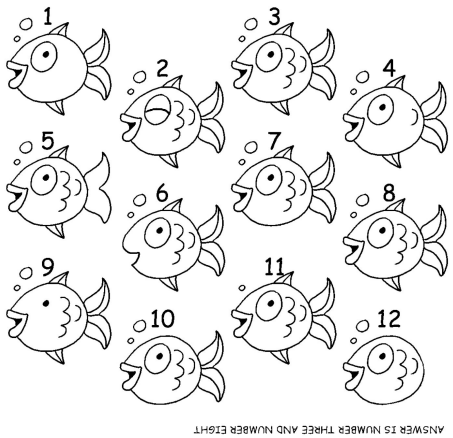
Dear God, with your power I can really help other people.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

If God has blessed your family with plenty of food to eat, make sure you also give food to people who are hungry.

KIDS CORNER

Find the identical fish!



ANSWER IS NUMBER THREE AND NUMBER EIGHT