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JUNE 6, 2021 – THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

May 30th Offertory ~ \$2103.00
Cemetery ~ \$1475.00
Communications and Education ~ \$25.00

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Nominations for Pastoral Council** are being held today. Council members serve 3-year terms and are eligible to serve 2 terms. Amanda Spalding's 2nd term expires in June, and she is not eligible for re-election. Lee Anderson's 1st term also expires in June, but he is eligible for re-election and has agreed to serve his 2nd term if reelected. Six parishioners will be nominated to be on the election ballot and two will be elected. Elections will be held next Sunday, June 13th.
- **Swinkey Days for Kids** will be held Monday-Wednesday, July 12-14th for students in grades pre-kindergarten (age 4) and up. For more information and to register online, visit <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/parish-life/swinkey-days/>.
- **The Swinkey Picnic** will be held on Sunday, July 18th. Mark your calendars and start saving those quarters.
- **The next Pastoral Council meeting** will be Tuesday, June 8th at 7:00 PM in the gym.
- **The next Finance Committee meeting** will be Thursday, July 8th at 6:00 PM at Holy Rosary's parish office.
- **A Weekly Rosary** is prayed each Monday at 12:00 PM at St. Stephen. All are welcome to join and share their intentions, both spoken and unspoken.
- **Live Streaming of Mass:** The weekend Masses at Holy Rosary and St. Stephen can be viewed on Fr. Greg's Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/frgregolig>.

~ K OF C NEWS ~

- **The July KC meeting** will be held Thursday, July 1st with the rosary at 7:00 PM, followed by the meeting. All are welcome to join with the Knights praying the rosary.
- **Degree Ceremony:** Practicing Catholic men ages 17.5 and older are invited to join the St. Stephen Knights of Columbus Council by attending *Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity* on Sunday, June 13th at Holy Rosary Church. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 AM followed by registration at 10:30. The Degree Ceremony will be held from 11:00 AM to 11:40 AM followed by lunch at the KC Hall. All are welcome. Families are encouraged to attend the ceremony.
- **A Fraternal Benefits Seminar** will be held at the Swinkey Gym on Thursday, June 17th to explore insurance and investment products offered by the Knights of Columbus. A meal will be served at 6:30 PM and the informational seminar will begin at 7:00 PM. You do not have to be a member. All are invited to come see what the Knights have to offer.

~ HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL FUNDRAISER ~

The 15th annual Holy Rosary School Fundraiser will be held Saturday, July 17th. The 7th annual 5K Run/Walk will kick off the festivities at 7:00 AM. The 4 Person Scramble Golf Tournament at Mosswood Meadows will begin at 9:30 AM. For more information on the 5K, contact Mark Yager at 573-719-6403. For more information on the golf tournament, contact Aaron Benson at 573-231-1132.

~ MASS AT MONROE CITY MANOR ~

Mass will be held at the nursing home on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the Month at 9:30 AM starting June 8th. There will be no 7:30 AM Mass on these days. The public is once again welcome to join the residents for Mass at the nursing home.

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday 6/6	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary
	Holy Rosary*	9:30 AM	Adam & Tessa Oswald Family
Monday 6/7			No Scripture Service
Tuesday 6/8	MC Manor	9:30 AM	Rita Jo Kendrick
Wednesday 6/9	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Nick Hays
Thursday 6/10	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
Friday 6/11	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Doris Neyens
Saturday 6/12	Holy Rosary*	5:30 PM	Joe Maher
Sunday 6/13	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Jack Quinn, Ceil Kendrick
	Holy Rosary*	9:30 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary

*Masses can be viewed on Facebook @ "Greg Oligschlaeger"

RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary
7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen
Or by appointment 735-4718

~ PASTOR'S NOTES ~

Dear Parishioners,

Reverence is one of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Last Sunday's celebration of Trinity Sunday reminds us to bow in reverence to the awesome power and gracious love of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Today's Solemnity, The Body & Blood of Christ, requires of us an even greater awareness of the need for reverence to God and reverence to all God has created. It is my opinion that we are less reverent in Church because our American society has lost a sense of manners and etiquette which is a basic reverence for all people.

For whatever reason, senior citizens, teachers, and people in authority are made fun of today rather than respected and honored. We talk about our President and Bishops as if they are just another man rather than respecting the office they hold. "Please" and "thank you" are becoming less used. It is difficult to get someone to offer a greeting in business, at school, or at a casual meeting on the street. Is there such a thing as phone etiquette anymore?

"Sir", "Miss" or "Madame" are titles now dubbed old-fashioned and few youth or young adults wish to be referred to as a 'Lady' or a 'Gentleman'. Familiarity is sought after, so we call everyone by their first name or a nickname to show they are no better than us. Casual is the preferred dress and to "dress up" is felt to be a great burden.

It is no wonder that our society has trouble with Reverence. And yet when we enter our church - we stand in the presence of God. When we come to Holy Communion, we hold our God on our tongue or in our hand and we are not worthy to do so; and yet this is how God wants to be with us. This Solemnity of Corpus Christi reminds us that we need to avoid the temptation to become too familiar with God and thus take God for granted. We need to resist "getting in the habit" of receiving Him or being with Him so that it is no longer a special, holy and awesome encounter. As you come to Communion today, take your time, bow your head and approach your God. Truly receive him!

As you leave Church today, remember to genuflect. Our God is an awesome God!

Prayers and Blessings,

Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger



*Do this in
Remembrance
of Me*

1 COR 11: 23-26

~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

Father, we lift up those today that are fighting disease and ailments, whether in mind or body. When they want to give up, give them fresh strength and courage. Comfort them in times of pain, give them peace in times of fear and bless them with your healing touch. Come Lord Jesus!

Table with 4 columns of names: Richard Elliott, John Kendrick, Hazel Smith, Deanna Buckman, Mark Leake, Connie Kendrick, Harold Adam, Rusty Adam, Trent Zeiger, Sue Gilbert, Jackie Ryan, Kenneth Ryan, Nick Mudd, Frankie Maddox, Regina Hays, Dcn. Mike Long, Natalee Amos, Logan Maher, Bonnie Ess, Tim Quinn, Daniel Patrick Mudd, Teresa Ritter Toland, Rosemary Evans, William P. Smith, Barbara Kendrick, Michael Kellerman

For all who are ill, especially those who are awaiting surgery or seriously ill, and for their caregivers and for those who have died, we pray to the Lord.

~ JUNE PRAYER INTENTIONS ~

Intention of Pope Francis: "Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience."

Intention of Bishop McKnight: "In this year of St. Joseph, husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus, may we grow in our appreciation for the importance of the vocation of fatherhood for the benefit of society and the Church."

~ FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD ALONG WITH DONNA ~

Catholic Summer Camp at Camp Jo-Ota in Clarence, MO is July 26 through August 1. https://www.campjo-ota.org/catholic-summer-camps.html check out the website to register children PreK through 12th grade. Please see the website for days and times for specific age groups. Registration is open now through July 1 - Register your child today!

FORMED.org - We celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi this Sunday. FORMED Now has a Sacred Art series and this episode discusses different pieces of Sacred Art that focus on Corpus Christi. There is an interesting story behind the art and I learned some fascinating details from this episode. It is less than 20 minutes in length. https://watch.formed.org/formed-now-1/season:1/videos/sacred-art-corpus-christi

To see FORMED Pick of the Week visit Holy Rosary and St. Stephen's Websites, look under Parish Life tab for Faith Formation. https://holyrosety.diojeffcity.org/ or https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.

~ PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL ~

Please contact Phyllis Campbell at 573-795-2290 if you can fill one of the following open hours or are willing to sign up as a substitute.

Table with 2 columns: Day and Time. Sunday: 2-3pm, Monday: 7-8am, 3-4pm, 6-7pm, Tuesday: 1-2am, 2-3am, Wednesday: 1-2am, 2-3am, 9-10pm, Thursday: 3-4am, Friday: 12-1pm, 8-9pm, 9-10pm, 10-11pm, Saturday: 7-8am, 8-9am

~ FR. JOHN GRONER'S 50TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY ~

Reverend Father John Groner will celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Ordination on June 27th with a 3:00 PM Mass and a catered dinner to follow in the St. Robert Bellarmine Fellowship Hall at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in St. Robert, MO. Please RSVP by June 20th with the number attending to FrJohn650@gmail.com.

~ PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ~

Extra copies of the St. Stephen and Holy Rosary pictorial directories are available to purchase for \$10 at the Holy Rosary Rectory. All those who had their pictures taken for the directory received one free copy.

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

- June 6 - Fr. Mike Quinn's Golden Jubilee 3:00 PM Mass
June 8 - Mass at the Nursing Home 9:30 AM
June 8 - Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM
June 13 - KC 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremony 11:00 AM
June 17 - KC Fraternal Benefits Seminar 6:30 PM
June 22 - Mass at the Nursing Home 9:30 AM

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JUNE 13, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Reading: Isaiah 61:9-11: I rejoice heartily in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd: "My heart exults in the Lord, my savior."

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12: God chose us in Christ, before the world began.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-51: His mother kept all these things in her heart

Liturgical Assignments

June 6 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Table with 2 columns: Role and Name. Sacristan: Dan Adam, Greeter: Steve Yates, Rosary: Kaye Spalding, Music: Debby Quinn & Jan Adam, Song Leader: Julienne Burns & Chloe Puro, Servers: Tyler Hays & Jacob Anderson, Cross Bearer: Danny Sims, Lector: Carol Hagan, Offertory: Lee & Kathy Anderson, Communion Ministers: Doug Orf, Marie Puro, Nancy Shively, Mary Sims & Kathy Anderson, Counters: Danny Sims & Kathy Spurgeon

June 13 - Immaculate Heart of Mary (Diocesan Patroness Feast Day)

Table with 2 columns: Role and Name. Sacristan: Doug & Julie Orf, Greeter: Chuck Wunsch, Rosary: Katie Underhill, Music: Debby Quinn & Jan Adam, Song Leader: Beth Whelan, Servers: Avrie Hays & Anna Lemongelli, Cross Bearer: Dan Adam, Lector: Judy Irons, Offertory: Matt & Renee Anderson, Communion Ministers: Kaye Spalding, Peggy Spalding, Kay Turnbull, Phil Whelan & Mark Leake, Counters: Danny Sims & Steve Yates

June 20 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Table with 2 columns: Role and Name. Sacristan: Kathy Anderson, Greeter: Tom & Susan Winking, Rosary: Madeline Williams, Music: Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns, Song Leader: Judy Irons, Servers: Maddie Gares & Annie Willingham, Cross Bearer: Darin Underhill, Lector: Julie Hays, Offertory: Dan & Carol Bichsel, Communion Ministers: Dwayne & Madeline Williams, Lee & Kathy Anderson & Deanna Buckman, Counters: Danny Sims & Dan Adam

Ushers for June

Albert Miles, Neal Minor, Tyson Mulvaney, Tyler Mudd

Pastoral Council Members: Chair., Amanda Spalding; V. Chair., Doug Orf; Sec'y, Carol Hagan; Members: Lee Anderson, Eric Keller and Danny Sims.

Finance Committee: Monica Otto-Lloyd, Chair.; Tom Hagan, Sec'y; Phil Whelan, Susan Winking

K of Cs: Grand Knight: Ed Bom; Deputy Grand Knight, Kevin Long; Recording Secretary, Michael Maher; Financial Secretary, Shane Spalding

Altar Society Officers: Pres., Lynn Ogle, Treas., Julie Hays

Cemetery Committee: Pres., Joe Puro; Treas., Marie Puro; Dwayne Williams, Matt Hays, Shane Spalding, Dan Buckman

The History of the Feast of Corpus Christi

The Feast of Corpus Christi dates to the Middle Ages and originated with a visionary nun and a Eucharistic Miracle. St. Juliana of Liege (1193-1258) first suggested and advocated a special feast in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. At age 16, she began having mystical visions: it was as if the full moon appeared to her in brilliant light, while a part of its disc remained black and lightless. Finally, in a vision, Christ showed her the meaning. The moon represented the ecclesiastical year; the black spot indicated the lack of a festival in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. She was to announce to the authorities of the Church that God wished such a feast to be established. Then in 1263, a German priest, Fr. Peter of Prague, made a pilgrimage to Rome. He stopped in Bolsena, Italy, to celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Christina. At the time, he was having doubts about Jesus being truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. In response to his doubt, when he recited the prayer of Consecration, blood started seeping from the consecrated host and onto the altar and corporal. Fr. Peter reported this miracle to Pope Urban IV who sent delegates to investigate and ordered that host and blood-stained corporal be brought to him in Orvieto. The relics were then placed in the Cathedral of Orvieto, where they remain today. Pope Urban instituted Corpus Christi for the Universal Church and celebrated it for the first time in Orvieto in 1264, a year after the Eucharistic Miracle in Bolsena and 6 years after the death of Sr. Juliana.