

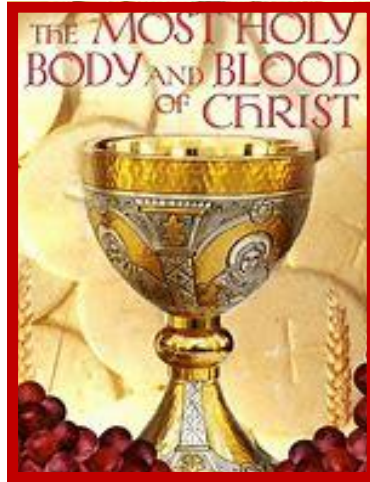


St. Benedict Catholic Church

June 19, 2022

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Eat and Drink



Bread and wine, the basics for most Mediterranean diets, are featured in the readings for this feast. They were the gifts that were offered to God Most High by the priest-king Melchizedek, as stated in Genesis. Since these gifts represent the staples of life, such a sacrifice was offered because it symbolized the offering of life itself. Who was this mysterious man who blessed Abram when Abram usually blessed others? We have no answer. This theme of bread and wine shifts a bit in the Gospel passage. There the meal consisted of bread and fish, traditional fare of fisher folk. Hence, this meal also symbolized life. We stand open-mouthed when we realize the multitude of people who were fed on such a sparse amount of food. How could this happen? Mystery abounds! In the first reading the essence of life is offered to God. In the Gospel the essence of life is offered to the people. It is in Paul's letter that we find the high point of the readings and of the feast itself. There Paul proclaims what was probably one of the earliest eucharistic formulas of the early Church. It ends with an admonition from Christ himself: "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:24). Here the bread and wine that was first offered to God, and then offered to the people, is the very Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This remembrance of his death is really a celebration of life. The mystery here is incomprehensible

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For Reflection

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☼ *In what ways is your life dependent on food from God?*

☼ *Spend a few minutes reflecting on the mystery of the Eucharist.*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: ...Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine... **Gn 14:18-20**

Psalm: You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek. **Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4**

Second Reading: "Do this in remembrance of me." **1 Cor 11:23-26**

Gospel: ...taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them... they all ate and were satisfied. **Lk 9:11b-17**

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ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

***IF YOU ARE FEELING ILL OR HAVE OUTWARD SYMPTOMS PLEASE STAY HOME! ***

MASKS ARE NOW OPTIONAL.

Safe distance is no longer required in Church or in meeting places. Food can be shared only if served by designated persons wearing masks or if individually pre-packaged.

Exposed (close contact) to COVID-19 is defined as being within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (regardless of mask use).

SACRAMENTS

Funerals may now take place again in St. Benedict Hall Chapel according to the same guidelines as weekend Masses, i.e. following all health and safety precautions. Please contact the office for most current guidelines.

Baptisms may take place according to the same guidelines as weekend Masses. They will be done in such a way that the same water is not poured on more than one person or stored in the font after use.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

At this time Father Sieg is available for Confessions by appointment, observing all proper precautions. Call the office 328-2227.

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospitalized

Call the office to arrange for a visit from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

A WORD FROM Pope Francis

This is the path of ecumenism. Not only the path of doctrine, that comes last....But let us start to walk together.

With good will, we can do this. We must do this. Nowadays ecumenism means moving forward together, praying for one another. Let the theologians continue to talk to each other, to study together.

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A Prayer and Blessing for Fathers

God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We pray for all the fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers and grandfathers who are no longer with us, but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. May the Almighty Father bless them all! Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK -ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

1568-1591

Feast Day June 21st



In early years Jesuits went on their missionary journeys singly. There was little "community" identity. To bring them closer together they were required to write letters to their superiors on a regular basis, telling about their work and experiences. The letters were instructing and inspiring.

They became known as 'Jesuit Relations' and were even published and distributed outside the Order. One of these letters, from India, inspired Aloysius Gonzaga to become a Jesuit. Called Luigi, he was born into a large aristocratic family, the oldest of seven children. He loathed the shallow existence of the people he was surrounded by. After receiving First Communion at age 12, he came to know the future St. Charles Borromeo, Jesuit, who later became his confessor and spiritual director. He soon entered the Jesuit novitiate against his family's wishes. He went to Rome for his studies and there worked with those of lesser status and education. Although he was disgusted by their conditions he volunteered to take those with the plague to the Jesuit hospital. His own physical limitations finally prevented him from continuing this Corporal Work of Mercy. He still returned to work with those stricken by the plague until he contracted the disease himself from a patient he was personally caring for and he died on June 21, 1591 at age 23. He had gained a reputation for purity, prayerfulness and quiet suffering so there were calls for his sainthood almost immediately. He was beatified 14 years later and canonized in 1726. He had accomplished no great feats but he died young, holy and greatly respected.

PRAYER

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



Mary's purity, her virginity, her tender ways, her sweet manner, her love, and even the very features of her heavenly face---all these we find in Jesus; for the most holy humanity assumed by the Word is wholly and only Mary's humanity, on account of the great mystery of the virginal Conception accomplished by the Holy Spirit, Who made Mary Jesus' Mother, while consecrating her as a Virgin that would be forever undefiled and glorious in soul and body.

Excerpt from *Jesus Our Eucharistic Love* by Fr. Stefano Manelli, OFM Conv.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

O Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we come to You for our very sick family members and friends. Lord, You who are our dearest Comforter, please reduce their sorrows and pains with Your gentle love. Grant them, Lord, the grace and strength to bear their burden of illness. We place all our worries in Your mighty hands. We ask that You restore Your servants to good health, and above all, grant us and them the grace to acknowledge Your Holy Will. Help them to know that whatever You do, You do for the all. Amen.

**FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH,
KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS...**

Carol Crusat, Lorin Valenzuela, Henry Borges, Ken Norin, Jim Shrewsbury, Declan Garner, Emily Griego, Jeanette Laris, Finnan Sambursky, Gwen McKinney, Rafael Ramirez, Tamo Wong, Jeffrey Crusat, Robin Crusat, Cheryl Ono, Michelle Paopao-Skillern, William Anderson, Linda Adkins, Gloria Grapa, Mary Bunao, Tamayo Hanato, Caroline Smith, Hilda Sebastian, Dorothy Kelepolo, Lionel Gaspar, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Charles & DeeDee Tripoli, Linda Laskow, Keiki San Filippo, Dottie Combs. * Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

Let us pray...
*for the willingness to
make present in our
world the love of
Christ shown to us in
the Eucharist,
Lord Jesus Christ,
we worship you
living among us
in the sacrament of
your body and blood.
May we offer to our
Father in heaven
a solemn pledge
of undivided love.
May we offer to our
brothers and sisters
a life poured out in
loving service of
that kingdom
where you live
with the Father and
the Holy Spirit
God
forever and ever.*

*Thank God...
for the gift of Jesus
in the Eucharist!*

CALENDAR

Monday JUNE 20
Weekday 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday JUNE 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday JUNE 22
Weekday 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3 Mt 7:15-20

Thursday JUNE 23 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday JUNE 24 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Ez 34:11-16 Rom 5:5b-11 Lk 15:3-7

Saturday JUNE 25 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Lk 2:41-51

Sunday JUNE 26 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21 Gal 5:1, 13-18 Lk 9:51-62

"Take, read; take, read; I took, I opened, I read in silence; it was as though the darkness of all my doubting was driven away by the light of peace which had entered my soul."

-Saint Augustine of Hippo



The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ

Corpus Christi

June 19, 2022

Treasure Hunt

1. Although *Corpus Christi* is celebrated on the Sunday following T _____ S _____, officially it is commemorated on the _____ [WEEKDAY] before this Sunday.
2. According to Church teaching, **when** (*precisely*) during the mass does bread and wine become the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ?
3. **Who** is the little-known saint responsible for the establishment of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi?
4. **T/F:** The **purpose** of the commemoration of Corpus Christi is to retell the events of Holy Thursday.
5. **Who** is the saint sometimes called "*The Poet of Corpus Christi*?" **Why** did he earn this name?

Bonus: Known as *The Miracle of Bolsena* (Italy), what happened when a visiting priest from Prague had doubts about the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist?

Answers to last week's Treasure
The Most Holy Trinity

1- Mystery of Faith, revealed; 2- Baptism; 3- Holy Spirit; 4- they were devastated by what Jesus had already told them and their "understanding" (and faith) were not yet fully open; 5- what, hears, coming. **Bonus:** Zero (0)



To ALL the Dads, GrandDads, Step-Dads, Hānai Dads Foster Dads, and anyone who has been there, or helped fill-in, in the life of a child.

God Bless You!

Dear Padre,

Don't we discriminate against other Christians when we don't celebrate the Eucharist with them?

You must keep the Church's intentions in mind: Are we excluding to make people feel left out, or are we excluding to uphold the dignity and sanctity of the Eucharist? Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Eucharist—there's only one part they can't participate in. That might sound like a cop-out, but Catholics believe that the Eucharist is the actual Body and Blood of Christ. For it to be true communion, everyone who receives it must believe the same thing about it. In its "Guidelines for the Reception of Communion," the US Conference of Catholic Bishops says, "Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of...the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission" as outlined in "canon law....All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another."

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SERVICE

ST. BENEDICT FOOD PANTRY

The regular St. Benedict Food Pantry schedule continues to be the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 9 am to 10 am.

Next open on Friday, June 24, 2022.

SHARE YOUR HARVEST WITH OUR VISITORS

If your harvest is bountiful, please bring a portion to St. Benedict Gift Shop where we offer it to visitors as part of their "aloha experience" at the Painted Church.

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!

Mahalo, James Morton, for your continuing good stewardship in assisting with many repairs

This body of Christ
Is what we receive
And what we are
And what we believe.