

St Benedict Parish

St. John the Baptist Church

June 2026

The Solemnity **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
GN 14:18-20; PS 110:1, 2, 3, 4; 1 COR 11:23-26; LK 9:11b-17

DEAR PADRE

What is the significance of the Holy Eucharist in our lives as Christians? The Mass should be understood as the celebration of our union—our communion—with Christ and his Church, which is the body of Christ. The Mass presumes participants have an existing personal relationship with Christ. We were united to Christ through baptism. We have received his Holy Spirit, empowering us to carry out Christ’s threefold mission: the prophetic mission of announcing his message and denouncing sin; the priestly mission expressed in a life of prayer, self-sacrifice, and participation in the liturgy; and the kingly/servant mission expressed in service to God and neighbor.



For the Eucharist to be meaningful, we must first experience a personal encounter with Christ—one that leads to personal conversion and a decision to live as disciples in community. Indeed, the Eucharist both celebrates and deepens our communion with Christ. The Eucharist also deepens our communion with fellow believers. “The Eucharist’s particular effectiveness in promoting communion is one of the reasons for the importance of Sunday Mass,” wrote Pope St. John Paul II in *On the Eucharist in Its Relationship to the Church (Ecclesia de Eucharistia)*, 41. Without this loving, sharing community, the Mass becomes empty. Whenever we attend Mass and receive holy Communion, we should ask ourselves: Are we really in communion with Jesus and the body of Christ, his Christian com-



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Tuesday-Friday 7 am

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Saturday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m. Confession: Sat. 9-11 a.m.

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Monday June 8

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:1-6 Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday June 9

Weekday 1 Kgs 17:7-16 Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday June 10

Weekday

1 Kgs 18:20-39 Mt 5:17-19

Thursday June 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 Mt 5:20-26

Friday June 12

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Dt 7:6-11 1 Jn 4:7-16 Mt 11:25-30

Saturday June 13

Weekday 1 Kgs 19:19-21 Mt 5:33-37

Sunday June 14

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 19:2-6a Rom 5:6-11 Mt 9:36-10:8

Stewardship of Treasure Mahalo for your generosity!

May 30-31, 2026

Collection	\$ 1900.00
Immaculate Con.	50.00
Maintenance	0
Food Pantry	50.00
Total	\$2000.00

Attendance

St. John	92	16
St. Benedict	69	3
	161	19

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FOR STRENGTH,
PEACE AND HEALING,
MERCIFUL GOD,
HEAR OUR PRAYERS.

- *Linda Alcain
- *Terrance Terada
- *Hano Grace
- *Craig Camello
- *Pam Shultise
- *Merla Kline
- *Earl Adkins
- *Paul Ruskey
- *Carla Vonderahe
- *Mahina Kaupiko
- *John Sanchis
- *Kamala Galletes
- *Miriam Janczak
- *Joevelyn Delas Reyes
- *Gwen Menchaca
- *Deb Reed
- *Gloria Grapa
- *William Anderson
- *Elizabeth Awa
- *Johnny Koene
- * Friends & Family

Food Pantry
June 12, 2026
9:00-10:00

Sitting together for a meal can generate a special feeling of togetherness. Each of us will have our own memories of table companionship or fellowship. Jesus continues to give himself as food and drink to his followers. He also continues to put it up to his followers to take their stand with him, to take in all he stands for, living by his values, walking in his way, even if that means the cross. Whenever we come to Mass and receive the Eucharist, we are making a number of important statements. We are acknowledging Jesus as our bread of life, as the one who alone can satisfy our deepest hungers. We are also declaring that we will throw in our lot with him, as it were, that we will follow in his way and be faithful to him all our lives, in response to his faithfulness to us. In that sense, celebrating the Eucharist is not something we do lightly. Our familiarity with the Mass and the frequency with which we celebrate it can dull our senses to the full significance of what we are doing. Every time we gather for the Eucharist, we find ourselves once more in that upper room with the first disciples, and the last supper with all it signified is present again to us. *Association of Catholic Priests, Ireland*

To Eat or Not to Eat?

This Week's Readings at Mass

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16 • God's care

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 • The Eucharist vs. pagan sacrifices

John 6:51-58 • The living bread

The Gospel reading today picks up partway through a dispute between Jesus and some quarreling Jews.

Jesus told them bluntly, "I am the bread of life..... whoever eats of this bread will live forever" (6:35). The Jews, of course, are confused when they imagine literally chewing on someone's flesh and drinking his blood. We can understand this confusion when we as Catholics teach children about this mystery of the Eucharist. In their literal way of understanding, kids are confused too about how bread and wine could possibly be Jesus' body and blood. As adults, though, we can move beyond a need for

literal understanding (how can the consecrated host be Jesus' body if it still looks and tastes like bread?) to try to accept a mystery that our minds will never be able to explain. In the same way, we recognize that Jesus worked miracles of healing that science can't explain, and we believe that he rose from the dead even though everything else in our lives tells us

that would be impossible. A few verses after today's passage, the Gospel writer tells us that "many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (Jn. 6:66) because of this difficult teaching.

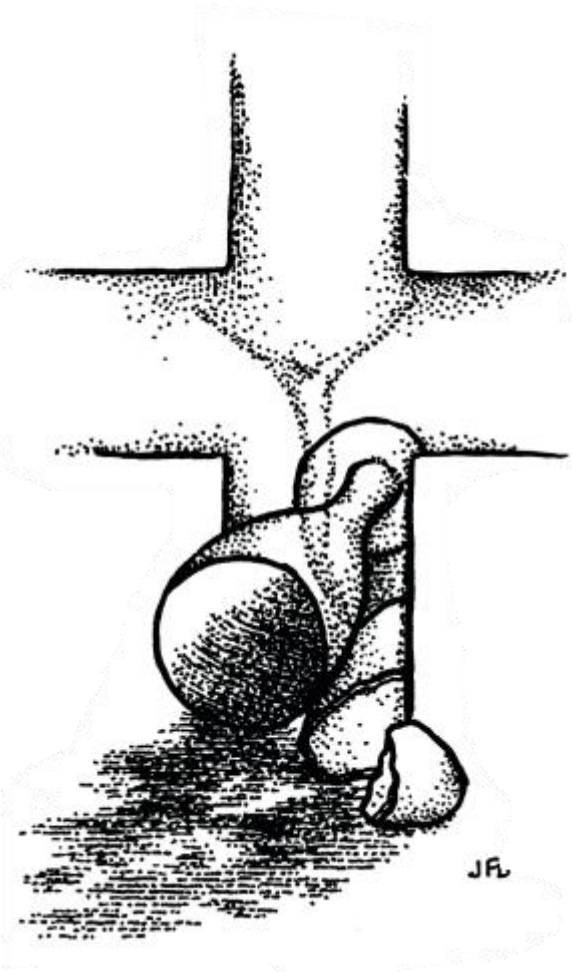
Others, like Simon Peter, chose to stay with Jesus. The difference between those who turned away and those who stayed was one of being willing to take a leap beyond rational understanding. The Israelites who were given manna in the desert took a leap of faith and chose to eat it—and they survived because of it. They could have left it on the ground and starved to death because they couldn't understand where it appeared from or what it was. In the same way today, Jesus offers us himself—in the Eucharist, in scripture, and the physical company of believers, "the body of Christ." We can open ourselves. The difference between those who turned away and those who stayed was one of being willing to take a leap beyond rational understanding. In the same way today, Jesus offers us himself—in the company of believers, "the body of Christ." We can open ourselves to receiving the food He sends us, or we can refuse it because we don't understand it.

Questions of the Week:

- 1 How has God fed you during a lean time in the past? What blessings did God send that got you through your desert?
- 2 Is it easy or hard for you to get past trying to understand Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist on a rational level? In what ways?

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DEAR VISITOR TO ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH, ALOHA! THANK YOU FOR VISITING US TODAY! WE WISH YOU A BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE AND THAT YOU LEAVE ST. BENEDICT, TODAY, REFRESHED IN SPIRIT AND WITH PEACE IN YOUR HEART! SINCE THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CHURCH, IT HAS BEEN A CATHOLIC TRADITION TO OFFER A "MASS INTENTION". THIS IS A WAY OF REMEMBERING A PERSON AND LIFTING THEM UP IN PRAYER. YOU MAY ASK THE GREETER FOR A FORM AND ENVELOPE.





A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Together...we will feed on the Blessed Sacrament, adore him and carry him through the streets.... Strengthened by the food that God gives us, let us bring Jesus to the hearts of all, because Jesus involves everyone in his work of salvation by calling each of us to sit at his table. Blessed are those who are called, for they become witnesses of this love!

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 22, 2025



St. Carlo Acutis died of Leukemia at age 15. Following his First Communion at age 7, Carlo made it a strict rule to attend Mass every single day and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. He famously referred to the Eucharist as his "highway to heaven".

St. Benedict Feast Day Celebration

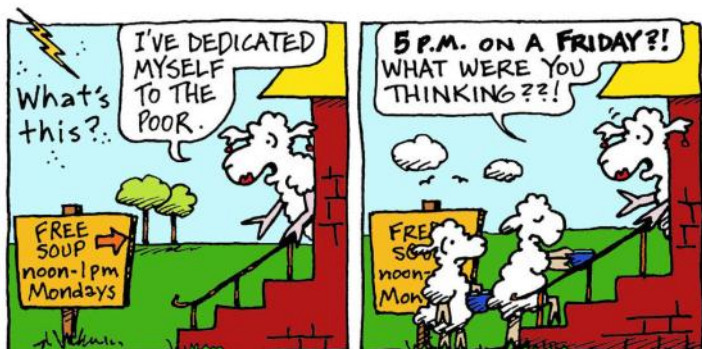
Sunday, Unity Mass, July 12,

10:00 am

Entertainment

Potluck Lunch

Games & Prizes



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"The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?"

Sheepish Question:

When and with whom can I share the bread of life this week?

Mass intentions

May 30-31 2026

SATURDAY

4:00 PM + Villaflor S. Pascua

6:00 PM + Roger Padre

Ben Smith (health)

+Kristin Sharp

SUNDAY

8:00 + Maria Necochea

10:00 MPP

+WEEKDAYS

June 2-5, 2026

Tuesday Epstein Family, Special Int.

Wednesday +Richard Verme

Thursday +Charlie Kirk

Friday +Celina Leon

+WEEKDAYS