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**ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

2020 State Rte 146 E, Vienna, IL – 62995

Sat – 5:30 pm Sun - 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays – Wed 6:30 pm & Fri 12 pm

Parish Council Chair: Steve Pobst

Trustees: Matthew Slife, Jared Bergmann

**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH**

Street, Stonefort, IL – 62987

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.

& First Saturday – 8:30 am

Parish Council Chair: Mary Treat

Trustees: Myron Cole, Stan Treat

**Bread from Heaven** When the Israelites came out of Egypt, God did one miracle after another for them. He got water from a rock for them; and, when they were hungry, he fed them with bread from heaven. “Mah nah?—what is this?” the Israelites asked when they saw it; and ‘manna’ has been its name ever since.

Why didn't God just miraculously produce real, ordinary bread for them?

Moses answers this question in his speech to the people: God fed them with manna so that they might know one does not live by bread alone. If God had fed them ordinary bread, they wouldn't have learned the lesson. As it was, first they hungered, and then they were fed miraculously with the who-knows-what-this-is bread from heaven. And so they learned to trust in God, who fed them with what they needed to live.

The Word of God and the bread from heaven are present here as one. But this is only half the lesson, as Moses explains it: one does not live by bread alone; what else is needed is the word of God.

And so, when the time was right, the only-begotten Word of God came so that people might not perish but have everlasting life ([John 3:16](#)).

That is why Christ said that he was the true bread from heaven. One does not live by bread alone but by this true Word of God.

And, by a miracle which completes the lesson of the manna, this Word is the bread of life for all the faithful. The Word of God and the bread from heaven are present here as one.

In the Eucharist, then, there is everything that one needs to live, if one will only learn the lesson and trust in the God who feeds his people with himself.

Eleonore Stump

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**CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST**

Sun	June	18	8:00 am	SFD	Angela Skaggs
			10:00 am	SP	Magdalen Warner
Tue	June	20	9, 11 am	DOC	Masses Shawnee, Vienna
Wed	June	21	6:30 pm	SP	Rev James Jeffrey
Thr	June	22	1:00 pm	Marion	Penitentiary
Fri	June	23	12:00 pm	SP	General Intentions
Sat	June	24	5:30 pm	SP	For the Parishioners
Sun	June	25	8:00 am	SFD	James M McCabe Family
			10:00 am	SP	Mary Everett

**St Paul, Vienna**

<p><b>Sun, Jun 18, 10 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> A Webb, B Bertran  <b>Lector:</b> Sabra Moore  <b>Gifts:</b> Frank, Arlene Dueker  <b>Ushers:</b> K Felcyn, R. Stoerger, J. Bergmann, S. Hupe  <b>E. Minister</b> A. Dueker                  P Shallenberger, C Webb  <b>Greeter:</b> Cathy Kruep</p>	<p><b>Sun, June 25, 10 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> R Slife, J Bayles  <b>Lector:</b> Rhi Slife  <b>Gifts:</b> Jim, Edna Goddard  <b>Ushers:</b> D Zmuda, C Zmuda                  P Widowski, Collin Brown  <b>E. Minister</b> B Palmer                  P Kalicki, B Bishop  <b>Greeter:</b> Mike McMahan</p>
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<p><b>Birthdays:</b>                  Jun 18 Neil Coleman                  Jun 20 Jim Goddard                  Jun 22 Cyndee Baker</p>
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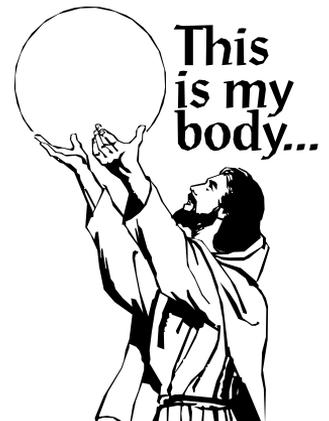
**God's Blessing  
on all Fathers**

**St Francis DeSales, Stonefort**

<p><b>Sun, June 18: 8 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> Logan Shaw  <b>Lector:</b> Cecilia Parks  <b>Gifts:</b> R Drone, D Parks  <b>Usher:</b> Myron Cole  <b>E. Min:</b> Mary Treat</p>	<p><b>Sun, June 25: 8:00 am</b>  <b>Server:</b> Christine Deaton  <b>Lector:</b> LaVonne Herbert  <b>Gifts:</b> M. Moore, C. Parks  <b>Usher:</b> David Parks  <b>E. Min:</b> Myron Cole</p>
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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

Sat	Jun 17	St Paul Mass.....	5:30 pm
Sun	Jun 18	Fathers' Day Recognition	
		St Francis DeSales Mass .....	8:00 am
		St Paul Mass.....	10:00 am
Tue	Jun 20	Masses at Shawnee, Vienna DOC9 am, 11 am	
		SF Church Cleaning (Rescheduled).....	10 am
		July calendar info deadline	
Wed	Jun 21	Weekday Mass.....	6:30 pm
		SP Parish Council Mt....hall.....	7:05 pm
Thr	Jun 22	Mass at Marion Penitentiary.....	1 pm
Fri	Jun 23	Weekday Mass.....	12 pm
Sat	Jun 24	St Paul Mass.....	5:30 pm
Sun	Jun 25	St Francis DeSales Mass .....	8:00 am
		St Paul Mass.....	10:00 am



**HOPE UNLIMITED BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION** supports pregnancy testing, support and empowerment of parents and families in our local area. The Baby Bottle fundraiser concludes Fathers' Day (June 18). There is a challenge to put \$30 in each Bottle (coin, bills, check). A large community collection Bottle is available in foyer.

**SP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** will be this Wednesday, 7:05 pm in the Parish Hall. Council members are reminded to pick up agenda in foyer this weekend.

**BEER MAKING CLASS** Frank Dueker will be offering a beer making class starting on Monday evening June 26th at 6PM at his home on 530 Poplar Road, Tunnel Hill. The class will meet twice. once to brew the beer and 2 weeks later to bottle it. Nominal fee for price of ingredients. Call Frank at 618-559-1405 to enroll.

Many Catholic parishes -- but fewer Catholic priests. **INTO MY VINEYARD** will help train dedicated lay men and women to assist the Pastor of their Parish / their Partnership. *INTO MY VINEYARD* will meet once a month, on Saturdays (in Belleville, Marion or Mount Vernon). It is a two-year program to train well-qualified servant-leaders for ministry in our parishes throughout our Diocese. At the diocesan website, <http://www.diobelle.org/offices/into-my-vineyard> you will find more information and an application. Talk with your priest: *Will you step forward for your parish?*

**NEW CD!** Right Here, Right Now: Always Be Ready to Share Our Faith. It's profound to consider what hangs in the balance when we share our faith with others. Patrick Madrid, in his highly engaging manner, speaks from a lifetime of experience to help Catholics effectively share the truth about Christ and his Church whenever the opportunity arises. CD is available on media rack in church foyer.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** Jesus proclaims to us today – “I am the living bread come down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.” (John 6:51) This is at the heart of our Liturgical celebration – our gifts of bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood of Christ. We are challenged to promote and support interest in vocations to the priesthood so that we can continue to receive Our Lord's Body and Blood and then we “will live forever”.

**Respect Life Corner** - Fortnight For Freedom 2017 – Freedom for Mission – Each year parishes around the country arrange special events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom is from June 21 to July 4. Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: Saints like Thomas More and John Fisher gave their lives for the freedom of the Church and for freedom of conscience. In this time of increasing polarization in our culture, we can contribute to a better understanding of religious freedom in a way that respects all people. Go to the USCCB website [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) to obtain information on how to speak with friends and neighbors about religious freedom and how you can help work to clear up misconceptions about it. Pray that our government will respect the freedom of all people of faith to contribute to the common good.

## **SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

Let's be honest: Sunday Eucharist is not always the most exciting hour of our week. Sometimes we feel the pressure of going because "we have to"; occasionally we encounter people in church we don't care for all that much; at times the liturgy seems a little tedious and maybe even boring.

Today's readings are upsetting invitations to reassess our eucharistic values. Do we celebrate life or do we put up with it? Do we appropriate the self-giving of Jesus or do we focus only on self?

Moses' sermon in this passage from Deuteronomy is his last instruction to the Israelites as they prepare to enter the promised land. They must remember how the Lord fed them with manna during the wilderness years, how they drank from the flinty rock. Now in the fertile land they must realize that one does not live by bread alone. God's Word ensures fullness of life.

Paul writes to the divided Corinthians who were making a scandal of the Eucharist. To eat the bread and drink the wine are genuine participation in the body and blood of Christ. Eucharist and pagan ritual are contradictory.

More than likely today's passage from John's Gospel was originally part of the Last Supper narrative. The author has reshaped the passage into the bread of life discourse in

John 6:35-50. The focus is now on the Eucharist, Jesus as the source of life and nourishment.

As we receive the body and blood of Christ, does the teaching of John make us aware that we are indeed caught up in God's life? Corpus Christi is that special feast that proclaims: To celebrate Eucharist is to celebrate life.

-- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

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**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION** "He let you be afflicted with hunger, then fed you with manna ... in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord." In this statement, which is the source of their life, is the bread still efficacious, or is it just the promise of God?

"When we eat, we incorporate our food into ourselves. The opposite is true with regard to the Eucharist. When we partake of that bread we are transformed into it." Explain in your own words what this might mean.

God was with his people on their journey, nourishing them with manna and water. How does God respond to your needs on your journey? What is different about the food God gave the people in the desert and the food he gives us?

**NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURES: 12th SUNDAY OF YEAR** Jeremiah 20:10-13; Ps 69; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33