

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 19, Genesis 14:18-20. Psalm 110:1, 2, 3, 4. 1 Corinthians 11:23-26. Sequence – Lauda Sion / Laud, O Zion. Luke 9:11b-17

Have you ever seen two people sitting at the same table in a restaurant yet never speaking a word to each other? The social dimension seems totally absent, the meal becomes nothing more than satisfying the body's need for food and drink.

The readings for the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ urge us to see the Eucharistic meal as an experience of one another. The wheat and grapes embrace the entire planet as they become bread and wine; the bread and wine embrace all creation as they become the body and blood of Jesus.

The Genesis passage has Abram returning home from a successful battle. He meets Melchizedek, the priest-king of Salem; the two share a meal of bread and wine and so form a bond by which they commit themselves to mutual obligations.

Paul, in today's passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, warns against situations where some hoard the food and drink while others go hungry. Paul reminds the Christian community that Christ's words were "Do this in remembrance of me" (verse 24). An authentic celebration of the Eucharist occurs when those participating truly put on Christ. This means mirroring the self-giving of Jesus in their daily lives. It is only by providing for the needs of all that Corinthians of old and Christians of today genuinely celebrate the Lord's Supper.

The gospel passage describes the multiplication of the loaves. Luke places this miracle immediately after Jesus' preaching about the kingdom of God, a kingdom where the needs of all are satisfied. Luke also makes it clear that this miracle has a eucharistic dimension. Christ follows the pattern found at the Last Supper and on the road to Emmaus: taking, blessing and thanking, breaking, and giving (Luke 9:16; 22:19; 24:30).

The Eucharist is not a private devotion separate from the rest of our lives. In eating and drinking we commit ourselves to serve Jesus Christ who is manifested in the needs and problems of our brothers and sisters around the world.

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About Dining in the Kingdom of God. Luke's gospel is filled with meal stories. Most of them point to the Eucharistic Meal, as does the one today. Four verbs stand out: take, bless, break, give. This is eucharistic language repeated at every Mass. It is Jesus who truly took and blessed his Body and Blood – broke it and poured it out for each and for all of us – and gives to us to eat and drink – so that we may be like him and act like him.

- ◆ Because of my sharing in the Eucharistic Feast, how will I be a blessing to family, colleagues, neighbors?
- ◆ Because of my sharing in the Eucharistic Feast, how will I break open my life for the benefit of another?
- ◆ Because of my sharing in the Eucharistic Feast, what will I give away? If stumped, think of the mercy works

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 3 2022

1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21. Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11. Galatians 5:1, 13-18. Luke 9:51-62.



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Weekdays – Fri 6:00 pm

Gospel reflection

Pope Francis says about the Twelve's idea of sending the hungry people away: "... *it isn't the way Jesus thinks.*" *What would Jesus, who ate with sinners and welcomed strangers, think of his ministers refusing to give the Eucharist to people now?*

He tells his disciples straight out: "You give them something to eat" (Lk 9:13). We can imagine the thoughts that went through their minds: "We don't have enough bread for ourselves, and now we are supposed to think about others? Why do we have to give them something to eat if they came to hear our Teacher? If they didn't bring their own food, let them go back home, it's their problem. ... This way of thinking is not wrong, but it isn't the way Jesus thinks. ..."

The Lord does great things with our littleness, as he did with the five loaves. He does not work spectacular miracles or wave a magic wand; he works with simple things; ... love can accomplish great things with little. The Eucharist teaches us this: for there we find God himself contained in a piece of bread. Simple, essential, bread broken and shared, the Eucharist we receive allows us to see things as God does. It inspires us to give ourselves to others. It is the antidote to the mindset that says: "Sorry, that is not my problem," or: "I have no time, I can't help you, it's none of my business." Or that looks the other way. ...

[Pope Francis Homily for Most Holy Body and Blood](#)

June 23, 2019

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(Corpus Christi) June 19, 2022

Schedule of Masses

Sun Jun 19 Corpus Christi Sunday
8:00 am Mass Ralph & Marie Koester
Fri June 24 6:00 pm Mass Anna Mae Street
Sun Jun 26 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Peter’s Pence Collection
8:00 am Mass Billie Anderson

Birthdays
June 20 Jim Goddard
June 27 Nathaniel Ross

Liturgical Ministers

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Jun 19	J Nelson	M Querrey	V Anderson	Vol.	*J Slife, D Zmuda Sr
			<u>Cantor</u>	Z Garrett	
	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Jun 26	M Slife	X Gruszyck	S Widowski	M Bergmann, M Palmer	*M McMahan, M Slife
			<u>Cantor</u>	Z Garrett	

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HAPPY FATHER’S DAY.



TIME AND TALENT SURVEY (FOR THOSE WHOM WE MISSED LAST WEEK)

Thank you to those who filled out the Time and Talent Survey Sheet. If we missed you at Mass then we will be attempting to contact you and see if you wish to continue in the ministries you previously served, or wish to try something new.

IMPORTANT DATES:

--Sunday June 19	Corpus Christi Sunday—Procession and Benediction with Mass Happy Father’s Day Adult Bible Study
--Sunday July 3	Adult Bible Study 1 st Sunday Social
--Tuesday July 12	Wellness Committee mtg at 6 pm
--Sunday July 17	Adult Bible Study

VOCATION CORNER June 19: _

Today we celebrate the gift of Eucharist. This gift is what truly defines us as Catholics. We rejoice that Jesus gave His Body and Blood for our redemption. This is the remembrance we commemorate during each Liturgy. This is only possible through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which is celebrated by a priest. We are challenged to pray for more priests; we are challenged to encourage those who may have a calling to Holy Orders. Pose the question: “Have you ever considered being a priest?”

NEXT WEEK WE WILL TAKE UP THE PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION which unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters and others most in need.