Sunday The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ June 11, 2023

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

We're in this together. As difficult as it might be to embrace the idiosyncrasies of all our brother and sister believers, that is our mandate. Salvation is not "me" but "us."

Ezekiel entered upon a new phase in his prophetic career around the year 585 B.C. Earlier he was the scolder (see Ezekiel 3:26); now he is sentry for God's people in exile. In this passage he dramatizes the tension between individual and community.

Paul considers the obligations of charity. The focus is duties, not rights. Charity is the very center of Christian life. Paul sees love as the fulfillment of the Mosaic law. All the commandments are summarized under one: "Love your neighbor as yourself" (vs. 9).

Chapter 18 is one of the five great sermons recorded by Matthew. He deals in this passage with problems affecting the local Christian community. The community has a course of action when dealing with the sinner: First, there is private correction. If this fails, then witnesses are called upon to help make the point. As a last resort, the person is excommunicated. Justice is a communal experience.

How do we react to bad news? A natural reaction at times is to shield ourselves, to become oblivious to people in pain. Ezekiel would urge us to energize ourselves through involvement with the downtrodden. What about people we don't like? Rather than expel them from our world of concern, Paul demands that we incorporate them into our arena of responsibility. Do we allow sinners to continue in their wrong or do we support them in conversion? Matthew's view of community calls for embracing.

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

VOCATION CORNER JUNE 11, 2023

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?"



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BIRTHDAYS

WEEK

NO BIRTHDAYS THIS

June is Men's Health Month. Please encourage all the men in your life to eat healthy, exercise often and get regular check-ups. These goals will help maintain a sound body and a long life.

Schedule of Masses

June 11 8 am Mass

June 16 6pm Mass

June 18 8am Mass - Fathers Day

Sathers Day

Liturgical Ministers

	Lector	<u>Greeter</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{EM}}$	Servers	Ushers
June 11	A. Dueker	G. Tesina	B. Palmer	C. Levesque	*M. Slife
			V. Anderson		A. Irby
			S. Widowski		

Gift Bearers Alan & Donna Irby Cantor S. Pobst

	Lector	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	Servers	<u>Ushers</u>
June 18	J. Nelson	K. Pobst	X. Gruszczyk	M. Palmer	*M. McMahan
			M. Slife	E. Zmuda	D. Zmuda Sr.
			M. Nelson		

Gift Bearers M. McMahan & J. Cecchi Cantor J. Starratt

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING June 4, 2023

General \$970.00 (15) Loose \$12.25

Dio Collection \$40.00 \$50.00

Total \$1022.25

BUILDING MAINTENANCE (4) \$65.00

Total \$65.00

THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

SUN JUNE 11 8 am Mass FRI JUNE 16 6pm Mass

SUN JUNE 18 8am Mass-Fathers Day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

JUNE HEALTH FOCUS

Faith Alive needs volunteers for June 22, 23 & 24. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the church.

THE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN ENDS NEXT WEEK

Help support the programs of the *Metropolis Crisis Pregnancy Center* and *Hope Unlimited*. Please take a bottle home to fill with change and return it to church by **June 18**.

HOGGS HOLLOW POTLUCK

Let's come together to share our Catholic faith and friendship at an outdoor gathering of ladies from our 3 parish family. The event will take place at Hoggs Hollow Winery outside of Glendale, IL on Saturday, June 24 from 11:00 until 2:00. Bring a dish to share if you wish, but don't feel obligated. We'll introduce ourselves, play some Catholic Trivia, and just eat, sip, and visit. *Questions? Call or text Pam Shallenberger at 217-714-4568*.

CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL 2023

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

On Memorial Day, let us take a moment to honor those who gave their lives for our country. Our warmest wishes on Memorial Day, 2023, and deepest gratitude for the ultimate sacrifice of our fallen heroes.

-Bishop Michael McGovern and Agencies and Ministries Supported by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

LOOKING AHEAD

June 18 Fathers Day

June 21 Parish Council Meeting 6pm

June 22-24 Faith Alive Work Days

June 24 Parish Family Women's Potluck at Hoggs Hollow Winery 11am-2pm

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