Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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June 6, 2021 Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

The parish plans to continue live-stream and recording Sunday, Holy Days, and other special liturgies on the parish's YouTube channel as indicated by the "*" in the weekly liturgy schedule. Parish YouTube Channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5YO_SqC1KeZsyFjO4vpw3O</u>

Mon. 6/7, 8:00am—Weekday Jer Tracy by wife Pat

Tues. 6/8, 8:00am—Weekday Mary Jo Piekarski by Antonette O'Brien

Wed. 6/9, 8:00am—Weekday; St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church Al Skelson by Fran Fritz

Thurs. 6/10, 6:00pm—Weekday Theresa Kerrick by Frank & MaryAnn

Fri. 6/11, 8:00am— The Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Marge & Frank Morris by Family Sat. 6/12 Confessions @ 3:30pm Vigil Mass @ 4:00pm Alvin Fritz by Wife & Children

*Sun. 6/13, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass @ 8:30am (Also continued to be Live-Streamed) Deceased members of the Weber Family by The Family

Sun. 6/13 Mass @ 10:30am People of the Parish

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated after the 10:30am Sunday Mass. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic for a valid reception of Baptism and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays @ 3:30pm in the vestibule or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday ~ 9:00am—12:00noon

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least one year prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Sponsor Eligibility:

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish, and if married, in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak (800) 791-9209 victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org Diocesan Secretary for : Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services Office of Safe Environment P.O. Box F Allentown, PA 18105-1538 (610) 871-5200 ext. 2204 prusso@allentowndiocese.org Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service: If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To lean more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org & click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page.



Dear Parish Family,

Happy Solemnity of Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Corpus Christi.

Origins of the Solemnity: The Solemnity of Corpus Christi dates back to the 13th century. In Belgium, following the mystical experiences of Saint Juliana de Cornillon, a local feast dedicated to the Most Holy Eucharist was established in Liège in 1247.

Several years later, in 1263, a Bohemian priest on pilgrimage to Italy was afflicted by doubts about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. While celebrating Mass in the town of Bolsena, he experienced a Eucharistic miracle, when a few drops of blood were shed by the broken Host after the consecration. The very next year, in 1264, Pope Urban IV extended the feast of Corpus Christi to the whole Church.

Dogma of the Church: The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ – as it is now known – honors Jesus substantially present in the Blessed Sacrament. The truth of the Real Presence was confirmed in 1215 by the Fourth Lateran Council. Later, in 1551, the Council of Trent definitively re-affirmed the doctrine in a passage quoted verbatim by the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

"Because Christ our Redeemer said that it was truly his body that he was offering under the species of bread, it has always been the conviction of the Church of God, and this holy Council now declares again, that by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of his blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called transubstantiation" (cf. CCC 1376).

I announced previously that I received a new assignment which begins on Tuesday, June 15th, 2021 at Annunciation B.V.M. (a.k.a. "St. Mary's") in Catasauqua Parish. Father Robert Finlan is being assigned as Pastor of both St. Richard of Chichester and St. John XXIII effective June 15th, 2021. Both parishes will remain as independent parishes and both churches will remain open. Since there will only be one priest as pastor of both parishes, Father Finlan made changes in the daily and weekend Mass schedules which are announced in this weekend's bulletin so that he will be able to celebrate Masses in both parishes without requiring the assistance of another priest. The new Mass schedule for St. Richard of Chichester and St. John XIII parishes will take effect on the weekend of June 19-20, 2021.

I know that you will welcome Father Finlan and make him feel at home. You will be able to attend Mass at either parish. You can put your collection envelopes in the basket at either parish and be assured that your contributions will be directed toward St. Richard Parish.

Our Bishop ordained one new priest on Saturday, June 5th, 2021. After nine priests retire in June 2021, this year for the first time in the 60-year history of the Diocese of Allentown, there will be fewer than 100 active diocesan priests. In a special way, during this Year of the Real Presence, it is our responsibility as the faithful of the Diocese to spend time in prayer in front of the Eucharistic Lord in Adoration, praying for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood, especially within our Diocese.

Thank you so much for welcoming me here for the past two years. You will always be in my prayers and I ask that you pray for our Bishop, me and the other priests of our diocese as well.

Ut Omnes Unum Sint ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam! That they all may be One, for the greater glory of God! Have a blessed Corpus Christi!

Yours in Christ, +The Reverened Father Eric Tolentino

Readings for Sunday Mass, June 13th: Ex 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Responsorial Psalm:

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$2,252 ~ Candles: \$113

Second Collections:

6/6~Monthly Supplement; 5/13~Parish Utilities; 6/20~Holy Father; 6/27~ Parish Utilities

Updated Covid Guidelines: Modifications Effective Pentecost Sunday May 22, 2021:

1. Facemasks are to be worn by all of the faithful who are not fully vaccinated. See #2 below. Children under the age of 2 and those with medical exceptions are not required to wear a face mask.

2. In accordance with government guidelines effective immediately, the fully vaccinated may attend Mass in the Diocese of Allentown and all gatherings on parish property without wearing a mask. "Fully vaccinated" is defined as being 2 weeks after receiving the final dose of the vaccine. People who do not meet those requirements are not considered fully vaccinated, and must keep taking all precautions.

3. NO CAPACITY LIMITATIONS will be required in parishes and institutions within the geographical territory of the Diocese of Allentown.

4. Sunday Mass attendees may enter and exit the church using both the ramp and front doors 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.

5. The Distribution of Holy Communion is to return to the proper place in the liturgy in the Church only. It is no longer permitted to distribute after Mass.

6. Holy Water: All fonts and stoops remain empty.

7. Votive Candles: Parishioners may now light votive candles. Please hand sanitize before and after lighting the candles.

8. Altar servers, Lectors, and Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers are permitted.

9. The Exchange of the Sign of Peace is not permitted.

10. Weekday Mass attendees may enter and exit the church using both the ramp and front doors 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.

Sunday 8:30 AM Mass will continue to be live-streamed for those unable to attend Mass.

Guidelines for Outdoor Gatherings:

1. No capacity restrictions.

2. Those who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear masks.

3. Those who are not full vaccinated must wear masks when present at outdoor venues. See #2.

As you plan events, it would be appropriate to have signage reaffirming these requirements and requiring compliance.

2021 High School Graduates: Please share with us our congratulations to John Babinsky, Juliana Bowman, and Brielle Saukynas. Your parish family wishes you success in all your future plans. May God bless you and keep you always.

Lottery Calendars Winners: (May 2021)

5/21 Ann Balas, #902 5/22 Margaret Quattron, #509 5/23 Wendy Lobichusky, #224 5/24 Thomas Sniseak, #188 5/25 Krissy Wonsock, #655 5/26 Mary Helen Rehatchek, #640 5/27 Theresa Zuber, #715 5/28 Carol Zitka, #955 5/29 Nancy Breinar, #308 5/30 Ashlev Russell, #644 5/31 No Winner Thank you to everyone for sponsoring our parish's May lottery calendar fundraiser and congrats to all the winners!

BBQ Chicken Dinner: June 13th from 12:00 noon-2:00pm. The dinner will be a drive-thru only. Deadline for ticket returns is June 7th.

Adult Bible Study: Thursday, June 17th @ 6:00pm in the church parking lot. Bring your Bible and a chair. Our topics Ruth and 1st Samuel (Old Testament).

New Mass Schedule: (effective the weekend of 6/19 & 6/20)

<u>Weekday Masses:</u>	<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>
Monday & Tuesday	3:30pm @ St. John XXIII
8:00am @ St. John XXIII	5:30pm @ St. Richard
Wednesday & Thursday	Sunday
8:00am @ St. Richard	8:30am @ St. John XXIII

Weekend Masses:

8:30am @ St. John XXIII 10:30am @ St. Richard

Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration times will be announced upon the arrival of Father Finlan. The schedule listed is subject to change as/if necessary in the future.

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent **Deacon in the Diocese of Allentown?** If so, you and your family are invited to attend a COME AND SEE event at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Church on Friday Evening, June 25, 2021 at 6:00pm. Registration is required. Please register by emailing jstewart@allentowndiocese.org or calling the Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation at (610)332-0442 x2031.

The Angelus

V. The angel spoke God's message to Mary, R. and she conceived by the Holy Spirit. Hail, Mary

V. "I am the lowly servant of the Lord: R. let it be done to me according to your word." Hail, Mary

V. And the Word became flesh **R.** and lived among us. Hail, Mary

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God. **R.** That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

V: Let us pray.

V. Lord, fill our hearts with your grace: once, through the message of an angel you revealed to us the incarnation of your Son;

now, through his suffering and death lead us to the glory of his resurrection.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Even though we are leaving the

church after receiving Holy Communion, it is very important in our spiritual lives for us to pause and recognize Christ's Eucharistic presence within us. We invite you to take that time before leaving the church parking lot.

I. Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. And bid me come unto Thee, That with all Thy saints, I may praise thee Forever and ever. Amen.

II. May Your Body, O Lord, which I have eaten, and Your Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my very soul, and grant that no trace of sin be found in me, whom these pure and holy mysteries have renewed.

III. Who live and reign, world without end. Amen. We humbly beseech You, almighty God, to grant that those whom You refresh with Your sacraments, may serve you worthily by a life well pleasing to You. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns, world without end. Amen

Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encourgement:

Ann Balas, William Bednar, Jim Bialek, Mark BeYoung, Joe Bones, Bob Bonner, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Pat Firkal, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, George Kufrovich, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Dan Metzger, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Soult, Dominic Streisel, Edward Surfield, Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan.

Intercessory Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat Special Intention by Sue & Jay Prayers of Strength & Healing for Gus by Family Special Intention for Mom & Dad, Granny Rose & Marie by daughter Pat In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran Special Intentions by Higgins Family Special Intention for Leo Drosdak by Lorraine Drosdak In Loving Memory of Thomas Flaherty by Family Special Intention for good treatment results