

JUNE 6, 2021

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

All the Martyrs and Saints received all the strength and power from The Holy Eucharist. Today, we celebrate The Solemn Feast of The Holy Eucharist or The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ or Corpus Christi. The Purpose of this celebration is to make us understand the greatness and centrality of The Holy Eucharist in our daily life and also to grow in great love and devotion to The Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is The Greatest Treasure of The Catholic Church.

Our Lord Jesus Christ loves us so deeply and strongly that He instituted The Holy Eucharist, to offer himself as the sacrifice for our sins, to give himself as the food for our souls and to remain with us till the end of the world. It is his greatest gift to us. The Sacrificial death that Jesus endured for us upon the cross is perpetuated through the holy sacrifice of the Mass. When we participate in the Holy Eucharist, we take our place at Calvary at the foot of the cross, and we experience the greatest love the world has ever known.

What is more, we have the awesome privilege of receiving into our souls, through The Holy Communion, The Very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ Jesus, Our Lord and God. Instituted by Christ, at the Last Supper in anticipation of His Sacrificial death on the Cross and Glorious Resurrection, the Holy Eucharist is The Sacrament through which The Lord Jesus Christ keeps His Solemn Promise, "Behold, I am with you always, even until the end of the age." The Church is kept in being by The Holy Eucharist.

Today, let us sincerely pray for the grace to be ever grateful to God for His Greatest Gift of The Holy Eucharist and grow daily in a great love and devotion to The Holy Eucharist.

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

Psalm 116

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OFFICE HOURS	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI)
WEEKDAY MASSES	9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI)
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM
SUNDAY MASSES	8:00 AM 10:00 AM

ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday	June 5
5:00 PM	Mass:
Sunday	June 6
8:00 AM	Mass:
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Valentino, Teresa & Elizabeth Pieri (RIP)
Monday	June 7
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Margaret J. Forrest (RIP)
6:30 PM	Christmas Bazaar Meeting
Wednesday	June 9
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Wodziak & Tarsa Families
Friday	June 11
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Souls in Purgatory

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 PM	Open for your Intentions
8:00 AM	Mass: Doris Knott (RIP)
10:00 AM	Mass: For Healing: Maria Lourdes Neves

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING
A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST



Feast of Corpus Christi

Sunday, June 6, is The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ focuses our attention on Jesus' gift of himself in the Eucharist to his people—the Church. In the Eucharist Jesus is in a real sense physically present among us.

As part of this Solemnity of Corpus Christi at the end of the 10:00AM Mass, we will have the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction.

St. Paul's Council 95 KANDI Drive

The weekend of **June 19/20** after all Masses, members of our Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations for their Annual Kandi Drive to benefit individuals with intellectual disabilities. All funds raised will go directly to local organizations and programs that directly help these special individuals.

Calendar Raffle Winners

May 29 B & Noble—Roberta Boatright
May 30 Pub 99—CJ Miller
May 31 TJ Maxx Kathleen Sederback

Congratulations to all Winners!

Congratulations 2021 Graduates

St. Paul's Parish would like to honor their accomplishments. All graduates at St. Paul the Apostle Parish are invited to attend the **10:00AM Mass on Sunday, June 20**.

Please let the church know of any graduates so we can include them in the bulletin.

Catholic Communication Campaign

Next weekend's second collection is in support of CCC, which focuses on ways to bring the gospel message to our society: on the Internet, podcasts, in social media, on television for news and sharing of the faith.

Food Closet Ministry

This month we are in need of **Canned Potatoes and Vegetables**. The Food Closet is open every other Saturday morning 9:30–11 AM. **For the time being NO plastic shopping bags are needed.**

Supporting Life

A serious effort is underway in Congress to force all taxpayers to pay for elective abortions. The Hyde Amendment has protected Americans from funding abortion for 45 years and is credited with saving the lives of over 2.4 million children to date. Do no let our government make you pay for the taking of innocent human life! Powerful members of Congress want to take away this law that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. It is critically important that we as Catholics send a strong message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. Your voice could help save millions of lives! Congress needs to hear from a massive number of people, millions of Catholics need to sign the petition on NoTaxpayerAbortion.com. **Please encourage family and friends to do the same. Thank you for supporting LIFE!**

Commitment to Sunday Offertory

To help the parish meet its financial obligations, we ask that you remain committed to the weekly offertory.

Please consider using the parish envelopes and mailing your weekly/monthly offertory contribution. Or consider the convenient option of setting up an automatic contribution online. Details below.

Support St. Paul's

Set up a reoccurring donation (or make a gift at anytime) using our secure, online giving tool by ParishSOFT.

Visit our website at stpaulsfoster.org, and click the "Donate Now" button.

2021 Catholic Charity Appeal

The CCA is underway in our parish. **To date, we have \$10,826 so far.** Please consider a gift to support the 2021 Appeal. Thank you.

Second Collection—June 5/6

This weekend our second collection will be used to help with **the cost of utilities.**

GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - May 29/30
\$ 2,901.00

Thank you for your support!

Letter from Bishop Tobin

Bishop Tobin has now signed a formal decree restoring the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in the Diocese of Providence, effective **Sunday, June 6, 2021**, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This means that Catholics, in observance of the Lord's Day and in fulfillment of the law of the Church, are once again obliged to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, unless they are otherwise dispensed for some serious reason such as health conditions. Attending Holy Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist Sacramentally are serious obligations.

Update: Normal Liturgical Practice

In light of updated health guidelines by the CDC, the Governor & RI Dept of Health, the following changes in procedure should be considered in our parishes. Visit stpaulsfoster.org.

Indoor Seating Capacity

Seating **increased from 80% to 100%**

Face Masks

Fully vaccinated parishioners are no longer required to wear a facemask indoors and outdoors.

Those who are not fully vaccinated should be asked to continue to wear a facemask indoors.

However, any form of discrimination should be avoided against those who are not fully vaccinated and those who do not use a facemask.

Continue to Observe the Following

Sufficient hand sanitizing dispensers should be made available at the vestibule of the church which can be used by parishioners upon entering. Parishioners should continually be encouraged to practice proper hygiene.

The distribution of the Precious Blood at Holy Communion to the lay faithful should remain suspended.

Livestreamed Mass

The 10:00 AM Sunday Mass will be livestreamed on Facebook at facebook.com/foster.Catholic

Listen from your car

We will broadcast the Mass on 107.90 FM on car radios. Those who participate from the outside will be brought Communion if they choose to receive.