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#### Parish Groups

Altar Society
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# Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

#### Parish Pastoral Team

Alison Coort / Office Administrator

Marguerite Goodfellow / Parish Nurse

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Fr. Dominick Mbah/ FrDominickMbah@peterboroughdiocese.org Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday / 9:30AM - 2:30PM Confessions: Saturdays 3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

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# June 2, 2024

## Mass Schedule Week of June 3rd – 9th

Tuesday, June 4th / 12:00 Noon No Mass

> Wednesday, June 5th 12:00 Noon No Mass

Thursday, June 6th / 9:00 AM No Mass

Friday, June 7th / 12:00 Noon No Mass

### Saturday, June 8th/ 4:00PM

+Petr Simik

(Req. By: Krystyna & Adam Medon)

Sunday, June 9th/ 9:00AM SI For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday, June 2nd / 11:00AM

+Rita MacIsaac (Req by: Michelle MacIsaac)

Let us pray for those who have died especially Gildo Luvison

and for those who have asked for our prayers ... Jaymie Ward, Phillip Tomkin, Joe Hanrath, Bianca Laurie de Hernandez, Ron & Margaret Smith, Angela & Stephanie Braithwaite, Robert Foley, Ruth Anne Foley, John Dunbar, Doris Lane, Connie Gregory, Sharon & Ben Boivin, Timothy Pelyk, Pat Morra, Kirsten MacDonald, Peter Poustie, Pam and Don Mackenzie, Esther Phillips, Carole Ruttan, Kevin Phillips, Stephanie Jarvis, Ian Bruce, Mabelle Claer, Janine Wright, Edward and Claire Hortensius, Anna Maria Ertler, Mike & Loretta Pearson, Doris Cristiano, Karl Richter, Dallas Clarke, Jamie Sefton, Tcherina Zylstra, Brian O'Connor, Remi LeGros, Emily Warman, and Terry Russell

**Sunday Offertory** 

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#### SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

We will start our reflection on this august Sacrament by asking ourselves what makes this solemnity of Corpus Christi so important to us? Eucharist is the most tangible, physical, emotional, psychological, social, and spiritual nearness of Jesus to us. Receiving the Eucharist is like being fed with the very DNA of Jesus so that we can be like him. In the Holy Eucharist, we receive the most holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. We are enriched by Christ's true presence while challenged to participate in his perpetual offering of himself.

Today we celebrate the solemnity of Corpus Christi or the Body and Blood of Christ. It is the celebration of the sacrament of the Eucharist where we partake of the Body and Blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus as nourishment for our spiritual life. We refer to the Eucharist as thanksgiving, sacrifice, communion, or memorial, depending on what aspect of the sacrament we wish to emphasize. The solemnity of Corpus Christi this year focuses on sacrifice for the sake of others.

Those who adore and receive Christ in the mystery of his self-giving and love have no reason to despise and scorn their brothers and sisters, especially the poor, the least, and the lost with whom Christ intimately identifies himself. If one cannot bring oneself to forgive, love, and share what one has with the sinners, the poor, and the unloved, one may well doubt the authenticity of one's Eucharistic devotion. The Eucharist may be a valid celebration, but if it is empty of substance in real life, then it falls short of being a true and authentic celebration of Christ's life-giving sacrifice.

Moreover, we must strive to liberate freedom itself. Freedom of choice, freedom to do what we want, is only partial freedom. We must seek to make it complete by living the freedom of the committed as the author of the letter to the Hebrews enjoins us. We have said "amen" to Jesus but must also strive to live his Gospel values. Freed from sin and selfishness, we are now free to be like the one who freed us: Body broken, Blood poured out for the life of the world.

Jesus offered himself selflessly on the cross that we might have life and continues to offer himself in the Eucharistic perpetual sacrifice that we might be nourished and strengthened. How can we be his followers and be selfish at the same time?

Fr. Dominick

	Next Weekend Minis 4:00PM MASS	try Schedule - June 9:00AM MASS	8th / 9th, 2024 11:00AM MASS
Lectors	Jim Waters	Mary Towson	Michelle MacIsaac
EMC	Diana Snowden	Jo Ann Giesler	Diane Poling
Ushers	Marguerite Goodfellow Alison Coort	Ian Etherington Linda Latour Natasha Aben Urszula Lewgowd	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix, Linda Lacroix
Counters	Tuesday, June 4, 2024	Mary Kudryk &	Laila Etherington

## Parish Pastoral News

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF ST. PAUL / A

Lay Missionary Associate is being formed and started in our parish. The Associate Missionaries of St. Paul (AMSP) is a Lay movement involved in the missionary activities of the Catholic Church today; known as Associate missionaries for the modern time.

Their apostolate is to organize retreats for young families, youth, prayer and conferences to boost the Catholic faith and spiritual growth and development in the spirit of the missionary mandate of the Church.

The inauguration Mass will be on June 29, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.

The inauguration Mass starts at 10:30 a.m., followed by lunch, talks and induction of membership.

There is a lot to be learned and shared about our faith in this forum. We are expecting a large turnout.

A team from Saskatchewan who are already members of this lay movement are coming to share their testimonies with us on that day. And four Priests from the Congregation of the Missionary Society of St. Paul will be concelebrating the inauguration Mass and will be presenting the talks as well.

The inauguration letter from Bishop Miehm will be read during the Mass.

#### BE AN AMBASSOR FOR CHRIST!!!

**Parish Nurse News** / The Parish Nurse clinic is now closed for the season. If you would like to speak with me, call or email the Parish Office and I will either call you or make a Home Visit.

**Altar Servers** / If you have received your First Holy Communion and would like to participate in the Mass in an even more active way, then consider becoming an altar server. Training will be provided. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Sirek at 705-571-1681 or elizabeth.sirek@gmail.com.

# Week of June 3rd - 9th, 2024

Welcome To The Area And The Parish / Whether you are new to the area, or here for a short visit, you are most welcome. We hope and pray that the memories that you have created here in the Muskoka area, will bring you all

joy in the future. May God's peace be within you always.

Parish Picnic/ The Parish would like to have a picnic to celebrate the Feast of St. Mary of the Assumption. The Parish picnic would be on Sunday, August 18th at St. Kateri's in Baysville following the Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass. On the weekends of June 8th/9th and June 15th/16th, there will be sign up sheets at the entrance to both St. Mary's and St. Kateri's. These sign up sheets are to help determine whether or not to go ahead with the picnic. In order to host a Parish Picnic we need a committee of volunteers to help organize, set up, BBQ, and clean up. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Alison in the office at 705-789-2348 or email: office@stmaryshuntsville.ca or speak with Fr. Dominick.

### Supporting Our Fathers in the Faith / Retired

priests have spent years ministering to our parish communities, offering guidance, support, and the sacraments. Now it's our turn to show our appreciation and ensure they are cared for in their retirement years. Your support of the Special Collection for the Priest Benefit Fund on June 15/16 will directly assist retired priests of our diocese with their essential needs, ensuring they can live with dignity as vital members of our community. Learn more and donate today at <a href="https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org">www.peterboroughdiocese.org</a>.

\*\*Coffee Sunday / The members of the St. Vincent de Altar Servers / If you have received your First Holy Paul will be hosting Coffee Sunday on Sunday, June 9, 2024, Communion and would like to participate in the Mass in an after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

# Solemnity of The Most Holy Corpus Christi

The members of St. Vincent de Paul Society in our parish thank you for your continued and gracious donations to the Food Bank.

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SVDP SOCIETY Hotline: 705-789-0008 In advance, we thank you for whatever you have been able to share with us in the way of monetary donations. The money we collect from you, helps us to buy some perishable food items that we are able to add to their food hampers. Those coming to our food bank receive not only food, but kindness and the encouragement to remain hopeful. *Shalom* 

# Parish Group Meetings / Events

Thursdays 6:00 PM Huntsville Community Band Practice / Parish Hall
Sunday June 9th Coffee Sunday / Parish Hall / After the 9:00 a.m. Mass