JUNE 19, 2022: BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish.

Luke 9: 11b-17

Hands and voices at the table

After you've been a priest or deacon or minister of the Communion for awhile, you begin to notice the hands. The Body of Christ, you say as you place the host in his or her hands: Hands that are calloused and scarred from work. Hands that are gnarled and broken by illness. Hands that care for children, the sick, the elderly. Hands that make music, build boats, cook, plant, create beautiful things. All these hands tell the stories of these people who have responded to God's invitation to come to this table. This bread is their connection with the God who authored their stories.

And after you've become more comfortable in the role of distributor of the consecrated bread, you start to look — even if just for a second — into their eyes. As you hold up the piece of bread, you see in the communicant's eyes the simple joy of receiving their Lord in the Eucharist. Some days you might detect a sadness or hurt in their eyes or hear a note of pain or grief in their Amen.

You understand that you are not a part of this moment. Whether gratitude or grief, relief, or despair, this is Communion between God and this individual. God is just using your hands — and you're humbled to be of such use. And when you return to the altar with the "fragments" in your ciborium or paten, you realize the depth of God's love for all of us who come to this table of ours. We come to the table with our joys, our thanks, our hurts, our doubts, our crises, our griefs. Some days we come with grateful hearts and some days we come broken and distraught; other times we come gratefully aware of God's presence in our lives — and at times we come wondering if God is really here.

Nora Gallagher writes in The Sacred Meal: "Communion is meant to be done together; it has to be done in community. You can pray alone and fast alone. You can even go on pilgrimage alone. But you can't take Communion alone . . . Communion forces us to be with others [and] stand with them . . . We are forced to be with strangers and people we don't like, persons of different colors and those with bad breath or breathing cheap alcohol . . . We are stuck with each other, at that altar, at least for a few minutes." And that's what enables the real miracle to happen: The Eucharist transforms us from a collection of diverse, disconnected souls into a community of faith. We come here with our struggles and doubts and pains and sorrows and, if the Eucharist is what Jesus intended it to be, we find support and compassion from those who come to the table with us. Today's feast of the Body and Blood of Christ celebrates our call by Jesus who fed the multitudes to be both guest and waiter, participant and host at the banquet of God.

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BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

<u>Pastor</u>: Monsignor Jim Robertson <u>Office Administrator</u>: Joseph Stany Moothedan <u>Office Hours</u>: Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am- 12:30 pm

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Weekend Masses:	Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am
Mass During Week:	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm. Friday at 10 am.
Lohnes Complex	First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, <i>closed to public.</i>
<u>Bible Study</u> : <u>Holy Hour of Adoration</u> :	Cancelled for summer. Post-poned until further notice.
Reconciliation: <u>Marriages</u> : <u>Baptisms</u> : <u>Family Connections</u> : St. Vincent de Paul:	By request. Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended. Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session. At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections. To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS

Julie 11 -Julie 12 , 2022		
Regular Sunday	\$1526.00	
Building Fund	40.00	
Votive Candles	66.00	
In Memorium - Mary Gallant	25.00	
In Memorium – Camille Bruce	50.00	
Pope's Pastoral works	30.00	

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. 7 pm	Late Tee Dobbin
Wed. 7 pm	Late Camille Bruce
Thu. 7 pm	Late Marie Byrne
Fri. 10 am	Intentions of Donor
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Thomas Griffin Sr.
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

June 25			
Gerry Buckle	Don Gallant		
	Marie Pennell		
June 26			
Veronica Stone	Margaret Dalley		
	Anna House		
Communion to the Sick – Eileen Moore			

HAPPY FATHERS DAY: Blessings to our fathers and all who have shown a Fathers love.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u>: Congratulations to Gracie Andrea Chadderton, who was baptised in our parish this week. May she and her family enjoy her growth in faith.

THANK YOU - CEMETRY MOWING: Thank you

to the small group that gathered on Monday June 13th to mow the cemetery. Special thank you to Stephen Brake and to the Brake family for the use of ride-on mower. It made things go much quicker. Don't forget it will need to be done again.

THANK YOU - PARKING LOT: Thank you to John Carroll for washing a lot of grit from our parish parking lot. It looks good.

THANK YOU - FLOWERS: A special thank you to John Hancock and his family for their hard work preparing the gardens and planting the flowers. It adds a beautiful touch.

LETTER TO FAMILIES: Copies of Bishop Bart's letter discussing world meeting of families is available at the back of the church.

<u>FINANCIAL STATEMENT:</u> Please read your statement and contact Fr. Jim with any questions.

ADVANCE NOTICE- CEMETERY MASSES:

Mount Cecilia Cemetery (Sacred Heart Parish) -Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 pm Benoit's Cove, Old RC Cemetery - Thursday, July 21 at 7:00 pm Mount Patricia Cemetery -Tuesday, July 26th at 7:00 pm Townsite Cemetery - Wednesday, July 27th at 7:00 pm. In the event of rain, the mass will be held at

the local Parish Church.

Much work has been done on our cemetery over the last number of years, and more will need to be done. We need your help in keeping the cemetery clean and beautiful. Please come join us whenever we are cleaning and mowing the cemetery.

ROSARY FOR THE FAMILY: Families from across Canada are invited to a live and virtual "Rosary for the Family" hosted by the CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life. The live Zoom event takes place on Sunday June 19th at 4:30 p.m. Newfoundland time. To register - www.cccb.ca

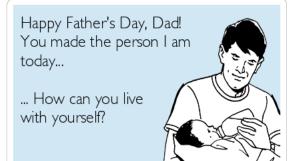
FOOD DRIVE: Come and join the Griffins in concert as we celebrate "Friends of Jack" at Bartlett's Point Park, Sunday June 26th from 2:00-4:30pm. All we ask those attending is to please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank. Looking forward to seeing all of you and please spread the word. **SSVP:** The regular monthly meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be held on Wednesday, June 22nd, at 7 PM in the basement of the Cathedral. All members are asked to attend, and new members are welcome. Also, next weekend will be Poor Box weekend with donations requested for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for its continuous support needed for Mary's Kitchen, requests for food groceries and for the upkeep of its van which is ever active.

RUN THE ROCK: Each year, Her Majesty's Canadian Ship St. John's conducts a charity fundraiser, known as Run the Rock, where members of the ship's company raise money in support of the Newfoundland and Labrador chapter of Make-A-Wish Canada. We are on a quest to bring every eligible child's wish to life, because a wish is an integral part of a child's treatment journey. Research shows children who have wishes granted can build the physical and emotional strength they need to fight a critical illness. This year's run is scheduled to start in Port au Basques on the 7th of July and end in St. Johns on the 18th of July 2022. Here is a link for donations if you are interested in supporting https://makeawishca.donordrive.com

MEETING: Bishop O'Reilly Assembly 0624 will be meeting at All Hallows' Parish on Tuesday June 21st at 7:45 P.M. Could Sir Knights please make a special effort to attend.

THE FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF

<u>CHRIST</u>: This Sunday is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (also known by the Latin title of "Corpus Christi"). This feast celebrates our belief that, in the Mass, by the words of Christ and in invocation of the Holy Spirit, bread and wine become Christ's Body and Blood (ref" paragraph 1333 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church), that in the most divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefor, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially present (ref. Paragraph 1374 of the Catechism). For a short video of prayer and reflection on this feast, watch Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ on YouTube.



DAD JOKES:

_"What do you call a belt made of watches?" "A waist of time." "What happens when a strawberry gets run over crossing the street?" "Traffic jam."

"What do you call two monkeys that share an Amazon account?"

"Prime mates."

"Where do math teachers go on vacation?" "Times Square."

"Whenever I try to eat healthy, a chocolate bar looks at me and Snickers."

