

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



Saturday, June 17:

5:00 John R. Kubasek

Sunday, June 18:

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn
& McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory
9:00 Richard P. Morrison
11:00 Michael Mustillo Jr.
1:00 Patricia M. Silvestri
5:00 People of the Parish

Monday, June 19:

7:00 Souls in Purgatory
9:00 Elsie Jones

Tuesday, June 20:

7:00 Nancy McVey
9:00 Alice Leahey

Wednesday, June 21:

7:00 Ai Zhen Zheng
9:00 Marie D. Carnegie

Thursday, June 22:

7:00 Deceased Priests of NY Archdiocese
9:00 Mario Rapaglia Sr.

Friday, June 23:

7:00 Edward Ferrar
9:00 Mario Rapaglia Sr.

Saturday, June 24:

9:00 Richard DeStefano
5:00 Laretta & Daniel Carey

Sunday, June 25:

7:00 Brendan J. Hoey
9:00 Elizabeth Christie
11:00 Joseph Lynch (5th Anniversary)
1:00 People of the Parish
5:00 Robert Roussel

Saturday, June 24:

5:00 Bill Jones Theresa Hudik

Sunday, June 25:

7:00 Joan Prenty
9:00 John Mooney Jr. Maryanne Gambardella
11:00 Ken Wisniewski Pat Jezycki
1:00 Stephen Brown Dorothy Tarafa
5:00 Fred Maley Efrain Ortiz



Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, Tim Campagna, Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Ruth Manieri, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Terrence Gibbons, Jean Forte, Baby Michael John DiCostanzo, JoAnn DiPietro, Robert Williams, Sebastian Lattuga, Linda Browne, Frances Nodar, Tina Russo, Nathaniel Sasha, Kathryn Capofari, Crystal Helewa, Fr. Raymond Dolan, Rosemary Regan, Anthony Umana, Barbara Rotondo, Carmela D'Angelo, Mark Herman, Richard Juliano, Arthur Schmitt Sr., Richard Christie

Collections:

June 11th.....\$7,492.00
Monthly Collection June 2017.....\$2,794.00
Father's Day.....\$1,263.00

Wedding Banns

II Alexander Baez & Jisette Leonardo

Please remember in your prayers our recently departed parishioners and their families especially Janet Morello, James Grace, Beverly Tobin, Kenneth Thatcher,Carolynn Johnson, Dionino DeFazio and Margaret Vennewald.

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

Meditation on Corpus Christi Sunday

by Timothy Cardinal Dolan

(Taken from “*Renewing Our Faith, Devotion in an Awesome Gift*” 5-26-16)

Usually about once a year growing up, Dad and Mom would convene an informal “family meeting”, usually because, as they would note, “things are getting sloppy.” I hardly lived in a strict, formal, demanding home, but, well, there were certainly some clear expectations. And, when we began to ignore them, Mom and Dad would remind us of them. For example, at this occasional family summit, we kids would hear about making our beds, putting our toys away, hanging up our clothes, keeping our rooms tidy, washing up before meals, and not coming to the table like slob. We’d hang our heads, but had to admit that, sure enough, we were getting a bit sloppy.

The wonderful feast we celebrate this Sunday, *Corpus Christi*, the *Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ*, gives us a chance not only to profess our faith in the awe, beauty, and majesty of the Holy Eucharist, but to ask ourselves if we are getting a bit sloppy in our approach to this sacred mystery.

Here are the facts: Jesus Christ is really and truly present in the Holy Eucharist. Every time we come to Mass, we renew His Last Supper with His apostles—a sacred meal—and His offering of Himself for us on the cross—a Holy Sacrifice. When we receive Him in Holy Communion, we are as close to Him as we can get this side of heaven. And when we gaze upon Him in the monstrance or in the tabernacle, we believe He’s really there.

To show our love and reverence for this *mystery of our faith*, we Catholics foster traditional practices of piety, which also keep us from taking the Holy Eucharist for granted, or losing the sense of awe and reverence that this Blessed Sacrament deserves.

In other words, we have certain safeguards against getting sloppy about the Holy Eucharist! The upcoming feast is a good time to recall and renew them!

—Church discipline asks that we fast from all food and drink, except water, an hour before Mass;

—Since we are receiving *Communion*, if we are aware of any serious sin that would rupture *Communion* with Jesus and His Church, we would make a good

confession prior to receiving the Eucharist;

—before entering the pew for Mass, we would *genuflect* to the Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle;

—we would dress appropriately for Mass, at least in clean, modest clothes, if not our “Sunday best”;

—conscious of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, a tone of *silent reverence* would dominate in Church;

—we would always want to be on time for Mass, and not leave early;

—just prior to receiving Holy Communion, we would prepare especially by reciting the “Lamb of God” and “Lord, I am not worthy...” with sincerity;

—our “Amen” when the minister says, “The Body of Christ,” comes from the heart;

—we would take a time of quiet thanksgiving right after receiving our Lord;

—our participation at Mass should be active, not passive; we recite the prayers and try our best to sing; we listen attentively to God’s Word; we volunteer to serve Mass, lector, bring up the gifts, sing in the choir, usher, welcome people, etc., as we are able;

—most of all, we are faithful to Sunday Mass! The studies show that only 25% of our Catholic people are consistent in Sunday Mass...we’ve got work to do!

Two weeks ago, I was home in St. Louis for the first Holy Communion of my nephew Patrick. As usual, that ceremony was moving and emotional. Afterwards, one of the dads of another child spoke to me.

“It was so meaningful getting ready for my son’s first Communion. My wife and I helped him prepare for months. At the Mass, he looked so innocent and good. He really believed he was receiving our Lord! I need that simple and childlike faith! I have to get back to Church and start receiving Holy Communion again with the same joy and belief he has.”

Don’t we all!

What a great time to “get our act together” and renew our faith and devotion in the awesome gift of the Most Holy Eucharist!

No more sloppiness, dear family!

A blessed feast of *Corpus Christi*!

Sacred Heart 2017-2018: Sacred Heart is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Sacred Heart School is a West Brighton fixture with a rich history of academic and athletic success. At Sacred Heart children are inspired and educated in the image of God. One hundred percent of our 8th grade graduates are accepted into their high school of choice. Many of our students are awarded high school scholarships, are accepted into advanced/specialized programs and our school has among the highest ELA and Math scores on Staten Island. We place emphasis on technology in the classrooms as our kindergarten—eight grade students have Chromebooks in the classroom. Homework assignments, upcoming events and school news are posted on our school website. Also our basketball, soccer, swimming and golf teams are not only competitive, they win! Sacred Heart also has a Junior National Honor Society as well as drama, art and chess clubs. In addition we offer a free Pre-K and financial assistance is available to students from K-8th grade. If you are interested please contact the school at (718) 442-0347, private tours are available.

Sacred Heart Soccer Registration:

Registration is now open for the 2017-2018 Sacred Heart Soccer Team. Both boys and girls ages 4 (birth year 2013) thru 14 are welcome to join. Please visit

www.sacredheartsoccerclub.siplay.com to register and for further information. The early discount applies through June 30, 2017.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday June 24, 2017:

5:00 : K. Shashaty, K. Shashaty, H. Bond

Sunday June 25, 2017:

7:00 Anne, Siobhan & Kathleen McCafferty

9:00 A. Basile, M. Ahern, J. Ahern

11:00 M. Artuz, W. Hollnsteiner, B. Daniels

1:00 M. Riccardi, K. Postler, J. Lotito

5:00 A. Maida, T. Koleci, E. Eadiccio

St. Joseph's Retreat Center

(St. Joseph Hill Academy)

Summer 2017 Program Schedule

June 28: Centering Prayer Group, 7:30-9 PM, cost \$10, facilitated by Anne Louise DePalo. This group will meet twice a month on Wednesdays so come and pray and rest in God's presence.

June 22: Praise God with Art, 6:30-8:30 PM, cost \$20, facilitated by Kyle Galante. This group will meet on Thursdays and focus on using art and imagination to praise God. We are all made in his likeness and image hence we are all artists.

Friday-Sunday, July 7-9th: Midsummer Silent Retreat facilitated by Sister Gerrie Contento. Cost of \$200 for single, \$250 for double and a nonrefundable deposit of \$50 due by June 30th. In peace and silence give yourself the gift of solitude with God. Be refreshed and renewed through silent prayer and reflection as well as celebrating the Eucharist. There are other exciting and informative retreats that will be held at the St. Joseph Retreat House throughout the summer. I will do my best to keep you posted about them here. The retreat center is located on the grounds of St. Joseph Hill Academy at 850 Hylan Blvd. To reserve a seat simply call Ronnie Keane at (718) 720-1097 or visit SJRetreatCenter.org

St. Francis Catholic Singles: St. Francis Catholic Singles for those in their 30s, 40s and 50s will have their 16th annual Spring into Summer Party on Saturday, June 24th. The event will take place at The Mansion Grand, located at 141 Mansion Avenue, from 7:30 –11:30 PM. There will be dinner, dancing, a live deejay and door prizes. The cost is \$70 and all checks are to be made out to cash and mailed to Holy Family Church no later than June 19th.

Choir News: Welcome to the Sacred Heart Choir News. I would like to invite you to join our choirs, The Adult and The Children's Choir. If you can carry a tune and are willing to sing, you are in! Remember the one who sings prays twice. Our Children's Choir sings the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month and the Adult Choir sings on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 11 AM Mass.