

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
June 18, 2017



Prefigured in the manna, which both nourished individuals and defined Israel as a community under God's special care, so Jesus, the Living Bread, bestows eternal life on us as individuals and a community through the gift of the Eucharist.

In verses preceding today's Gospel, Jesus declares, "Whoever believes has eternal life" (John 6:47). Today, Jesus replaces "believers" with "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life" (6:54). By using "flesh," John's word for the whole of human nature ("And the Word became flesh") [1: 14], John challenges us who receive Christ's flesh in the Eucharist to assimilate the whole of Jesus' humanity, that is, Jesus; self-sacrificing lifestyle, as our distinctive manner of being human.

For Paul, Eucharistic bread and cup are both signs of what the community is called to be and source of the community's strength to live that ideal. John's Last Supper account lacks bread, wine, and Eucharistic institution, focusing instead on Jesus' washing the disciple's feet. John's Eucharistic theology today, and Paul's teaching that Eucharistic sharing makes us one with Christ and each other, indicate that an authentically Eucharistic community both worships Christ's presence in the Eucharist and serves Christ's presence in the "least." Ideally, we who devoutly adore Jesus in the tabernacle should also serve the poor in a real and hands-on way. How fitting for the Eucharistic Christ to be carried in Corpus Christi's traditional procession through the very streets Christ's disciples travel when carrying the Church's care to those in need.

Question of the Week

How will I set aside time both to adore Christ present in the Eucharist and to serve the poor in a hands-on-way?

Saturday, June 17, 2017

Vigil of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

4:00p.m. Darrell & Elodie Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Ellsworth McKendall – Leonard Belton – Corrine Singletary – George Marcell – Chris H. Davillier, Sr. – Clarence Delasbour – Joseph Morse – Roland Hills – Eugene Hills – Intentions of Miriam Page – James Young – Joseph Nguyen – Marie Nguyen – Alton Lombard

Sunday, June 18, 2017

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8:30a.m. Darrell & Elodie Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Earthy B. Lazard – Melvina Kepp – Calvin Tate – Walter Banks III – Lawrence Miller, Jr. – Corrine Singletary – Audrey Porter – James St. Charles – Manuel Gouse – Lionel Williams – Hurby Oubre – Oliver Williams – Intentions of James Young
10:30a.m. Lamar & Shirley Smith – Fred & Dorothy Johnson – Joseph Kelly, Jr – Melvin Thomas, Jr. – Milton Becnel – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Al DeGrasse – James C. Armelin, Sr. – Eddie Hills – Eldridge & Norma Monette – Moses Faciane – Willie Guillory – Milton Becnel – Dennis Washington – Albert, Warren, and Anthony Pierre – Intentions of John Guillory – Leopold Schwankhart, Sr. – Albert R. Pierre – Harold Broussard, Sr.

12:00p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Maria Goretti Parish – St. Joseph Altar Society – Edward Lassigne, Jr. - Andrew Joseph, III

Monday, June 19, 2017

8:30a.m. Mr. Charles Winchell, Jr. – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Harold Broussard, Sr.

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Intentions of Miriam Page - Joseph Nguyen – Marie Nguyen

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

8:30a.m. Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Harold Broussard, Sr.

Thursday, June 22, 2017

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Intentions of Miriam Page – Joseph Nguyen – Marie Nguyen

Friday, June 23, 2017

8:30a.m. Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Ellsworth McKendall – Al DeGrasse – Harold Broussard, Sr. Intentions of Miriam Page – Joseph Nguyen – Marie Nguyen

Saturday, June 24, 2017

8:30a.m. The Living and Deceased Benefactor of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Corpus Christi

Announcements

“The LORD will give Strength to HIS people, the LORD will Bless HIS people with Peace.” Psalm 29. Eucharistic Adoration Monday thru Friday 9:00a.m. until 12:00 noon and Saturdays 12:00 noon till 3:00p.m.

Bible Study

The Bible Study theme for the Solemnity of the Holy Spirit is: **We are what we eat.** This Bible Study is based on the readings for **The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Reading I: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a, Responsorial Psalm: 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Gospel: John 6:51-58.** The Bible Study can be found on the parish website at <http://www.smgola.com/BibleStudy>, and it can be downloaded for your personal use. Join us in the Center Monday, June 19th at 7:00p.m.

GET YOUR PRAISE ON!

The Annual St. Maria Goretti Gospel Concert for Haiti will take place today June 25, 2016 from 3:00- 5:00 p.m. in the church. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door. All proceeds are dedicated to rebuilding our partner parish in Haiti, St. Therese De L’Enfant Jesus and supporting the parish school.



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends & family.

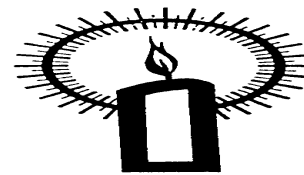
The St. Maria Goretti RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) now moves to the period called: **“Life in Christ and the Practice of the Faith”**: During this period, the New Christians continue to deepen their understanding of the mysteries of the faith. They are encouraged to become active in the parish community through interaction with the parish ministries, continue catechesis and participate with all the faithful in devotions and the Sunday Eucharist celebration. The New Christians are now part of Christ’s body (the Church). They must now go forth with the entire faith community to continue the mission of Jesus Christ. Please continue to support them.

The Parish Invites Those Who:

- Have expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seventeen who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Are Catholic and would like to know more about their faith?
- Who is married to a Catholic and would like to know more about the Catholic Faith.

Please remember the newly Baptized and Confirmed in your prayers as they continue their Journey of Faith and welcome them to parish events and ministries.

For more information please contact Deacon Terrel J. Broussard, Harold Broussard, Byron Martin Sheila Thompson, Dianne Wiltz-Huntley, or any RCIA member or visit the web site at www.smgola.com.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of all our deceased Parishioner. The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will burn in memory of Ellsworth McKendall and Lawrence R. De Salle, Jr.

In Our Parish

Monday, June 19, 2017

- 10:30a.m. Sr. Dancer Class Center
- 6:00p.m. Exercise Class – Center

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

- 6:30p.m. Edgelake HOA – Rm. 9
- 6:30p.m. N. Kenilworth HOA – Rm. 8
- 7:00p.m. First Place Class – Rm. 10

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

- 9:00a.m. Altar Society – Center & Kitchen
- 5:30p.m. District E Meeting – Rm. 9
- 6:00p.m. Exercise Class – Center
- 7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice – Center

Thursday, June 22, 2017

- 9:00a.m. Altar Society – Center & Kitchen
- 6:00p.m. Bingo

Friday, June 23, 2017

- 9:00a.m. Council on Aging – Center & Kitchen
- 6:00p.m. Rosary Broadcast – Rms. 3 & 4

Saturday, June 24, 2017

- 9:00a.m. Cookie Bake – Center & Kitchen
- 10:00a.m. Star Class – Rm. 10

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade the land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

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We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.