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WHAT DID THE FIRST CHRISTIANS BELIEVE?

The Faith in the First Centuries

EUCCHARIST LITERALLY JESUS

IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

Ep. to the Smyrnaeans 6-7 (c.110)

"[T]hose who hold heterodox opinions ... do not confess that the Eucharist is the flesh of our Savior Jesus Christ..."

JUSTIN MARTYR

The First Apology 66 (c.148-155)

"And this food is called among us 'Eucharist' ... the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh."

IRENAEUS

Adv. Heresies 5:2:3 (c.180-199)

"[C]up and the manufactured bread ... becomes the Eucharist, which is the body and blood of Christ."

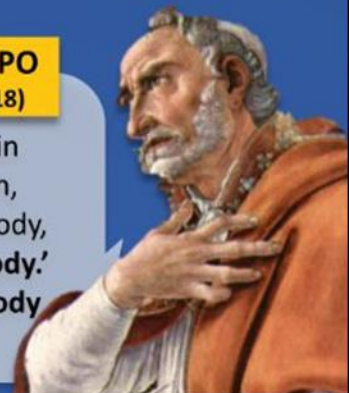


Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:18-20;
1 Corinthians 11:23-25; John 6:55

AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

Psalms 33:1:10 (c.392-418)

"Christ was carried in his own hands when, referring to his own body, he said, 'This is my body.' For he carried that body in his hands."



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[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 31

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Patricia Stoltz +

Sunday, August 1

- Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. For the Intentions of Tricia Meyers

Monday, August 2

No morning Mass

Tuesday, August 3

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m. Diann Huss +
8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, August 4

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Jane Case +

Thursday, August 5

8:00 a.m. Gloria Gordon +

Friday, August 6

8:30 a.m. Jim Cole +
9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00 p.m. Mass

Saturday, August 7

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. John & Susan Houlihan
50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, August 8

- Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Special Intention



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., August 2 - Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest - Nm 11:4b-15/ Mt 14:13-21

Tues., August 3 - Nm 12:1-13/ Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wed., August 4 - St. John Vianney, Priest - Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/ Mt 15:21-28

Thurs., August 5 - Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major - Nm 20:1-13/ Mt 16:13-23

Fri., August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord - Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/ 2 Pt 1:16-19/ Mk 9:2-10

Sat., August 7 - St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest - Dt 6:4-13/ Mt 17:14-20

Sun., Aug. 8 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 1 Kgs 19:4-8/ Eph 4:30-5:2/ Jn 6:41-51

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUGUST 1, 2021

This weekend (July 30th/August 1st), the Church celebrates the **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Our bulletin cover may seem familiar, as it is the same one that we used on the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**. Last weekend, you may have noticed that we deviated from our walk through the Gospel of St. Mark and have found ourselves in the Gospel of St. John. We will remain in the Gospel of St. John for the next three weekends (*save for the Solemnity of the Assumption on August 15th*).

If we had continued in the Gospel of St. Mark, we would have heard St. Mark's account of the **Feeding of the Five Thousand** (*Mark 6:30-44*). This miracle is the only miracle to be found in all four Gospel accounts. Instead, last weekend, we heard the account of this miracle from the sixth chapter of St. John's Gospel. This week and beyond, we will continue to walk through this chapter, known as the Bread of Life Discourse.

From the **Bread of Life Discourse**, we hear Jesus' very clear teaching regarding the Eucharist, which is His Body and His Blood. Jesus Christ is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, under the appearances of bread and wine. The Eucharist is no mere sign or symbol, but is reality. For this reason, we refer to the Eucharist as the **Real Presence of Jesus Christ**. By his **Real Presence** in the Eucharist Christ fulfills his promise to be with us "*always, until the end of the age*" (*Matthew 28:20*).

As we will hear in the coming weekends, many will find this teaching to be difficult and leave our Lord, with only the Twelve remaining. As difficult as this teaching was to accept nearly 2,000 years ago, perhaps we take this great mystery of our Faith for granted today. Our belief in the Real Presence in the Eucharist dates back to the very beginnings of the Church, as seen in our bulletin cover today.

Our actions and postures reflect this belief from the moment we enter the Church. We keep a sacred reverence and silence within the Church proper, recognizing that we are on sacred ground as we approach the Lord Himself. The *sanctuary lamp* (also known as the *eternal flame*) is kept burning at all hours to signify our Lord's Eucharistic Presence in the Tabernacle. If able, we genuflect towards the Tabernacle when entering / exiting the pew before or after Mass as a sign of reverence and respect to the **Real Presence**.

Everything we do is to point us to this most wondrous truth: **Jesus Christ awaits us in the Eucharist!** He awaits us to receive Him at every Mass; To spend time in prayer with Him throughout the day. This coming Friday, as we celebrate the **Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord** (*Mark 9:2-10*), we will have **extended adoration throughout the day from 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM**. I encourage you to come spend time in prayer with our Eucharistic Lord. As it is also First Friday, we also have **two opportunities for Mass this Friday, at 8:30 AM (OF in English) and 6:00 PM (OF in Latin)**.

END OF CLASSES AND DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

On Friday, my July semester at Catholic University of America came to an end as I took finals for both of my classes: *The Teaching Office of the Church* and *Temporal Goods*. I will have a few weeks break before our Fall semester begins. The Fall semester will consist of recorded lectures and allows for greater flexibility in my schedule. As such, we will be resuming our normal daily Mass times this coming week. Thank you again for your flexibility in scheduling over these past two months.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Sharon Miller, Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie and Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Andrea Holte, Tom Williams, Jen Coyne, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Nora LaVine, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Doreen Ayres and Leanne Lee.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, August 3 - Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m., in Church; meeting in the Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.

G.I.R.L.'s night out

(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

Come and join us Tuesday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall for an ice cream social. We will provide the ice cream all you need to do is bring a friend, your favorite ice cream topping and be ready to have lots of fun! If the weather is nice, we may venture out and sit around the bon fire.

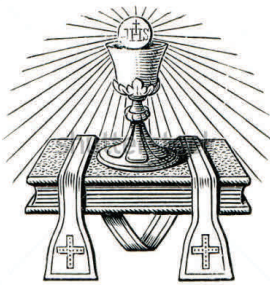
We are also planning to start a book, *Exalted* at our meeting in September. We understand life gets busy and sometimes you may miss a meeting or so, but that is OK, please come, the book and discussion will be wonderful, even if you cannot be at every meeting.

Mass Time Change Starts August 3rd

Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m.



PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., July 31 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., August 1 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., August 2 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., August 2 - Knights of Columbus - Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in Church / meeting in the Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., August 3 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., August 4 - Parish Council Meeting following 7:00 evening Mass.
- Fri., August 6 - Mass 8:30 a.m. / Adoration 9:00-6:00 p.m. / Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- Sat., August 7 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., August 8 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., August 10 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., August 10 - G.I.R.L.'s Night Out - 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Wed., August 11 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 7/8



5:00 Larry Leitz
7:30 Mike Morrissey
10:00 Jay Crisp



(Process in with the Book of Gospels)

5:00 Bruce Holland
7:30 Carol Butler
10:00 Joe Collins



5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle
10:00 Todd/Anjie Hartman Family & Chris/Laurie Reifsteck Family



5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Beth Geisel
10:00 Ellie Coyne, Gracie Haiflich, Gabby Hoffacker

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report
July 24/25 Weekend
Online Giving July- \$5,190.00

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40
We are \$1,443.10 behind budget for the month of July.

Adult Envelopes- \$2,086.00
Child Envelopes- \$3.00
Loose- \$328.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$564.66
Religious Ed. Fund- \$1.00
Ascension- \$50.00
Total- \$3,032.66

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$63.00

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - July

Housing- \$484.96
Utilities- \$688.81

Total Charitable Donations- \$1,173.77

Thank you for helping us help others!

"For it is in giving that we receive." - St. Francis of Assisi



Pope Francis says:

"*Being a Catechist is a Vocation*"

Is It Your Vocation? Join Us and Find Out!

Catechists needed

We have openings in Grades 4 and 6 and Catechist Assistants in Grades 3 and 7. If you feel you are being called to become a Catechist please call the Parish Office, 824-1380.

There will be a Catechist meeting Wednesday, August 25th following evening Mass in the Parish Social Hall.

Saturday, August 28th following evening Mass we will have a Religious Education Registration Pizza & Sundae Bar. Come and register your child(ren) for Religious Education Classes, meet their Catechist and enjoy Pizza and Ice Cream. Religious Education Classes will resume Sunday, September 12th - 8:30-9:45 a.m.

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