



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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Weekend
Saturday: 4:00 PM &
6:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday—8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
12:00 Noon (Spanish)

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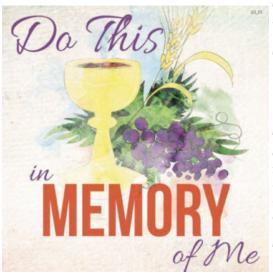
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Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is celebrated two weeks after Pentecost Sunday.

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The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church.

The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist. At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church.

The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This

image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

On this Solemnity, we proclaim our belief in the Real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We also proclaim that same Jesus lives within each one of us who are baptized into His Body, the Church, of which we are members. That is also a Real presence. The Lord Himself teaches us that the entire Trinity takes up residence within us. Then, through our life in the Church, which is His Body, and our participation in the Sacraments, which communicate Divine Life, we can begin to live in the Trinity, right now.

This Solemnity reminds all of us of the call to continuing conversion, the universal call to holiness. Each of us who bear the name Christian is to become more like the One whom we love and in whom we live. The Eucharist is not only a fraternal meal we share with one another, it's a communion with God Himself that unites us with Him. It is that union with God that also unites us with every other person who is united to God through the sharing of the Most Holy Eucharist.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, spend time pondering the profound mystery of the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. As we kneel before Him, we truly kneel before His throne in Heaven, despite the reality being veiled from our eyes. As we consume the Blessed Sacrament, we truly consume Christ Himself—Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity—and receive Him into our souls. Though we might not feel Him with our bodily senses, we must allow our spiritual sense of faith to grow so that our love for Him in this Most Precious Gift exponentially increases.

We have received the Bread of Heaven. Let us choose to become what we consume. These Feasts are not just rituals on a Church calendar. They are invitations to encounter the Lord Jesus Christ, and then offer Him to a world waiting to be born anew. On this Feast of Corpus Christi, let us ask the Lord to come and take up residence within us anew. Let us receive, adore and become Eucharist for others.

Prayer for Safety In 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 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 our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem,

[Composed by Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), second Bishop of Lafayette (1956-1973)]

THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS





Many Catholics have already found special ways of celebrating 2025, the Jubilee Year of Hope. The year truly is a year of hope because, after all, with it we mark the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation! While Rome has designated holy doors that are only opened during a jubilee, and thus pilgrims flock to Rome in order to obtain those special graces, many local dioceses offer their own diocesan-designated sites where special indulgences may be obtained during a Jubilee Year.

But with all the excitement about the Jubilee Year of Hope, you might have missed the news that this June 2025 is also the Jubilee of the Sacred Heart.

This June marks a very beautiful commemoration spanning several weeks and filled with meaning for those who love the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This Jubilee officially closes in 2025 on June 27, the Feast of the Sacred Heart. And the Feast of the Sacred Heart is extra special this year ... because this June is exactly 350 years from when Christ first requested this feast.

There are some special days to celebrate the Jubilee this June, because that is the span of days during the Octave of Corpus Christi, 1675, in which the Sacred Heart appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French Visita-

tion nun. This event is sometimes referred to as the "Great Apparition," or the "Fourth Revelation from the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

Our Lord made known His desire for the Feast of the Sacred Heart to be established. Try marking your calendar for these eight days and making extra acts of love and reparation in honor of the Sacred Heart or praying extra prayers on those days.

Jesus opened His Heart and spoke these words to St. Margaret Mary during the octave of Corpus Christi, when she was before the Blessed Sacrament: And what did Jesus wonderfully promise? That His Heart "will open wide and pour forth lavishly the influence of Its Divine love on all" who will receive Holy Communion on the Feast of the Sacred Heart in a spirit of reparation. What a beautiful promise! Let's mark our calendars now and get to Mass on Friday, June 27! Let us receive Holy Communion on that day in a spirit of loving reparation for the outrages our Eucharistic Lord has received.

The Jubilee of the Sacred Heart has actually spanned three years (2023-2025), celebrating the apparitions of 1673, 1674, and 1675. Over those years, Jesus famously requested the 9 First Fridays devotion to make reparation to His Eucharistic Heart.

For more ways to celebrate, along with going to Mass and receiving the Most Holy Eucharist on the Feast of the Sacred Heart in a spirit of reparation, why not plan to make a June altar in your home in a spirit of love? You could set up **an image of the Sacred Heart and a candle or bouquet of flowers** as a continuous visual reminder of your devotion. Jesus meek and humble of heart, make our hearts like unto Thine!



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2025-2024



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Registrations are available in the Church vestibule. You may complete the paperwork at the Church office, Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM—3:00 PM.

Registration for Pre-Communion, First Communion, Post Communion and Confirmation. For more information please call (863)385-0049.

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

This sacrament is available every Saturday from 3:00—3:45 PM or by appointment with a Priest.

Anointing of the sick, Baptism & Marriage

For questions or more information (863)385-0049 or e-mail at office@stcathe.org.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 12:1-9, Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22, Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6, Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15, 8:00 AM Acts 13:22-26, Lk 1:57-66, 80

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18, Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-

7, 8-9, Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16,

Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5, Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Ez 34:11-16, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1),

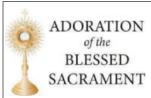
Rom 5:5b-11, Lk 15:3-7

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15, Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and

53, 54-55, Mt 8:5-17

Sunday: Day: Acts 12:1-11, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8- 8:00 AM

9, 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18, Mt 16:13-19



Every Friday from 8:30 to 11:45 AM in the Chapel

WELCOME TO ST. CATHERINE PARISH

We invite you to register with us or if you have changed any of your contact information, please fill out this form.

Visit the Parish Office during open hours.

- Mail the Parish Registration or Update Form to the Parish Office.
- Drop the Parish Registration or Update Form into the weekend collection basket.
- Register online at www.stcathe.org

Name:
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PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
() New Registration
() Moving out of the Parish
() Up-date information
() Need contribution envelopes

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christ

Mass Intentions of the Week

SATURDAY June 21st

4:00 PM CHARLES & CATHARINE RITCHEY † Madonna Williams

JACK H. WILLIAMS SR. † Madonna Williams

Larry & Pauline Price (50th Wedding Anniversary)
— Pauline Price

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SUNDAY June 22nd

8:00 AM For All Living and Deceased Parishioners — Fr. José

10:00 AM DAVID NUTTER † Mary Nutter

Mrs. Tom Lucas (for health) — Kathy & Dennis

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MONDAY June 23rd

8:00 AM RAQUEL ESCALANTE † Familia Martinez

JIM MATTSON † Marifran Mattson

TUESDAY June 24th

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving — MTY

WEDNESDAY June 25th

8:00 AM DESMOND COZIER † Christian Cozier

ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY † MTY

THURSDAY June 26th

8:00 AM CRESCENCIA BONDOC † MTY

FRIDAY June 27th

8:00 AM MARGARO RODRIGUEZ † Jose Rodriguez

SATURDAY June 28th

4:00 PM TONY SALCEDO † Shelly & Riley

EDD VOWELS † Rita, Laurie, Tim & Susan

TODD VOWELS † Rita, Laurie, Tim & Susan

SUNDAY June 29th

8:00 AM FLORENCIO NIETO † Familia Nieto Ortiz

10:00 AM For All Living and Deceased Parishioners — Fr. José

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions forms are available at the Parish Office or online, at

https://web4ucorp.com/massintentions/catherinesebring

Return Mass Intention forms at Parish Office or drop it in the weekend collection. The usual donation is \$10.

Please specify whether the person is living or deceased. Mass Intentions must be made a minimum of 10 days prior to the date of the intention.

BOOKKEEPER'S CORNER

OFFERINGS

<u>Second Collections</u>
This Week: Insurance
Next Week: Peter 's Pence Collection

June 15th

Regular Collection: \$6,029.00 Second Collection: Charity Fund \$1,390.00

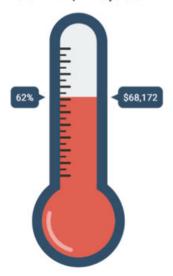
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Fulfill Your Required Minimum Distribution

If you reached age 73 in 2024, your second Required Minimum Distribution is due by December 31, 2025, based on your account balance on December 31, 2024.

Did you know that you can direct your Required Minimum Distribution to St. Catherine Catholic Church and avoid increasing your taxable income by making a Qualified Charitable Distribution? You can request your IRA Administrator to send a check payable to St. Catherine Catholic Church to satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution.

Please check with your professional advisors for more information on this beneficial giving option.

St. Catherine Catholic Church does not provide legal tax, or financial advice. When considering gifting options, seek the advice of your own legal and/or financial professionals.

Summer Hours

Youth Group will continue to meet on Fridays during the month of June.

6:30pm-8:00pm

Last Day: June 27

For more information please contact: Jose Rodriguez (863)245-7597 or Leyda Calvillo (863) 245-3237.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week we served 76 visitors / shoppers with a to-



tal of 76 family members.12 Vincentians and 3 School volunteers operated the food pantry. We received 2 donations from our Parish families. We shared Holy Communion and prayer with 4 patients and their

family at the hospital.

We would appreciate food donations of Ramen Noodles and Cereal. We thank you for your generosity and support. We invite anyone interested in joining or learning more about our efforts to join us in the food pantry at 10 am every Tuesday.

For more information call 863-835-0571.

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MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Women of our parish, come join us and see how St. Catherine's Council of Catholic Women can enrich your life. We meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 4:30 P.M. with a social time starting at 4:00 P.M. Meeting is at building S200 Hickory Street. For more information please call Mrs. Jennifer Lindsey at (618) 521-8730 or email jcsojlindsey@yahoo.com.

GRIEFSHARE GROUP

For more information please contact (863) 385-0049

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council Member Business Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM in Building S200 on Hickory Street with the Rosary being said starting at 6:30 PM. <u>Fourth Degree Assembly Meetings</u> are held on the first Monday of <u>every other Month</u> at 7:00 PM in Building S200. <u>New Members and Transfers are ALWAYS welcome!</u> Any questions please contact Grand Knight Donald Israel (239)691-4777. Thank You!

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings are Wednesdays at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall, Room #17. For more information please contact Mary Ann Buckley (863)385-1386.

PRAYER CHAIN

For questions or more information please call Claudia Spradlin at (863)991-3271 or email claudia@stcathe.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

For First Communion, Confirmation classes or more information please call (863)385-0049.

ROSARY

The Holy Rosary will be prayed at 9:30 AM each Sunday in the Chapel.

Raffle: You Can't Win if You Don't Play

To help us achieve our goal of \$100.000 to pay the cost of our insurance, we offer you the opportunity to participate in a raffle with your donation of \$10. For \$100 you can receive 11 tickets (\$10 each, ONE FREE) to win any of the following prizes.

1st Prize: \$3,000 2nd Prize: \$1,500 3rd Prize: \$500

The proceeds will go to help the Parish offset the price of our Insurance Premiums . Time to move the thermometer!

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