

Holy Spirit Parish

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 3, 2018

AS REAL AS IT GETS

The “new covenant” described in Hebrews is every bit as real as the dramatic blood-splashed covenant of Exodus. Jesus transformed the covenantal experience for us, putting an end to bloody animal sacrifices. The author of Hebrews explains: “he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.” Jesus died, once for all, offering his own blood in atonement for our sins. On the last night of his life, Jesus commanded us to offer bread and wine—which he transforms into his own Body and Blood—in remembrance of his perfect sacrifice. Although pouring wine from a bottle is in a different category from killing a bull and sprinkling its blood, we must never forget that the wine we offer truly becomes the actual Blood of Christ.

ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

Jesus’ free choice to die for us on the cross perfected the long tradition of priests offering bloody sacrifices on the altar. As our reading from Hebrews tells us, “Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be.” In his death, Jesus served as both the priest and the victim, “once for all.” Jesus died for us. For all of us. He knows us each by name and raises us all to undivided, unprejudiced dignity. In doing this, Jesus makes us part of a “royal priesthood.” Under the new covenant, we are baptized into the common priesthood of Jesus and invited to make a sacrifice of our very selves. God still calls ordained priests to offer the sacrifice of Jesus’ Body and Blood every day on our altars. This is a great gift, and the focus of our solemn feast today. Our common baptismal priesthood also reminds us that each one of us participates in the great sacrifice of Jesus when we offer our love and deeds on the altar of our hearts.

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:15 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:15 p.m.
Weekday 8:00 a.m.

***Baptisms:** By appointment. Please call the Rectory 443-5442

***Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

***Marriage:** Couples planning marriage are asked to make an appointment at Rectory at least six months prior to your anticipated wedding date.

• **Holy Spirit Parish School: (Grades TK-8) 448-5663**

Ann Marie Faires, Principal and Renee Malaki, Associate Principal

• **Catholic Faith Formation (CFF): Patricia Scott, Director**

Grades K-8; Mondays, 5:45 to 7p.m. at Holy Spirit School.

• **Respect Life Ministry:** Mack & Lucy White 447-7327.

• **Care of Sick & Elderly:** Call the Rectory for Holy Communion home calls. 443-5442

• **St Vincent dePaul Society** ~SVdP Meet 4th Tues each month 397-7264



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*We, the people of
Holy Spirit Parish
seek to live as disciples of Christ.
Guided by the Holy Spirit,
fed and strengthened
at the Eucharistic table,
we are called to witness the Good
News of the Gospel by our
lives of faith, service,
community, and hospitality.*



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The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the name of the LORD.
— *Psalm 116:13*

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	5:15 pm	John Costello +
Sunday	9:00 am	Sr. Claire Graham, Sp Int.
	11:00 am	Holy Spirit Parishioners
	5:15 pm	Holy Spirit Parishioners
Monday	8:00 am	George Witry +
Tuesday	8:00 am	Stephano & Alexandro Santiago, Spec Int.
Wednesday	8:00 am	Robert Williams +
Thursday	8:00 am	Dick & Betty Fries +
Friday	8:00 am	Vocations
Saturday	5:15 pm	Jose Vibandor +
Sunday	9:00 am	Dorothy Jarzen +
	11:00 am	Betty Downey +
	5:15 pm	Holy Spirit Parishioners



**THIS IS THE BLOOD
OF THE COVENANT**



Additional Adoration Time

There will also be a special Young Adult Adoration time on **Monday, June 4th at 7-8pm** in the church. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord and be refreshed from His presence. For info email AJ at Ajthe-dj89@gmail.com

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28b-34
Friday:	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday:	Gn 3:9-15; Ps 130:1-8; 2 Cor 4:13 — 5:1; Mk 3:20-35

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The origins of today's solemnity lie in thirteenth-century Belgium. In those days, people seldom received Holy Communion, and never from the chalice. A nun in a troubled convent, Juliana of Liège, devoted her life to stirring up love for the Eucharist, lobbying for a feast day to honor the Blessed Sacrament with Masses and processions.

Juliana may have been inspired by the Ascension Day processions in nearby Bruges. Crusaders brought a treasure home to Bruges from Constantinople in 1204: a reliquary said to contain a cloth from Joseph of Arimathea with which he had helped prepare the body of Jesus for burial. The stain on the cloth was said to be the holy blood itself, and so the people of Bruges built a great basilica to house the relic. Bruges became a great center of pilgrimage because of this treasure, and the procession of the Holy Blood is still one of the greatest festivals in Belgium today. The bishop carries the relic through the narrow streets, and the people wear medieval costumes and act out scenes from the Bible. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRECIOUS BLOOD

On this solemnity we focus our attention on the Body and Blood of Christ. We listen to the story of the renewal of the old covenant, which Moses sealed by splashing the blood of animals on the altar of sacrifice, as well as on the people. Jesus, whose blood is the blood of the new covenant, shed that precious blood on the cross, saving us from sin and promising us everlasting life. Blood is the life source that courses through our bodies. The precious blood of Christ is the life source for our spirits. Today may we, like the psalmist, offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Lord, whose Body and Blood strengthen us to bring the Good News to everyone we meet.

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New Parishioner Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Zip Code _____ Ph. # _____

Email: _____

Please place form in the collection or drop off at the rectory.

Here at Home



Time Talent Treasure (TTT)

Faithful Stewardship.

A way of life.

Everything we think,

say and do

after we say "I believe."

"I thoroughly enjoyed the experience of putting together our new Spiritual Resource Library. I am recently retired so it seemed like the time was right for me to give back more to this parish that I've enjoyed for so many years. I'm glad I did! I personally learned more about my faith and was inspired by what I read and heard while researching resources to purchase. In addition, I've gotten to know more members of the parish and have been excited to hear positive feedback about the library from folks who have used it. I hope you will enjoy checking out some of the resources!"

~Katie King

Market Sunday is June 10th

If you have any garden items (fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, honey, etc.) you'd like to share with your fellow parishioners bring them to the Cordano Way entrance at the **9:00, 11:00 and 5:15 Masses next Sunday**. Bring what you can and take what you like. Sponsored by the Helping Hearts Ministry. Future Market Sundays will be July 8th and August 12th.

Collar Cup FUNraiser

Let's come together as a school and parish family for a "FUNraiser" - building community while enjoying two soccer games at Papa Murphy Stadium on **June 23**. The first game is the "Collar Cup" - a game between Diocesan priests and seminarians followed by Mass and a vocation fair (encouraging young men and women to consider religious life). The second game is a game between our Sac Republic and St. Louis FC. Tickets are \$20 per person for adults and \$15 for kids between 3 and 10. Contact Greg Hood (916-717-7874) to purchase tickets. Join the fun!

Vocation Cross

Please stop by the vestibules of the church to sign up to take the Vocation Cross. This is a week-long commitment to pray each night for vocations. For the month of June, the sign-up sheet will be in the parking lot entrance. Individuals, couples and families are all welcome to sign up.

This Week At A Glance

- June 4 Young Adult Adoration time
- June 5 Liturgy Committee meeting
- June 6 Coffee & Catholicism
- June 6 Guild luncheon
- June 10 Market Sunday (sharing produce)

**Please call the rectory for further information on any events listed for the up-coming week.

Bible Study Classes Beginning for Summer 2018!

It's not too late to join the 8-Session Summer study - A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother and the 8-Session Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible.

A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother: Thursday at 7-8:30pm in McHugh Hall from **May 24 - Jul 26** with no meetings on June 7 & 21. You will learn Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives drawing us closer to her Divine Son. Cost for the study materials is \$28.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: Tuesday at 12-1:30pm in McHugh Hall from **June 19 - Aug 14** with no meeting on July 31. It's a great way to get the "big picture" of the Bible and see how our Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture. Cost for the study materials is \$28.

You can purchase the material for both studies online at AscensionPress.com or at the Parish Office. Please call 916-443-5442 and speak with Judy.

Adult Faith Formation

Surviving Divorce - Hope and Healing For the Catholic Family: A 12 session study meets on **Tuesday evening at 7-8:30pm** in McHugh Hall from **June 5 - Aug 28** with no meeting on July 3. It is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. The cost for the study materials is \$17.

You can purchase the material online at AscensionPress.com or at the Parish Office.

Marriage Recovery Weekend

Is your marriage in trouble – miserable – dead? Would you like it to come alive? Retrouvaille can give you the communication skills you need to relate to one other in a more respectful and emotionally mature way. The next weekend is in Sacramento, **July 13 – 15**. For more information call (800) 470-2230, email 6013@retrouvaille.org or visit <http://www.helpourmarriage.com>.

Job Openings in the Diocese

There is a job opening for a Campus Minister at the Pastoral Center and many openings at the Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services (Administrative Assistant, Building & Property Maintenance, Family Service Advisor, Mechanic, Funeral Arranger, Receptionist, etc). For more info and complete job descriptions, visit www.scd.org/employment.

How do you show gratitude for the Eucharist?