

DATE	MASSES	EVENTS
Saturday June 13th Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua	8AM Cecilia Rogers Requested by Leslie & Doug McCausland 4PM † Jane Yarrington Requested by Bruce Yarrington	7:30 AM—Confession 3:00 PM—Confession
Sunday June 14th The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	10AM Pro Populo	9:00 AM—Confession
Monday June 15th	No Mass Today	
Tuesday June 16th Tuesday of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time	4PM † Joe Plazerine Requested by Jan Plazerine	3:30 PM—Confession
Wednesday June 17th Votive of St. Joseph	8AM † Jim Toner Requested by The friends at Bible Study	7:30 AM—Confession 6:30 PM—Knights of Columbus Meeting (church parking lot)
Thursday June 18th Thursday of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time	8AM † Jim Toner Requested by Trudy Muller	7:30 AM—Confession
Friday June 19th Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	8AM † Jim Toner Requested by Bob & Suzie Quick	7:30 AM—Confession
Saturday June 20th Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the BVM	8AM † Michael Naydock Requested by Lisa and William Bernreuther 4PM † Joyce Montavon Requested by Joan & Steve Boyle	7:30 AM—Confession 3:00 PM—Confession
Sunday June 21st Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10AM Pro Populo	9:00 AM—Confession

To request a Mass intention, please visit the parish office during normal business hours.

ST. MARGARET
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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corpus Christi
June 14th, 2020 anno Domini

MASS SCHEDULE	MISSION STATEMENT
Sunday Liturgy: 4:00 PM (Vigil) 8:00 AM (seasonal) 10:00 AM	To grow in the love of the Lord, follow the teachings of the Church, & serve one another and the community.
Monday: No Mass Today	
Tuesday: 4:00 PM	
Wednesday-Saturday: 8:00 AM	
1st Friday of the Month: 4:00 PM	
Holy Day of Obligation: Check website	
Snow Days: Check website	
<i>Refer to back page for possible changes</i>	
CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM, Sunday: 9:00-9:45 AM, 1/2 hour before all Daily Masses, or by appointment	CLERGY & STAFF
SACRAMENTS/FUNERALS: Contact office	Rev. Christopher Bond Pastor Rev. Mr. Miles Merwin Deacon (seasonal) Mrs. Leslie McCausland Secretary Ms. Nicki Conroy Faith Formation Mrs. Bernice Smathers Choir Director Ms. Faith Garner Organist
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00 AM—4:00 PM Friday—Monday: Closed	

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Manna is described twice in the Bible. In the Book of Numbers it is explained that the Israelites ground it and pounded it into cakes, which were then baked. At another point in Exodus it says that it tasted like wafers that had been made with honey. The point, of course, on this Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is that manna, like many other things provided sustenance, so in that sense it maintained life, but as Christ explains it is not the "bread of life." That is the message within this First Reading, "...not by bread alone does one live," meaning truly live as in eternal life.

The Corinthians took great pride in their intelligence and wisdom. St. Paul was well aware of that when he wrote his letters to them. In his First Letter from which our Second Reading is drawn, he appeals to their good sense when he says, "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" Most Scripture scholars agree that Paul wrote his First Letter to the Corinthians before any of the Gospels had been written. Yet Paul understood the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, in ways not even the Gospel writers, who were either witnesses or relatively first-hand witnesses to the gift of the Eucharist as given by Christ did.

Paul maintains that his knowledge and understanding of the Eucharist came directly from the Lord. Jesus wanted to hand on to His followers at the end of His life on earth a divinely-inspired way to remember His love and His saving work. That is why we hear during the consecration "Do this in remembrance of me." Jesus became sin for us. His sacrifice coupled with His Resurrection represents the greatest act of love the world has ever known. Jesus left us this ongoing memorial of the Eucharist.

Although our Second Reading is brief, it represents the importance and necessity of the Eucharist. Jesus made a sacrifice for us and it is brought back to us through His Body and Blood, through holy Communion. The Lord's death brought each of us new life. When we receive the Eucharist, we should always remember that this is truly the Lord and came directly to us from the Lord. In receiving we are called to go out and share the wonders of Christ's love with everyone. The Eucharist is a time of rejoicing for us, but it is also a time when we are renewed and sent anew on our mission. Paul knew that, and that is his point to the Corinthians.

Our Gospel Reading from St. John presents Jesus pointing out the difference between the manna received by the Israelites from God in the desert and what the Lord calls the "living bread." Jesus says, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Do we really consider all that when we approach the Eucharist? As difficult as it may be for us to completely grasp, we need to recognize the importance of the Eucharist, of the Body and Blood of Christ, every time we receive it.

Yes, manna came down from heaven to save the Israelites from starving. However, Jesus has come to us to offer us something far beyond earthly hunger. He offers us, gives us, eternal life. The Eucharist is the center of our Catholic Church because Jesus Christ is the center of Catholic life and worship. For us the Eucharist is nothing less than Jesus Himself. In our catechism the Eucharist is called the "center and summit of Christian life." Jesus Christ is here on earth with us through the Eucharist. He is not just spiritually present; He is here body and blood, soul, and divinity. It is, to use a modern term, awesome indeed. It is His physical presence that strengthens us, empowers us, and energizes us to live as we should.

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UPCOMING FEASTS

If over the past two months celebrating Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, the Ascension, Pentecost, The Holy Trinity, and Corpus Christ were not enough, the Church celebrates even more in the coming weeks. This Friday, June 19th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the next day, the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the following Wednesday, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. Although none of these are Holy Days of Obligation (and considering currently there is no obligation to attend any Mass until the bishop reinstates our adherence to this precept of the Church), I still encourage you to consider coming to one or all of the Masses celebrated on these days. The regular Mass schedule is still in effect. If the "Sunday crowds" have been preventing you from coming due to health concerns, these would be good opportunities to get to a Mass on very important liturgical days where most likely there will be much fewer people.

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, we have our second collection for the **Preservation and Improvement** of the parish. Unfortunately, this was not "advertised" last weekend. We still have yet to pay the bill for the work on the bell tower as the contracted company has yet to commence work due to Covid-19 restrictions, inconvenient weather, and other variables out of our hands. Your generous contribution to this very important parish fund will not only help to "fix" things, but to keep the buildings and grounds of St. Margaret beautiful and in good condition for generations to come.

ONLINE GIVING

As I mentioned a month ago, the cumulative funds generated through online giving will be reported monthly in the bulletin. The total dollar amount is part of (not in addition to) the amounts reported weekly. For the month of May, online giving generated \$1,745 for the parish. I am very pleased with how many of you have utilized this new method to share your financial resources with this parish. I am hopeful that for the months going forward, online giving will continue to provide not just an alternative channel for parishioners to give, but a vehicle which avails the parish with additional financial assistance. Please visit our website for a link to online giving.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

R. Allan, Chris Churchill, Denise Collins, Thomas Dexter, Elliot Dowdell, Norma Esbenshade, Pat Gerakaris, Dick Hamel, Maryellen & Ray Hoefler, Joe Hoefler, Jess, Ketchum, Ann Ketchum, Josh Ketchum, Kimberly Krisan, Matt Loetz, G. Lydia, R. Mas, Peter Mino, Robert Missana, S. Mullen, Michael Naydock, Joseph Orvos, Pat & Suzanne Palmiere, Pat & George Pastore, Mike R., Marie S., Sue Quick, Christina Reitz, Edward Smathers, Austin Strader, Tinley Jane Toner, Pvt. Luke Turner, Olivia Triollo, Michael Welch, Bella Grace Yarrington, Bruce Yarrington, David Yarrington.
Names will remain on this list for one month unless notified otherwise.

OFFERINGS

Offeritory	Preservation & Improvement	Votive
\$1,736	\$160	\$26

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2020

Assessment/Goal	Amount Paid	Pledges Outstanding	Over (Under)
\$22,000	\$13,784	\$8,216	\$0

*Diocesan ledger does not always reflect recent contributions