



DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 23, 2019

[A]s often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

- 1 Corinthians 11:26

THIS SACRED MEAL

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Each of the readings includes a blessing and a sharing of food. They remind us of the central place of meals in our lives. Each meal brings to mind other meals: the sharing of cookies and milk, pizza and beer, loaves and fishes, bread and wine. When we prepare a meal for our family, our friends, even strangers, we always put something of ourselves into the preparation and the meal itself. The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ reminds us of what God put into the preparation for this meal that we celebrate today. We share this sacred meal and are transformed as we remember the death of Jesus and the sacrifice that nurtures our faith, sustains our lives, and supports our work. -- © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We owe today's beautiful feast to a valiant woman who suffered a great deal to establish a feast out of her love for the Eucharist. Juliana was a nun in Belgium in the thirteenth century. She served in a hospital for lepers. She became convinced through her prayer that the liturgical year was incomplete because it had no feast for the Eucharist. Her efforts were not welcome, and a supervising priest sought to punish her for promoting a feast that "nobody wanted." He even had her accused of financial mismanagement and banished her from her convent.

Shortly after she was exiled, the bishop approved the feast. It quickly spread through Europe. In those days, people very seldom received Holy Communion, and so the processions through the streets with the eucharistic bread not only led to an awareness of Christ's hunger to be with us, but prepared the way for a deeper desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood in more frequent Communion. The feast grew rapidly, but Juliana disappeared into poverty and a hidden life. She ended her days as an " anchoress," a woman living in seclusion in a room attached to a parish church. Imagine her delight at seeing us gathered at the table of the Lord on this day, aware of Christ's presence in our midst, sharing fully in Christ's Body and Blood. Our celebration today invests her struggle and sorrows with dignity and meaning.

-Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

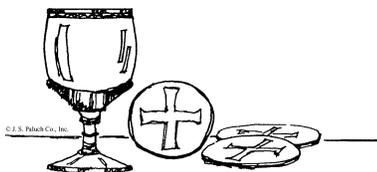
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29
- Friday: Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
- Saturday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5-11; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

THE EUCHARIST

Just as the bread, which is made from the earth, when God is invoked is no longer common bread but the Eucharist,

both earthly and heavenly, so our bodies, after we have received the Eucharist, are no longer corruptible, since they hold the hope of the resurrection.



-St. Irenaeus

Finance Corner:

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

Weekly Offering



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For the month of **June** offerings:

- 6/16: 1st Collection: \$1682. Capital Expenditures: \$864.
- 6/23: No 2nd collection. 6/30: Rural Food.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

Parish Council: TBD

Finance Council: Tues., 6/25/19, at 11:00AM in Hall

Liturgy Committee: Fri., 7/19/19, at 9:30AM in Hall

St. Teresa Ladies Guild: Contact Diane, 823-6044

St. Philip Ladies Guild: Contact Susan, 829-1189

Every Friday, Centering Prayer: 9:30AM at St Philip

Coffee & Goodies: Following 8AM Sunday Mass and Wednesday/Friday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall



Mondays & Wednesdays-Seniors Lunch at 12noon:

All seniors welcome! (No lunch Monday before 2nd Tues. of month)

✠ ♥ ✠ Mass Intentions ✠ ♥ ✠ Schedule

- Sat., June 22, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
- Sun., June 23, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., June 23, 9:30am Mass for the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse
- Sun., June 23, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
- Mon., June 24, 9am Prayer Service
- Tues., June 25, 9am Mass ✠ Holly & Sean White
- Wed., June 26, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
- Thurs., June 27, 9am Mass
- Fri., June 28, 9am Mass
- Sat., June 29, 5pm Mass ✠ Marcella & Joseph Kiefer
- Sun., June 30, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., June 30, 9:30am Mass Papke Family special intention
- Sun., June 30, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
- Monday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- Thursday: St. Cyril of Alexandria
- Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Saturday: Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles

Prayer Requests:

- Teresa K., Pat K., Thomas T., Susan B., Lorri McC., Sarah, Clifford J., Terri A., Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne P., Barbara, Dave Creeth, Jim P., William, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O., Bill Z., Daniel, Sally T., Mary K., Columbina A., Michael Dan, Richard Macche, Kathleen, Peter, Lisa, Aaron, Rosa S., Susan B., Zeidan family, Joyce Doughty, Lorrin K., Anita C., George H. and Mimi H, Steve, Barry, Colleen Lunardi, Jacinta, April K., Gen B., and anyone suffering from health problems

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The glory of God is man fully alive.

St. Irenaeus of Lyons

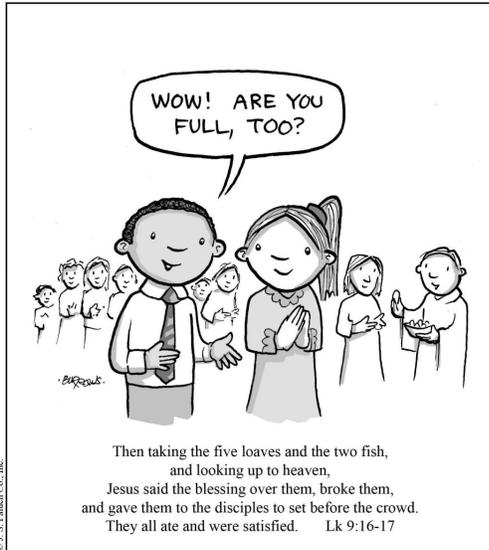
2nd-century bishop and defender of the truth handed on from the Apostles

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Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953: All proceeds support needed restoration of St. Teresa of Avila Mission. A limited number of prints have been printed from Ansel's original negative. Each reprint is individually numbered. Prints are available for a donation of \$175. Please contact restoration committee member Peg Duffy for a limited print: 707-867-6073.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Flowers for the Altar during the Year are a spiritual investment for a loved one, to celebrate any occasion, or just to express gratitude for your blessings. Flowers are also a gift to all of us as we enter and see the glorious display around the altar and experience the liturgy framed by such exquisite beauty. We appreciate your donations! To contribute for St. Philip Church flowers, please call Dolores at 874-6072.

Parish Notes:

- ☺ 1. We thank Fr. Fergal for his energy, ideas, and time with us at St. Philip & St. Teresa, and we wish him well in his Napa assignment.
- ☺ 2. On Monday, June 24, Fr. Bala arrives from Napa to be our new pastor. Please make him feel welcome to West County when you see him.

CBIS Fund:

"The balance in the CBIS endowment account was \$147,758 at close of business May 31." [per Bill McCann, Finance Council]

All invited to July Ultreya:

The Catholic Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Santa Rosa invites all Catholics to attend an *Ultreya* on Saturday, July 20, from 2 - 4 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4595 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park.

Ultreya means "moving forward," and *Ultreya* gatherings teach more about our faith and how to walk more closely with Jesus Christ and other Christians. Those who want to know more about the Catholic Cursillo Movement (and those who have already lived a Cursillo weekend) are invited to attend. For more information, call Molly Touchette (707-292-8389) or Olga Dorado (707-755-0022).

Pope Francis Quote

"Faith is a relationship, an encounter, and under the impetus of God's love we can communicate, welcome, and understand the gifts of others and respond to them."

Attention: We need an usher/greeter for the Sunday 11:15am Mass. Please call the office if you can help (it would be the third Sunday of each month): 874-3812. Bless you!

RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for JUNE 2019

On June 11 we welcomed 94 families representing 119 adults, 33 children, and 36 seniors, for a total of 188 people receiving nutritional support. This program is funded through the Rural Food Collection on the last Sunday of each month, as well as through private donations and the generous support of our volunteers.

Several of our volunteers will be taking vacations during our food distribution in July. We need help from additional volunteers. If you can help for 1, 2, or 3 hours next month, please contact Hal, Cathy or Rod. THANK YOU!

RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Any day: Help with the food ordering process
Shop for our clients at Redwood Empire Food Bank
Collect paper grocery bags w/ handles & clean egg cartons
- Mon. 7/8: Unload our storeroom and delivery truck,
Set up the hall for food distribution
- Tues. 7/9: Help our clients take groceries to their vehicles.

Contact Hal McGuirk, Cathy McCool, or Rod DeMartini, if you can help with any of these tasks .

THANK YOU to those parishioners who have recently volunteered to develop recipes for our clients' use; publish our 1-page [bilingual] client newsletter; or pick up food and produce at Redwood Empire Food Bank and Andy's Produce.

NEXT FOOD DISTRIBUTION

- Saturday, July 6, 9-10:00 am repackaging -- Parish Hall
- Monday, July 8, 12:30 - 2:30pm to set up the Parish Hall
- Tuesday, July 9, 8:30 - 11:00am to distribute the food / assist clients.

ALERT! People have again been getting scam texts and emails, supposedly from clergy or friends, asking for gift cards, money favors, etc. **DO NOT RESPOND TO SUCH EMAILS OR TEXTS.** (If worried about the real person, contact him/her directly instead.)

"I'm Home Alone" is a free daily telephone check-in service by volunteers to elders, disabled, and housebound individuals throughout Sonoma County. Registered clients receive a telephone call once a day, Monday through Friday (Saturday, Sunday, and holidays can be arranged), within a four hour time frame. If you would like to register for the program, please see the phone number below. If you are interested in volunteering as a caller, Catholic Charities might be able to use another friendly voice. To register for the program or as a volunteer caller, please call them at 707-528-8712 ext. 185.