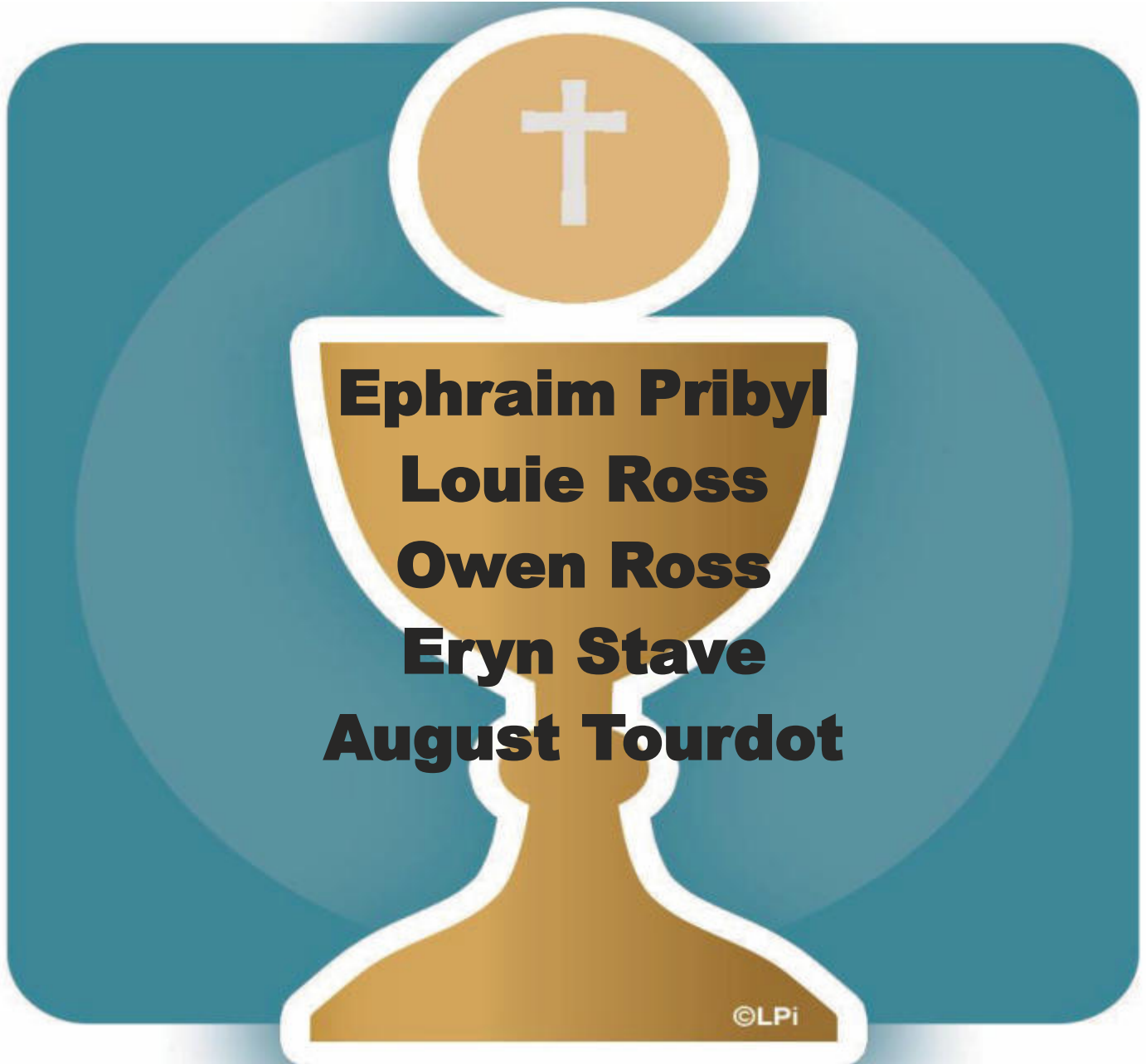


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Sunday, May 9, 2021

**We welcome the following children
to the table of the Lord.**



Mission Statement

The Church of Corpus Christi, a welcoming parish community, making Christ present through sharing his message, celebrating the liturgy and challenging members to practice justice, peace and charity.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Remain in my love," and, "I call you friends," are powerful words that are found in John's Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning. The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our "failures in love." In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love's author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

Coming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God's love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act nonviolently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world's problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds. Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share. ©LPi

PARISH NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION

Please pray for those making their First Communion Sunday afternoon. God's blessings to them.



PARISH NEWS

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father,
from the beginning you have chosen to entrust
the human person to mothers in a special way.
We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers;
for their tenderness, care, and compassion,
for their intuition and encouragement,
for commitment and sacrifice.
Bless all mothers this day.
Keep, strengthen, and refresh them
in your loving care.
May they be blessed by our open-hearted
love and gratitude.
Amen.



WORSHIP AT HOME MATERIALS

The video can be found on the main page of our website, and is sent out via email as well. Recorded Mass will be available on Saturdays. We continue to update the Worship At Home materials, if you prefer to create your own Sunday worship experience. www.ccmn.org/worship-at-home. Contact Sue at sue@ccmn.org for the link for the 10:30 Zoom.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School participant registration is now open on the Corpus Christi Preschool and Elementary Formation web pages. www.ccmn.org. Preschool - Fifth grade students are invited to join us for a week of fun and faith building **June 21st - 25th, 2021 from 9:00am - 12:00pm!** This year's theme of "Treasured" will take us on an adventure through the jungle and we will discover how we are treasured by God! Please **register on the website by May 24th** to allow for planning.



Students going into sixth grade - twelfth grade are encouraged to volunteer as youth leaders for the week of Vacation Bible School. Come spend time with and lead the elementary aged children through games, music, activities, all the while sharing your faith and love for Jesus! Please **register to be a youth volunteer on the Corpus Christi Middle School or High School web pages by May 24th**. Thank you for your willingness to help and contribute to a wonderful week at Vacation Bible School!

Questions? Email Laura at laura@ccmn.org.

STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION



May is National Bike Month and May 17 to 21 is Bike to Work Week, so get out the bike and a helmet and start pedaling. Try taking a spin each day that week and try to get into the biking habit, using your bike for those short trips.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Whatever You Do....

Every day, our parishioners reach out beyond the church walls to share God's love through their actions.

Here is this month's **Corpus Christi Volunteer Spotlight**.



Name: **Jill Klausing**



What organization do you engage with? I volunteer weekly with CommonBond Communities.

CommonBond provides affordable housing and supportive services to combat racial and economic inequities in the communities it serves. CommonBond was originally started by the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

What is the focus of the work? My position is called "study buddy." I am paired with a middle school student who lives in a CommonBond apartment building on the east side of St. Paul. Each week during the school year, my buddy and I read a book together. We work on reading and comprehension skills as well as social and emotional learning. In addition to academic skills, a study buddy is there to build a consistent, supportive relationship with the student.

How and why did you get involved in it? Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul, a faith based non-profit of which Corpus Christi is a member, sponsors a volunteer program entitled Opportunity St. Paul that matches volunteers from faith communities with nonprofit organizations that have proven records of effectively addressing barriers to economic mobility. I was still working when I began as a study buddy (I've since retired), and Opportunity St. Paul offered many choices for volunteering that fit my skills and schedule. Even one or two hours per week can make a difference.

Tell us about an experience you had while engaging in this work that was particularly meaningful to you. I am in the second school year with my study buddy. Over that time span, I have been delighted to see her confidence grow and her reading skills improve. My study buddy's family is originally from Somalia. Learning about her culture, language, religion and family life has been an enriching experience.

How has your work changed in light of the pandemic? When I began, we met our study buddies in person in a designated study room at the CommonBond site where they live. After a pause during the pandemic shut down, we subsequently began and are still meeting virtually through Zoom. I'm thankful that I have the opportunity to continue volunteering despite the pandemic.

If other parishioners are interested in getting involved with this work, what can they do? I'm happy to discuss my volunteer experience with anyone who is interested in Opportunity St. Paul. The Interfaith Action website, <https://interfaithaction.org/what-we-do/opportunity-saint-paul/>, is a good place to learn more. There are several parishioners doing impactful volunteer work with Opportunity St. Paul and I encourage other parishioners to join us! It is a great way to bring faith into action.

PARISH NEWS

VETERANS IN NEED

Every Third Saturday is a Veterans support organization located in Minneapolis. The organization fosters hope and supports post traumatic growth for Veterans. Veterans are in desperate need of Summer items for Women and Men. Some items needed for men are: used blue jeans (above size 38 for men), shirts, colored T-shirts, sweat clothes XL 2XL, shoes, tennis shoes, Summer jackets, toilet paper, boxer underwear 2XL 3XL, white T shirts XL, 2XL, 3XL. Items for women: briefs M (6), L(7) XL (8).



—continued in next column

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

The pandemic has made the shortage even greater. There are boxes in the entryway to the Parish Offices door #1 labeled for Veterans collection. We will be collecting through May 31. For cash donations, please visit: www.everythirdsaturday.com Questions? Contact Maureen at office@ccmn.org

GROWING THROUGH LOSS

This is the last session in the Spring series. St. John the Baptist 835—2nd Avenue NW, New Brighton, MN 55112, 6:45 to 9 pm. The Topic for Mary 11 is *Where Is God in Our Suffering* (includes a service of healing and hope) Rev. Lisa Richardson Engen Pastor, Abiding Savior Lutheran. There is no charge. Due to COVID-19, please wear a mask.



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WEEKEND MASSES—CHURCH RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Sunday.....10:00 am VISIT WWW.CCMN.ORG

DAILY MASS—CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday.....7:30am

BAPTISM

Congratulations! Catechetical class required. Please contact the Parish Center for more details and registration at 651-639-8888.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! Please contact the pastor one year prior to scheduling a wedding date.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 9:00 am

MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday at 9:00 am



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

MONDAY, MAY 10

7:30 am—Mass—Church

TUESDAY, MAY 11

7:30 am—Mass—Church † *Patrick Clarkin*

8:00 am—St. Paul Farmers' Market—Parking Lot

9:30 am—Bible Study—Room 4

10:00 am—Bible Study—Room 5

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

6:00 pm—Confirmation, Band, Sr. High Bonfire—Fire Ring

7:00 pm—Mom's in Prayer—Zoom Meeting

7:00 pm—Bible Study—Skype Meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 13

7:30 am—Mass—Church

SATURDAY, MAY 15

5:00 pm—Mass—Church

Reservations Requested *visit www.ccmn.org*

Walk-ins based on available space.

SUNDAY, MAY 16

8:45 am—9:30am—Walk-Up Communion—

Enter School Door #1 by the Parish Offices

10:00 am—Mass—Church

Reservations Requested *visit www.ccmn.org*

Walk-ins based on available space.

† = *Mass Intention*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17
Monday:	Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

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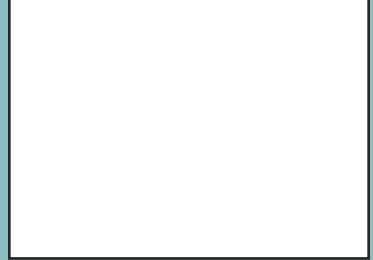


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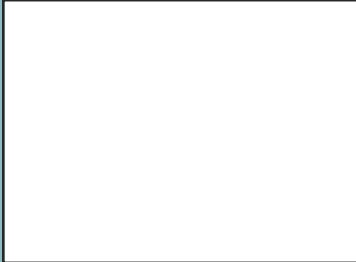
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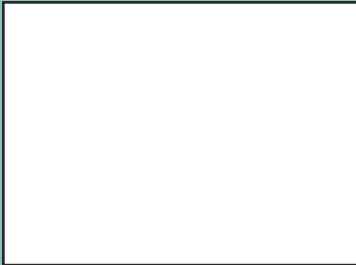
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