

Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ
June 6, 2021



The Tabernacle and Chalice
St. Patrick Church

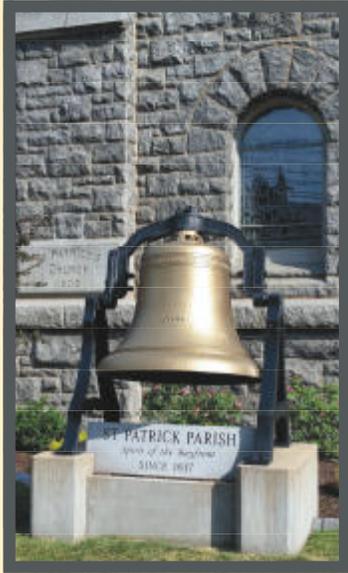
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Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday 8 AM

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

Saturday Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Day Mass: 12:00 PM

***From
the
Pastor's
Desk...***



Today is the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. Our first reading from Exodus is one of several that prefigure the new covenant effected in the Eucharist. Just prior to this reading is a long list of ordinances—the Covenant Code—which Israelites were obliged to keep. Now Moses is invited to come up the mountain and ratify the covenant with a sacrifice. Some of the blood is sprinkled on the altar; some on the people. Sharing blood symbolized the unity of God and the people; they are one family.

Next we read from the letter to the Hebrews. Although we call it a letter, it is really a sermon that consists of alternating units of exhortation and exposition. The expositions follow a form of argument used by early rabbis called “from the lesser to the greater.” It works like this: if something can be demonstrated to be true or good in a small matter, then we can say that it is even more true or good when it concerns a greater matter. Just prior to today’s reading, we hear about the worship of the first covenant, in which only the High Priest was allowed to enter the Holy of Holies. The feast to which this refers is Yom Kippur. While this feast was the most important to the Israelites, the author emphasizes that Christ is the perfect High Priest who passed into the heavenly tabernacle. He is also the most perfect sacrifice, who with his own blood, obtained redemption and deliverance from sin. If Yom Kippur was great, how much greater is the activity of Christ.

Today’s account of the Last Supper comes from Mark. The lambs had been slaughtered, Jerusalem would be filled with pilgrims when Jesus sends his disciples on an errand. Mark emphasizes the intentionality of having Jesus’ last supper before his death coincide with the Passover meal. Today’s reading is positioned between two narratives, the first of which predicts that Jesus would be betrayed and the second of which predicts Peter’s denial of Jesus. Remember Mark gives us the most human portrait of Jesus and his Jesus is overcome with sadness at what is happening. But it is a Passover that does not end in death, but in newness of life in God’s kingdom.

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

Aside from Covid, we have a significant number of groups who come to St. Patrick's each summer for a tour of the church. There are bus tours from elsewhere in Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio and on occasion even as far away as New Jersey. Ken Daub has served faithfully as the docent for those tours for a number of years, and is going to step down from that at the end of this summer season. I'm looking for a couple of volunteers who might want to serve as docent for the tours. We will work with any volunteers, train you, give you a sheet of facts about the church, etc. When we have the tours, Mark Alloway is also here and gives a demonstration of the pipe organ which is often the highlight for many people. He even takes people on tours inside the pipe organ. If anyone is interested in helping as a docent for future tours, please contact the parish office. We normally have tours from early May until the end of September and all during the day.

In the past, the Gift Shop has also been opened for those tours. That shop has been operated very faithfully over the years by Alice Daub, and she also is going to be stepping aside. Finance Council has discussed this issue, and it is our consensus to close the Gift Shop at that time. We can take any inventory and offer it for sale when we resume the Irish Festival. The gift shop has a number of glass cases, and we're thinking of turning it into a small museum of artifacts from the parish. We have file cabinets full of old photos, etc. and no one gets to see them. This way we could display them and people would have an opportunity to see them. Again, if there is anyone who would be interested in helping set up this museum, contact the office.

Once a little boy lived in the country and they had an outhouse which he hated because it was hot in the summer and cold in the winter and stunk all the time. The outhouse was on the bank of a creek and he determined that one day he would push it into the creek. After a spring rain when the creek was swollen, he decided to make his move. That night after supper his father told him they were going to the woodshed, which meant a spanking. "Someone pushed the outhouse into the creek today and it was you, wasn't it?" The boy answered yes and said, "Dad I read in school today that George Washington chopped down a cherry tree and didn't get into trouble because he told the truth." The dad replied, "Well, son, George Washington's father wasn't in the cherry



Saint Patrick News



The Sanctuary Lamp
burns in loving memory of
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LITURGY INTENTIONS

- June 5 Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**
5:00 PM MR. & MRS. WALTER "CHUBBY" KUHL
(THE KUHL GIRLS)
- June 6 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
8:00 AM KATHLEEN DOYLE (DICK & MARY BETH WACHTER)
10:30 AM HARRY C. FIGURSKI (DIANE MCCARTHY & FAMILY)
- June 7 Monday, Weekday**
8:00 AM JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY (ESTATE)
- June 8 Tuesday, Weekday**
8:00 AM RICHARD QUADRI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(VINNIE & ANN HALUCZYNSKI)
- June 9 Wednesday, Weekday**
8:00 AM BETTY GAMA (ALEEN & JOE WEINDORF)
- June 10 Thursday,**
8:00 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK CHURCH
- June 11 Friday, The Most Sacred of Jesus**
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
- June 12 Saturday, Vigil: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 PM MITCH MACK (FAMILY)
- June 13 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 AM JERRY EMLING (BETSY EMLNG)
10:30 AM EDWARD ANGELOTTI (FAMILY)

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Minister: Jay Habas, Carol Habas,
Roseanne Brown

Sunday, June 13, 2021 at 8:00 am

Lector: Fred Olds

Eucharistic Minister: Kathryn Olds, Nancy Andrzejewski

Sunday, June 13, 2021 at 10:30 am

Lector: Karyn Polaski

Eucharistic Minister: Dario Cipriani, Ed Smith,
Mary Kearney

Stewardship

Due to early publication deadlines the May 29th/30th offertory will be published in the June 13th bulletin.

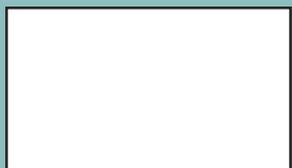
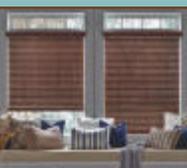
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