



ST. MARY

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
STAR CITY

3346 University Ave. Morgantown, WV 26505 • 304-599-3747

June 6, 2021 • The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Mass Times: Saturday, 6:00pm, Sunday, 8:30am, 11:00am, en español a la 1:00pm

Daily Mass*: Mon. 6:30pm, Tue.-Thur. 9:00am *please see schedule inside for any changes or cancellations.

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." - Mk 14:23-25



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Are you registered in the Parish?

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of the parish family.

Clearly stating your Catholic commitment in all its dimensions brings many advantages, recognition, and responsibility.

At St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, our policy, is that you must be registered and participating in Sunday Mass regularly before a baptism can take place, or for the initial meeting with the pastor in the case

of marriage.

Regular attendance is also required for adults who are asked to be a godparent or sponsor at another parish, in order that a letter can be sent stating that they are a practicing Catholic and a registered member of a parish faith community.

Even though you may have attended Mass here for months, or even years, we would like for you to be registered.

Please pick up a registration form at the church or parish office, or register online at stmarystarcity.com
For more information, call the parish office at 304-599-3747.

Sacraments

Baptism: (Birth – Age 7) Parents are required to participate in a preparation program before the celebration of Baptism. Parents must be registered and attending Sunday Mass regularly. Please call Kathy 304-225-1163 for information.

Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to each daily Mass

Order of Christian Initiation: Children 7-14 years of age, and Children 15 years of age and older & Adults— *The Order of Christian Initiation*, RCIA please contact Please contact Kathy Kerzak (304) 225-1163 /kkerzak@comcast.net for information

Marriage: Engaged couples planning to marry at St. Mary Church should be practicing Catholics, participating in Sunday Eucharist regularly. Also, they must participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. Call the Parish Office for information. At least **six months notice** is required. *No date for a wedding will be set over the phone.*

Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound: When a parishioner is confined to home or hospital because of illness or advanced age, call the Parish Office. We will be happy to make arrangements to bring Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request and communally as scheduled

Bulletin Deadline:

Tuesday@Noon, email or written copy please,
no bulletin announcements will be taken over the phone

Email: stmaryschurch@comcast.net

Subject line: attn: Bulletin, and include topic of announcement

Spirituality of the Readings – A Question



Why are you eating someone's body and drinking his blood?

An indelicate question, but still, why?

You walk up the aisle and receive what appears to be bread and wine, but which is, according to your beliefs, Christ's Body and Blood. The Roman historian Pliny the Elder (23 -79 AD) described us as cannibals. And many of Jesus' followers simply walked away when he said, "whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (Jn 6:56ff)

The answer is found in the word "sacrifice." I do not mean this in today's meaning of the word sacrifice, which denotes some item you like but that you give up for Lent. Or, as parents might say: "I sacrificed my own interests in order to raise you kids."

There is a longer history of the word sacrifice, and it involves body and blood.

Once upon a time, the tribes of the world tried to please whatever gods their tradition had by storm or of drought, or starvation, and so on. By giving up their best, they hoped to please the gods.

And they often killed what was being offered! Why would they do this?

Because slaughtering the best lamb from the herd made it a best gift for the gods. The lamb or dove (or young girl) represented the superlative things that belonged to earth, but which were freed from earth by death. Death sent the gifts to heaven.

Think of it this way: send the best of earth to heaven in so that the best of heaven could come down to earth. A uniting of heaven and earth. Often, the people ate the flesh and drank the blood of their offering in order to include themselves as an integral part of this "sacrifice."

This desire to be at one with the gods, at one with the gifts and good things, is lodged deep in human culture and human nature.

So the One God, in the fullness of time, gave his people a connection with the real God—for whom they had been longing. He did this through, you guessed it, sacrifice. But he reversed the order of things by sending his own self to be sacrificed.

Notice the difference.

Send the best of heaven to earth in order that the best of earth can go up to heaven (Christ on the cross).

Christ came from heaven but was of the earth, and so he achieved for us the perfect unity of heaven and earth. Animals could not choose to be sacrificed, but Christ did freely so choose, out of love, on our behalf.

On the night before he suffered he gave them sacramental signs of what would be fulfilled the next day: he handed them his body and blood, under the appearance of bread and wine. He told them to consume it. It thus became a re-presentation for all time of the bloody sacrifice on the cross, now in an unbloody form.

All we have to do is take part in it.

So the answer to the question with which we began is that you and I eat his body and drink his blood in order to take part in Christ's sacrifice.

It is a sacramental way to join in Christ's sacrificial action: the new and eternal covenant. Our salvation.

John Foley, SJ

Giving Summary

Sunday Offering

\$7,313.67

Online Giving

\$1,286.35

Attendance: 285

For ease of accounting, **separate checks are preferred** for all donations to different collections and purposes, including special collections, Mass intentions, memorials, and donations to different funds e.g. Trust Fund for the Poor, Debt Reduction, etc. Thank you for your help!

Recent/Upcoming Special Collections

5/23— Peter's Pence

6/20— Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa



 **DONATE TODAY**

GIVE ONLINE!

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THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

June 6, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Saturday, 6:00pm In honor of H el ene F. Nguemgaing
 Sunday, 8:30am Catherine Antonini
 Sunday, 11:00am For the People
 Domingo, 1pm Por la comunidad de la Parroquia

Monday 6/7 Weekday in Ordinary Time
 6:30pm Santino 'Sandy' Serpento

Tuesday 6/8 Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9:00am Intention of Celebrant

Wednesday 6/9 St. Ephrem
 9:00am Maude Graffious

Thursday 6/10 Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9:00am Intention of Celebrant

In the event of Closing of school due to inclement weather, there will be no Daily Mass or Prayer Service.

In the event of a funeral, morning Mass will be cancelled

June 13, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 6:00pm In honor of Darrel and Vicki Auch
 for their 50th Wedding Anniversary
 Sunday, 8:30am Frank & Joyce Bidwell
 Sunday, 11:00am For the People
 Domingo, 1pm Por la comunidad de la Parroquia

If you, or any parishioner you know, are sick or homebound and would like a visit from Fr. John, please contact the Parish Office 304-599-3747



Mass intentions are still being accepted for 2021. We have many weekday and weekend Masses

still to fill. The suggested donation is \$20 for a weekend, \$10 for a weekday. Please call the Parish Office if interested, 304-599-3747.

Please note that any Masses cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances such as a global pandemic, inclement weather, or a funeral, will be moved to the next available 'like' date and time e.g., Daily Mass on Tuesday moved to another Tuesday, 8:30 Sunday Mass moved to another 8:30, as available.

If you have signed up for online giving and are still getting offertory envelopes in the mail, please notify the Parish Office so that we can discontinue them. You will retain your envelope number for record keeping.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY

Sunday, June 6

1:00pm NA Meeting

Monday, June 7

7:00-9:00pm Boy Scouts—Pavilion

Tuesday, June 8

6:30pm NA Meeting—Peace Hall

Thursday, June 10

12:00pm Al-Anon

Saturday, June 12

10am-2pm 5 Year Planning Committee Mtg—P/H

5:00-5:40pm Reconciliation

Sunday, June 13

1:00pm NA Meeting

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

30 minutes prior to each Daily Mass
 Saturdays from 5-5:40pm as scheduled
 (Mon: 6:00pm, Tue.-Thur: 8:30am)
 *times may change based on any changes to the weekly Mass schedule



Memorial Donations for Bread and the Tabernacle candle are being accepted for the year 2021. The requested donation is \$40. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested, 304-599-3747.

Beginning the this weekend, for each Mass, we will need:

3 Altar Servers

2 Eucharistic Ministers

1 Lector

And all the Ushers we can muster!

Please log onto the Ministry Scheduler app or website to sign up for weekends you wish to serve!

We appreciate your help!

Al-Anon (for those affected by someone else's drinking) meets every Thursday at noon at St. Mary Church. Information: call 1-888-425-2666 or WSO@al-anon.org



St. Francis de Sales Central Catholic School Parents:

You may drop off or mail your **Tuition Subsidy Verification Form** to the St. Mary Parish Office. Fr. John will review and sign it, and we will give you a call when it can be picked up, or you may include a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and we will mail it back to you. Thank you!
The school must have your form by June 30.

Job Openings at St. Francis de Sales Central Catholic School

We are currently seeking qualified applicants for the **Middle School Religion Teacher** and **Custodian/Janitor** positions at SFdSCCS. Both are full-time positions. If you are interested in applying, please visit our school website at stfrancismorgantown.com, click on the "About" tab, then select "Employment" to learn more about the positions. All interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and 3 letters of reference to Principal Moore at amoore@sfccs.org or mail/deliver to his attention at St. Francis de Sales Central Catholic School, 41 Guthrie Lane, Morgantown, WV 26508. Call or email if you have questions or need additional information.

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St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach is looking for donations of a couple specific items for food pantry operations:

***An iPhone 8 or greater** (new or used)

***2- six foot metal step ladders**

If you would like to donate one of these things, or contribute to the cost, please contact Sr. Rachel at St. Ursula, 304-599-3822



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We have Hearing Assistance Devices available for use during Mass. If you would like one, please ask an Usher.

WVU LAW
Immigration Law Clinic

Sabe que hacer si Ud. es cuestionado por la policia?

La WVU Clínica de Inmigración ha preparado este vídeo para informarle de sus derechos. El vídeo también explica como Ud. puede registrarse para recibir ayuda de la Clínica en el caso que Ud. sea cuestionado por la policia. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCibfcbPLe8>

(304) 293-7249



**FAITH
FORMATION
DIRECTOR**

**Position
Opening**

St. Mary Church is seeking a vibrant individual to coordinate formation programs, enable the gifts of the faithful, and to engage our youth to live a life of faith. We are located in Morgantown, WV, home of West Virginia University. Our parishioners are ethnically diverse. Our people have a deep love for celebrating Mass, gathering for fellowship, opportunities for adult formation and growth and for mission to the least of these. If interested please submit a letter of interest and resumé by June 30, 2021. For the full job description and responsibilities, please see p. 7

"How much do you love me?"

JOIN THE STATE-WIDE
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A Re-Boot and Renewal of TEC in the
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021

10:00am - 5:00pm

Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center, Charleston, WV



The "Fourth Day" of TEC Never Ends!



Catholic Youth Adventure Camp



Grow with us in the infinite love of Christ in the beautiful hills of West Virginia. Are you hoping to grow in your faith? The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp, affectionately known as Camp Carlo, is dedicated to leading young people to Christ & His Church. Join us as we grow in Christ's love while backpacking up a mountain, horse riding through hidden trails, sliding down mystic waterfalls and humbling ourselves in front of the true Presence of our Lord during Mass and Adoration. We want you to experience His immense love at Camp Carlo for Summer 2021!

June 27th - July 3rd Rising 3rd graders to 5th graders.

July 4th - July 10th Rising 6th graders to 8th graders.

July 11th - July 17th Rising freshmen to seniors in high school.

July 18th - July 24th A "catch all week" from 3rd grade thru 12th grade.

Take advantage of the \$275 early bird rate at

<https://duc.org/diocese/ministries/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/youth-ministry/youth-camp-registration/>

<https://campcarlowv.org/>

Donations for St. Ursula
Food Pantry and Outreach
may be **placed in** the la-
beled bins in **the church**, or
dropped off in the baskets
in the CFC entry.



St. Mary Church Ruby Read
Box, located outside the
Formation Center

Take a Book, Leave a Book

You do not have to leave a book to take a book, feel free to do one or the other, or both. This box is for leisure reading materials only, please no textbooks.

If you have books that don't fit, please try the box at the Star City rail trail, or contact Literacy Volunteers of Mon & Preston County for locations of other boxes.

Please do not leave excess books
in the CFC entry!

Read boxes promote literacy in the wider community by making a variety of materials at all reading levels publicly and anonymously available 24/7.

Saving Grace Support Group
for Grandparents/Kinship/Foster/
Adopted Families

meets at **Avery United Methodist Church**
(1152 Cheat Rd. Morgantown, WV)
the Second and Fourth Tuesday of each
month from 6-8pm.

This support group offers:

- support from others in the same situation
- guest speakers from different agencies around the area
- training on many different topics from self-care to childhood trauma
- a safe place to express yourself and your concerns
- advice from other people dealing with the same things as you

Feel free to contact us at:

SavingGraceWV@gmail.com,

or join the facebook group:

"Saving Grace:Grandparents/relative
With Custody Support Group "



St. Ursula Food Pantry needs:

** Cereal and Condiments

(ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise etc.**)

Baby & Toddler Program needs:

*Baby Wash & Shampoo

St. Ursula Food Pantry Position

Opening: St. Ursula Food Pantry & Outreach **seeks an Administrative Assistant** (32 hrs/wk) to assist clients, document service, and perform book keeping. Duties include working with volunteers to organize food and clothing donations. Must be able to lift and carry 30#. College degree with some work experience in social services preferred. Knowledge of Word and Excel necessary; Quickbooks (and Publisher), a plus. Contact: Sr. Rachel Blais at 304-599-3822 or email your resume to rachel.blais@gmail.com

NEW! Sharing Garden

We are starting a sharing garden at St. Ursula food bank this year. We will have a free seed library, some seedlings in May when it is time to plant outside, a small herb bed, and containers with tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, etc. It won't be big enough to have a large harvest, just a chance to get resources into people's hands that are already gardening or interested in learning how. We are also talking to WVU Extension about doing a container gardening workshop and with some other farms and gardens to get local produce donations over the summer to help supplement a "harvest box" during distribution.

What we need:

Seeds: do you have any from your garden from the last few years you didn't use? We can package them in smaller packs for the library for individual families.

Seedlings: Do you start your own for your garden? Will you have any extras? Do you know any nurseries that would be interested in donating?

Soil: we need topsoil and amendments to fill containers and herb beds. Do you know anyone that can donate or has a place we can come and pick up in bulk? We need compost, topsoil, and amendments like sand and vermiculite.

5-Gallon Buckets: clean and untainted by oil products, paint, etc.

Volunteers: If you'd like to come help, you can reach out to Jo at 773-550-2777. If there is a lot of interest in the congregation, we can organize a socially distanced work day.

Faith Formation Director

Job Summary:

Progressive parish of 600 families is seeking a vibrant individual to coordinate formation programs, enable the gifts of the faithful, and to engage our youth to live a life of faith. We are located in Morgantown, WV, home of West Virginia University. Our parishioners are ethnically diverse. Our people have a deep love for celebrating Mass, gathering for fellowship, opportunities for adult formation and growth and for mission to the least of these. The position is full-time and reports to the Pastor.

Responsibilities & Duties:

Coordinates and manages all Faith Formation ministries and volunteers including, but not limited to: Religious Education (PK-5th), Youth Ministry (Middle and High School), Children's Liturgy of the Word and Vacation Bible School; sacramental preparation program for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation, Christian Initiation for adults and children (RCIA); and helps facilitate adult faith formation. The Faith Formation Director is also the Safe Environment Coordinator for the parish.

Qualifications and Skills:

BA in Theology/Religious Education or related educational field
Excellent organizational, supervisory and leadership skills
Excellent verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills
Works well in collaborative efforts with other parish ministers
Seeks ongoing educational opportunities to keep current on trends in catechetical ministry
Excellent computer skills including the use of Microsoft Office and communication via social media
Fluency in Spanish is beneficial but not required

Salary & Benefits

Health, vision, dental, participation in 403B plan, paid vacation and personal days, and education stipend.

If interested please submit a letter of interest and resume by June 30, 2021. Position will begin on August 1, 2021.

Send letter and resume to Fr. John by email: papajohnwv@msn.com, or via mail to:

Attn: Father John McDonough
St. Mary Parish
3346 University Avenue
Morgantown, WV 26505

Sunday, Jun 06, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Remember those who must fast

Many faithful Catholics have been unable to approach the Eucharist in person for many months. Age and health, coupled with necessary protocols, have made this pandemic an unanticipated time of spiritual fasting. The words of the ancient sequence *Laud, O Zion* sung on this solemnity are especially poignant this year: "Thousands are, as one, receivers./ One, as thousands of believers." Those with access to the sacraments receive them for all of us. Those who embrace a spiritual communion continue to find ways to be the grateful "receivers" of a wondrous mystery: Christ's life dwelling in us.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9:11-15; Lauda, Zion; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 (168). "Take it; this is my body."

Monday, Jun 07, 2021

Don't rule it out

Rules are restrictive, right? Or can they be liberating? The word "rule" comes from the Greek word for "trellis," and a trellis supports living things so they can grow up and out and bloom. The best rules create space for your priorities, turn your values into practices, and give you the freedom to live intentionally with God at the center. Why not create your own "rule of life" that helps you do that? Many Christians do. Monastic orders, starting with the Benedictines, began this tradition and all follow a rule of life to govern every aspect of life, including prayer, work, and community interaction. Rules of life can also address diet, exercise, recreation, relationships, and mental stimulation. The point is healthy balance. Thankfully, there are no rules to creating a rule of life—it's up to you and God to decide.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Matthew 5:1-12 (359). "Rejoice and be glad; for your reward will be great in heaven."

Tuesday, Jun 08, 2021

SOS: Save our seas!

In the beginning, says Genesis 1, God not only created the seas but made the "waters teem with swarms of living creatures." Today, designated World Oceans Day by the United Nations, we're reminded that God's creation is in real danger. As Pope Francis writes in his 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'*, these formerly teeming waters are increasingly a graveyard, "due largely to pollution which reaches the sea as the result of deforestation, agricultural monocultures, industrial waste and destructive fishing methods," all of it "aggravated by the rise in temperature of the oceans." Visit the *Laudato Si'* Movement for ways to make a difference.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Matthew 5:13-16 (360). "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds."

Wednesday, Jun 09, 2021

Faith fulfills life

The definition of *fulfill* is "to put into effect, to convert to reality." Jesus teaches that the best way to bring the Kingdom into effect is to practice mercy and humility, to hunger and thirst for righteousness, to work at making peace, and to understand that

persecution can befall those who preach and live his message. In Jesus, the law of the prophets was not abolished but fulfilled. How do you choose to live your faith in a fulfilling way?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Matthew 5:17-19 (361). "I have come not to abolish but to fulfill."

Thursday, Jun 10, 2021

Mercy me

It is hard to overstate the centrality of forgiveness within the Christian tradition: both God's forgiveness when we do wrong and our forgiveness when others hurt us. Forgiveness is so foundational, we have a sacrament for it; it's in our creed; it's part of The Lord's Prayer; Pope Francis declared 2016 the Year of Mercy; and the list goes on. Do you need to forgive or be forgiven, or perhaps both? Now is the acceptable time to seek or extend mercy.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Matthew 5:20-26 (362). "Leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother."

Friday, Jun 11, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Promise with all your heart

The devotion to the Sacred Heart, which dates back centuries, includes consecrating oneself to, and benefiting from, the promises of the Sacred Heart. In honor of today's feast, consider committing to the following: Consecrate all your actions to glorify the Sacred Heart; consecrate all your weakness within the strength of the Sacred Heart; consecrate all your confidence in the faithfulness of the Sacred Heart. Do this and the peace of Christ, who is our peace, will be with you.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19; John 19:31-37 (171). "For this reason I kneel before the Father . . . that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith."

Saturday, Jun 12, 2021

MEMORIAL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

May your heart be on fire with love

Yesterday we celebrated the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and today we commemorate the Immaculate Heart of Mary: two hearts on fire with love and made one in suffering. The Sacred Heart symbolizes the love of God for people, pierced by the thorns of rejection. The Immaculate Heart symbolizes the love of people for God, wounded with a sword of suffering in solidarity with Christ. Remembering that Jesus identified with the struggles of the least of our sisters and brothers, today we can pray for those refugees driven from their homes by violence and poverty and waiting for help at our southern border.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Luke 2:41-51 (364; Gospel 573). "His mother kept all these things in her heart."

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

*Salve, Guardián del Redentor
Esposo de la Bendita Virgen María.
A ti Dios te confió su único Hijo;
en ti Maria depositó su confianza;
contigo Cristo se hizo hombre.*

*Bendito José, para nosotros también
muéstrate padre
y guíanos en el camino de la vida.
Obten para nosotros gracia, misericordia y coraje
y defiéndenos de todo mal. Amén.*

Safe Environment Reporting

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

Will or Estate Planning

Are you thinking of remembering St. Mary Church in your will or estate plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Mary Church. Bequests should be made out to:

"The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, or his successors in office," with a specification of the purpose for which the bequest is to be used, e.g. "for the use of St. Mary Parish"

READINGS FOR THE WEEK June 6, 2021

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34 ©LPi

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service **ReportBishopAbuse.org (800) 276-1562**

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops, and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. Where a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential. If you have any other kind of complaint about a bishop—such as parish assignments, church closings, or homily contents—please address those directly to your diocesan or eparchial bishop instead. Sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or a staff member or volunteer of the Church should be reported to the Office of Safe Environment for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. So, to be sure you get the help you need, phone numbers and addresses may be found at www.dwc.org under the accountability tab. If you are the victim of sexual abuse (or any other crime), please contact local law enforcement.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Lectionary: 168

Reading I

Ex 24:3-8

When Moses came to the people and related all the words and ordinances of the LORD, they all answered with one voice, "We will do everything that the LORD has told us."

Moses then wrote down all the words of the LORD and, rising early the next day, he erected at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel.

Then, having sent certain young men of the Israelites to offer holocausts and sacrifice young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD, Moses took half of the blood and put it in large bowls; the other half he splashed on the altar.

Taking the book of the covenant, he read it aloud to the people, who answered, "All that the LORD has said, we will heed and do."

Then he took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his."

Reading II

Heb 9:11-15

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle

not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, 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.

For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself

unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant:

since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

Gospel

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread,

when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him,

"Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?"

He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water.

Follow him.

Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house,

"The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"

Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready.

Make the preparations for us there."

The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

While they were eating,

he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them,

and they all drank from it.

He said to them,

"This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.

Amen, I say to you,

I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

Then, after singing a hymn,

they went out to the Mount of Olives.



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