

saint John fisher chapel

UNIVERSITY PARISH

June 6, 2021 ● *The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*

A Kean Perspective: "A Meal that Truly Nourishes"

Since our Archdiocese celebrates the Ascension on Sunday, it means that we end the Easter Season with two major feasts and begin Ordinary Time with two major feasts. Ascension and Pentecost end one season, and the celebration of the Most Holy Trinity followed by Corpus Christi begins our Ordinary Time. Of course, in the United States we move the feast of Corpus Christi to a Sunday when it traditionally used to be the Thursday after Holy Trinity. It was done so that more people would participate in that necessary celebration which honors the Bread of Life and the Cup of Eternal Salvation.

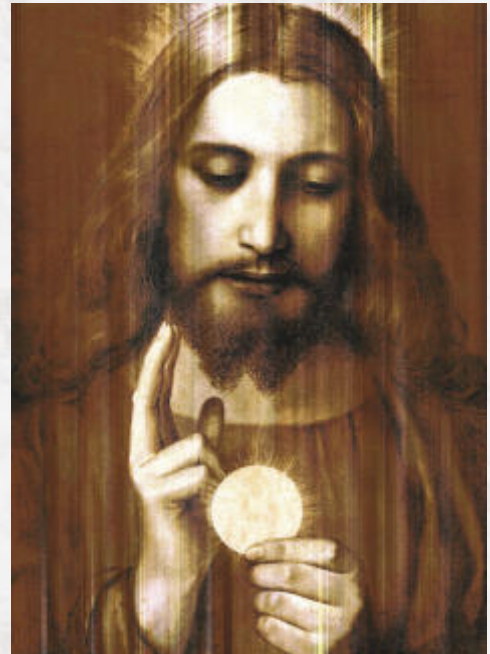
The Eucharist is called the "source and summit" of our faith for good reason. It nourishes us in the most profound way. Just like a meaningful visit with a good friend or a close relative can make us feel satisfied in a deep way, so the Eucharist is meant to fill us up with confidence. Such powerful visits make us forget about our hungers and preoccupations for a moment; even problems in life will seem smaller when we have a good visit that touches our hearts.

Jesus knew this when he took the annual Jewish "Seder" meal and transformed it. Jesus was the new lamb to be sacrificed instead of the passover Moses established to recall their liberation from Egypt. The early Christians saw this, and they quickly made the "Lord's Supper" a regular part of their early worship. The first three gospels along with St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians give us the structure for this sacred meal. St. John, who wrote last of all those writers, made the theology clear that we were to eat Jesus' flesh and drink His blood. It was clearly meant to nourish and sustain the early Christians through their trials. St. Ignatius referred to the idea of Eucharist as the symbol for his martyrdom just ten years after St. John's death. The next generation of Christians after that were explicitly clear about the Eucharist when St. Justin wrote about it in the mid second century.

There have been books written with compelling details of how the "realism" of our Eucharistic theology was shared by Christians right from the beginning. A subtle point that could be lost in their forceful arguments is how essential the Eucharist was in early Christian worship. The early Christians had a lengthy session of sharing the word (like we do on the Easter Vigil), and then they broke the Bread that was Christ. Why? Because they needed to be constantly reconnected with Christ. We still need that constant connection, and the pandemic reinforced that reality. To eat the Holy Eucharist is to be reconnected to our friend, our brother, and He who is God, the second person of the Trinity.

May God's blessings be with you and may the Holy Eucharist nourish you at the deepest level.

-Fr. Jim Kean



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MASS TIMES

Tuesday:

12:15pm Mass

Wednesday:

12:15pm Mass

Thursday:

7:15pm Mass

Friday:

12:15pm Mass

Saturday:

9:00am Mass

Sunday:

10:00am & 6:00pm Mass

CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday, 1:05-1:50pm (Drive-thru)

Thursday, 6:00pm in Church

Saturday, 4:30pm in Church

First Saturdays, 8:30am in Church

PRAYER & DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration

1:00pm every Tuesday
6:00pm every Thursday

Parish Rosary

8:30am every Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm: 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

6.6/21 at 10:00am - Azelie Marie Juricic
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6/8/21 at 12:15pm - Sean Robinson

6/9/21 at 12:15pm - Azelie Marie Juricic

6/10/21 at 7:15pm - Fred Woodward

6/11/21 at 12:15pm - Fr. Dan Jones

6/12/21 at 9:00am - Sean Barcino

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PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

EVENTS | NEEDS | NEWS

Young Adult Event

Young Adults are invited to join us for a "Concert on the Lawn" with Christ DuPont on Friday, June 11th at 6pm. Bring your own blanket or lawn chairs.

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CONCERT ON THE LAWN

Join Civitas and other Young Adults in Auburn Hills for a relaxed concert

JUNE 11, 2021 | 6 PM
CHRIS DUPONT

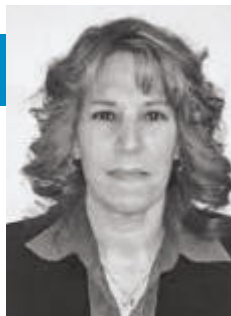
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YOUNG ADULTS
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Our Reward Program Partners

Please visit our website at stjohnfisherparish.org/our-reward-partners to read more about St. John Fisher's reward partners and how to sign up. The three organizations we partner with are:

- Gordon Foods**
- Kroger**
- AmazonSmile**



FINANCE UPDATE

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Our Offertory is the primary source of funds for our day-to-day operations. Donations through our online giving program are deposited daily.

For the week ending May 30, 2021:

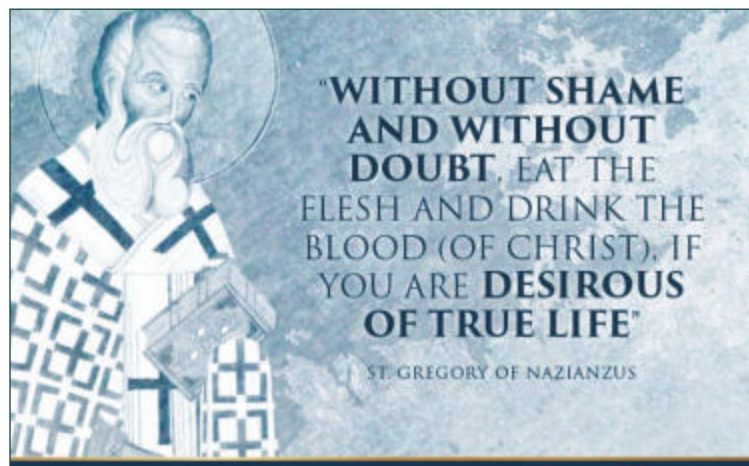
Envelopes: \$3,047
 Electronic: \$1,488
 Total: \$4,535

For Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

YTD Offertory Collected: \$266,878
 YTD Offertory Budgeted: \$386,439
 Over/(Short) from Budget: (\$119,561)

Other Collections:

Peter's Pence: \$225
 Aid for Church in Central/Eastern Europe: \$3
 Catholic Relief Services: \$50
 Priests' Pension: \$728
 Mission Sunday: \$23
 Catholic Charities of SEM: \$77
 Retirement for Religious: \$487
 Total: \$1,593



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