

Catholic Tri-Parish Community

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL - Elkton
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This Sunday is Corpus Christi Sunday, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, the Solemnity of the Holy Eucharist. Corpus Christi is Latin; corpus means 'body' and Christi is Latin for Christ; so taken as a whole Corpus Christi is translated simply as: the Body of Christ.

This solemnity came about through a vision given, repeatedly, by our Lord to St Julianna in the 1200's. In this vision, St Julianna saw a full moon with one dark spot in it. Our Lord told her that the dark spot was a missing feast – that of the Body and Blood of Christ. St Julianna related this to a member of the clergy and the message eventually worked its way through the Magisterium of the Church, starting with Julianna's own bishop. It was then Pope Urban IV who promulgated it as a feast for the universal (whole) Church in the year 1264. Corpus Christi (or Eucharistic) processions became a common practice after the institution of this solemnity and are now a centuries old tradition in the Church. It is my hope to get an annual Corpus Christi procession started for our 3 parishes next year, and perhaps gradually make it a real festival.

Why this Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ? Our Lord Himself imparted the reasons to St Julianna:

- First, in order that Catholic doctrine might receive aid from the institution of this festival at a time when the faith of the world was growing cold and heresies were rife.
- Second, the faithful who love and seek truth and piety could draw from this source of life new strength and vigor to walk continually in the way of virtue.
- Third, irreverence and sacrilegious behavior toward the Divine Majesty in the Blessed Sacrament might, by sincere and profound adoration, be extirpated [wiped out] and repaired.

What underlies all of the reasons that our Lord gave for this solemnity is very simply: the salvation of souls – Heaven or hell. This is the fundamental choice that everyone must make in this life, a choice made through how we think, speak and act, whether we choose to develop virtue or vice, pursue our Lord or own whims and desires. If we have difficulty desiring Heaven maybe we can at least think enough of ourselves to want to avoid eternal misery; that is good enough for a starting point.

But how to do that? An indispensable and indeed central part of fulfilling the purpose of this life (forming relation with the Lord and thus getting to Heaven) is a love and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. The Church refers to the Eucharist as "the source and summit of Christian life." This might be easier to grasp if we say simply that "Jesus is the source and summit of Christian life," since the Eucharist *is* the person of Jesus.

But come on, a person might say, is Mass and the Eucharist really that big of a deal. After all, a lot of people don't even believe it, and those who do claim some belief are pretty casual about the Eucharist, they don't really seem to think that it's any big deal. Our Lord said: broad is the path to destruction and many are they who take it; how narrow is the gate that leads to life and few there are that find it. Popular mentalities or practices (whatever "everybody" "knows" or does) is never a reliable source of truth or reality. When it comes to fulfilling the true purpose of this life, the saints are the examples that our Lord gives us (through His Church) to follow. So what did the saints (those who have for sure actually made it to Heaven) have to say about the Eucharist? Was Eucharistic devotion, a burning love of the Eucharist, really all that important to them? Here is a *small* sampling of what a *few* of the saints have said about the Holy Eucharist:

"All the good that is in me is due to Holy Communion. I owe everything to it. I feel this holy fire has transformed me completely." - *St Faustina*

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)
JUNE 6, 2021

| Liturgy Schedule | | | Location | Mass Intention |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mon., June 7 | 5:30 PM | Mass | Flandreau | Dan/Leah Ehrichs |
| Tues., June 8 | 5:30 PM | Mass | Flandreau | † Priscilla Kampa |
| Wed., June 9 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Elkton | Martin/Grady Davis |
| Thur., June 10 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Colman | Personal Intention |
| Fri., June 11 | 9:00 AM | Mass/Exposition/Adoration | Flandreau | Cody/Sandy Bex |
| Sat., June 12 | 7:00 PM | Mass | Colman | † Leo/Gladys Heinricy |
| Sun., June 13 | 8:30 AM 10:30 AM | Mass Mass | Elkton Flandreau | All Parishioners Barb Kuhn |
| <p>CONFESSIONS : - Elkton & Colman 1/2 hour prior to weekend Mass - Flandreau after Sunday Mass</p> <p>ROSARY: - prayed 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.</p> | | | | |

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

COLMAN ~ SAT., JUNE 12

Lector: Alice Berg

Altar Servers: Kaylee Voelker, Rilyn Groos

ELKTON ~ SUN., JUNE 13

Lector: Beth Frederiksen

Altar Servers: Jalyn Frerichs, Kathy Fuentes

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., JUNE 13

Lector: Pam Rorvik-Albers

Altar Servers: Rachel/Rebecca/Matthew
Heinemann

Sacristan: Pam Rorvik-Albers

Daily Readings for the Week

June 7: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Matthew 5:1-12

June 8: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-135; Matthew 5:13-16

June 9: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

June 10: 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1-6; Ps 85:9-14; Matthew 5:20-26

June 11: Hosea 11:1-4,8-9; Isaiah 12:2-6; Ephesians 3:8-19;
John 19:31-37


June 12: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4,9-12; Luke 2:41-51

June 13: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3,13-16; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10;
Mark 4:25-34

Intention of the Holy Father for June:

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

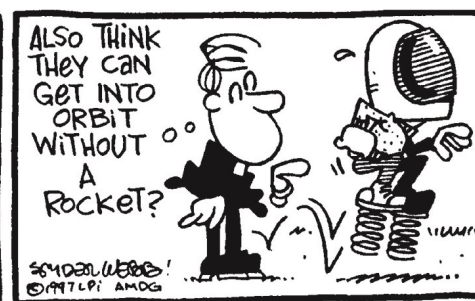
Bishop DeGrood is Inviting every person in our diocese to join in his vision of *Lifelong Catholic Missionary Discipleship Through God's Love*. Visit sfccatholic.org/vision to join the mission.



Our
Weekly Offering

Colman: \$220
Elkton: \$1332
Flandreau: \$2202

Thank you!



STS. SIMON & JUDE

Host Family Needed for two Lumen Christi (formerly Totus Tuus) team members for Sat., July 31- Thur., August 5. Contact Laura 530-9428 or Marietta 864-3182.



**Wedding
Banns**

Please pray for **Ashley Stenger** and **Cole Maly** who will be married on June 12.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Finance Council Mtg: Thur., June 10 - 5:30 PM.

Ladies' Guild Meeting: Monday, June 7th at 7:00 P.M. We will be working on possible Harvest Festival, making cards, and cutting fleece blankets.

New This Summer!

Broom Tree Family Camp: June 21 - 24, Join us for an all-inclusive Family Camp experience! This camp, directed by Sean & Jenn Dalton and Father Scott Traynor, offers your family a great opportunity to get away from the busyness and distractions of daily life to grow together in your relationship with each other and with God. More information and register at: broom-tree.org/retreats/broom-tree-family-camp/

Youth in grades 7-12, sign up for a bible study this summer with the Lumen Christi missionaries. Groups meet 1-2 times a week either in person or over Zoom. Find out more at www.sfcatholic.org/lumenchristi

Junior High D-Camp registration for July 2021 is available! Sign up fast to reserve your spot at www.sfcatholic.org/youth/d-camp/.

Taste the Goodness

Saturday, August 14 ~ Downtown Sioux Falls,
Benefiting Bishop Dudley Hospitality House

"Bishop's Cup" on August 23 Benefiting Broom Tree Retreat & Conference Center: For more information or to register visit ccfesd.org or contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765.

ST. PETER

Still looking for a family to host the two boy members of the Lumen Christi team for the week of June 13-18. If you would be willing to open your home please contact Marcie.



**Church
Picnic**

Parish Picnic:

Sunday, June 13th - 6:00 pm
Join us in welcoming the Lumen Christi team. Everything is provided, come and enjoy.

We are also looking for volunteers

- ⇒ to help during the day program,
- ⇒ provide lunches for the 4 team members,
- ⇒ invite the team out for an evening meal
- ⇒ provide snacks for the kids.

Begins next week Sunday evening!!
SUMMER CAMP

LUMEN CHRISTI

Light of Christ

(formerly Totus Tuus)

- **Grades 1-6: 8:00am - 12:00pm**
Monday, June 14th - Friday, June 18th.
The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess.
- **Junior high & high school: 6:30 - 8:30pm.**
Sunday, June 13th - Thursday, June 17th

Cost - FREE!

Registration forms can be found in the back of church and can be returned to Marcie Voelker- 46818 237th St. - Colman, SD 57017 or contact Marcie at 605-530-2219 to register.



Potluck on Wednesday evening, June 16th. The entire parish is invited.

Please contact Marcie if you are willing to help out in any way! Your help will make this summer camp a great success!



**Wedding
Banns**

Please pray for **April Entringer** and **Caleb Dusek** who will be married on June 19.

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"I will not allow myself to be so absorbed in the whirlwind of work as to forget about God. I will spend all my free moments at the feet of the Master hidden in the Blessed Sacrament." - *St Faustina*

"Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament we shall accomplish *nothing*." - *St Peter Eymard*

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you - for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love..." - *St. Therese of Lisieux*

"Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven." - *Pope St. Pius X*

"What does the poor man do at the rich man's door, the sick man in the presence of his physician, the thirsty man at a limpid stream? What they do, I do before the Eucharistic God. I pray. I adore. I love." - *St. Francis of Assisi*

"Everyday, Jesus humbles himself just as He did when He came from His heavenly throne into the Virgin's womb; everyday He comes to us and lets us see Him in abjection, when He descends from the bosom of the Father into the hands of the priest at the altar." - *St. Francis of Assisi*

"All those who see the sacrament sanctified by the words of the Lord upon the altar at the hands of the priest in the form of bread and wine, and who do not see and believe according to the Spirit and the Divinity that it is truly the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, are condemned." - *St Francis of Assisi*

"When you approach the tabernacle remember that he has been waiting for you for twenty centuries." - *St. Josemaria Escriva*

"All the good works in the world are not equal to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass because they are the works of men; but the Mass is the work of God. Martyrdom is nothing in comparison for it is but the sacrifice of man to God; but the Mass is the sacrifice of God for man." - *St. John Vianney*

"We must understand that in order 'to do', we must first learn 'to be', that is to say, in the sweet company of Jesus in adoration." - *Pope St. John Paul II*

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us." - *St. Alphonsus Liguori*

"If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion." - *St. Maximilian Kolbe*

"Recognize in this bread what hung on the cross, and in this chalice what flowed from His side... whatever was in many and varied ways announced beforehand in the sacrifices of the Old Testament pertains to this one sacrifice which is revealed in the New Testament." - *St. Augustine*

"God's priest should approach the celebration and reception of this Sacrament with the deepest humility of heart and suppliant reverence, with complete faith and the pious intention of giving honor to God." - *Thomas á Kempis*

For the sake of your own eternal soul and those around you, take some time today to really contemplate these profound statements of the saints.

God bless you, Fr. Kuhn

Just as the living
Father sent me
and I have life
because of the
Father, so also the
one who feeds on
me will have life
because of me.

JOHN 6:57

