

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

June 13th/June 14th 2020: Corpus Christi (English)

2nd Sunday after Pentecost (Latin)



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SACRAMENTS and LITURGY

English Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

English Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Latin Sunday Mass: 7:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

English Weekday Masses: 8:30 a.m. Monday to Friday

Latin Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday and Friday, 6:30 p.m. on First Friday

First Saturday Latin Mass: 8:30 a.m. with confessions beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass: As Announced

Confessions: [See Below](#)

Baptisms: By Appointment

Marriage Arrangements must be made with the Pastor **at least 6 months before the date of the wedding**. Talk to the Pastor before making any firm wedding plans. No destination weddings.

COVID-19 RESPONSE, MASS & DEVOTIONS: We have returned to an approximation of our normal weekend schedule with Mass inside the Church. We will have a 4:00 p.m. Saturday English Mass, a 9:00 a.m. Sunday English Mass, a 10:45 a.m. Sunday Latin Mass, and an additional Sunday Latin Mass at 7:30 a.m. The additional Latin Mass is intended to aid in the social distancing, **which is the responsibility of those attending Mass.** Please be considerate. This additional Mass will continue as long as social distancing is necessary.

COVID-19 RESPONSE, CONFESSIONS: Until further notice, confessions will be done in the Church parking lot with Fr Booth in his car. Those wishing to confess can walk up individually maintaining a six-foot distance. Confessions will be offered at 3:30-3:55 p.m. on Saturday and on Sunday at 7:00-7:25 a.m., 8:30-8:55 a.m., and 10:15-10:40 a.m.

DISPENSATION FOR SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION: Per Bishop Baker, all Roman Catholics who reside in the diocese are dispensed from the Sunday Mass obligation until June 30th. No one, especially the vulnerable, should feel obliged to attend Mass.

CHANGES TO THE MASS: We will forgo the distribution of the Precious Blood, reception of which is ordinarily optional, and the sign of peace, the omission of which is also optional.

WELCOME to all of our visitors: We are glad you have attended Mass with us. If you wish to join Blessed Sacrament, please pick up a parish census form at the Religious Goods Counter located in the vestibule of the front entrance.

IN MEMORIAM: In memory of Julia V. Woods, the sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of her soul from June 14th to June 20th. The sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of Mary & Sam Montalbano from June 21st until June 27th.

MEMORIAL SANCTUARY LAMP SIGN-UP SHEETS for 2021, 2022, and 2023 are at the religious goods counter in the vestibule at the back of the Church.

MORNING WITH MARY: All ladies are invited to a morning of devotion next Saturday, June 20th. Adoration will begin at 8:30 a.m., there will be confession during adoration, followed by benediction at about 9:10 a.m., and concluding with a Latin Mass at about 9:15.

THIRD SUNDAY: Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the month. We will have vocations prayers following the 10:45 a.m. Mass.

2020 HIGH MASS SCHEDULE: June 21st (3rd Sunday of Pentecost); June 28th (4th Sunday of Pentecost); July 12th (6th Sunday after Pentecost); July 19th (7th Sunday of Pentecost); August 9th (10th Sunday after Pentecost); August 30th (13th Sunday of Pentecost); September 13th (15th Sunday after Pentecost); September 27th (17th Sunday after Pentecost); October 4th (18th Sunday of Pentecost); October 11th (19th Sunday of Pentecost); October 25th (Christ the King); Sunday, November 1st (All Saints); November 29th (1st Sunday of Advent); Tuesday, Tuesday, December 8th (Immaculate Conception); December 13th (3rd Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday); Christmas.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our seminarians: Daniel Sessions, Charles Deering, Doug Hess, Matthew Gubenski, Patrick DePew, Max Gallegos, John Gardiner, Andrew Vickery, and John Paul Stepnowski. Please pray for more good men to answer God's call to the priesthood.

PARISH SUPPORT: The collection for last weekend was \$5015 and \$25 was offered for the Preservation Fund. Please feel free to mail your contributions in or save them up for when we return to having public Mass.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: (*Mass in Rectory Chapel)

Sat, Jun 13:	4:00 p.m.	Special Intention for Linda Cooper (by the Donellan Family)
Sun, Jun 14:	7:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Catherine Hahn (by the Rumore Family)
	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	Special Intention for Greg Lilly (by Judy & Danny Rohling)
Mon, Jun 15:	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Hahn Family (by the Pinter Family)
Tues, Jun 16:	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Eleanor Pohorelsky (by the Rumore Family)
Wed, Jun 17:	*7:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Eleanor Pohorelsky (by the Mathews Family)
	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Eleanor Pohorelsky (by the Mathews Family)
Thur, Jun 18:	*8:30 a.m.	† George Verdone (by Diane Penney)
Fri, Jun 19:	*7:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Mallorie Duvall (by Monica Duvall)
	*8:30 a.m.	† Mary McCourt (by Monica Duvall)
Sat, Jun 20:	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Sophie Duvall (by Monica Duvall)
	4:00 p.m.	† Patricia Levio (by Cathy Schauer)
Sun, Jun 21:	7:30 a.m.	† Mary Kelly (by Mary Jane Kelly)
	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	† Delores Sampedro (by the Sampedros)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND especially Julia Bryant, Mark Corley, Lee Gaissert, Lawrence Brandley, Don Williams, Roseanne Timpa, Pete Ransom, Jerry Joiner, Natalie Caraccilo, Beryl Curtis, Nicole Copeland, Laura Minjares, Linda Cooper, Lee Dinan, Mina Keasler, Levi Ray, John Minjares, Sr., Virginia Files, Danny Rohling, Kay Dorion, Krissy Chism, William Scroggins, Lamar Smith, Paul Herrmann, Debbie Zeller, Wayne Little, Maria Morin, Andrea Little, Joseph Edwards, George Dunham, Fran Costanza, Christine Cover, Thatcher Kerzie, Malcolm Perry, Koslyn Chism, Kathleen Strawmeyer, Cindy Little, Stan Trawick, David Henning, Loretta Mara, Lillie Rumore, and Stephanie Perry.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS READINGS

4:00 p.m.	12 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Jer 20:10-13, Rom 5:12-15, Mt 10:26-33
7:30 a.m.	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost	1Pet 5:6-11, Lk 15:1-10
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Jesus Invites Us to Receive Him. Are We Prepared?

The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the Eucharist at length in paragraphs 1322 to 1419. Part of what is said in this section of the Catechism is as follows: ‘The Lord addresses an invitation to us, urging us to receive him in the sacrament of the Eucharist: “Truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you” (Jn 6:53). To respond to this invitation we must *prepare ourselves* for so great and so holy a moment. St. Paul urges us to examine our conscience: “Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself” (1Cor 11:27-29). Anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to communion’ (CCC 1384-85).

Sadly, the appreciation of the Eucharist has greatly eroded among Catholics to the point that, according to a Pew Research poll, only one in three American Catholics believes that Jesus is present in the Eucharist. Twenty years ago, this figure would have been one side or the other of fifty percent, so things have gone from bad to worse. The Pew Research study was comprehensive enough to show that ignorance was not the culprit. Indeed, at least seventy percent of those Catholics polled had a fairly comprehensive knowledge of the faith. This means that deliberate unbelief is a major factor.

However, given that 78% of American Catholics do not attend Mass at least weekly, some might take solace (if there is solace to be found) in the thought that surely the vast majority of those who reject the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist would be among those who do not attend Church regularly while surely those who believe that Jesus is present in the Eucharist would constitute almost all of those who attend Mass faithfully. Not quite. Nearly forty percent of weekly Mass attendees do not believe in the Real Presence. Thus, about 13% of Catholics believe in the Real Presence and attend Mass weekly, about 9% attend weekly but do not accept the teaching on the Real Presence, about 20% do not attend Mass but believe in the Real Presence, while about 58% of American Catholics do not believe in the Eucharist and do not attend Mass. In other words, those who believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist but don’t attend Mass outnumber those who believe and who do attend Mass weekly by a margin of fifty percent!

In many ways, this is difficult to explain. What is more difficult to explain is the number of people who prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, as the Church teaches and as St Paul warns us, by examining their conscience and taking advantage of the sacrament of confession. Only 25% of American Catholics go to confession at least once a year. How this figure breaks down among those who attend Mass, those who don’t, those who believe in the Real Presence, and those who don’t was not noted in the polling results. It is entirely possible that many or even most who attend Mass weekly do not confess at least yearly. Yes, this is counterintuitive, but it is hardly obvious that those who believe in the Real Presence but do not attend Mass would nearly outnumber all who attend Mass weekly and outnumber those who attend Mass weekly and who believe in the Real Presence by 50%.

Jesus truly invites us to attend Mass and to receive Him in the Eucharist, but He wants us to receive Him worthily. Reception of the Eucharist, even frequently, bears no good fruit in this life or the next unless we first examine our conscience and make amends for our sins through sacramental confession. Continuing the quote from St Paul cited above: “*That is why many among you are ill and infirm, and a considerable number are dying. If we discerned ourselves, we would not be under judgment*” (1Cor 11:30-31). Because the Corinthians were not discerning their sinfulness but partaking unworthily, infirmity and even death result. It is unclear if St Paul is saying that the people of Corinth were infirm and dying spiritually or physically, but it is safe to assume that they were suffering at least spiritually because of their unworthy reception of the Lord’s Body and Blood. If unworthy reception is injurious, how beneficial might frequent worthy reception of Jesus in the Eucharist be? - Fr Booth