



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

The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the name of the Lord.
— Psalm 116:13

SACRIFICE

Today the Church focuses on the Eucharist. Today's readings remind us how connected to ancient blood sacrifices we are when offering our unbloody sacrifice. The reading from Exodus describes a solemn ritual designed so the Israelites would never forget their covenant with God.

The reading from the Letter to the Hebrews turns us from those ancient animal sacrifices, the first efforts to worship the living God. Our sacrifice is the body and blood of the Son of God. Because of Christ we have a new covenant.

The Gospel from Mark retells the establishment of that covenant, the familiar story of the Last Supper. Juxtaposed with the story of animal sacrifice as it is here, we are challenged to listen with new attention, to remember the great price paid for our salvation. Jesus gave his body and every drop of his blood for us.

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FEAST OF FAITH

The *Corpus Christi* Procession

In the thirteenth century, a Belgian nun by the name of Juliana had a vision: she saw the full moon silvery and radiant except for one dark spot. The meaning of the vision was revealed to her: the moon was the Church's liturgical year, the dark spot a missing feast in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. Today's feast of *Corpus Christi*—the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—grew from Juliana's vision.

On this feast, many parishes observe the traditional *Corpus Christi* procession, giving honor to the Eucharist by carrying this greatest treasure out of the safety of our churches and into our streets. At the end of every Mass we are not just let out, we are sent forth, strengthened by the Eucharist, to be the Body of Christ in the world. The *Corpus Christi* procession is the dismissal writ large! We take Jesus with us, not only in our hearts, but carried in our midst and exposed in a monstrance. It is a public profession of faith and a blessing of the world. Jesus walks with us on these streets that we walk day after day, among those who know him but yearn to know him better, and among those who do not know him. The Eucharist is a mystery to be believed, to be celebrated—and to be lived.

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Coming Events.

June 11th: The office is closed for Mary Alyce will be out of the office.

Church Staff

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Mass Intentions

June 5th: Jan Thomas +
by Mark & Kay Bartel

June 6th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

June 7th: Harold Segerson +

June 13th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

Liturgical Ministers

June 13th

Lector: Marshall Mize

Server: Abigail Mize

Sacristans— Carmen McDaniel

Altar Linens — Eleanor Michie, Khuyen Segerson

Ushers—Men of the Parish

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR B

First Reading — This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you (Exodus 24:3-8).

Psalm — I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Christ is the mediator of a new covenant (Hebrews 9:11-15).

Gospel — This is my body. This is my blood (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Ethel Huffman, MaryAnn Maness,
Peggy Moss, Joey Wall,

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Sunny Maness, Fr Robert Ponticello

Community Outreach Committee

Jean Stevens is heading a committee that will connect with parishioners who maybe are sick or staying home because of Covid 19; past parishioners; or maybe just being visible in Lexington's community.

Please volunteer or say YES when Jean approaches you to be on the committee.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Monday: Tenth Week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday: St. Ephrem

Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday: Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

WEEKLY OFFERING

May 30th

Budget \$2100

Actual \$638

Bldg. \$0

Short \$1462

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135;
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Mt 5:20-26

Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-6;

Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16;

2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Mass Schedule

Monday: 11:30 am

Wednesday: 11:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 11:30 am

Vigil on Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am



OUR SACRIFICE

Let us offer Christ the great universal sacrifice of our love. For he offered his cross to God as sacrifice in order to make us all rich.

—St. Ephrem

SAVE THE DATES

Big plans are in the making for a Church picnic at Sunset Valley Farms on Sunday, August 22nd.

Start gathering your yard sale items for a sale this fall.

More information coming in your future bulletins. Keep watching and reading.

STARTING

It's the start that stops most people.

—Anonymous