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(CORPUS CHRISTI) JUNE 14, 2020



Welcome Back!

Let Us Continue To Pray For Those Who Are Most Vulnerable



*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever." - John 6*

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER GIFFORD

Dear St. Louis Parishioners,

There is much talk these days about a "new normal." Certainly, this term can be used in different ways and invoking it, I certainly don't mean to condone and embrace every one of the meanings sometimes intended by its usage. However, it is a concept well worth serious consideration, particularly as we adapt to the new guidelines during this time of pandemic. As Catholics, we love Tradition, and with good reason. In Sacred Scripture, that great model disciple and indefatigable apostle Saint Paul speaks of having "received from the Lord what I also handed on to you" (1 Cor 11:23a). The Good News of Jesus Christ is passed on through Tradition, as well as through the written word. Yet, if we made the mistake of thinking that every "small t" tradition deserves the kind of reverence we give to "Capital T" Tradition, we would be enshrining a problematic and even dangerous mentality. Part of the mystery of our faith is that Our God is Ever Ancient and Ever New. He is unchanging. Thus, there are some things that will never change. The teachings of Christ will never change. The love of God will never change. The gift of the sacraments will never change, even if the nature and specific form of our participation in them evolves, as it certainly has through the centuries. The two celebrations of the Church which mark our return to Ordinary Time after the Easter Season - Holy Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi - mark the two basic foundations from which all these unchanging mysteries flow. The Holy Trinity is the central mystery of our faith, the truth of who God is. The Eucharist, the fullest sacramental manifestation of our sharing in communion in the Body of Christ (Corpus Christi), is the Source, Summit and Center of our lives as Catholics (recall that Saint Paul's teaching on Tradition quoted above was in the context of him passing on the words of the institution of the Holy Eucharist). These mysteries do not change. They are the most stable, constant realities in the great diversity that can certainly mark our "ordinary days." However, we would be tragically forgetting another fundamental aspect of our faith if we took these unchanging realities as license to believe that we should never change anything in life. The fundamental aspect of which I speak is precisely that we do experience times in life when He calls upon us to change.

First, we should consider the call to conversion, which is indeed essential to our faith. This doesn't necessarily apply directly to our situation with these new regulations, besides that it establishes the basic principle - which will be built upon in this second point - that *we ought to be willing to make a change*. We absolutely cannot be so set in our ways that we are unwilling to change when we recognize that something in our lives is not fully in conformity with God's Will. I recall quite vividly a moment of significant conversion in my own life, when I was in college and had just gone on a retreat, which was indeed quite similar to other retreats I had been on. In my immaturity, I was dealing with a bit of disappointment that it wasn't as "new" as I wanted it to be. On some level, I was looking for a new excitement, a new thrill, a new high. So, why was this retreat so significant for me? I couldn't quite put my finger on it. After some time of reflecting on this question during adoration, I finally came to the conclusion: "God isn't going to change. The Paschal Mystery isn't going to change. It's time for me to change. It's time for me to grow up." It was time for me to stop chasing the next feeling and instead commit myself fully to following Jesus Christ on the path He was leading me. This led to my entrance into seminary.

Second, we should consider the call to docility. If the Lord truly is the Lord of my life and if the Spirit indeed "blows where it wills" (John 3:8), then we must be always prepared to adjust and adapt our "best laid plans." Sometimes, this means adjusting those customs that don't need to be enshrined as never changing. This way, we constantly resist the temptation toward the dictatorship of "the way we've always done things" and instead commit ourselves to both prayer and prudence. Prayer teaches us to listen to God. In the silence. In Sacred Scripture. In the words of the prayers taught to us by the rich tradition of the Church. And finally, prayer teaches and disposes us to listen to God in our consciences. It is in our conscience that the voice of God guides our reason, in order to practice the virtue of prudence. Prudence calls upon us to choose the right action for the reality of our given situation. At times, we may indeed be working from universal and unchanging principles. Yet, these principles have to be applied to concrete situations. They have to take on flesh in the reality of our daily lives. As our daily lives change, prudence calls upon us to adapt and adjust some of our customs, while preserving the unchanging reality from which everything else flows.

These are the principles we keep in mind as we celebrate this luminous mystery of Corpus Christi. Our situation may be changing and evolving, and we will adapt accordingly. But, our unchanging God is with us every step of the way and will continue to feed and sustain us.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?: As I mentioned in the mailing this past week, one of the many limitations of our current situation is that we are unable to make the "Book of Prayer Intentions" available in the back of the Church. This does not mean we don't intend to pray for the needs of our parishioners and visitors. In place of writing a prayer request in the book, you may insert a prayer request (written using your own pen and paper) into the collection basket. If you would like parishioners to pray for your intention, you may write "for the prayer chain" before your prayer request. If you are not aware, we have a parish prayer chain that you can either join or send your prayer requests by emailing Pam Hanson at pamhans@hotmail.com. Thanks to Pam for her assistance with this effort through the years.

PRAYING FOR OUR FATHERS: With so much else going on, we don't want to forget about our next "20/20 Vision" Holy Hour. As I mentioned in the mailing, there will be very few "extra" events during this time, beyond the Liturgical schedule. As these 20/20 Vision Holy Hours have continued during the 'quarantine,' even if only via the livestream, they will still be offered once a month. The only difference is that we can now allow people to participate in person for the first time since March. As it will be 7:30 PM, this Wednesday (June 17), it will serve as the conclusion of the "private prayer" time slot. Those in attendance will need to watch for the "used" cards on the pews and avoid those seats. As you may recall, the intention this month will be for a renewal in the vocation of fatherhood, as we prepare to celebrate Father's Day. I will elaborate on this topic in next weekend's bulletin article.

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STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support
through June 7, 2020

(Public Outdoor Mass 13 weeks following church closure)

Amount Budgeted	\$7,250
Amount Received	<u>\$ 8,293</u>
Amount Over/(Under)	\$1,043

Fiscal period July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020	
Amount needed to date	\$355,250
Amount Received to date:	<u>\$345,414</u>
Over/(Under)budget to date	\$ (9,836)

We are aware that not everyone will be able to be physically present for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as our church is reopened. Please know that you may continue to provide financial support for the parish in the ways that have been commended since the shutdown occurred: by sending a contribution directly to the parish mailing address, or instructing your bank to send a contribution through its Bill Payment option. The online giving option through the Diocesan website remains available to you also. Your support of your parish during this pandemic has enabled us to maintain operations, and reach out to parishioners in many new and creative ways. Your faithfulness in providing us a means to accomplish this mission is acknowledged with gratitude.

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 15 **Weekday**
 5:15 pm +Joan Smith by Mary Loftus

Tuesday, June 16 **Weekday**
 7:00 am + Canon John Flaherty

Wednesday, June 17 **Weekday**
 7:00 am + Mary Miller
 by Linda Johnson & Bernetta Wood

Thursday, June 18 **Weekday**
 4-5:00 pm Holy Hour
 5:15 pm* +Roger Balesiefen

Friday, June 19 **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**
 7:00 am +Arnold McCauley by Pat Quiram

Saturday, June 20 **Vigil of the 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
 4:00 pm + Jean Gifford
 by Mandy Robinson & Linda Carter
 6:00 pm + Lucille Prostko

Sunday, June 21 **Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Fathers Day**
 7:30 am People of the Parish
 9:30 am +Stevie Puhr
 11:30 am + Stanley Pearson by former Staff of SLS



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2020

SUN 6/14	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
MON 6/15	1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42
TUE 6/16	1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [cf. 3a]/Mt 5:43-48
WED 6/17	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THR 6/18	Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15
FRI 6/19	Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 [cf. 17]/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30
SAT 6/20	2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Lk 2:41-51
SUN 6/21	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2020

Sunday:	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; Flag Day
Friday:	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday:	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; World Refugee Day
Sunday:	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bill Walowski
and for consolation for his family.

*Eternal Rest grant unto him O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon his soul.*



Please remember to pray for Vocations
to the Priesthood and Religious Life
especially from St. Louis Parish!

St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, pray for us!

ST. LOUIS SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE

MON & THR	5:15 PM
TUE, WED, FRI	7:00 AM
SAT	4 & 6 PM
SUN	7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM

(SAT 4 PM Live-streamed on FaceBook and broadcast on WZOE 1490 AM)

Please provide your feedback on the radio broadcast—this will help us to identify the need to continue offering it.

OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(AT ANDERSON ST ENTRANCE)

SAT	5:00 PM
SUN	8:30 & 10:30 AM

RECONCILIATION

(ST. JEROME ROOM)

MON, THR,	4:30 PM
TUE, WED	3:00 PM
SAT	4:00 PM

HOLY HOUR

MON, THR	4:00 PM
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PRIVATE PRAYER

(INSIDE CHURCH-OPEN TO ALL)

MON, THUR	9-2:30 PM
TUE, WED	9-1:30 PM; 3-8:00 PM
FRI	9-1:30 PM

*Let us continue to Contemplate
the Humility of Christ in Light
of the Resurrection.*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are needed to help clean the Church and greet and usher at Masses. Please contact Tim Smith at 815-503-9329 | tsmith@pes115.org if you are interested in cleaning and Dave Lawrence for greeter/usher at 815-915-6005 | davidlawrence821@gmail.com THANK YOU!

Welcome Home!

There is still currently **NO OBLIGATION** to attend Sunday Mass. Before resuming attendance in-person at Holy Mass, please first assess that **you are healthy and not of the vulnerable population**. While our parish staff will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime they enter a public space since **such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection**.



Check Times for Holy Mass

SATURDAY

4 PM and 6 PM

SUNDAY

7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 AM



Sign up for Holy Mass

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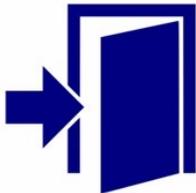
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Bring a Face Mask

Limited numbers of face masks will be available if needed. Please wear when entering, exiting, or anytime you will be in close proximity to other households.



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