

Pulpit Announcements - June 19, 2022

CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

Welcome to all who are here today as we celebrate Corpus Christi or the Feast of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ. Whoever you are, or wherever you find yourself on the journey, know that here at St. Matthias, All Are Welcome.

- We have many celebrations this weekend. Juneteenth invites us to celebrate the Proclamation that brought emancipation for our black brothers and sisters.
- Father's Day invites us to celebrate all our fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, and any father figure in our lives. We will have a blessing for all fathers during this Mass
- Our Finance Council has been giving us periodic updates about the financial health of our parish. Read their latest communication on page 7 in today's bulletin.
- Next Sunday, June 26, is our main liturgical celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the founding of St. Matthias parish in 1962. Bishop Checchio will be the main celebrant of the Mass at 12 noon. All are welcome.
- The Parish Pastoral & Finance Councils, and other parishioners have suggested that we use this Anniversary year to do some renovation of our church building that is long overdue. Some of the suggested ideas are: *Refurbishing the pews, Renewing the floor, add more bathrooms, Narthex (a big enclosed gathering area from the breezeway up to the statue of Mary) Renew/clean the Church walls, Replace church windows with stained glass.*

What among these ideas should be our priorities? Or are there other needs that you, our parish family, have in your mind? Our Councils agreed that we ask the whole parish for your input. Hence, we will soon have a short and easy google survey. Please respond. Your voice matters.

Now to prepare ourselves for today's Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ: let us be open to the readings that will remind us the love with which God feeds us. Do we feel fed? Do we feel strengthened enough for our journey with the divine banquet?...(silence)

Music for Our Assembly

June 12, 2022

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.....Psalm 81

Gathering Song - I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

Refrain:

**And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.**

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.
3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.

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Responsorial Psalm Psalm 110

You are a priest forever in the line of Melchizedek ...

R/ (4b) You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The LORD said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand
till I make your enemies your footstool."

R/ The scepter of your power the LORD will stretch forth from Zion:
"Rule in the midst of your enemies."

R/ "Yours is princely power in the day of your birth, in holy splendor;
before the daystar, like the dew, I have begotten you."

R/ The LORD has sworn, and he will not repent:

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of
Melchizedek."

Communion Hymn - The Supper of the Lord

1. This is the bread of God coming down from heav'n, giving life to us, to all the world.

Refrain

**Precious body, precious blood seen as bread and wine;
here the Lord prepares the feast divine, Bread of love is broken now,
cup of life is poured, come, share the supper of the Lord.**

2. "I am the living spring of eternal life; you that drink from me shall not thirst again."

3. "I am the bread of heav'n giving life to you; you that eat this bread shall never die."

4. "All those who feed on me have their life in me, as I have my life in the living God."

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Closing Hymn - From This Table

From this table feed the hungry, from this table clothe the poor
In the eyes of friend and stranger, recognize the living Lord
With conviction and compassion go and do what Christ commands
From this table be a vessel of the love that never ends.

From this table hold in reverence those deprived of hope and choice
Let the children and the old ones find a future and a voice
Listen closely to the struggle of the broken and the lost
From this table be their comfort thinking not of gain or cost

From this table banish hatred, speak the words that set hearts free
To the lowly and the outcast tell of worth and dignity
Bring the promise of forgiveness to the one who's gone astray
From this table lead all people to the dawning of God's day.

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PRAYERS FOR THE MASS

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God Almighty Father.

Glory to God...

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the world, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God...

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Corpus Christi Sunday
JUNE 19, 2022

Our response is: God of Glory, Hear our prayer!

1. For Pope Francis and all Church leaders ... That God will bless them to witness to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and teach us all to have a greater appreciation of the Holy Eucharist, ...We pray to the Lord, ...
2. That the Juneteenth celebrations may remind us of the stories of joy and pain, struggle and triumph, and inspire us to continue to work for equality, justice and peace for all ...We pray to the Lord...
3. For this faith community of St Matthias... especially for all fathers, step-fathers, God-fathers and all father figures, that they will receive Your Blessings as they are celebrated today...We pray to the Lord...
4. For those who are ill in mind, body or spirit, and all who are in pain, who feel the death of the Lord in their own lives,that as we gather their suffering into union with this Holy Sacrifice, their darkness may be eased by the Lord Jesus..We pray to the Lord ...
5. For our faithful departed, especially, Mary Lou Flystra and Marie Forte, who proclaimed the death of the Lord as they received His Body in this life,....that they may now know the life of the Lord in the joys of heaven ...We pray to the Lord...
6. For the intentions in the hearts of all those in this assembly,
(LONG PAUSE) May we find peace and love as God hears our pleas...We pray to the Lord...

For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts.
. we pray. . .

PRIEST _____(MASS INTENTION)

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that you

are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things,

and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment

receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart. I

embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you,

and I believe your words, "Come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you."

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.