

Sunday, June 3, 2018
External Solemnity of Corpus Christi



Sun. 3 Jun. External Solemnity of Corpus Christi, II Class

8:00 am †Mr. D'Amico
 10:30 am Pro Populo
 1:30 pm CSP
 6:00 pm FSSP

Mon 4 Jun. St. Francis Caracciolo, Confessor, III Class

7:00 am Hans-Wilfried Huch
 12:15 pm Mr. & Mrs. Josh Saavedra

Tues. 5 Jun. St. Boniface, Bishop & Confessor, III Class

7:00 am Ryan & Jasmine Lucina
 6:30 pm Emilie Grosshanten

Wed. 6 Jun. St. Norbert, Bishop & Confessor, III Class

7:00 am †Jose Yumena
 12:15 pm Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cuny

Thurs. 7 Jun. Jesus Christ the High Priest, III Class

7:00 am Margeret Kubis
 6:30 pm St. Monica Sodality

Fri. 8 Jun. Sacred Heart of Jesus, I Class

7:00 am Paz Magaña
 12:15 pm †Eileen Early
 6:30 pm †Masao Hadano

Sat. 9 Jun. Saturday of Our Lady, IV Class

7:00 am Carrie Locks
 9:00 am †Daniel D'Amico, Jr.

Sun. 10 Jun. 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, II Class

8:00 am †Humberto Herrera, Jr.
 10:30 am Pro Populo
 1:30 pm Maria De Fatima Mortoso
 6:00 pm †Yolanda Ramirez

...In Memoriam

†Fatima Moitoso, †George Lane, †William Eckerman;
 Msgr. Edward Kavanaugh, †Edward Upczak, †Roy Nelson,
 †Lamberto Pangilinan, † Lucille Duarte,
 †Fr. Francis Lawlor

Important Upcoming Dates

June 8—Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
 June 9—Graduation Mass
 June 17-23—Camp Sacred Heart
 June 29—Feast of St. Peter & Paul
 July 8-12—Annual parish retreat
 July 1—Most Precious Blood of Our Lord

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The object of devotion to the Sacred Heart is, properly speaking, the physical Heart of Jesus which is worthy of adoration, because it is a part of His sacred humanity, hypostatically united to the Word. However, the ultimate object of this devotion is the love of Jesus, the symbol of which is His Heart. In other words, “beneath the symbolic image of the Heart, we contemplate and venerate our divine Redeemer’s immense charity and generous love” (Pius VI). This is the real meaning of the devotion to the Sacred Heart by which the Church asks us to honor the Heart of Jesus as the visible representation of His invisible love. “Your charity has allowed You to be wounded by the visible blow of the lance,” the liturgy of the feast sings, “so that we may venerate the wounds of Your invisible love” (RB). Therefore, the principle object of this devotion is the love of Jesus, an uncreated love with which He, as the Word, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, loved us from all eternity, and from all eternity willed to become incarnate for our salvation. It is also the created love of charity with which, as Man, He loved us even to the death of the Cross, meriting for us by His love that same charity by which we are enabled to love Him in return. Here we find the most profound significance of devotion to the Sacred Heart. St. Teresa Margaret of the Heart of Jesus had such a thorough understanding of this meaning that she made this devotion the center of her life. The process for her canonization says that the Saint “saw the Heart of Jesus as the center, the source of the love with which the divine Word, in the bosom of the Father, loved us from all eternity, and merited for us in time the power to love Him in return, on earth and in heaven, by our sharing in this love.”

Other devotions to Our Lord have for their object the mysteries or special aspects of His life, as for example, the Incarnation, the hidden life, the Passion. Devotion to the Sacred Heart, on the contrary, has a more general object, the love of Jesus, which constitutes the profound, essential reason for all His mysteries, the love that is the first and only cause of all He has done for us. In this sense, devotion to the Sacred Heart touches, as it were, the mainspring of all the mysteries of the Redeemer, the essential raison d’être of His life, His Person. It is the love which explains the Incarnation of the Word, the life of the Man-God, His Passion, His Eucharist. We cannot possibly understand the mystery by which the Son of God became Man, died on the Cross to save mankind, and then became their Food, if we do not admit this infinite love which compelled God the Creator, the Most High, to find a way to give Himself entirely for the salvation of His creatures.

(Divine Intimacy Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen)

From the Vicar

Dear parishioners,

As many of you are aware, last weekend the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter ordained ten men to the priesthood in Omaha, Nebraska. Below are the names of the men ordained. Please pray for them.

- Fr. Martin Adams
- Fr. Stephen Braun
- Fr. Michael Cunningham
- Fr. Christopher Fitzpatrick
- Fr. Graham Latimer
- Fr. Aaron Liebert
- Fr. Daniel Mould
- Fr. Martin Rangel-Garcia
- Fr. Andrew Rappaport
- Fr. Richard Wallace

Please also pray for Rev. Dr. Seth Phipps, a classmate of the ten men above, who will be ordained in Warrenton, England on June 9. In addition, St. Peter’s Seminary in Wigratzbad, Germany will also be advancing a good number of men to Holy Orders later in the summer.

In the introduction to his *Dignity & Duties of the Priest*, St. Alphonsus writes the following:

In his epistle to the Christians of Smyrna, St. Ignatius, Martyr, says that the priesthood is the most sublime of all created dignities: “The apex of dignities is the priesthood.” St. Ephrem calls it an infinite dignity: “The priesthood is an astounding miracle, great, immense, and infinite.” St. John Chrysostom says, that though its functions are performed on earth, the priesthood should be numbered among the things of Heaven. According to Cassian, the priest of God is exalted above all earthly sovereignties, and above all celestial heights – he is inferior only to God. Innocent III says that the priest is placed between God and man; inferior to God, but superior to man. St. Denis calls the priest a Divine man. Hence he has called the priesthood a Divine dignity. In fine, St. Ephrem says that the gift of the sacerdotal dignity surpasses all understanding. For us it is enough to know, that Jesus Christ has said that we should treat his priests as we would his own person: “He that heareth you, heareth Me; he that despiseth you, despiseth Me.” Hence St. John Chrysostom says, that “he who honors a priest, honors Christ, and he who insults a priest, insults Christ.”

Please pray that our newly ordained, and all priests, will be found worthy of the sacred trust handed on to them; pray also that the young men in our parish will be given the courage to test their own vocations.

God bless you,
 Fr. Curtis

Volunteers for Fireworks Stand

We need volunteers to help with a fireworks stand we will be operating this year in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus. The profit will be split between the parish and the Knights. Anyone, 18 years of age and older, man or woman may participate. There will be a sign-up table after Mass.

Around the Parish

Pilgrim Virgin Statue - If you would like to have our Blessed Mother’s image spend a week with you in your home, sign up in the book store. First come, first served! You may pickup the statue on one Sunday and return it the next. By taking the image you’re agreeing to pray a family Rosary daily for the duration of the visit.

The Gifts of the Holy Ghost & the Mystical Life

A Retreat Preached by Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP
 July 8—12th

Private accommodations for 4 nights and all meals. For more information call 916-455-5114 or 916-223-3112.

Secure your place at the retreat by filling out a form and leaving a deposit as soon as possible. Forms are available in the parish office or bookstore.

If you are unable to go on the retreat, but would like to help make it possible for someone else to go, stop by the parish office or bookstore.

Space is limited!

Graduation Mass

There will be a special Mass for high school graduates from St. Stephen’s Parish on June 9th at 2:00 pm.

If you have a graduate in your family and would like to participate, please call the parish office or stop in the bookstore and let us know.

~ Summer Dress Code ~

Please recall that everyone is expected to dress with modesty and in a way befitting the house of God. Our choice of clothing is an expression of our worship; it may also affect the ability of others to worship. Dress should conceal rather than reveal. There is a sign in the vestibule that gives more details regarding proper dress. It is further expected that modesty in dress be maintained on the church grounds at all times.

We do request that the correction of visitors in this matter be left to the priests or their delegates.

**Chesterton Society Meeting
 June 12th at 7:30pm**

We will discuss St. Francis of Assisi chapter 8: “The Mirror of Christ.”

“Discourses in the Dark”

The Book of Job Chapters 12 - 31

Come Study the Book of Job with fellow student Fr. Savoie, Thursday, June 7th at 7:30 pm in classroom 2.

Please Keep in Your Prayers ...

Barbara Graichen, Sue McGrath, Sandy Sneary, John Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Fr. Goodwin, Margaret Northan, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Ramon and Robert Daley, Liz Nicolini, William (Pat) Cummings, Lorraine Peterson, John Testa, Mitzi Vandenburg, Richard Cummings, Gretchen Medel, Dario Gonzalez, Rick Rabenau, “Holly” Hollingsworth, Mike Hays, Michael Cuellar, Mike De Santis, Ken Taylor, Michelle di Giovanni, Barbara Jeong, Carol Cummings, Joan Rutschow



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MASS SCHEDULE
TRADITIONAL ROMAN RITE

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Low Mass
 10:30 a.m. High Mass
 1:30 p.m. Low Mass
 6:00 p.m. Low Mass

Monday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Tuesday: 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Thursday: 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Friday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: Please call the office or consult the bulletin or website

DEVOTIONS

Rosary:

- Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and after the 1:30 p.m. Mass
- Following the 12:15 p.m. Mass on weekdays

Holy Face Novena: 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday

St. Monica Novena: First Thursday of every month, following the 6:30 p.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: after 6:30 p.m. Mass every Tuesday

Fatima Procession: 13th of every month- May to October - following the 6:30 p.m. Mass on weekdays, the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturdays, and the 1:30 p.m. Mass on Sundays

Men's Holy League: 3rd Wednesday of each month. Holy Hour 7pm—8 pm

Knights of Columbus: 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6 pm

CONFESSION

- One half hour before all Masses
- Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION
THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday: 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Friday: After 6:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday: After 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. (Holy Hour for Vocations)

First Friday: Benediction after 12:15 p.m. Mass

SICK CALLS

If anyone is in need of the Sacraments (i.e. homebound) please call the parish office. If it is an **emergency**, outside of office hours, dial (916) 455-5114, then press 1, and the priest-on-call will be paged immediately.

NEW TO ST. STEPHEN'S?

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

ENVELOPES AND ON-LINE GIVING

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. PLEASE pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

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