

MAY 29, 2016 – THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

PARISH STAFF

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PARISH SPIRITUALITY

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am

Mon - Thurs: 8:35am / Friday 9:00am

Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:30pm

CONFESSION

Saturdays 4:15pm - 4:45pm or anytime by appointment.

REGISTER: Please register when you move into the parish. This is an opportunity to become acquainted with our faith community and to experience the joy of being part of the Church. Only registered parishioners, in good standing, can receive a Certificate of Eligibility to act as a Godparent or sponsor.



BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the fourth Sunday of every month at 11:30 a.m. Parents are encouraged to invite family members to the 10:30 Mass as the Sacrament of Baptism takes place immediately following the Mass. Parents and Godparents meet for an enrichment class prior to the Baptism. You will need to call the Parish Office to register for this class. A Godparent must be a committed, practicing Catholic, and if from another parish, must have a certificate of eligibility from his/her pastor. This certificate should be brought to the enrichment class. A Christian of other denominations may serve as a Godparent along with a practicing Catholic.



MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage are expected to attend Pre-Cana Conferences and to meet with the parish priest several times leading up to the marriage. The period of preparation time required is six months unless approved otherwise by our Pastor.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the rectory at any time for the Sacrament of the Sick. Also the Holy Eucharist will be brought to the sick and shut-ins upon request to the Parish Office. We celebrate a Communal Anointing of the Sick in June, near the *Feast of St. John the Baptist.*

Masses for the Week of May 30 – June 5, 2016 Morning Prayer in St. Joseph Chapel, Mon – Fri at 8:15am

Monday, May 30 – Memorial Day

9:00am (Old SJB) In Memory of all Veterans

Tuesday, May 31

8:35am (chapel) Mary & Bill Mallon (Kathy Vinceguerra)

Wednesday, June 1

8:35am (chapel) Maria Meier (Ron Meier)

Thursday, June 2

8:35am (chapel) Helen Charlton (Tony & Janet Souza)

Friday, June 3 – School Closing Mass

9:00am (church) Dolores Santosusso (Fetter Family)

24-hour Adoration begins immediately following Mass

Saturday, June 4 – First Saturday Benediction & Mass

9:00am (Chapel) Intentions of Janet Gallen (Anita Colahan)

5:00pm (church) Deceased Members of the Schulberger

Family (Tony & Judy)

Sunday, June 5

8:00am (church) Parishioners' Intentions

10:30am (church) Stanley Puchalski (Rosemarie McGovern)

Meetings for the week of May 30 – June 5, 2016

Tues. May 31: Choir, 7pm - church

Thurs. June 2: Carnival Committee, 7:30pm – Marian Room

Sat. June 4: Men of Faith, 8am – Marian Room



Weekly Mass Collection

Sunday, May 22, 2016 \$6,299.00

Parish Giving Program \$.00

Thank you for your generosity!



SJB Cleaning Team for the week of

May 30th is Team # 3:

Betty White, Janice Bebb,

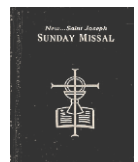
Mary Kosmin, Andrea James

Your parish Thanks You!

The READINGS for our Masses

this weekend may be found in:

Section 927



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

(Memorial Day thru Labor Day)

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am – 4pm

Fridays: 8:30am – 12noon

Solemnity of the MOST HOLY BODY and BLOOD OF CHRIST by Fr. Thomas Rosica

The most important doctrines of our Catholic Christian faith remain the same through the ages and need to be approached again and again in order to rediscover their richness and experience their enduring significance for our daily lives. These doctrines are the deepest sense of what the Scriptures proclaim and that this deepest sense is discovered precisely when the Scriptures are proclaimed in the liturgical assembly and when the Scriptures become sacrament in the Eucharistic rite. From this source we draw our energy, our vision and our hope to foster a true civilization of love.

At every mass, the liturgy of the Word precedes the Eucharistic liturgy. There are two “communions,” one with the Word and one with the Bread. One cannot be understood without the other. The Eucharist does not only provide inner strength, but also a certain way of life. It is a way of living that is passed from Jesus to the Christian. The celebration of the Eucharist has no meaning if it is not lived with love. Through the Eucharist we are challenged at the level of our history to realize as much as possible what we celebrate sacramentally: bread for all, salvation and liberation for all.

The Eucharistic Christ is truly present as bread for the poor, and not for the privileged. In order to keep the Eucharistic reality credible, we have to devote ourselves to a better, more just world. When we receive the Eucharist, we partake of the one who becomes food and drink for others. We, too, must become food and drink for the hungry. Faith in Jesus’ resurrection can itself be an unproductive or dangerous ideology if it does not stimulate us actually to share bread with our brothers and sisters who are hungry.

Real Presence

In giving us the bread of life, Jesus does not offer temporary nourishment, he gives us the eternal bread of his word. It will not pass away. It will nourish and give life forever. Jesus is this bread, and in offering to share it with us he calls us to faith in him. Jesus invites us to “come to him,” “believe in him,” “look upon him,” “be drawn to him,” “hear him,” and to “learn of him.” All of these verbs invite the active response of our faith (cf. Jn 6:36, 37, 40, 44, 45). His word is nourishment for our faith.

Today’s feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is not a static occasion, a time to gaze in wonder on the Eucharistic species for private devotion and communication with the Lord. The feast we celebrate together is not an invitation to just gaze and look, but to receive the body and blood of Christ and then, nourished by the divine life we receive, to become the body and blood of Christ to the world.

When we come to receive Communion and the Eucharistic ministers hold the sacred food and drink before us, they will say, “the Body of Christ; the Blood of Christ.” They are not only naming what they are offering us to eat and drink, they are also naming each one of us, for we are, “the body

of Christ and the blood of Christ.” In other words, the real presence is not only to be found in church, but in each baptized Christian nourished by the Eucharist and becoming the real presence of Christ to the world.

Eucharistic obligations

To celebrate the Eucharist is to commit oneself to a discipleship that “remembers” Jesus, not only in the ritual breaking of the bread and sharing the cup, but also in the “imitation” of Jesus, in the ongoing breaking of one’s own body and spilling of one’s own blood “in remembrance” of Jesus.” For this reason, Paul adds: “You proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes” (1 Cor 11:26). When we commemorate or “do this as a memorial,” the object of the memory is not an image or a replica of the Last Supper, but the Last Supper itself. Having received the body and blood of Christ today we must ask ourselves some questions. To worship in spirit and truth requires that our liturgy and ritual prayer be linked with our daily living. How do we bring our daily living into the Eucharistic celebration? What effect does the Eucharist have on our daily living? How does our devotion to the Eucharist and devotion to family and work enable us to be true disciples, in adoration before the Eucharistic presence of Jesus? How are we to be like Christ and feed the hungry and heal the sick? How are we to be like Christ and lay down our lives for others? What is the relationship between Eucharist and Reconciliation? Who is excluded from our love at his moment? Who is crying out for our presence? What do we say to those who are unable to partake of the Lord’s supper?

In the words and imagery of St. Augustine, can we say that our reception of the Eucharist, on a daily or weekly basis, nourishes our piety, urges us to work for unity, and strengthens the bonds of charity that exist among us?

Memorial Day Services
Monday, May 30th at 9am
Old St. John the Baptist Church & Cemetery

FATIMA HOUSE RETREAT CENTER
Bedminster, PA



*Join us in Praying for
Vocations & World Peace*

Weekly Prayers

Mondays at 7pm in Our Lady’s Chapel:

Adoration, Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesdays at 9:30am in Our Lady’s Chapel:

Adoration, Liturgy of the Hour, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet

Every 3rd Sunday at 12pm-1pm in Our Lady’s Chapel:

Adoration, Prayers for vocations to the Priesthood

For information or directions, call Joan Black at 215-795-2947.



**'Corpus Christi',
Body and Blood of Christ.**

We are Living Monstrances

Jesus lives within each one of us who are baptized into His body. In this celebration we proclaim our belief in the Real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We also proclaim that same Jesus lives within each one of us who are baptized into His Body, the Church. Through our Baptism he has taken up residence within each one of us. We carry Him into the real world just as we carry the monstrance in our church today. In fact, the entire Trinity takes up residence within us and, through that life in the Church and participation in the Sacraments we can live in the Trinity. This is the mystery of what we call communion. The Christian faith and life is about relationship, with the Father, in and through His Son Jesus and in Jesus Christ with one another for the sake of the world. When we process out of church and into the world we proclaim that the Lord continues to come into the world, through us. The world that God still loves so much that He continues to send His Son to save, recreate and transform it from within. Today is *the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*. At one time, this day was called *Corpus Christi*, Latin for "the Body of Christ." In the most recent revision of the liturgy, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.



In today's Gospel of Luke, we hear the story of Jesus feeding the crowd of 5,000 people. The passage is meant to remind us of two feedings by God in the Old Testament: the feeding of the Israelites in the desert and Elisha's feeding of 100 people with 20 loaves. It is also connected to the institution of the Eucharist. As in the Last Supper, Jesus takes bread, looks up to heaven, blesses the bread, breaks it, and then gives it to the disciples. In using this exact language, Luke is reminding his readers that in this miracle Jesus is doing more than feeding hungry people as God did for the Israelites and the prophet Elisha did as well. **The bread he gives is his body, which he will continue to give as often as the community breaks bread in remembrance of him in the Eucharist.**



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Dir. of Institutional Advancement: Geoff Meyer
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Coming in Mid- June 2016

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PRAYER CENACLES

Contact - Susan Middleton

The Cenacle is basically a prayer meeting. The Disciples of Jesus were gathered together with Mary, the Mother of Jesus after His resurrection and ascension, awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit in the Cenacle of Jerusalem. In imitation, we come together to pray with Mary especially with the recitation of the Holy Rosary. Canacles may be composed with as few as 2-3 people. We will gather in the chapel in the presence of the image of Our Lady Of Guadalupe

TUESDAY MORNING REFLECTION

Contact - Anita Colahan

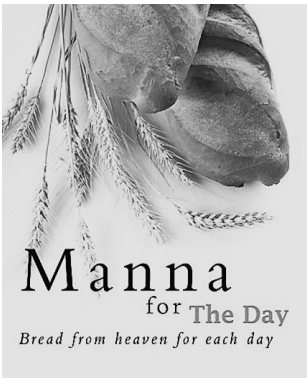
Group will meet immediately after morning Mass.

We will be using the program **"OPENING THE WORD"** from **Formed.org** and reflect on the upcoming Gospel.

**REEL TO REAL
Summer Movie Night**

7pm in the Chapel
Thursdays June 16th & July 14th





MANNA SUNDAY
JUNE 18th & 19th

Pick-up your Manna shopping bag in the Narthex after all Masses June 11 & 12th

HELP SUPPORT
OUR LORD'S PANTRY

The Manna Food Collection affords our faith community an opportunity to express their care and concern for our neighbors who are struggling to feed their family. While all ages are represented in the faces of hunger, sadly the burden of poverty rests most heavily on our children. Their lives are blessed by the generosity of our parish faithful.

EASTERN UPPER BUCKS SENIOR CENTER
8040 Easton Road (Rt. 611) Ottsville

MOHEGAN SUN CASINO
Thursday, June 30th

Bus leaves 8:30am from senior center.



\$30 incl. \$25 back in slot play plus \$5 food coupon.

MUST BE 21 YEARS OLD!
\$30 MUST BE COLLECTED AT TIME OF SIGN-UP.
Call Jim 610-847-2305 or Senior Center 610-847-8178

HELP NEEDED!



Our church cleaning teams are in need of a few more volunteers. 5 Teams rotate serving so you clean once every five weeks.

JUNE 8th – 11th
ST. JOHN'S 4th ANNUAL



Wed. & Thurs
6pm to 10pm

Fri. & Sat.
5pm to 11pm

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEETS
MEGA-RAFFLE TICKETS in the Narthex



Groove to the sounds of Live music Friday & Saturday night.



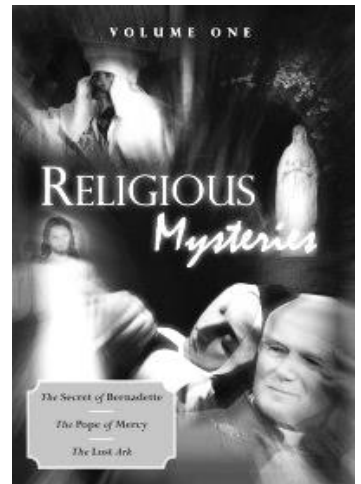
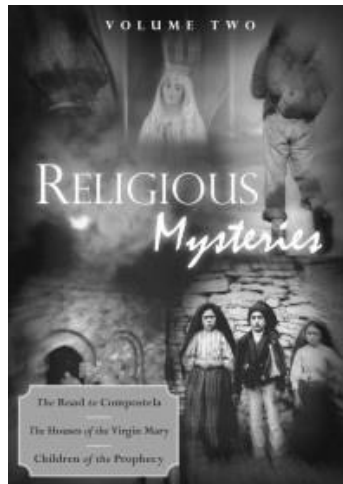
Friday
6PM - 9PM

\$25 in advance
\$30 At Door

Designer Bag
BINGO

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WE ARE UPDATING OUR PRAYER LIST. If someone you know can be removed from our list, please contact the parish office. We need to make room for new names and space is limited.



Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are sick, homebound, in the hospital, under hospice or residential care.

Susan Ackerman, Rose Marie Alex, Lillian Appleman, John & Loretta Bodisch, Emmalee Bryan, Libby Chapman, Anne Colyer, Charlene Cornell, Matthew Crance, Jim Crawford, Chrissy Davis, Joy Davis, Larry & Joanne Diehl, Terry Dunn, Janet Dillard, Arlene Eichlin, Josephine Fasano, Bernice Fees, Charles Fees, Jr., John Finn, Patricia Fite, Crystal Fleck, Sarah Fleck, Nancy Fratrick, Violet Freeh, Kathi Gallegher, Kathleen Gaughan, Dylan Geroni, Kathy Geroni, Marie & Rosalyn Giardullo, Anna Giebler, Susan Gross, Mary Halwski, Florence Hancharik, Bill Hejnor, Joyceann Heley, Charles Houston, Anna Jesiolowski, Martha Juchnowicz, Denise Kinker, Georgine Kocher, Anthony Kondracki, Deanna Kovner, Myron Kressman, Ryan Leven, Kathy Lightkep, Sally Lindenmuth, Barbara Lavelle, Charles Lutcavage, Julia Maher, Loretta Malloy, Adelaide McElderry, Bridget Julia

McHugh, Anne McNichol, Emma Michael, Joseph Moore, Jennie Moreno, Nancy Moreno, Lorraine Mosolgo, Wanda Muth, Frances Nowicki James O’Hanlon, Gary Palmer, Nicholas Powell, Gladys Proca, Don Raman, Mike Ramos, Rachael Rice, Gregory Rickert, Sandy Romaszewski, Sam Rothman, Frederick R. Rude, Kelsey Russell, Dolly Rutherford, Zina Sauerwine, Andrew Schad, Lana Schell, Andrew & Florence Schroker, Petie Schultz, Joe Shuman, Mary Jane Shuman, Gail Silveira, Baby Ella Stack, Carolyn Stahley, Shane Stroup, Michael Suder, Sean Thatcher, Baby William Patrick Thomas, Maddie Tomaszewski, Douglas & Frank Toner, Barbara Vogan, Diane Wesoski, Maryjane Whealton, Tamara Widmer, Betty Wismer, Edward Wismer, Baby Logan Yoder.

Fionna M. Boyle, Derek Brosius, Christopher Brune, Kyle Crossland, Casey de Lauretis, Steehly de Lauretis, Michael Froeder, A.J. Giovino, Aaron Given, Matthew Gumprecht, Bob Hankinson, Victor Hormilla, Stephen Lindmeier, Jason Litschauer, Cory Litzenberger, Dan O’Connor, Jonathan Pucci, Dusty Rhodes, Craig Russell, Don Valdez, Justin Walsh.
Thank you for serving & protecting our freedoms.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 4 & 5, 2016 - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

| | Extraordinary Minister | Lector | Altar Server | Music |
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| Saturday, 5:00PM June 4, 2016 | Dorothy Cegielski Joe Cegielski Cathy Leidtke Renee Moyer | Melissa Johnson | Maya Reshetar Gavin Reshetar Emily Vinal | Ordinary Time |
| Sunday, 8:00am June 5, 2016 | Nancy Kaczinski Kevin Murphy Donna Nice Weez Roney | Kathy Fetter | Danny Froman Samantha Froman Natalie Nice | Choir Sue Rogers |
| Sunday, 10:30am June 5, 2016 | Gerri Belsito Jackie Litzenberger Leona Russell Donna Sciacca | Jane Ferry | Joey DeVenuto ? ? | Patty Leidner Sue Rogers |