

# SOLEMNITY OF 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. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**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).

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*You accept a spirit and a gospel completely different from the Spirit and the gospel you received from us.*

— 2 CORINTHIANS 11:4

Charles Colson was a top White House Aide in the 1970s. He was convicted and imprisoned in the Watergate scandal. Later he had a religious conversion.

Now he crisscrosses the nation preaching the "grassroots" gospel of Jesus. He speaks out, especially, against TV preachers of the far right, who preach a "prosperity" gospel—a gospel that "honors excessive wealth as a sign of God's favor and leaves the poor to fend for themselves" (JOE WILLIS).

Colson protests to their thesis: If you live a "good life," God will bless you with material wealth and success. Colson says, "God doesn't want successes. He wants us."

How do I interpret Jesus' words: "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

(LUKE 18:24)

*Jesus said, "Your heart will always be where your riches are."*

—LUKE 12:34

## FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Betty Apple in loving memory of her on her 79<sup>th</sup> Birthday and 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death;
2. the Wife and Family of Ringo in loving memory of him on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death;
3. the Family of Jimmy Sherlock in loving memory of him on the 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death;
4. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** The Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for Pete Mitchell Riley and Gianna Carroll.

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** The Church Office will be closed this Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** The second collection next weekend will be the *Annual Seminary Collection*. Please be generous.

## LITTLE FOXES

- Little foxes of gossip or anger can destroy your vines in a day; a few dead flies in a perfume jar, yet we must throw it all away.
- So pay attention to the little things, and be vigilant in this fight; that roaring lion who seeks to devour comes purring as an Angel of Light.

**THANK YOU** to a member for a \$100 donation in thanks to the Divine Mercy, Blessed Mother and St. Expedite for a favor received; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Theresa and St. Raphael and three members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

## OUR GIFTS RECORD

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Last Week's Collection	\$4,023.00	\$3,087.00
Number of Families contributing	106	23
Total Pledge for 2021	\$161,051.00	\$162,928.00
Pledged to Date (21 Weeks)	\$68,642.00	\$69,818.00
Received to Date	\$61,909.00	\$49,282.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$6,733.00	\$20,536.00

## LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2021
\$230.00	\$4,299.00

Twenty-three ladies made a contribution last week.

## PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2021
\$5,625.00	\$80,402.00

Seven people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

## BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$63,780.00

**POOR BOX** totaled \$89.00.

16 **CHILDREN** contributed \$146.00.

**BAA** totaled \$0.00.

**SUMMER ADORATION** will begin this Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>  
Adoration will be on *Mondays and Thursdays ONLY* from  
10:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

**TO MAKE SOMEONE HAPPY**

To make someone happy, just give them 3 things:

1. ATTENTION!
2. AFFECTION!!
3. APPRECIATION!!!

**VIRTUAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
FOR WOMEN AND TEENAGE GIRLS**

The Irish Apostolate USA is thrilled to offer two virtual educational opportunities for St. Edward's women and teens. For more information on our 4 year Catholic High School program for girls or High School equivalency diploma program for women and teens 17+, please contact Sr. Marie Prefontaine, SNDdeN – [coordinator@usairish.org](mailto:coordinator@usairish.org) or 617-470-1172.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK** A man goes to confession in Amsterdam: "Forgive me, Father, for I have sinned."

"What is it, my son?"

"During World War II, I hid a Jew in my attic."

"Well, that's not a sin. That's a good deed."

"But I made him promise to pay me 30 euros for every week he stayed."

"Well, that's not good, but you did it for a good cause."

"Okay, but I have one other question."

"What is that, my son?"

"Do I have to tell him the war is over?"

**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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday:** For the repose of the soul of Ringo on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death.

**Tuesday:** In thanks to the Infant Jesus for the sick and the Holy Souls.

**Wednesday:** For Pat L. on his Birthday.

**Thursday:** For the repose of the soul of Nanny Kaiser on her Birthday.

**Friday:** For the repose of the soul of Matt Sherlock on his 61<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

**SUMMER'S GOLD**

*Summer is the golden time*

*When Mother Sun is in her prime;*

*She warms the springtime's cooler breeze,*

*Rock's baby robins in the trees.*

*Small children dressed in scanty clothes,*

*Freckles sprouting on the nose;*

*Hot dogs, burgers, picnic fun,*

*Smiles on faces, old and young.*

*Summer is the golden time*

*When Mother Sun works overtime,*

*And wants no pay of time and a half,*

*But loves to hear the children laugh.*

*Thank You, God, for Summer days*

*That warm the heart in golden ways.*

**READERS**

**Sat., June 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.**

– Julie Ann & Natalie

**Sun. June 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.**

Jimmy Joseph & Jersey|

**S Sat., June 12<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.**

– Christina & Mary Martha

**Sun. June 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.**

Jimmy Joseph & Jersey

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

Monday	-	Natalie
Tuesday	-	Julie Ann
Wednesday	-	Mary Martha
Thursday	-	Bryce
Friday	-	Christina

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY**

Monday	-	Cathy Pole
Tuesday	-	Kim Gallon
Wednesday	-	Rosie Cat
Thursday	-	Mary Cat
Friday	-	Rose Marie

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND**

**Saturday 4:00 P.M.**

Front

Right

Left

**June 5<sup>th</sup>**

Mary Margaret

Cathy Pole

Kim Gallon

**Sunday 10:00 A.M.**

**June 6<sup>th</sup>**

Rose Marie

Mary Cat

**June 13<sup>th</sup>**

Rose Marie

Mary Cat

**INTERESTING DEFINITIONS**

**Accident:** an event frequently descended from a long line of advice nit listened to.

**Baseball:** a game played by eighteen men who don't need exercise, watched by thousands who do.

**Citizen:** one who demands better roads, bigger schools, a new post office and lower taxes.

**DiETING:** accepting ever loss as a gain.

**LOSES ITS LIGHT**

*No candle loses its light while lighting another candle.  
Never stop sharing, caring, and helping others,  
because it makes our life more meaningful.*

**BEAUTIFUL LINES**

❖ Alone I can **"SAY"** but together we can **"TALK"**.

❖ Alone I can **"ENJOY"** but together we can **"CELEBRATE"**.

❖ Alone I can **"SMILE"** but together we can **"LAUGH"**.

That's the **BEAUTY** of **HUMAN RELATIONS**.

**~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~**

**PRAYER FOR SAFE TRAVELS**

*Lord, You watch over my coming and going, You guard me at home and when I'm away. As I travel from home, keep watch over me. Protect me and keep me safe. Surround me with Your love and comfort. Carry me through my travels and bring me home safely. For You are my guide, leading me day and night. May I continue to always follow where You lead, for now and evermore. Amen.*