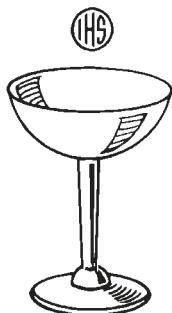


THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

June 14, 2020



SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST. Today on this great feast of Corpus Christi, the Church reaffirms its belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharistic Mystery, that what we receive is not common bread and wine, but the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ. Ever since Jesus told his disciples "This is my Body, this is my Blood. Do this 'BODY OF CHRIST' in memory of me," at the Last Supper, the Church has proclaimed this mystery of Faith. From St. Paul in his Letter to the Corinthians, describing the celebration of the Eucharist, to the early Fathers of the Church like Justin Martyr, Ignatius of Antioch, Irenaeus, Cyprian of Carthage and many others, the Eucharist was always seen as a participation in the unbloody sacrifice of Calvary. As one of the early Fathers of the Church states: If Christ, who took bread and wine and said, This is my Body, this is my Blood, who are we to question the truth of Christ's words?

Pope Urban IV in 1264 extended the feast of Corpus Christi to the Universal Church and asked St. Thomas Aquinas to compose the orations for this special Mass. Some of our hymns which we use in honor of the Eucharist were composed for this feast by St. Thomas, namely, *Pange Lingua* and *Tantum Ergo*.

Especially this year, it is most important that we pray that our Eucharistic Lord may bring his abundant blessings to our neighborhood, our city, or nation and the world that we may be delivered by all the evils of plague, famine, war, storms and disasters (both natural and man-made).

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021. This Wednesday, June 17th, we will begin taking Mass Intentions for next year. We can only take 2 intentions at this time: one for a Sunday and one for during the week. If there are special wedding anniversaries or if parish organizations wish special days for Masses, please call the rectory office as soon as possible. We ask that only one person at a time come into the office to submit intentions, and we ask that everyone please wear masks. If you wish, you may also call the rectory with your Intentions.

FISH FRY. We will have a fish fry this Friday, June 19th, from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. We will offer baked cod, fried ocean perch, crab cakes, shrimp and combo dinners. Take-outs are encouraged. We will also have limited and socially distanced seating in the parish hall.

Last Sunday's Offering: \$6,628.00

Additional Ascension Offering: \$360.00

Church Needs: \$200 from Ray and Joan Champa; \$100 in memory of Josie Rus, Alice Poremba and John Kozina from Jim & Madeline Debevec; \$1,000 anonymous; \$20 in memory of Slavka Fortuna from Tone & Ani Medved; \$30 in memory of Martina Stepec from Joseph & Julie Tromba

Pew Refurbishing: \$200 from Cirila Grajciar, \$100 from Vanessa Ezell, \$200 anonymous, \$100 from Frank & Paula Dolinar

Scholarship Fund: \$200

Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!

SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS is this Friday, June 19th. "One of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear and at once there came out blood and water." (John 19:33) In the Early Church, the pierced heart of Jesus was seen as the source of the two great Sacraments of the Church: water, symbolic of Baptism, and the blood symbolic of the Holy Eucharist. Just as God opened the side of Adam to remove a rib to form Eve, so from the open side of Christ, the new Adam, birth is given to the Church and sustained by Christ's never-ending love for humanity. Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus goes back at least to the 11th century tied to the devotion of the "Five Wounds of Christ." In the 17th century, through the mystic revelations of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus spread through the universal Church. From the pierced side of Jesus flows the fountain of love and mercy, a continuous source of holiness and grace for the Church. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI called our present age a Dictatorship of relativism, which denies the existence of any objective truth. Such a belief can easily lead to a decline of culture and puts us on the brink of anarchy. Devotion to the Sacred Heart reaffirms our belief that Jesus himself is Truth for all ages. And the truth of his message is that his Heart is always open to receive the sinner, to strengthen the weak, to give courage to the fainthearted. May we turn to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which burns with an eternal love for us, to find the help we need in accepting Jesus as our Way, our Truth and our Life.

MEMORIAL MASS AT SLOVENSKA PRISTAVA. On Sunday, June 21st at 12 Noon, Fr. Frank Kosem will offer Mass at the Chapel at Slovenska Pristava for all deceased Domobranci (Home Guard) and other victims of Communist oppression. Dinner will follow Mass. This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Exodus from Slovenia in 1945 of thousands of Slovenian patriots who were seen as a threat to the post-war Communist government.

TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:

"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem."

*Mass Intentions*Masses for the Week of June 15-21, 2020

Monday:	(6/15) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Mary Kruse (Marie Giuffre)
Tuesday:	(6/16) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Slavka Fortuna (30 Day)
Wednesday:	(6/17) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Genevieve Maksymowicz (30 Day)
Thursday:	(6/18) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Frank Wurzer and Son, Michael (Family)
Friday:	(6/19) THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
7:45 a.m.	Anthony Strle (Daughter, Helen)
Saturday:	(6/20) THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
7:45 a.m.	Edward & Norma Giuffre (Daughters, Marie & Norma)
5:00 p.m.	Anna Horvat (Sister, Terezija Sugar & Family)
Sunday:	(6/21) TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Neva Prosen and Frank Princ (Nevio & Ursi Prosen)
12:00 noon	Anton Lavriša (Family)

Please Pray for Our Sick: Louis James Prebevsek, Rev. William Jersek, Ivanka Turk, Mladen Lengel, Chris Chermely

VEČERJA Z RIBAMI. Mi bomo imeli večerjo z ribami v petek 19. junija od 3:30 do 7:00 zvečer v župnijski dvorani. Imeli bomo pečene in pohane ribe, crabcakes, shrimp in combo večerje. Priporočamo, da vzamete večerjo domov. Pripravljeno bo v dvorani tudi omejeno število sedežev z razdaljo.

SPOMINSKI DAN NA SLOVENSKI PRISTAVI. Vsakoletno srečanje z mašo in kosilom za pokojne domobrance in ostale žrtve komunističnega nasilja bo v nedeljo 21. junija ob 12. uri v kapeli na Orlovem vrhu. Letos je 75. obletnica **BEGA (Exodus)** domobrancev in ostalih Slovencev pred krvavo komunistično vlado. Sv. Mašo bo daroval g. Frank Kosem. Po maši boste lahko kupili kosilo in se pomenili z prijatelji in znanci. Kot v preteklosti, pridite in se spomnite svojih dragih, ki so za svoje prepričanje dali svoje življenje.

Kristusovo naročilo, naj "to delamo v njegov spomin" moramo izpolnjevati v njegovem darovanjskem duhu. Maša mora oblikovati naše življenje za darovanje. (Anton Stres)

DANES JE PRAZNIK SV. REŠNJEGA TELESA.

DANES NA TA VELIKI PRAZNIK SV. REŠNJEGA TELESA IN KRVI, Cerkev ponovno zagotavlja to prepričanje v resnično navzočnost Jezusa v Evharistični skrivnosti, da kar mi prejemamo ni navaden kruh in vino ampak Telo, Kri, Duša in Božanstvo Kristusa. Od je rekel Jezus svojim učencem, "To je moje Telo, to je moja Kri. To delajte v moj spomin." pri Zadnji večerji, je Cerkev razglasila to skrivnost Vere. Sv. Pavel v njegovem pismu Korinčanom je opisal praznovanje Evharistije, prvim očetom Cerkve kot Justinu, mučencu, Ireneju, Ignaciju Antiohijskemu, Ciprijanu in veliko drugim, Evharistija je bila vedno gledana kot udeležba v nekravni žrtvi Kalvarije. Kot je eden prvih očetov Cerkve izjavil: "Če Kristus, kateri je vzel kruh in vino ter rekel, To je moje Telo, to je moja Kri" kdo smo mi, da vprašujemo resnico Kristusovim besedam? Papež Urban IV v letu 1264 je podaljšal praznik Sv. Rešnjega Telesa v Vesoljno Cerkev in prosil Sv. Tomaža Akvinskega naj spiše prošnje za to posebno mašo. Nekatere naše pesmi ki jih mi rabimo v čast Evharistiji so bile napisane za ta praznik od Sv. Tomaža, kot Pange Lingua in Tantum Ergo. Posebno letos je najbolj pomembno, da mi molimo naj naš Evharistični Gospod prinese njegove obilne blagoslove v našo sosečino, naše mesto, našemu narodu in svetu, da bi mi bili rešeni hudobije, kuge, lakote, vojne, nevihte in katastrof (obojih naravnih in umetno narejenih).

PRAZNIK SRCA JEZUSOVEGA, je ta petek 19. junija. "Eden od vojakov je s sulico prebodel njegovo stran in takoj je pritekla kri in voda." (Jan 19-33) V zgodnji Cerkvi presunjeno Srce Jezusovo je bilo gledano kot vir dveh velikih zakramentov Cerkve: voda, simbol Krsta in kri simbol Sv. Evharistije. Kakor je Bog odprl Adamovo stran in vzel rebro da oblikuje Eva, tako je od odprte Kristusove strani, novi Adam, rojstvo je dano Cerkvi in je vzdrževana od Kristusove neskončne ljubezni za človeštvo. Češčenje Srca Jezusovega gre nazaj vsaj do 11. stoletja, povezano s češčenjem "Pet ran Kristusa." V 17. stoletju po mističnem razodetu Sv. Marjete Marije Alacoque, češčenje Jezusovega Srca se je razširilo po Vesoljni Cerkvi. Od Jezusove prebodene strani teče studenec ljubezni in usmiljenja, nepretrgan vir svetosti in milosti za Cerkev. Papež emeritus Benedikt XVI imenuje naš sedanji čas diktatura relativizma, ki odreka dejansko vsako resnico. Tako prepričanje lahko vodi k padanju kulture in postavi nas na rob anarhije. Češčenje Srca Jezusovega zagotavlja naše prepričanje, da Jezus sam je Resnica za vse čase. In resnica njegovega sporočila je, njegovo srce je vedno odprto da sprejme grešnika, da okrepi slabotnega, da daje pogum malodušnemu. Obrnimo se k Jezusovemu Srcu, ki gori z večno ljubeznijo za nas, da najdemo pomoč katero potrebujemo v sprejemu Jezusa kot našo pot, naše resnico in naše življenje.

MAŠNE INTENCIJE ZA 2021. To sredo 17. junija bomo začeli sprejemati Mašne intencije za drugo leto. Vzamemo lahko samo 2 intenciji, eno za nedeljo in eno med tednom. Če imate posebno obletnico poroke ali župnijske organizacije ki želijo poseben datum za mašo, prosimo poklicite čimprej župnijski urad. Prosimo, da samo ena oseba je v pisarni za intencijo in prosimo da vsi nosite masko.

ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:
SLAVI, JERUZALEM, GOSPODA.