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**CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
JUNE 14, 2020**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 PM (Anticipated)
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
Monday—Friday 12:05 PM

Extraordinary Form: This week

Sunday 5:00 PM High Mass
Monday 5:30 PM Low Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday—Thursday 11:30 AM—Noon
Friday 11:00 AM—Noon
Saturday 3:00 PM—3:55 PM
30 minutes before all Weekend Masses

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Before 12:05 Mass on Tuesday

HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION

Thursday 11:00 PM—Midnight

The Eucharistic Miracle of Lanciano, Italy

Written by *Thérèse Tardif* (michaeljournal.org)

The Flesh of Christ and His Blood are preserved in the monstrance

We are talking here about an extraordinary miracle that has lasted for over twelve centuries now (1,200 years), and is still taking place today, before our eyes: the Flesh and Blood of Christ is still miraculously preserved today in a monstrance that all can see and venerate, at Lanciano, Italy. This is a miracle before which even today's science has to bow, after a minute investigation made by scientists in 1970-71.

The city of Lanciano, founded long before Christianity, was first called Anxanum. Its present name recalls the "Lancia" (lance in Italian) that pierced the heart of Our Lord on the Cross. According to an ancient tradition, Longinus, the Roman centurion who pierced, with a lance, the side of Christ already dead, came originally from Lanciano. He had poor vision, but regained his sight after touching his eyes with his hand dripping with the Blood of Jesus. In consequence of this, he became a convert and died a martyr.

The miracle

One day in the eighth century, in the church dedicated to Saints Legontian and Domitian in Lanciano, a Basilian monk was celebrating Holy Mass in the Latin rite, with a host of unleavened bread. The monk started doubting the real and substantial presence of the Flesh and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the consecrated Holy Species.

After having pronounced the words of Consecration ("This is My Body... This is My Blood"), as Jesus had taught it to His Apostles, the monk saw the host change into a living piece of Flesh, and the wine change into real blood, which thereupon coagulated and split into five globules, irregular and differing in shape and size. We quote excerpts from a document kept at Lanciano:

"Frightened and confused by so great and so stupendous a miracle, he stood quite a while as if transported in a divine ecstasy; but finally, as fear yielded to the spiritual joy which filled his soul with a happy face, even though bathed with tears, having turned to the bystanders, he thus spoke to them: 'O fortunate witnesses to whom the Blessed God, to whom my unbelief, has wished to reveal Himself in this Most Blessed Sacrament and to render Himself visible to our eyes. Come Brethren, and marvel at our God so close to us. Behold the Flesh and the Blood of our Most Beloved Christ.'

"At these words, the eager people ran with devout haste to the altar and, completely terrified, began, not without copious tears, to cry for mercy. The report of so rare and singular a miracle, having spread through the entire city, who can count the acts of compunction which the young and old, hastily assembled, sought to make openly..."

The Host-Flesh, as can be very distinctly observed today, has the same dimensions as the large host used today in the Latin church; it is light brown and appears rose-colored when lighted from the back. The Blood is coagulated and has an earthy color resembling the yellow of ochre.

Now, here is something even more amazing: the Catholic Church teaches that Jesus Christ is really and totally present in either the whole consecrated host or a fragment of it, and the same applies for the consecrated wine, which, once con-

secrated, has become the Blood of Christ. The five globules contained in the reliquary, when weighed either separately or together, totaled the same weight: 15.85 grammes.

Authentication of the Relics

Over the last twelve centuries, different Bishops of the diocese of Lanciano made authentications of the holy relics. All testified that these facts were miraculous and true.

In 1970-71, and taken up again partly in 1981, there took place a scientific investigation by the most illustrious scientist Prof. Odoardo Linoli, eminent Professor in Anatomy and Pathological Histology and in Chemistry and Clinical Microscopy. He was assisted by Prof. Ruggero Bertelli of the University of Siena. The analyses were conducted with absolute and unquestionable scientific precision, and they were documented with a series of microscopic photographs. These analyses sustained the following conclusions:

The Flesh is real flesh. The Blood is real Blood.

The Flesh and the Blood belong to the human species.

The Flesh consists of the muscular tissue of the heart.

In the Flesh we see present in section: the myocardium, the endocardium, the vagus nerve and also the left ventricle of the heart for the large thickness of the myocardium.

The Flesh and the Blood have the same blood-type: AB (The blood-type identical to that which Prof. Baima Bollone uncovered in the Holy Shroud of Turin).

In the Blood there were found proteins in the same normal proportions (percentage-wise) as are found in the sero-proteic make-up of fresh normal blood.

In the Blood there were also found these minerals: chlorides, phosphorus, magnesium, potassium, sodium and calcium.

The preservation of the Flesh and of the Blood, which were left in their natural state for twelve centuries and exposed to the action of atmospheric and biological agents, remains an extraordinary phenomenon.

It is a miracle similar to that of Lanciano, the one of Bolsena, Italy, that led the Church to institute, in 1264, the great Feast of Corpus Christi, with its beautiful processions, where the Living God of the Holy Eucharist is triumphantly carried on the streets. Long live Jesus in His Sacrament of Love!



SOURCE: <https://www.michaeljournal.org/articles/roman-catholic-church/item/the-eucharistic-miracle-of-lanciano-italy>

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

In loving memory...

Ione "Tookie" Vincent

a lifelong parishioner and dear friend
who died on June 7, 2020

We pray that she will find peace and joy
in the presence of Our Lord.

We extend our sincere sympathy
to her family and to all who mourn her death.

Baptism

Welcomed into the Family of Christ
through the Waters of Baptism
on June 6, 2020

John Ford Dupre

son of Lauren and Ross Dupre



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn
the month of June for

Steve Theriot
Joselito Tolentino

Join us!

We encourage those who wish to join our Parish to complete a Family Registration form. You can download the form from our website (immaculateconceptioncathedral.com), or call the church office (436-7251) and one will be mailed to you.

Active membership for school subsidy, wedding fees, etc. is determined by your registration status, faithful attendance at Mass, and support of our parish through your contributions.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!



Cathedral Council 1207, Knights
of Columbus will hold another
fish fry on **Friday, June 19, 5:00**

PM at the ICCS parking lot on the corner of Ryan Street
and Park Avenue. \$10 will get you 3 pieces of fried fish,
french fries, coleslaw and hush puppies. Pre-orders can
be made by calling Raymond Phillips at 302-8864 or
Stephen Broussard at 884-5050. There will be drive
through service.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



The Cathedral office will close
at noon on Fridays until September 4.

CATHEDRAL OUTREACH MINISTRY

***Are you being called to help the poor?
The second collection this Sunday is for our
Cathedral Outreach, and we need your help!***

For 30 years, our Outreach program has supported local individuals and families in need when they are without food, can't keep the electricity on, are past due on rent, have no gas, have lost transportation, have no place to live or can't pay for basic family funeral expenses. Every single day our parish directly helps people in need and your financial contributions fund this important work of mercy.

Our Outreach is connected to *Charity Tracker*, a powerful, cloud-based service being used by thousands of churches, charities, and entire communities to maximize efficiency while helping others.

Please be generous!

***Thank you to the many families who signed up for our
Online Giving at our website:
immaculateconceptioncathedral.com***

During these uncertain times you may also mail your donations or drop them in the mail slot on our office door.

Offertory Collections:

June 7, 2020...12,137.26

(Collection—10,797.26) (Online...1340.)

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
June 19

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will.

Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.



The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
June 20

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself to you.

I entrust to you the salvation of my soul. May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life with those whom I love.

May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart and the power of your intercession with Jesus during my life and at the hour of my death. Amen.



ATTENDING MASS DURING THE PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS/REMINDERS/SUGGESTIONS

- ◆ Per Bishop Provost: “The dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligations remains in effect. Those experiencing symptoms should seek medical attention and remain at home.”
- ◆ If you are not feeling well, or if someone in your family is ill, please do not attend Mass.
- ◆ Holy water is provided in small containers at each entrance. Please limit one per family so that everyone may get one.
- ◆ To adhere to social distancing, do not sit in the roped off pews.
- ◆ It is highly recommended, but not mandatory, that a mask be worn.
- ◆ Please avoid touching the pews or other church surfaces unnecessarily (*ushers/volunteers must thoroughly disinfect after each Mass*).
- ◆ There will be separate communion lines for receiving in the hand or on the tongue.
- ◆ No singing by the congregation is allowed.
- ◆ No missalettes.
- ◆ The sign of peace is temporarily suspended.
- ◆ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are not to distribute Communion.
- ◆ Do not use the drinking fountain in the foyer of the day chapel.

Given the circumstances, Bishop Provost is providing this prayer for the use of the faithful:

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy 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 into my heart. I embrace You as if You are already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

(You may make this Act of Spiritual Communion anytime you need it and as often as you need it.)

Abrazando Cristo Mission Big Cash Giveaway June 21

The Big Cash Giveaway, one of two annual fundraisers to aid the *Abrazando Cristo* Mission Program in the Diocese of Lake Charles, is still on for Father's Day on June 21, according to Monsignor Daniel A. Torres, VG. However, the Johnnie Thibodeaux Memorial Golf Tournament, originally scheduled for May 30, was canceled due to COVID-19. Proceeds from the Big Cash Giveaway and the golf tournament benefit the ongoing work of the mission in the Dioceses of Granada and Matagalpa in Nicaragua and the Diocese of Fajardo in Puerto Rico.

The Big Cash Giveaway, with 750 tickets available, will provide \$5,000.00 for first prize; \$1,000.00 for second; and \$500.00 for third. Winners need not be present. There is still time to purchase a ticket, which is \$100.00 each, by bringing your money to the Our Lady Queen of Heaven church office or mailing a check payable to Abrazando Cristo Mission Program, 617 West Claude Street, Lake Charles, LA 70605. The drawing will be held June 21 at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church Rectory. Call 337-477-1236 for more information.

Monsignor Torres had to cancel this year's mission trip due to COVID-19 and the uncertainties of things being opened in Puerto Rico to buy supplies for the mission work. The hope is to return next year.



The Office of Vocations of the Diocese of Lake Charles will host two events to assist young men with vocation discernment. The first is entitled "Fuse," and is for young men in high school.

The second is a silent day of recollection for men ages 18 and older.

All Catholic high school students are invited to Camp Karol Catholic Youth Camp on Monday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to spend the day with priests, learn how God called them, and begin exploring their own call.

Also at Camp Karol, Father Jeffrey Starkovich, Director of Vocations, will host a day of recollection on Tuesday, July 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a focus on prayer along with several conferences to assist in vocation discernment.

Lunch will be served for both events. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact Father Starkovich at 337-725-3719 or visit <http://lcvocations.com> to register. Camp Karol is located at 1087 Bozo Road.

Friendly Reminders

Our Cathedral Parish is blessed to have many active ministry and service groups. However, with our limited meeting space it is very important that you call the Cathedral office to have your activity put on our [official church calendar](#). Please don't assume that there is an available space for your activity!

Please remember that while you are on vacation you may make your donations to the Cathedral online (immaculateconceptioncathedral.com). The Cathedral's website donation link now has a comment section. You may let us know if your donation should be applied to a collection other than the offertory.

If you haven't signed up for the Cathedral's **Flocknote** yet, we urge you to register **so that you can keep up with our news, latest developments and more**. You can either visit flocknote.com/iccathedral or text **ICCATHEDRAL** to **84576** from your cell phone to subscribe. Then follow instructions from there. Flocknote is free, safe, secure, and your personal information will not be sold to 3rd parties. You can unsubscribe at any time, but please give it a try!

Formed is a valuable resource for your homeschooling, religious ed, study and entertainment! **Don't forget to access formed.org, the Cathedral's gift to you!** Go to formed.org, enter our parish code on the homepage: **J8M3GP**, create a personal account with your email and password. Start enjoying inspiring movies and video series, Catholic ebooks, and audio presentations. The best Catholic content is all in one place...and it's free!

Home School & Public School Parishioners:
We are proud of all our students who are parishioners of the Cathedral and we want to include them in our bulletin! If you have any news to share, please send it to us by Tuesday afternoons as we have to submit the bulletin to the publisher on Wednesday mornings. Email it to: iccathedral@structurex.net or drop it by the church office.



Father's Day is next Sunday!

Salus Populi Romani
Protectress and Health of the Roman People
Prayer against the Coronavirus

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, Hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still

the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

+The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder
2nd Bishop of Lafayette

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

A Pre-Baptism class must be attended before the celebration of Baptism. These classes are held the 4th Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Arrangements for celebration of Baptism may be made by calling the parish office after having attended the Baptism Class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months before the wedding date by calling the parish office. An appointment must be made for a pre-marriage interview.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

An ongoing process of formation and education is provided for anyone who is interested in inquiring into the Roman Catholic faith. The RCIA process is available throughout the year to those who are seeking initiation into the church as well as for those non Catholics seeking more information about the Roman Catholic church. Information concerning participation in the RCIA process may be obtained through the parish office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

June 15—21

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7;
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16;
Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34;
Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, June 13...(4:00 p.m.)—Louise & Joseph A. Bertrand & Gerald Simmons; Marie Lupo; Annette Pronia.

SUNDAY, June 14...(7:30)—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

(9:30)—H. R. Stoma Family; L.D.Gervais Family; Ryan Skrnich; Sister Clare Cramer, O.Carm.; Bernard Leger.

(11:15)—Haley, Andrew & Arthur Yearby (living).

(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)—Robichaux & Robert Families.

MONDAY, June 15... (12:05)—Anna Rita & Joseph Scalisi.

(5:30 p.m., Extraordinary Form)—Kathleen & Maurice Caraway (living).

TUESDAY, June 16...(12:05)—Keith Gragson.

WEDNESDAY, June 17...(12:05)—Dr. Arthur Primeaux.

THURSDAY, June 18...(12:05)—Leneta Boudreaux.

FRIDAY, June 19.....(12:05)—Marie Lupo.

SATURDAY, June 20...(4:00 p.m.)—Delma & Gladys Devillier; Annette Pronia; Souls in Purgatory.

SUNDAY, June 21...(7:30)—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

(9:30)—Dena & Fred Nodier; Gauthreaux, Gremillion, Percle & Woods Families; Bev Wise; H. R. Stoma Family; L.D.Gervais Family; Larry Miller; Erlinda & Joselito Tolentino; Regina Hidalgo (living).

(11:15)—Bernard Leger.

(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)—Matthew Wyninger.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Sondra Abraham; Rosa Adams; Sam Ange, Jr.; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; James M. Bailey; Henry Barnatt; Gloria Bennett; Charles Benoit; June Benoit; Donald Blanchard; Robert Boudreaux; Melanie Bowles; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; Stephen Broussard; Turner Brumby; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Teresa Chapoy; Ada Cochran; Denise Collette; Thad Crouch; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Vickie Denison; Claudia Dyle; Charles Elter; Dee Elter; Bill Ferguson; La

mont Francisco; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Ty Griffen; Diane Hagerty; Gabriel Hardy; Michelle Hart; Mary Hebert; Stephanie Hinton; Brenda Hoback; Emery Hooper; Anne Hoyer; Jessica Hulin; Georgia Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Darrel Jones; Hattie Kadlubar; Janet LaBiche; Cheryl Lecompte; Helen Lecompte; Sarah LeCompte; James Leger; Michael Lee; Della Lemaire; Melanie Lupo; Elizabeth Louviere; Judy Marcantel; Jules Maust; Brett McCaughey; Barbara McCombs; Ray Miles; Elaine Morrow; Betty Mueller; Kenneth Newman; Larry Parker; Chris Percle; Ben Perry; Clifford Raleigh; Oliver "Rick" Richard; William P. Richard; Taylor Rock; Marian Rome; Lathan Russell; Rene Russell; Michael & Marie Scimemi; Cammie Shaddock; Sue Spears; Jaxson Spikes; Chris Stemmann; Rob Stephens; Beau Styron; Darrell Sullivan; Theresa Theriot; Warren Thomas; Betty Trahan; Charlie Viccellio; David Walsh; Aly and Riley Wilkins; Gay Young; Martha Young.

If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 436-7251.

Please let us know if your loved one has recovered or is deceased.

Prayer Intentions for June:

Pope Francis: The Way of the Heart

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Bishop Provost: For the newly ordained priests and deacons, may their ministry be rich in service to the faithful and may their relationship with God deepen intensely and yield abundant fruit.