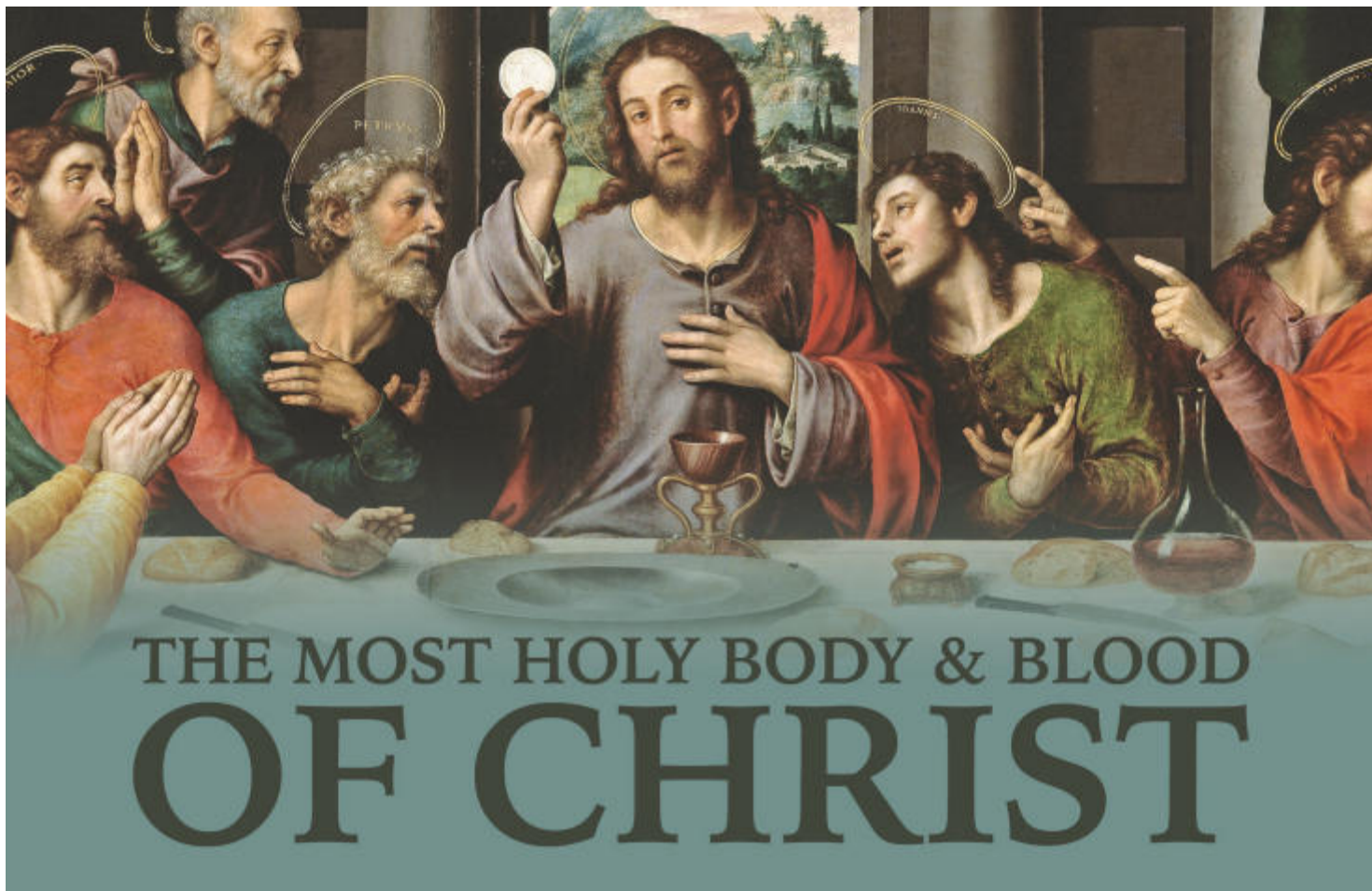




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They recognized him in the breaking of bread. This was the amazing revelation or epiphany that occurred on the Road to Emmaus. Bread that had been transformed into the Body of Christ opened the eyes of the disciples and showed them who was really with them. Their hearts were burning. Sometimes we struggle with our belief in the Eucharist because we make it too much of an intellectual challenge. If God's divinity was wed to humanity in the incarnation of Christ, then why is it not possible for God to take simple elements of bread and wine and transform them into his Body and Blood? Affirm your faith today that the Eucharist you receive is God Himself. Become what you eat and allow God to embrace your soul and touch that part of you that no one else can touch.

St. Helena Altar Society will meet after 8:30 mass on June 21 in the parish center. Please plan to attend. Social Distancing will be practiced.



ST. HELENA PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil) 5pm

Sunday 8:30am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

10:30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Tue–Fri 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:30–4:30pm

Sunday Before 8:30 am mass (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

Tuesday 7:00–8:00pm

Tues–Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass | By appointment, call parish office



ST. PATRICK PARISH

Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30am

(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

8:30 am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Thursday 9:00am

Confession Schedule

Sundays after 10:30 am Mass

By appointment - call parish office

FROM OUR PASTOR

The Eucharist and love

Dear friends in Christ,

“Faith, hope and love... and the greatest of these is love.” (1Cor 13:13) Last week I wrote about the Eucharist and hope, today I consider the Eucharist and love. I will highlight some additional ideas in the book by Fr. Jacques Philippe, *Fire and Light: Learning to receive the gift of God*.

Why does Saint Paul tell the Corinthians that love is the greatest? Faith and hope are important for us while we are pilgrims here on earth. Our final goal is heaven—union with our Creator and Savior. If we think about it, will we need faith and hope in heaven? Charity remains because the very heart and soul of the blessed Trinity is love. God created everything out of sheer gratuitousness so we can glimpse his goodness, truth and beauty. God is lacking in nothing; it is we who need his presence to be complete. Why would God create anything if he is lacking in nothing? Charity is the answer!

St. John Paul II reminds us that in the Eucharist, “we can say not only that each one of us receives Christ, but also that Christ receives each one of us.” Fr. Philippe draws an important conclusion from this quotation: “[in the Eucharist] we have all the dynamism of love as a welcoming and a gift at the same time, for to love someone is to welcome him or her into your life.” (p. 110). In the Eucharist we participate in the same love that Christ poured out for us in his Passion. Partaking of the Eucharistic sacrifice should transform us.

As the old saying goes, imitation is the best form of flattery. The greatness of the Eucharist is twofold: “God not only gives us his love but

gives us the gift of loving in return.

Through it, he empowers us to respond to his love little by little, to love just as we have been loved by him.” (p. 113) The Eucharist becomes a school for love. Fr. Philippe continues, “Here is a reminder of an essential property of love... to love someone is to give him or her the possibility of loving us back.” (p. 113) I recall watching old videos of Olympic skiers hoping to improve my technique. Unfortunately, the purpose of watching these videos was singular—to win races! I was not thinking about a future coaching career.

Every part of the Mass is directed towards charity. In recent months I hope you have come to realize how the physical gathering together in the Church building is an act of charity. Love is not cultivated alone, in private, or in isolation. Watching Mass at home is beneficial in certain circumstances but it’s not what Jesus intended. Love is a sacrifice; it is willing the good of the other. The sacrifice of the Mass begins when you make that extra effort to get up, get ready, rally the troops and pile into the vehicle.

We hear frequently about creating the right *atmosphere* to achieve the right *mood*. When we attend Mass, Fr. Philippe says, “Each Communion is a diffusion of the spirit of love into the hearts of the faithful... Here Jesus comes secretly, but truly, to live and love in us, communicating his interior disposition of docility and humility.” (p. 113) On this feast of the most holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, may each of us become students of charity at the school of God’s abiding love.

Fr. Asselin

PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR |

Tues 6/16—Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm

The sacrament of reconciliation is available in the Sacristy at the following times

7:30am-8:00am, Tuesday-Friday
7:00pm-8:00pm, Tuesday
3:30pm-4:30pm, Saturday

Father is available to administer the sacraments for emergencies. Please call the office.

Summer Dress for Mass

Now that warm weather is here it's time to consider what is appropriate for Mass in the summer. Our attire in church should reflect three things: Our respect for God's house, our respect for Jesus's Real Presence in the Eucharist, and our respect for our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. When in doubt about what to wear, choose in favor of modesty.

Mass intentions needed:

The greatest prayer this side of heaven is the Mass. Remembering our deceased family members and friends at the altar during the celebration of Mass is a wonderful blessing. The usual offering for a Mass is \$10. Please use the envelopes in the back of the church to request a Mass for your loved ones.



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LOOKING AHEAD...

Seven Sisters Apostolate

For the past year Seven Sisters Apostolate has been praying daily for our Pastor. We make a recommitment in the month of June for the upcoming year. Would you like to join us? Your commitment would be for one hour of one day per week. Full time or substitutes are welcome to join us.

www.sevensistersapostolate.org/
Questions? Call Joletta 330 5111

Fall Dinner Raffle Donations

St. Helena's Altar Society is accepting donations for our annual Fall Dinner and Raffle. Contact Michele T. or Kathy M. if you would like to donate cash or other items for the raffle prizes.

3rd Annual Rural Life Celebration

Please join bishop Folda at St. Philip Neri in Napoleon on Sunday, July 12. The Diocesan Rural Life Celebration will take place at the farm of Frank & Helen Braun. Arrive at 1:30pm. Blessing of land, animals, and farm machinery will begin at 1:45pm followed by a 2:00pm Mass on the farm. A meal and entertainment will follow. The farm is located 3 miles North of Napoleon on ND Hwy 3. For more information visit fargodiocese.org/rural-life. Please RSVP at: (701) 754-2860 or evangelize@bektel.com. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. You may also bring a container of soil from

your fields or garden to be blessed. This event is FREE. We will follow North Dakota state guidelines for COVID-19 protections.

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ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday June 21 (8:30 am)

Usher	Darell Wall
Collection	Dave Eberle
Lector	Mary Johnson
EMHC	None
Gift Bearers	None
Altar Servers	Macy N, Devin W, Annah T

St. Helena Breakfast Servers

June 21	Colleen D, Lorraine B, Kerry W (TBD)
July 5	Kathy M, Brenda H, Peggy B, Chari K, (TBD)

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday June 21 (10:30 am)

Lector	Kayce
Gift Carriers	None
Altar Servers	Boston, Lennon

For the Month of June

Breakfast Server	Corrine and Faye
Collection Counters	Denny and Amy A
Church Cleaners	Faye and Jim Glynn Family
Altar Society Meeting	None this month

WEEKLY GIVING

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God's Gift Appeal 2020

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Report as of 6/5/2020

St. Helena's: \$12641: 75% of goal 37% participation

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. June 16

8:00 am †John Schons

Wed. June 17

8:00 am †Jim Seeba

Thu. Jun 18

8:00 am (St. H) Open

9:00 am (St. P) †Jeanette Stromme

Fri. Jun 19

8:00 am Seven Sisters Apostolate

Sat. Jun 20

5:00 pm †Alexa Young

Sun. Jun 21, Father's Day!

8:30 am (St. H) †Sylvester & †Marie Radermacher

10:30 am (St. P) For the Parishioners

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June

The Way of the Heart

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

Baby Bottles for Life

Please return your Baby Bottles for Life as soon as possible. Your donations are sent to the Pregnancy Help Center in Park River, ND.

Thank you for making a sacrifice to support our efforts of helping pregnant women.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please Pray

...for all who are sick, elderly or alone

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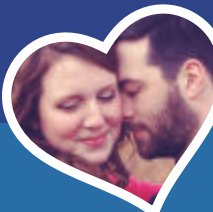
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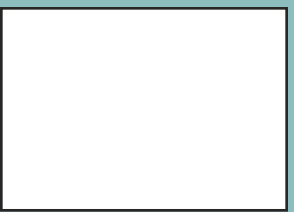
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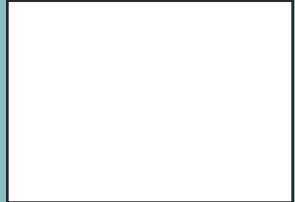
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