

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek, a priest of God, prayed that Abram would be blessed by God. He also praised God for delivering Abram's foes into his hands.



Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Paul describes Jesus' actions during the last supper. Jesus broke bread and said it was his body given for us, asking that we do the same in remembrance of him. He then passed the cup and called it his blood. Jesus then asked us to break bread in this manner to remember his death until he returns.

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

Jesus spoke to a large crowd when his disciples asked that he dismiss the people to give them a chance to find food and lodging. Jesus asked the disciples to give the crowd something to eat, but they had only five loaves of bread and two fish. Jesus then blessed and distributed the food, which fed about 5,000 people. Twelve baskets were then collected from what was left over.



For the Week of June 23rd through June 30th

Sunday

Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Monday

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday

Gn 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday

Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16;

Mt 7:21-29

Friday

Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

Saturday

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website,

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 22nd

4:00 p.m.

Eileen Spray Carney

6:00 p.m.

Betty Glenn

Sunday, June 23rd

8:00 a.m.

Larry Reni

10:00 a.m.

Patricia Schulcz

Monday, June 24th

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 25th

8:30 a.m.

For Our Parishioners,
Living and Deceased

Wednesday, June 26th

8:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 27th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Friday, June 28th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Saturday, June 29th

4:00 p.m.

Sheron Sappington

6:00 p.m.

Marie Gruber

Sunday, June 30th

8:00 a.m.

Marilyn Kader

10:00 a.m.

Rocco Fizzano

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

Remember in your prayers
the sick of the parish:

*John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg,
Patricia Dana, Angela Wilmer,*

Faith King, Rosemary Keating, Eugenia Brooks,

*Alicia Bourne, and all those whose names appear
in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS.*



NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.



PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



Bringing the Gospel Home

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Luke 9:11b-17

Reflection for Parents

How many meals do we prepare not knowing exactly who will eat them? As the dynamics of our families change, there may be a few more or a few less at each meal. Sometimes we invite co-workers or neighbors at the last minute to join us for dinner, or our children may ask if Joey can stay for dinner! We can be creative stretching a meal to feed a few more or have some really great leftovers for the next day's lunch! However they turn out, our meals are opportunities for sharing love by our efforts in preparation, with those who gather at the table, and the conversation we share as we eat. Mealtimes are important for all families, and we need to make every effort to help them become sacred moments of the day.

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Who does your family know who is hungry, alone, or does not have enough to eat? Maybe you know someone who fits into two or even all three of these categories. Make an effort to take a meal to them, or better yet, have them share a meal and conversation with your family. Learn as much as you can about their needs by listening carefully to what they tell you in conversation. After the event, decide if there is anything you learned that you might do to help lighten their burden.

Discussion Starters

1. The greatest hunger I have ever experienced - either in my own life or something I've seen in someone else's life - was ...
2. One way I will serve people who are hungry is by ...
3. The hardest thing for me about sharing is ...



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“As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes again.”

Sheepish Question:

How does knowing Jesus' sacrifice to supply my daily bread change the way I ask for it?

JUNE SAINTS

THOMAS MORE – JUNE 22

Thomas More was a man of great faith and courage whose life shows us what it means to be a witness to our faith.

Thomas was born in London in 1478. He became a lawyer and a member of the English parliament. Because he was so well educated, he was a tutor for King Henry VIII when he was young. In 1529, Henry appointed Thomas the Lord Chancellor of England.



King Henry wanted to divorce his wife and marry another woman. The pope would not give his approval. Henry expected Thomas to take his side, but Thomas also refused, and he resigned his position in 1532.

King Henry decided to separate the Church of England from the Catholic Church in Rome. He ordered parliament to write a document naming him the head of the Church of England. This document was called the Oath of Supremacy. Henry demanded that all the bishops in England and his entire government sign the oath. Thomas refused. He knew that the pope was the successor of St. Peter and that there could be only one pope.

King Henry was furious. Thomas was arrested and imprisoned in the Tower of London for fifteen months. He was found guilty of treason against the king and was sentenced to death.

We honor St. Thomas More as a person of courage. He lived the moral virtue of fortitude. He courageously defended his faith. We can follow Saint Thomas More's example. We can be witnesses for our faith in Jesus and his Church through our daily words and actions. We honor him as a patron saint of lawyers and politicians.

DIOCESAN NEWS

PRAYER VIGIL: On Monday, August 19th, from 12 noon-1pm, the same date and time of the 4th Apparition of Fatima, a public Prayer Vigil will be held for our Bishop, ourselves, and Holy Mother Church.

Following the Prayer Vigil, Bishop Malooly will Consecrate our Diocese to Mary's Immaculate Heart. This special event will take place near Our Lady of Peace Statue outside of Holy Spirit parish in New Castle. *Everyone, please come.*

RETROUVAILLE: Tens of thousands of couples have healed their Marriages through Retrouvaille (Retro-VIE). If you know of anyone who could benefit from this program please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and rediscover intimacy. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. **Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA August 9 - 11.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

PARISH NEWS

Offertory – Week Ending June 16th Week 51

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 6/16 Wk. 51	\$4,157	\$525	\$6,346	-\$1,664
YTD Wk. 51	\$250,617	\$64,423	\$323,646	-\$8,606



2019 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our partnership with area churches continues this year with the 2019 Vacation Bible School theme "To Mars and Beyond".

VBS will again be held at Presbyterian Church of Chestertown from **June 24-27th**. Dinner for the whole family is served at 5:15, the program is 6:00-8:15 p.m.

Registration forms are available on the bulletin boards of church or online at myvbs.org/PCctown.

PETER'S PENCE: Today is the Peter's Pence collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. *Please be generous today.* For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or mfrohlich@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

WELCOME: The people of Sacred Heart Parish welcome into our family Jack Laird Harris and Elizabeth Miriam Kuperavage, who were baptized this past weekend. Congratulations to you, your parents & godparents. God bless you as you begin your faith journey.

COMMUNITY TABLE: Each Monday evening residents of Chestertown are invited to gather at the community table. During the summer months, volunteers are needed to assist in serving the meal as well as clean up at the end of the evening. **Sacred Heart has signed up to provide volunteers for July 22nd and August 19th.** Please contact the Church Office if you would like to volunteer.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are being sent directly to your home, bi-monthly. If you are not receiving envelopes and wish to do so, please contact Becky Davis at 410-778-3160.

CHESTERTOWN FOOD PANTRY: The Chestertown Food Pantry would like to thank Sacred Heart for their generous weekly donations. They would like to remind us to please check the expiration date on all donated foods because they cannot use anything past the date on the label.

HOSPITAL VISITS: We are not able to access patient records from the Chester River Hospital Center. If you or someone in your family is a patient, and you wish to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 410-778-3160, and provide us with the patient's name and room number and we will do our best to accommodate the request.

REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART: Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that we know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in...Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.

