

May 29, 2016
Corpus Christi Sunday

All Saints Catholic Church

Sunday:10am ~ Tuesday:6pm ~ Thursday:9am (Care Center)
Friday: 8:30am ~ Saturday: 4:30pm



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Dear Parishioners,

Each year on Memorial Day, my mother and I would visit the graves of our loved ones. My uncles on my mother's side served in the army, one uncle on my dad's side served in the air force, and I have offered chaplain services at the Air National Guard for 19 years. Although I did not serve in the Air Guard itself, I have come to appreciate those who must place their lives on the line and to deal with the violence of the world including our local law enforcement, fire and rescue personnel. Two of my veteran uncles have died, but our visits to the cemeteries are not limited to them. We also visit the graves and pray for all of our family members who have died.

Another reason each Memorial Day is significant for us is the presence of a large gathering of people we always see who stand around the grave of a man who was murdered. I have not experienced directly the murder of a loved one, but the presence and devotion that was being offered to that man was and is one of the highlights of our Memorial Day visits. Many people die by violence and war each day and those who have fallen by such tragedies ought to be remembered in a special way.

Memorial Day invites an opportunity to consider what this day is about. It was the Civil War that first brought about a remembrance day for those who have fallen in battle. Although there was a "winning side" to this war, everyone who had a loved one die due to the violence of that war felt a great loss. That war was the event that sparked the desire for Memorial Day which has since progressed over the years to stand for all those who have fallen in battle. We must remember, these fallen soldiers are people who matter to someone and who had a duty to perform regardless of whether they agreed with it or not. It may be true that the military have no choice in the performance of their duties, but most do so with the intention of bringing about a greater good and peace.

Memorial Day's original significance seems to have been lost. We seem to use the holiday for other reasons than was its original intent. Picnics and parades take place. We go on vacations and that seems to be what is important. That is not what this day is all about. All people who have died matter and Memorial Day is a time to remember them, their family, and their friends who love them.

Just like the folks who gather each year to remember their loved one who died by a violent act, we too must pause and reflect on those who have been placed in harm's way and have died for things reasonable as well as unreasonable. Wouldn't it be great if we had a memorial day where we remember the end to all wars and violence?

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM: Preparation class for parents and godparents is required. Please contact the church office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before the anticipated date of the wedding. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment to speak with Father.

Parish News & Events

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Mass Times & Intentions

Sunday 5/29: 10am For the People of the Parish
Tuesday 5/31: 6:00pm In Honor of Miranda Holland
Thursday 6/2: 9:00am (At the Community Care Center)
For Ernest Suchon

Friday 6/3: 8:30am For Deceased Members of the Tigges Family

Saturday 6/4: 4:30pm For Tom Billheimer

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact Rita in the Church Office at 523-1943.

BIRTHDAYS

5/30: Jeanine Holland, Sawyer Ocheltree

6/1: Magen Schaffer, Mason Clauson
6/4: Reyes Leyva, Allison Doud, Hailey Baudler

ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Lisa Poffenberger
5/22/1993

Howard & Diane Messinger
6/3/1967

Financial Report

for the week of May 22nd

Regular Tithes \$1,953.00

Children:
\$15.76

Building Fund:
\$0.00

2016 ADA Due
\$16,618



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Thank you very much for all those who shared their thoughts concerning times for Faith Formation. The majority of those who voted preferred to keep it on Wednesday evenings. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at cabinmn@gmail.com. Thanks again for your input.

Also, you may register your student(s) for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation year on our new website: stuartallsaints.org. You will need to register under "My Own Church" first, then proceed to the Faith Formation tab to complete the process.

Cathy Hicks, Director of Religious Education

Frequently Asked Questions about Marriage and Annulments

Is a divorced Catholic excommunicated?

No, civil divorce does not mean a person is excommunicated. A civil divorce in itself does not damage a person's communion with the Church. Divorced persons can participate in the entire sacramental life of the Church.

Can a Catholic who has been divorced marry again?

Yes, once an annulment has been issued by a tribunal.

Why does the Church require an annulment for a person to be married a second time in the Church?

The Church believes that once a valid marriage is entered into, only death can end the marriage, and all marriages are assumed valid until shown to be otherwise. Therefore, a civil divorce does not change the Church's view of a couple's marital status. The Church acknowledges that divorces happen, and people often desire to marry again after a divorce. In these cases the Church can study the details of the first marriage to see if a valid marriage actually did occur in the eyes of the Church. This study is meant to be an act of justice and mercy, and not meant to impart guilt or invalidate all aspects of the former relationship. This has no effect on the status of children.

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday 6/4

Rosary Leader: Frank Holle

Ushers: Denny Donnelly, Marty Doud

Greeters/Gifts: Eric & Margaret Tiernan

Cross Bearer: Vince Doud

Servers: Nick Doud

Lector: Mark Tisl

Commentator: Carol Smith

Eucharist: Jodi Bassett, Kari Tisl, Deacon Fred

Sunday Ministers 6/5

Ushers: Mike Livermore, Wayne Nosbisch

Greeters/Gifts: Gerling Family

Cross Bearer: John Hammerly

Senior Server: Sam Kasap

Junior Server: Alli Boyle

Apprentice Server: Jenna Doyle

Lector: Gary Riordan

Commentator: Wayne

Eucharist: Jill Gerling, Joyce Van Pelt, Deacon Fred

Memorial Day Mass

will be at 8:30am May 30th at the Calvary Cemetery.

In case of inclement weather, Mass will be in the Church. Anyone wishing to help serve is asked to contact the church office.

