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Monday to Friday
9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

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**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 19, 2018**

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00 PM April through October

4:00 PM November through March

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM in English & 12:30 PM Spanish

Holydays: Vigil: 6:30 PM English

Noon, 6:30 PM English., 7:30 PM Spanish

Check the bulletin for Christmas & Easter Schedules

Weekdays: Mon. – Fri.: Noon

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Monday - Friday after the noon Mass, 4:00 PM Saturday and call the priest for an appointment

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Marriage: A year in advance, Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact a priest at any time.

Communion calls: For anyone confined to their home, arrange with the office.

Devotions:

First Friday: Holy Hour with Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, 11:00 AM

First Saturday: MORNINGS WITH MARY, begins with 9:00 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass

St. Jude Novena: Thursday after Mass

Societies of the Parish:

Bukas Loob sa Diyos - BLD: Fri. 7:30 PM - Parish Center

Filipino Choir – 3rd Sunday, 5:00 to 6:30 PM Church

Worship Apostolate, in Room 104

Reuniones Hispanos

Eucaristía Dominical: 12:30 PM

Bautismo: Porfavor llamar qa lo oficina de lunes a viernes.

Matrimonio: Feligreses registrados tienen que presentarse un año antes de la boda.

Reconciliación: Confesiones cada Domingo 12 hasta 12:30 PM

Unción de los Enfermos: Por favor de llamar la casa parroquial para visitas a las casa y hospitales.

Educación Religiosa: 732-382-0004

Coro: Miércoles 7:30 PM

Movimiento Juan XXIII: – Jueves 8:00 PM – Parish Center

Grupo Guadalupano -Martes 7:00 PM

Grupo Juvenil "Angeles de Jesús" - Sábado 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Aula 208

Grupo de Oración - Sábado 7:00 PM Connell Hall -Sotano del Audi

Escuela "Jesus el Buen Pastor" Todos los Lunes, 7:30 PM, clases de Biblia, Connell Hall

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Most food shoppers know that trips to the supermarket are never a matter of “grab ‘n go.” Having joined their ranks in my retirement, with doctors and would-be nutritionists ever ready with advice, I know you have to read the labels carefully and consider weights and measures (pardon me) as “weighty matters.” So I must check the calorie count. And ask the label to tell me all about salt and sugar content. “Is there enough protein in it, I ask myself, “to merit a short descent from shelf to cart”? All this compels me to offer a much-delayed salute to my Mom and every rectory cook I have known for what they went through at the supermarket.

But when it comes to the matter of that most special food and drink that comes the fore in the gospels, we enter a different realm entirely, where such checking is out of place. You as a believer know why. It's because of both the divine purveyor and the food itself: Christ Jesus our Lord. He is the content. There is no equal to the excellence of this “product”.

The “Bread of Life” theme dominates St. John's sixth chapter, and we have for several Sundays so far received a “summertime refresher course” on just what it is we believe and how we should appreciate the gift of the Eucharist as we bring our suntanned selves to the altar.

We begin with the fact that the Eucharist, as a sacrament, is nothing less than a gift from God meant to express His love and His desire to be part of our lives on earth. Later, God willing, in heaven, we won't need it because we will be a part of God's life more directly and joined with Him in bliss.

Meanwhile, here on earth it's a daily challenge to let God live in us. It's all a matter of trial and error, with evil always stalking our moments of joy and shortening them. Sometimes we just can't smile. Sin caused all that, yours and mine, all the way back to that disappointing duo that just couldn't keep their hands off a certain forbidden tree.

What we believe is starkly simple but far from ordinary. What we believe is that on the first Holy Thursday, surrounded by a mere eleven close friends, the real Jesus took simple unleavened bread and a cup of ordinary wine and identified Himself with it.

Note here, for the sake of combatting several misinterpretations that other Christian bodies make, Jesus did not say that this was a symbol of Himself. No, this really is His Body and Blood, His real presence under the appearances of bread and wine. As mysterious as what Jesus does through His priests really is, I can only wonder how others can't take the simple words “body and blood” at face value. The sad fact is that many Catholics these days are yielding to the same misinterpretation.

Meanwhile, we believe in what Jesus said and did and still does for us. It's the safest food out there, with no human intervention or alteration, and if it's not part of our weekly diet we are spiritually malnourished. The good news is that this greatest meal ever made is here presented by the greatest Host of all. So come to the feast every week. Jesus believes you are worthy of His invitation. Stop by the supermarket later.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

“Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise...” (Ephesians 5:15)

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that HYe wants us to help Him build His kingdom of earth.

LADY OF KNOCK



On the wet Thursday evening of the 21st August, 1879, at about 8 o'clock, Our Lady, St. Joseph, and St. John the Evangelist appeared in a blaze of Heavenly light at the south gable of Knock Parish Church. Behind

them and a little to the left of St. John was a plain altar. On the altar was a cross and a lamb with adoring angels. The Apparition was seen by fifteen people whose ages ranged from six years to seventy-five and included men, women and children.

The witnesses described the Blessed Virgin Mary as being clothed in white robes with a brilliant crown on her head. Over the forehead where the crown fitted the brow, she wore a beautiful full-bloom golden rose. She was in an attitude of prayer with her eyes and hands raised towards Heaven. She never spoke. St. Joseph stood on Our Lady's right. He was turned towards her in an attitude of respect. His robes were also white. St. John was on Our Lady's left. He was dressed in white vestments and resembled a bishop, with a small mitre. He appeared to be preaching and he held an open book in his left hand.

The witnesses watched the Apparition in pouring rain for two hours, reciting the Rosary. Although they themselves were saturated not a single drop of rain fell on the gable or vision.

SANCTUARY GIFTS	ST. MARY'S	SUNDAY READINGS
Tabernacle Lamp	Fr. Myers	Proverbs 9:1-6
Altar Bread	Fr. Hermanns	Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Altar Wine	Msgr. Buttner	Ephesians 5:15-20
Altar Candles	Fr. Kasper	Gospel: John 6:51-58

 **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, August 18
5:00 PM Genowefer Wolecka

Sunday, August 19
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Anthony Mione
9:30 AM Ethel Fech
11:00 AM William G. Davis
12:30 PM William G. Davis

Monday, August 20
St. Bernard, Abbott & Doctor of the Church
Noon The People of the Parish

Tuesday August 21
St. Pius X, Pope
Noon William G. Davis


Wednesday, August 22
The Queenship of the BVM
Noon William G. Davis

Thursday, August 23
Noon William G. Davis

Friday, August 24
St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
Noon William G. Davis

Saturday, August 25
9:00 AM Pedro Velazquez
5:00 PM Loretta Petravoia

Sunday, August 19
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM William G. Davis
9:30 AM Ethel Fech
11:00 AM Vincent Addona
12:30 PM Paulina Maria Rivas



Please remember the souls of those who have recently died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them.

LORD, PROTECT THOSE WHO PROTECT US



Brian Brenkman, L/CPL Christopher Castro, Sgt. Brian Chandler, Trooper William J. Condron, Jr., Michael Dinis, Airman Paul Domingues, Jr., LTC Kenneth Gawronski, Johannes Hanselmann MSG. Robert Karnas, Lt Bernadette Lack, SSG Osvaldo Lee, Arthur Magaspac, SPC Robert McCartney, Jr., Cpl. Megan Michel, Zack Palmer, SSG Ian Peattie, Thomas Quinn, Corey Rafter, PFC Joseph Reinman, Sr. Airman Davey Rivera, III, Matthew Smith, AB Sean Twerdak, Keith Zalaras.

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Let us ask the Holy Spirit to inspire us to lend a helping hand to feed those especially in need. We are always in need of funds in order to continue our mission. We are open every Sunday at 12:30 in the Annex building to serve the needy of our community. Your generosity will help us meet that goal.

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops calls us to join Catholics nationwide in a moment of prayer by saying one Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory be from August 3rd until September 28th that every human being is protected in law and welcome in life.



Bill Belig, Edwin and Mary Blazewicz, Ruth Breen, Josephine Brown, Anna Caffrey, Marietta Clark, Kathleen Condron, Kathleen Cremone, Nicholas Delmonaco, Santiago Escobar, Eileen Flade, Helen Freshcoln, Rose Geraghty, Christine Gianella, Jose Luis Gonzalez, Nicolette Greco, Margarita Perez Hernandez, Diane Henry, John Hladinec, Mary Ann Hofmann, Solomon Igbinosun, Frank Jacik, Wladyslawa Kalafut, Linda Kasprzyk, Victor Krivitski, Gloria Latherow, Ana Alvarez-Marquina, Kitty McGuire, Janice McEwen, Ida Mele, Lourdes Mendez, Travis Mitchell, Jane Monahan, Ronnie & Guy Morosini, Dorothy & James Mottley, Edward Mowczan. Cesar Nieto, Madison Noguerras, Nicholas Noguerras, Iena Olivo, Gregory Romeo, Ronald Rosivack, John D. Rusin, Jr., Lucille Salvatore, Kelly Scholte, Richard Shackell, Anthony Spadora, Joseph N. Terracina, Patrick Toner, Sharon Katzenback Wilson, Fr. Peter Vo, Baby Bennett Vogel, Daniel Zur.

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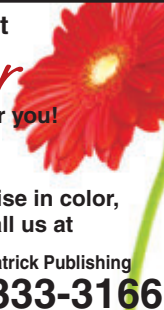


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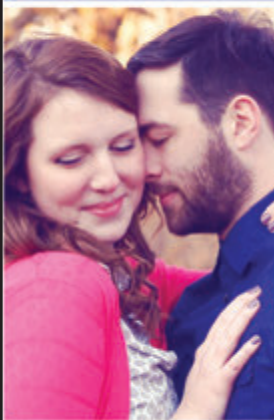
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