

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Why did the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council recommend the distribution of Holy Communion under both kinds?

“The Council’s decision [in 1963] to restore Holy Communion under both kinds at the bishop’s discretion took expression in the first edition of the Missale Romanum and enjoys an even more generous application in the third typical edition of the Missale Romanum: ‘Holy Communion has a more complete form as a sign when it is received under both kinds. For in this manner of reception a fuller sign of the Eucharistic banquet shines forth. Moreover there is a clearer expression of that will by which the new and everlasting covenant is ratified in the blood of the Lord and of the relationship of the Eucharistic banquet to the eschatological banquet in the Father’s kingdom.’”¹

“From the first days of the Church’s celebration of the Eucharist, Holy Communion consisted of the reception of both species in fulfillment of the Lord’s command to ‘take and eat . . . take and drink.’ The distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful under both kinds was thus the norm for more than a millennium of Catholic liturgical practice.”²

“The practice of Holy Communion under both kinds at Mass continued until the late eleventh century, when the custom of distributing the Eucharist to the faithful under the form of bread alone began to grow. By the twelfth century theologians such as Peter Cantor speak of Communion under one kind as a ‘custom’ of the Church. This practice spread until the Council of Constance in 1415 decreed that Holy Communion under the form of bread alone would be distributed to the faithful.”³

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (Fr. Matt)

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Now that summer has “officially” started we begin a period of time that can be quite challenging for our parish’s financial health. As the attendance at our weekend liturgies dwindles, so can the weekly support of our parishioners: a very good reason to consider using OSV Online Giving! The challenge lies in the fact that our financial responsibilities do not go away during the months of June, July, and August. Summer is a time for us to do some extra maintenance work around

the parish. At the same time, our utility bills (water and electricity) are the largest of any season in the year as we attempt to keep the lawns green and the buildings cool enough for our celebrations and our work.



Our Weekly Offering

May 26, 2012: Actual: TBD * Goal: \$11,000
St. Vincent De Paul: TBD



Please Pray

FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND — Norman Swope, Robert Kerrigan Sr., William McInerney, Fr. Thierry Geris, Gary Goodahl, Carl Bunje, Jane Fitzgerald, Shui Yin Chiu, Pat O’Riordan, Danielle Parks, Consuelo Hernandez, Rosy De Padua, Albert Beltran, Michael Mensick

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED — George Kimm, Carol Lilledahl, John Braun, Aniela Bozynski, Bill Todd, Alan Djornedoe, Milagros Fontanilla Antonio, Julie Lewis, Lee Sault, Robert E. Park

Pray For Lists guidelines: • Have permission from the person to be listed. • Go through the Pastoral Home Ministry to list the names. • Names will be on the list for 3 months and then be removed. • Can request names to be continued after 3 months. Contact the Pastoral Home Ministry 650-494-2496 x22 or fongmt@hotmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 2:

8:45 am STA. . . . Adolph Canelo †
9:00 am SAG . . . Ramona Stumpp (health)
10:30 am OLR . . Angelina Lozano †
Readings: Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Monday, June 3: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

8:30 am OLR . . . Tezra Cummins (sp. int.)
12:15 pm STA . . William Carroll †
Readings: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday, June 4:

8:30 am OLR . . . Sr. Victoria Eques (sp. int.)
12:15 pm STA . . Children of Clare Thomas (sp. int.)
Readings: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday, June 5: St. Boniface

8:30 am OLR . . . Dylan Thomas Cummins (sp. int.)
Readings: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday, June 6: St. Norbert

7:15 am STA. . . . Pat Williams †
8:30 am OLR . . . Ken Kunishige (sp. int.)
12:15 pm STA . . Rosalie Sherwinsky (sp. int.)
Readings: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34

Friday, June 7:

5:00 pm SAG . . . William Gretz Sr. †
Readings: Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 9, 2013

St. Albert the Great
Sat 5:00 pm Fr. Valenton
Sun 9:00 am Fr. Valenton
Sun 11:00 am Fr. Hernandez

St. Thomas Aquinas
Sun 7:30 am Fr. Hester
Sun 8:45 am Fr. Marini
Sun 10:30 am Fr. Seimas
Sun 12 noon TBA

Our Lady of the Rosary
Sun 9:00 am Fr. Gammad
Sun 10:30 am Fr. Wen

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, June 2: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

3:00 pm Hispanic Young Adults (OLRH)

Monday, June 3: Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

7:00 pm Hispanic Lectors (OLR)

Tuesday, June 4:

7:00 pm Hispanic Prayer Group (OLR)

Wednesday, June 5:

10:00 am Adult Spirituality (PC)

4:00 pm Liturgy Reading Circle (TH)

4:00 pm STAY Core Team (DC)

7:00 pm Community Life (PC)

7:30 pm Latin Circle (TH)

Thursday, June 6:

6:30 pm Centering Prayer (DC)

Friday, June 7: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; First Friday

7:00 pm Adoration (OLR)

7:30 pm Hispanic Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, June 8: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 am Environment Team (OLR)

8:30 am Liturgy Board (SAGH)

CONGRATULATIONS

June 9th: The 10:30 am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary will be a very special Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of the ordination of Father Colin Wen. Ordained on June 1st in Sacramento, Fr. Colin grew up in our Parish.

Perhaps you remember him as a young man and lector on Sunday mornings at OLR; now he will be our Presider. He is the son of Gerard and Annette Wen. There will be a small reception following the Mass. A very special day to celebrate and share the joy!

SPIRITUALITY TUESDAY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR INPUT

We are currently conducting our annual survey of possible topics/presentations for the upcoming 2013-2014 year. We would like to have your input on what you would like to learn more about in regards to our Catholic faith in particular and other religious and spiritual topics in general. Please use the link below in order to send us your thoughts. You can also go to the NEWS section of our website for a quick "click" to the survey. All of those who received the weekly edition of the e-bulletin were also sent this link. Thank you for your participation!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BSYBHZ5>

EARLY READER BOOK DRIVE

June 1 - 16: Our Human Concerns Committee is hosting an "Early Reader Book Drive" to gather new books to be given to 2nd graders at St. Elizabeth Seton School.

The group is anxious to encourage summer-time reading by these "just learning" readers, and giving them a book or two of their own for the summer. You might remember your own cherished "first books" as a child. The kids have told us they like books with chapters and "about real things" (non-fiction). We need them at the 2nd grade reading level.

Donation boxes will be in our vestibules Saturday, June 1 through Sunday, June 16. Feel free to bring some early-reading books to church with you which will be put to excellent use! Monetary donations will also be accepted and will allow the HCC to purchase some appropriate books on your behalf.

DONATIONS TO OKLAHOMA TORNADO VICTIMS

We continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Oklahoma affected by Monday's tornado. The Catholic Charities relief team works with those families and individuals impacted by the disaster, providing counseling, emergency assistance and long-term case management.

If you are able to donate funds to assist in their immediate needs, the special Catholic Charities web site is at: <https://ccokc.ejoinme.org/?tabid=406485>

PARISH LAYETTE DRIVE

The St. Thomas Aquinas Confirmation class is conducting a Layette Drive for the Parish's Layette Ministry. The Layette Ministry is a long running program based out of Our Lady of the Rosary Church. The ministry reaches out to new mothers in need of assistance by giving them a gift package containing essentials for their newborn baby. To donate to the Layette Ministry, look for the cribs in the foyer at Our Lady of the Rosary and St. Albert the Great and the basket at St. Thomas Aquinas. Then choose one of the 2 options:

- 1) Take a Layette Package list and purchase one or more of the items on the list. Place purchased items inside the crib/basket at any site.
- 2) Don't want to shop? We welcome monetary donations. Please make checks out to St. Thomas Aquinas and write "Layette Ministry" in the memo. Place your donations in the container/envelope in the crib/basket marked "Donations"

Whatever option you choose, we thank you for your donation and support of the Layette Ministry. Thank you!

June 2, 2013

YOUTH MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Our parish STAY (St. Thomas Aquinas Youth) ministry could use your assistance: 1) We are traveling to Arizona with 8 teens and 3 chaperones this summer for a week at Life Teens Catholic Summer Camp July 6-13. Anyone who would be willing to let us borrow their 12 passenger van can please contact Alley at Lifeteen.stay@gmail.com Your payment: we will pray a rosary for you on our way to camp and wash the van when we return it.

2) Our core team of volunteers is looking to borrow a vacation home somewhere away from the Bay Area for a weekend to plan our upcoming year. Anyone who would be willing to allow us to borrow their space please email Alley at Lifeteen.stay@gmail.com Your payment: we will pray a rosary for you while in retreat and clean the home top to bottom before we return.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Sing God's Praises! Dance For Joy - Music, Drama & Dance Summer Camp — A special summer camp for children ages 6 through 12 will be offered July 29 - August 2 from 9 a.m. to Noon at Our Lady of the Rosary. Susan Olsen, Catechetical Coordinator for Children's Ministries, will direct this camp which will give children a chance to learn to sing and dance their prayer and to explore Bible stories in dramatic form. The cost for this one week camp is \$50 per child. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church at all sites. If you have questions about this camp, contact Susan in the Pastoral Center at 650-494-2496, ext. 25.

STA-Kids Faith Formation is on Summer Vacation, but now is the time to register for next year's classes. Registration forms for Grades Pre-K through 5th Grade are available online and in the vestibule of all churches. Classes will begin again in August.

We are in need of catechists and aides for next year's program. Training will be provided. Please contact Susan at the Pastoral Center if you are interested. Wishing everyone a great Summer.

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC...

Do you have an interest in becoming Catholic? Were you baptized as a child but have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? Our adult inquiry sessions continue all year long. For more information about the process, please call Jean Ramacciotti (650) 494-2496 ext. 34 or jramacciotti@dsj.org