

**THE MOST HOLY  
BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

**JUNE 14, 2020**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS for June 21<sup>st</sup> Twelve Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Jeremiah 20:10-13*

Lord, keep us one in your peace and secure in your love.

Do we sing to the Lord and give him praise for all the blessings He gives us?

*Romans 5:12-15*

As through one person, Adam, sin entered the world, so through one person, Jesus, grace has abounded even more.

*Matthew 10:26-33*

Do we listen to Jesus as he calls us not to be intimidated by others?

God planned to look after our lives. Do we allow him to give us the grace and courage we need to proclaim his Word?

**WEEKDAY MASSES June 16 - 19**

Tues: 5:00 pm +Mary Shankar and +Vivian Crawford & Rose Mullarkey

Wed: 8:40 am +Emil Lorenz and +Jean Kartes

Thurs: 5:00 pm +Gerry Waltz and +Don Charbonneau

Fri: 10:15 am +Rallan Beck and +Arnold Metzger (Mass will be at the church)

**WEEKEND MASSES June 20 - 21**

**Sat: 5:00 pm St. Edward's - Nekoma** People of the Parishes

**7:30 pm St. Alphonsus** +Gerry Waltz

**Reader:** Colin Fetsch

**EMHC:** Not at this time

**Servers:** Muhs Family

**Musicians:**

**Sun: 8:30 am St. Alphonsus** +Bill Schefter

**Reader:** Kitty Bachman

**EMHC:** Not at this time

**Servers:** Volunteer

**Musicians:** Bob & Cantor

**9:00 am St. Michael's - Wales** +Bob Baker

**10:30 am St. Alphonsus** +Ralph & Louise Kram

**Reader:** Dennis Horpestad

**EMHC:** Not at the time

**Servers:** Sean Gette

**Musicians:** Bob & Cantor

**Fellowship Hall Host:** LaVern & Margaret Chaput

**Fr. Phil's cell phone: 701-740-7593 and Fr. Will's cell phone: 701-640-2858**

**Website for St. Alphonsus Parish – <http://www.stalphonsuslangdon.com/>**

**Confessions: our weekly schedule – Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:00-6:00PM, Saturdays 4:00-5:00PM will be held in the Adoration Chapel.**

**Weekly Reflection for June 7, 2020:** This week's reflection of the parishioner's relationship with God and with the parish

Adult Envelopes	\$8,012.00
Intentional Givers	\$3,196.67
Plate	\$256.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,464.67</b>

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

We see these three aspects of past, present and future in our scriptures as they speak of the Eucharist. We are reminded in Deuteronomy how Israel in the past escaped from the slavery of Egypt and celebrated this freedom at the Passover meal. But God continued to feed them with manna as they made their hungry way through the desert to the Promised Land. And then later Jesus himself at Passover celebrated a meal with his disciples at which he gave them his body and blood, which looked forward to his sacrifice on the cross. At each Mass the past is remembered and Jesus' death is recalled.

But at the Eucharist Jesus' body and blood are really present now under the appearances of bread and wine. It is the crucified and risen Christ who is received in this sacred meal. In the Gospel Jesus emphasizes the reality of this present food, "For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink." We received life from Jesus, the life he shares with his Father. This food is a present reality; it feeds us now.

And, thirdly, the Eucharist looks to the future and points forward to that final banquet which we will share in heaven. A pledge of future glory is bestowed at every Mass: "Anyone who eats this bread will live forever." We may proclaim after the consecration: "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again." Then we are invited to the supper of the Lamb.

Taken from The Living Word

## **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)**

*"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." 1 CORINTHIANS 10:17*

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

**CD of the Week: Eucharistic Vision - A Challenge of Faith – Dr. John Sehorn** – In a recent Pew survey, two-thirds of Catholics reported that they did not know or believe in the Church's teaching on the Eucharist. Diving into the writings of early doctors and fathers of the Church, and drawing upon his own experience as a scholar of history, practicing Catholic, and former Protestant, Dr. John Sehorn addresses the "mind-boggling" and difficult truth of Jesus' presence in the Blessed Sacrament. It is a truth that confronts us, challenges us, and is one of the greatest gifts that we will ever receive.

Fr. Damien Schill has completed the third volume of his trilogy of cookbooks entitled: "Cooking and Eating with Father Damien and Friends." This volume is the desserts volume. They are available from Hurley's Religious Goods in Fargo, their number is: 1-800-437-4338. They are also available from Saint Patrick's Guild in St. Paul, their number is: 1-651-690-1506. There are still some copies of volume two, and the entrees volume, at both locations.

Per Bishop Folda and the Convent in Hankinson, we are able to hold our Young Women's (July 15-18) and Young Men's (July 19-22) Summer Retreats. We have wonderful space to do the necessary distancing and still hold these two great retreats. Currently we have more room for young women and young men. This is for ages 13-17. The fee is \$150/person and includes housing, meals, all craft supplies used, fun times outside, Mass each day, reconciliation and adoration. The topics this year for the young women is "Our unfinished love story" and for the young men "To the Cor...Man's Relationship with God". Our young adults who have planned and will present this retreat are absolutely awesome. You will love all of them. Come one, come all...get your registrations and deposit of \$50 into the Diocese at this address: Youth and Young Adult Ministry Department; Diocese of Fargo; 5201 Bishops Blvd, Ste A; Fargo, ND 58104 Make checks out to "Diocese of Fargo". Questions, contact Fr. Jasinski at 701-356-7907. You can find registration forms at [fargodiocese.org/youth-1](http://fargodiocese.org/youth-1) Then scroll down until you see Young Women's Summer Retreat.

**There will be NO daily Masses the Week of Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

**OFFICE HOURS: The week starting June 15<sup>th</sup> - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:00am – 12:00pm.**

**St Michael's Church - Wales:** Next Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00AM will be the last Mass held there until further notice. This schedule change is because there will be only one priest assigned instead of two priests.

**Fr. McDermott will be at Nekoma and Wales on June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Congratulations to our 10 young parishioners who are receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion: Dyson Askvig, Maddux Busse, Bensen Fetsch, Lexi Gendron, Gracie Johnston, Avery Lorenz, Jonathon Mack, Ethan Muhs, Brennan Schill and Brianna Wild. May God bless you today and always! From now on, you will be able to receive the Body of Christ every Sunday for the rest of your lives! You will also be blessed with the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Congratulations!

**Farewell for Fr Phil at Nekoma:** Bob and Jean Wilhelmi asked to put on a Farewell Party on their behalf and the parishioners and community of Nekoma. The Farewell Party will be held at "The Pain Reliever, Nekoma on Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Because it's on a Wednesday, it's "Chicken Night!" Everyone is invited and open to the public.

The St Edward's Parish Council will meet at 4:30 PM, Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at "The Pain Reliever." All parishioners are welcome to attend.

**Farewell Open House for Fr Phil, Fr Will and Dcn Eric** will be held on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 - 7:30pm at the parish center. We will be serving Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and sides. **No potluck items are permitted.** We are required to follow guidelines from the ND Department of Public Health.

Choir Organ: This past week, the organ that was in the former Choir Area of the church was removed. It is in disrepair and does not work well. It hasn't been used in many years. We wanted to clear the area before we install new carpeting later this year. The organ was a kind and generous donation of Alvina Bata. It served us very well for decades. I checked with family members about the organ and they were okay with having it removed and salvaged for wood or parts. We are grateful for the gift that served us and enhanced our liturgies throughout the years. Fr Phil

**Nekoma and Wales:** I met with both parishes twice in the last couple of weeks. Because there will be only one priest after June 24<sup>th</sup>, we decided that for now, there will continue to be a 5:00PM Mass on Saturdays at Nekoma. There will be no Sunday Masses at Wales until further notice. We have enjoyed having 2 priests at our parishes. Unfortunately, it is not possible to keep the current schedule. The first weekend of this adjusted schedule will take effect on June 27-28<sup>th</sup>. **Wales: No Mass until further notice (starting June 28<sup>th</sup>)**

Once again St. Alphonsus will be holding their annual rummage sale on Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-6:00 and on Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-12:00 in the Parish Center (please use door #1 & #2). If you are interested in donating items for the sale, drop off date is on Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-3:00. No clothing, no encyclopedias, no electronics, no magazines. If you have questions, contact Carrie Hope 256-2354.

Eucharistic Adoration resumed on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and will be held in the church. This is a time when anyone, for any amount of time can come to adore the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Don't miss this beautiful opportunity!

The coronavirus pandemic has forced thousands of pilgrims to leave the Holy Land. The streets of Bethlehem and Jerusalem are empty for quite some time. The cancellation of pilgrimages having a serious repercussion for many Christian families. In the past, when the Holy Land experienced wartime conditions, some people managed to temporarily find an economic niche outside tourism. However, the pandemic measures have affected all business sectors, including olive wood industry, and everything to shut down. Even we as Holy Land Crafts & Pilgrimage group; are unable to lend them a hand during this difficult time because of the closures here in the U.S. Because our visit to your parish this year is unpredictable, we humbly ask you to visit our website [WWW.HOLYLANDCRAFTS.NET](http://WWW.HOLYLANDCRAFTS.NET) and browse through the beautiful hand carved religious items. We value your support through these unprecedented times. May God bless you and keep you safe.