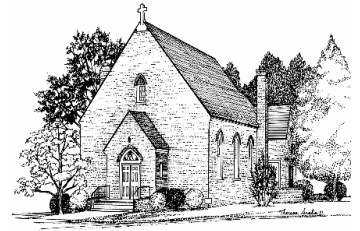




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Feast of Corpus Christi

June 14, 2020

Dear friends:

Entering the heavenly Tabernacle with his resurrected human nature, Jesus did not abandon us, but chose to remain here in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. Hidden from our bodily eyes, but visible to the eyes of Faith, He dwells day in and day out among us in the earthly tabernacles in our Catholic Church.

It is my strong conviction that the parish of St. Michael and the mission of St. Dominic are being called to become centers of Eucharistic love. The meaning of this is that we have the privilege of being moved by the Holy Spirit to treat the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament with greater attentiveness and to receive the charism of loving the “hidden” Jesus in an open way without apology. He has chosen us to manifest the Faith of the Church in His Real Presence by our regular visits to see Him in the church.

The Holy Eucharist is our greatest treasure and the Gift of God for our journey through life. Jesus, the Son of the Father, was sent from heaven to become man born of the Virgin Mary within the loving embrace of the Holy Family.



**Sound, then his praises higher still
 And come, ye angels, to our aid;
 For this is God, the very God
 Who hath both men and angels made !!**

Before He left this earth by his Ascension into Heaven, He instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood as a memorial of his Passion, Death and Resurrection and as his abiding Presence among us.

This reality is made present to us every day at Mass. As Catholics we have the privilege of carrying out his command to “Do this in memory of Me.” He knows that when we recall his Passover, our hearts are moved to love Him the more! And while offering this worthy Sacrifice to the Father by the power and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, souls are cleansed and healed of the effects of sin. Hearts that love Him are moved to approach the Lord in the Sacrament of Penance.

Come Holy Spirit, Fr. Martin Flum

Offering Mass “TOWARD THE EAST”

When we attend Mass, we are praying the most sublime prayer of the Church. The priest stands in the place of Jesus Christ, speaking alternatively both to God and to the People of God. Just like Abraham, Moses and Elijah of the Old Testament, some men are called to fulfill an intercessory role between God and man. This is the principle distinguishing aspect of the priesthood of Jesus Christ. Jesus is uniquely the High Priest who intercedes for us before God, offering his Passion as the eternal Sacrifice. He is the perfect Mediator because He is both God and man. He has a foot in both camps, so to speak.

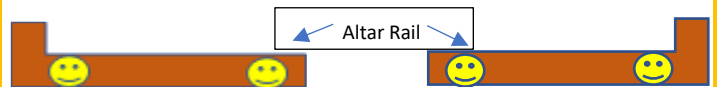
The Catholic priest has been ordained through the Sacrament of Holy Orders to imitate here what the High Priest accomplishes in heaven. At Mass, the priest acts as an intercessor. That is, he speaks to the People of God in accord with what God has revealed to us and he brings the needs of the People before God. In this way, the offering of the Mass as instituted by Jesus Christ has an orientation – horizontal and vertical - that reflects the Cross of the Lord.

Mass schedule and Guidelines for Mass

The Sunday Mass schedule remains the same, but the daily Mass schedule has changed:

Mon/Wed/Fri - 7am
 Tue/Thu/Sat – 8am

By now all of you are aware of the various and conflicting guidance given regarding public health. With the proper use of your intellect and conscience, please exercise best practices. You will find every other pew in church roped off to provide separation between families. There will be four stations for receiving Communion kneeling at the communion rail only – two on each side.



Wait your turn and keep moving forward as the rail spaces become free. Families can come to the rail as a group; those who are unable to kneel may stand at the rail. Please return to your seat.

The Clothing Closet

Kathy Fisher, the stalwart leader for *The Clothing Closet* is calling for help. She recently has suffered some health issues which have curtailed her ability to guide this parish ministry. So, we are seeking new parish volunteers for when we will reopen, but we are also looking for an interim new coordinator! Contact Fr. Flum at the parish office.

Vacation Bible School NEWS

Due to the on-going public health restrictions, **ROCKY RAILWAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** has pulled away from the station without any passengers! the train will return to the station next summer! There will be no fundraising this year.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	06/13/20	5:00 PM	Stuart Children
Sunday	06/14/20	8:00 AM	Parishioners
Sunday	06/14/20	10:00 AM	Barbara Boswell +
Sunday	06/14/20	11:30 AM	Richard Brown +
Monday	06/15/20	7:00 AM	Rev Thomas Morrow
Tuesday	06/16/20	8:00 AM	Ann Proctor +
Wednesday	06/17/20	7:00 AM	Alene Martin +
Thursday	06/18/20	8:00 AM	Ann Proctor +
Friday	06/19/20	7:00 AM	John Paul Mason
Saturday	06/20/20	8:00 AM	Rev Thomas Morrow

From the Sacred Heart to the heart of your family!

Each parish family is challenged to commit to praying a weekly Holy Hour. I ask that every family prayerfully consider giving at least one hour per week outside of Mass to prayer in the Church before our Eucharistic Lord.

We need weekly adorers for the following days/hours:

Thursday: 1-2 PM, 5-6 PM

Friday: 3-4 PM, 5-6 PM

Saturday: 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM

Sunday: 9-10 AM, 10-11 AM, 5-6 PM

Call the parish office (240) 351-6881 or go to our website <https://stmichaelbaden.org/> to sign up for a weekly hour.

Of course, all are welcome to adore Jesus anytime 6am-9pm, except during Mass times. Thank you!

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

June 7, 2020

St. Michael	Offertory Collection	\$6,234.00
St. Dominic	Offertory Collection	\$1,596.00

May God reward your generosity!

FATHER'S DAY CARD

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET REMEMBRANCE FORM

Father's Day is Sunday, June 21st. Our parish is providing a special Spiritual Bouquet Father's Day card and a Mass contribution envelope, with which to remember your father on Father's Day. Please fill out the Father's Day enrollment form **CLEARLY** with the names of those whom you wish to have remembered, (living or deceased). Please return the form in the Mass contribution envelope to the rectory or new contribution box inside St Michael no later than Thursday, June 18th, so that their names may be added to the Father's Day Honor Roll.

Vocations Holy Hour

Join your fellow parishioners in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the "Holy Hour for the Intentions of the Ordinandi" and an increase in Vocations to the priesthood and Consecrated Life on **Friday, June 19th, from 8-9 PM.**



Unite with parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Washington as we joyfully anticipate the ordination of 8 new priests and one new deacon on June 20.

"Every vocation, every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life."

– Pope John Paul II

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

For those who suffer from chronic illness, especially Austin Aley, Joe Aviles, Angela Farmer, Madison Brady, Ann Canter, Aldrin Castillo, Charlene Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Jayne Cassella, Joyce Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Jackie Chapman, David Dixon, Dorothy Dunston, Kathy Fisher, Mabel Hamilton, Florence Henderson, Crystal Johnson, Bernice Kirby, Marie Knobel, Wanda Langley, Betty Lindsay, Kenny Lindsay, Adam Lumpkins, John Martone II, Michael Mohun, Ralph and Regina Nasatka, Fannie Newman, Yvette Parker, Joyce Pickeral, Rev. Robert Pittman, Betty Proctor, Dawn Russo, Dee Smith, Geraldine Stewart, Willie Stewart, Patricia Stuart, George Thomas, Ken Wilson, Terry Wilson and Belinda Windsor, may their crosses be joined to the Cross of Jesus.

ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

	<u>St. Dominic</u>	<u>St. Michael</u>
Parish Goal	\$4,400	\$16,500
Total Commitments	\$4,620	\$15,630
Total Paid	\$2,725	\$9,646
% of Goal Paid	61.9%	58.5%