



## St. Michael Catholic Church Mission of St. Dominic

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## Corpus Christi Sunday

June 06, 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

Where are we going? This is a question that we should ask ourselves regularly. Our earthly dreams motivate us to plan for the future, to make changes in our routine, and to take on difficult projects. In a more profound way, our life in Christ, moved by the grace of God, propels us to live for eternal life.

Our Corpus Christi procession today with Jesus in the Eucharist is an outward sign of our Catholic Faith. As a parish, we are expressing in a public manner what lies deep within our identity as Catholics.

Processions in the liturgy remind us that we are on pilgrimage thru this life. We are on a journey with Christ, and it is helpful to reflect on where we are going. We came into being by the will of God and we will only find happiness if we return to Him who is the source of our being and the purpose of our life.

With the emotions of one who is about to give his life for his friends, the night before He died, Jesus instituted the priesthood, the Mass and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. "Do this," He said, "in memory of Me." It is his express will that we concretely participate in the sacred mysteries of his Passion, Death and Resurrection through a ceremony of ritual signs that make present what He did during his Passover.

And so, at Mass through the sacred Priesthood of Christ, we offer the same Sacrifice just as He commanded us to do. By faithfully carrying out his command, Faith tells us that his Sacrifice is renewed in our presence, the Lord is made present in the Body and Blood of his Eucharist and the fruits of his immolation are distributed to us in myriad ways.

For those who receive Him in a state of grace, his sacramental Presence is an invitation to unite our will, mind and heart with Him. This is what Communion means. While He gives us his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, our transformation depends on our receptivity to his grace, his Presence, his Love and to an infusion of intimate knowledge of who has come to dwell within us sacramentally.

As we celebrate Mass from week to week, the Lord is forming us from within to be apostles of the Holy Eucharist. Apostles of the Holy Eucharist can be identified by their gradual transformation into Christ who gives Himself to us in

the Blessed Sacrament. From the heart of the Redeemer whom we receive in Communion, the Catholic people are sent forth at the end of Mass to bring the grace of Christ into the secular world. As we leave the Church, those *who are in a state of grace* are carrying Christ sacramentally into our neighborhoods, our society, and our country.

*"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."* (Mt 28:19-20)

Our "going forth" is carried out ritually in the Corpus Christi procession as we walk outside giving honor to Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar, giving public witness to our Faith and joyfully sharing with each other our love for God who has shown such great love for us in the Holy Eucharist.

*Jesus, we adore You present in the Holy Eucharist,  
Fr. Martin Flum*

### \*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTICE \*\*\*

We have received the joyful announcement from Archbishop Gregory that beginning the weekend of Sunday June 27:

### **the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation has been reinstated**

for every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Washington.

The statement also said:

*We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith (cf. Code of Canon Law, canon 1246-1247 and Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2180).*

*This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe that they were recently exposed to the coronavirus, another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a hospital, or nursing facility; or those with serious underlying health conditions. One should consult his or her local pastor if questions arise about the obligation to attend Mass (Canon 1245 and the Catechism of the Catholic Church n. 2181).*

**YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS – May 30, 2021**

**St. Michael**      Offertory Collection      \$ 5441.00  
**St. Dominic**      Offertory Collection      \$ 883.00

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“Indeed, since the Eucharistic Mystery was instituted out of love, and makes Christ sacramentally present, it is worthy of thanksgiving and worship.” (On the Mystery and Worship of the Eucharist, #3)



Please consider committing to one of these hours: **Monday: 6-7 PM**  
**Thursday: 12-1 PM, 7-8 PM**  
**Saturday: 11-12 PM, 12-1 PM, 1-2 PM, 6-7 PM**  
**Sunday: 4-5 PM, 5-6 PM, 6-7 PM**

Our goal is for each family to have one hour each week to which they are committed. If you would like to be on our substitute list, call the office (240) 681-3551.

**As we begin to prepare for the jubilee of the parish...**

**“Be the apostle of the divine Eucharist, like a flame which enlightens and warms, like the angel of his Heart who will go to proclaim Him to those who don’t know Him and will encourage those who love Him and are suffering.” (St. Peter Julian Eymard to Mme. Antoinette de Grandville, July 4, 1859)**

**Please PRAY for our SICK**

**(Please notify us if you are able to come off of the list)**

For those who suffer from chronic illness, especially Christopher Becker, Arlene Bloom, Arlene Bonds, Madison Brady, James Brown, Keith Brown & Family, Lynn Brown, Ann Canter, Aldrin Castillo, Charlene Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Joyce Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Greg Connick, Mary Connick, Reiss Danielson, Diane DiSandro, Leo Dixon, Marysa Dixon, Dorothy Dunston, Angela Farmer, Kathy Fisher, Robert Flum, Mabel Hamilton, Barbara Harding, Florence Henderson, Crystal Johnson, Bernice Kirby, Marie Knobel, Margaret Kramer, Wanda Langley, Betty Lindsay, Kenny Lindsay, Adam Lumpkins, John Martone II, Rita Miller, Michael Mohun, Claire Mason, Ralph and Regina Nasatka, Fannie Newman, Vaughn Newman, Yvette Parker, Carolyn Parson, Michael Proctor, Joyce Pickeral, Rev. Robert Pittman, Betty Proctor, Garland Proctor, Gary Reinhardt, Marsha Reinhardt, Shawn Reinhardt, Lorrie Riess, Traci Renner, Dawn Russo, Mary Savoy, Preston Savoy, Frances N. Sewell, Blanche Simms, Dee Smith, Geraldine Stewart, Lillian Stewart, Savannah Stuart, George Thomas, Marion Walzel, Shirley Watson, Juanita Wilson, Ken Wilson, Terry Wilson, Louis Wimbish, Belinda Windsor, Beverly Windsor, Caroline & Peter Yashinski, Carmelita, Cheryl Young, Lewis Young, Theodore Young. Jesus, Divine Mercy, heal and console us! I trust in You! Stay with us!

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday	06/05/21	5 PM	Diane Hatley +
Sunday	06/06/21	8 AM	Zager Family
Sunday	06/06/21	10 AM	Joseph Siravo +
Sunday	06/06/21	11:30 AM	Parishioners
Monday	06/07/21	7 AM	Msgr Godfrey Mosley +
Tuesday	06/08/21	8 AM	Carmella Puracchio
Wednesday	06/09/21	7 AM	Leslie Tucker Connick +
Thursday	06/10/21	8 AM	Dennis R. Wuerl, Sr +
Friday	06/11/21	7 AM	Pauline Savoy +
Saturday	06/12/21	8 AM	Pat Copsey & Family

Seeking to continue Catholic education in high school?  
 Looking for an affordable option?  
 Yearning for your student to know, love, and live their FAITH?  
 Longing for a joyful community where making friends comes naturally?



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 Discover Chesterton Academy of St. Mary’s!  
 Opening Fall 2021 in Leonardtown  
 Join us with your student for **CHESTERTON CHAT**, an information session Monday, Jun 14, 2021 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Lexington Park, MD or For Zoom: Visit: [www.chestertonstmarys.org/events](http://www.chestertonstmarys.org/events)  
 Or call 301-800-0227

***St. Joseph’s Adoration of Jesus... and Yours***



“Words cannot express the perfection of [St. Joseph’s] adoration. If Saint John leaped in the womb at the approach of Mary, what feelings must have coursed through Joseph during those six months when he had at his side and under his very eyes the hidden God! If the father of Origen used to kiss his child during the night and adore the Holy Spirit

living within Him, can we doubt that Joseph must often have adored Jesus hidden in the pure tabernacle of Mary? How fervent that adoration must have been: My Lord and my God, behold your servant! No one can describe the adoration of this noble soul. He saw nothing, yet he believed; his faith had to pierce the virginal veil of Mary. **So likewise with you! Under the veil of the Sacred Species your faith must see our Lord.** Ask St. Joseph for his lively, constant faith.”

-St. Peter Julian Eymard