



RE: June 12 Update

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi which reminds us of the Real Presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ in the elements of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is everything. It's the fullness of life, eternal salvation, mercy, grace, happiness, and so much more. Why and how is the Eucharist all of this? Simply put, the Eucharist **IS** God.

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote in his hymn *Adoro te Devote* (the English version "Godhead Here in Hiding" will be sung at Masses this weekend), "Godhead here in hiding, Whom I do adore, masked by these bare shadows, shape and nothing more. See, Lord, at thy service low lies here a heart, lost, all lost, in wonder at the God thou art. Seeing, touching, tasting are in thee deceived: How says trusty hearing?

That shall be believed. What God's Son has told me, take for truth I do; Truth Himself speaks truly or there's nothing true." When we worship before the Eucharist, we worship before God Himself under the appearance of bread and wine. When we receive Holy Communion, we truly receive Jesus. However, our senses are deceived: What we see, taste, and feel do not reveal the true Reality that is before us, that the Eucharist literally is God. May we come to more firmly believe this in our day to day lives.

Athens Knights of Columbus

All men of the parish and their families are invited to the Knights of Columbus Benefits Skype meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16. The topics of discussion will include the KofC benefits provided to membership as well as some general financial wellness information. Whether you are already a Knight or want to become, one please join us for this informative Skype event. If you would like to attend, click here for [the direct link to the Skype meeting](#) or email Brett Martz (bmartz21@gmail.com) for more information.

Cemetery Clean up Day

The Athens Knights invite parishioners to help clean up Mount Calvary Cemetery on Saturday, June 27. The Knights plan to meet at 10:00 a.m. at the cemetery. We will be clearing brush & leaves and tidying up. All are welcome and encouraged to bring gloves and any other items that may be useful for cleanup.

Thanks

A big "thank you" to the Knights for working on the following projects around the parishes this week:

- attaching the Paschal Lamb symbol to the altar at Christ the King
- sanding, staining, and refinishing the front doors of St. Paul
- waxing the vinyl floors in the Holy Family Center
- repainting parts of the Holy Family Center

Parish Membership

If you are new to the parish community, please either register online on [our website](#) or stop by the office to fill out a registration form. If you have changed your address or other contact information, please call the office to let us know. If you are moving out of the area or are changing your parish affiliation, please call the office to let us know so that we can update your information.

This Weekend's Mass & Confession Times

Confessions will be heard on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at Christ the King and Sacred Heart churches.

As a reminder, the new weekend Mass schedule is:

5:00 p.m. Saturday at Christ the King

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon, & 6:00 p.m. on Sunday at Christ the King

Masses in Pomeroy, Glouster and Buchtel are:

4:30 p.m. Saturday at Sacred Heart

8:30 a.m. Sunday at St. Mary of the Hills

9:30 a.m. Sunday at Sacred Heart

10:00 a.m. Sunday at Holy Cross

We will continue to stream Mass to YouTube at 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. Sunday.

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