



St. Adalbert/Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

The 1st African American Catholic Church in the City of Cleveland
The 2nd African American Catholic Church in the United States

FREE COVID-19 VACCINE FOR EVERYONE 60+
Langston Hughes Community Health/Education Center
EVERY MONDAY 7:30am-4pm

1st Sunday Birthday Blessings/June 6, 2021
COFFE HOUR RESUMES
America Magazine filming Mass/Documentary
2nd Sunday Rosary/June 13th at 10:30am

Sankofa Village & Central Ave presents:
JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH 2021/2-6PM/79TH/CENTRAL BLOCK

Mass Intentions: Phyllis Thomas

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Saint Adalbert Campus President: James Smith
Saint Adalbert School Principal: Jamie Smith
Music Ministry: Theresa Bumpers/Sandi Gay Chapman
Praise Dance Coordinators: Megan Lipian/Janice Sims
Parish Council Chair: Irene Morrison
Parish Finance Council Chair: Phillis Fuller Clippis

Practice: Too often the real presence of Christ has been restricted to the consecrated bread and wine; yet he shed his blood out of love for every human being who has ever existed. And, if Matthew 25 is right, he is especially present in the poor and needy of this world. Meditate this week upon how you need to change your outlook on people so that you can see Christ in them. At the end of the week commit to some form of service which will make the lives of others more blessed. ~ Adapted from TeamRCIA

Solemnity of the

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Background: Out of the 26 particular churches that make up the Catholic Church (Maronites, Ruthenians, etc.), only the Roman Church abandoned, in the course of the Middle Ages, the sharing of the Blood of Christ by all believers during Communion. At about the same time, the observance of a special feast in honor of the Eucharist began to develop. Not surprisingly, its name was Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ. Yet the post-Vatican II name for the celebration makes clear the richer and more universal meaning of the feast—the Body and Blood of Christ. Today's readings bring out that richer meaning since all three deal in some way with blood. They make more sense if we realize that for the Jews, blood was life. (We still have that idea expressed in the word "lifeblood.") ... it conveys both the unbreakable covenant that God is making with the members of the Chosen People and its transformative power. As St. Paul says, those who drink of the one Cup are one Body in the Lord.

Discussion Questions

- Each of the three readings creates a vivid picture. Which image is most striking to you? What draws you to it? What does it express for you?
- In Mark's version of the Last Supper, it is celebrated as a Passover Meal. Yet elsewhere in the New Testament, Jesus is identified as the true Passover Lamb, a Lamb slain, yet evermore triumphant. How does your sharing in the Eucharist bring you into contact, not just with the crucified Savior, but the risen Lord?
- Jesus says that he will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until he drinks it anew in the kingdom/reign of God. Yet he eats and drinks with us every Sunday. How does your share in the Eucharist help you to live in the kingdom/reign of God?
- One Bread, One Cup, One Body—The core symbol of the Eucharist is sharing in a common meal. Yet Catholic piety has often individualized communion as a me-and-Jesus' moment. How is Jesus challenging you to experience his presence, not only in the Bread and Wine, but in the other members of his Body with whom you share the meal?

Pray the Rosary for our Priests-**On June 11th**, there will be a World-Wide Annual Rosary Relay for Priests. The Rock will broadcast the Rosary from Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid. Please join our Catholic brothers and sisters around the globe as we ask Our Lady for her intercession for the Sanctification of our Priests who bring us Christ in the Eucharist and all our Holy Sacraments.

By the grace of God, we have traveled through the pandemic journey together, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. As of June 6th, the Dioceses of Cleveland has issued the following guidelines:

- Face masks will no longer be required but are suggested for those who are not yet fully vaccinated or who may be otherwise vulnerable.
- Hand sanitizing stations will continue to be available at the entrances to the Church.
- Devotions and the public gathering of parish groups / ministries will be permitted.
- All pews will be usable once again. Some have been sectioned to allow social distancing, if desired.
- Holy Water has returned to the fonts, and the fonts will be cleaned regularly.
- The flow of the Mass (with the exception of distribution of the Precious Blood) has been reinstated: liturgical processions, the offertory collection, the sign of peace, singing with or without hymnals, and the use of a variety of liturgical ministers.

It has been a while; we are asking all ministers to return to “active duty”. This might also be an opportune moment to get involved if you have ever thought about being a lector, server, or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Sankofa Village & Central Ave presents: Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, June 19th from 2-6pm on East 79th /Central Block. Join us for food, fun, music and history. Juneteenth celebrates the official ending of slavery in 1865 when Major General Gordon Grand and union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas to announce the civil war and slavery had ended. Business owners are encouraged to participate. *There is NO FEE to set up tables at this event.* Please call 216.881.4858 for additional information. Table set up begins at 12noon on the day of the event. African Attire is encouraged.

Year of St. Joseph - the Church has made a plenary indulgence available to all the faithful who satisfy the usual conditions (confession, Eucharist, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, a spirit of detachment from sin, and the intention to gain the indulgence for oneself or someone in purgatory), as well as perform one of the prescribed works, as follows: *Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord’s Prayer, or take part in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph./ Following St. Joseph’s example, perform a spiritual or corporal work of mercy./ Recite the Holy Rosary with your family or your fiancé./* Entrust your daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph./ Pray through the intercession of St. Joseph that those seeking work can find dignifying work./*Recite the Litany of St. Joseph for Christians who suffer all forms of persecution./Recite any prayer or act of piety legitimately approved in honor of St. Joseph, on the 19th of any month, and every Wednesday.* This gift of a plenary indulgence extends particularly to the elderly, the sick, the dying, and all those who, for legitimate reasons, are unable to leave their homes, if, detached from all sin, recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, comfort of the sick and patron of a good death, offering with confidence to God the pains and trials of their life.

School News: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: June 7 (Pre-K) / June 8 (Kindergarten) /June 9 (8th Grade) /June 11 (Grades 1-7) **THERE IS NO AFTERCARE JUNE 1-11, 2021. Produce distribution resumes June 15th.** Dates are June 15 and 22, July 13 and 27th, August 10th and 19th. Distribution will be from 10am-12noon. First come/first served basis. Please enter from the East 83rd parking lot and exit via the East 84th parking lot. The event is made possible through the generosity of the Cleveland Food Bank, Giant Eagle and Heinen’s. We thank our donors, volunteers and coordinators. You are a blessing to our community. Volunteers are needed and appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Smith.