June 14, 2020

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Mass Intentions

Monday: June 15
9:00am  Robert Byrne

Tuesday: June 16
9:00am  Rosa DiDonato

Wednesday: June 17
9:00am  Florence Gurr

Thursday: June 18
9:00am  Edward & Patricia Estok

Friday: June 19
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9:00am  Paul Beskid

Saturday: June 20
The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00pm  Donald Croucher

   Rita Hudec

Sunday: June 21
Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30am  Walter & Gilbert Biehl
11:30am  Robert Kucera

11:30am  Gary Mucciarone

Mass Schedule

Monday—Wednesday—Friday
9:00am (in person & live stream)
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00am (live stream only)

Saturday Vigil
4:00pm (in person & live stream)

Sunday
7:30am & 11:30am
(in person & live stream)

Prayer and Devotion at 6:00pm
(live stream daily)

Available on the website
Stations of the Cross
Prayer Intentions
Our Lady of Lourdes Novena
Reaching Out
Pastor Viewpoint

Readings for June 21
1st Reading    Jeromy 20:10-13
2nd Reading    Roman 5:12-15
Gospel         Matthew 10:26-33
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6:00 PM Weeknight Live Stream Ministry

Announcing Our New Schedule

Monday – FAQ (Faithfully Asked Questions), Our Priests Respond to your questions submitted.

Tuesday – Mary, Mother of God Devotions with Fr. Estok.

Wednesday - Family Faith Features - Staff will lead devotions with parent-child engagement.

Thursday - Scripture for this Sunday: Fr. Ed and Fr. Joshua in Conversation

Friday - The Paths of the Saints (Staff shares the call to holiness coming from the saints).

Masses Live Streamed

Masses will be live streamed on facebook.com/StAlberttheGreatparish
Or go to www.saint-albert.org
Monday-Friday at 9:00am
Saturday at 4:00pm
Sunday at 7:30am & 11:30am
(once live streamed, Masses can be viewed anytime)
We will keep you updated via Facebook, email, and website.

Thank you and God Bless

Sunday Collection
Sunday, June 7, 2020

$35,492.49

St. Albert parishioners are remarkably generous. Sharing a portion of our income with the Church is a sign that everything belongs to God and we dedicate our “first fruits” to the work of the Kingdom of Christ. Thank you so much for your faith and generosity.

Building Faith

...A New Generation

Saint Albert the Great
Dear St. Albert the Great Family,

This Sunday’s Solemnity is the last before we return to the Ordinary Sundays of the Year - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus. As the feast’s title indicates, this feast (known as Corpus Christi in Latin) is a call to reflect upon the great gift of the Eucharist to the Church. St. Pope John Paul II wrote a document entitled The Church of the Eucharist in which he clearly stated that there is no Church without the Eucharist, and there is no Eucharist without the Church. The Eucharist, the celebration of the Holy Mass, is the center, the source of life, and the destination of the Christian's journey, of our faith.

In the modern world, Christianity has been torn apart by various 'theologies' of the Christian church. The Protestant Reformation (1517 and following) has produced any number of church theologies that have no appreciation for the Eucharist and that places no emphasis upon the sacramental features of the Mass. It is difficult for Catholics to fend off these very reasonable stories of faith - especially when they are being told by our fellow Americans and often our friends and family members. The Feast of Corpus Christi is a good time for Catholics to affirm their conviction in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the holy sacrifice of the Mass, and in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. Like Manna from heaven, the Eucharist is the food for the journey of those traveling toward the Promised Land of heaven.

We continue to pray and reflect upon the disharmony and violence that has broken out in our society over the serious issue of racism and the charge of police brutality according to race. This is an opportunity for each of us who are Caucasian to examine our hearts to discover the deep down (almost invisible to us) judgments that we even unconsciously make about people of color. This shows up often under the disguises of fear, distrust, and subtle attitudes that we might not ever acknowledge - even to ourselves.

As Christians, the Gospel calls us to uncover and root out such prejudice, judgment, and subtle hatred, and the grace of God in the Church can help us to do just that. As we celebrate this feast of the Holy Eucharist, let’s open our hearts to its power and meaning, so that we might shine more brightly the love of God for all the world.

We have opened our Eucharist Adoration Chapel, Monday through Friday, 9:30am-6:30pm until further notice. Our in-person Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays are going very smoothly, as are the three weekend Masses (4:00pm, 7:30am and 11:30am). I am so grateful for all the patience and generosity demonstrated by our members and our staff in all of these adjustments.

Peace,

[Signature]

Pray for Those Who Died

Mary Jane Parente-Smith
Bishop Murry
Sharon Adkins

Baptism Classes

Baptism classes will now be done using Zoom (video conferencing) until further notice. If you would like to participate, please email Deacon Ted at deaconted@saint-albert.org to sign up for a virtual class. Any questions please call the parish office a 440-237-6760.

Prayer List

The following names are additions to the prayer list this week. Please pray for those sick in our parish

Steven Tripp
Sgt. Adam Vettel
Janet Emery

A prayer list is published on the first and third Sunday of the month.
Our Parish Mission Statement

We the people of St. Albert the Great Roman Catholic parish are called to be a community of believers, rooted in the love of God, inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, led by the Holy Spirit, and centered in the Eucharist.

Through our stewardship of God's gifts, we welcome all people, support family life, engage in life-long faith formation, and reach out to others in love and compassion.

“Liturgy & Prayer”

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The parish priests will be hearing confessions on Monday, June 15, 2020 from 6:00pm-6:45pm, immediately following the 6:00pm Devotion. The doors will close at 6:45pm.

The Parish Office

The Parish Office is now open Monday thru Friday from 9:00am—2:00pm. Due to the limited space in the lobby area, we ask that no more than 2 people enter into the area at one time. We ask for you to follow the CDC guidelines of taking your temperature before you come, wear a mask and use sanitizer when you first come in and when you leave. Any questions, please call the parish office at 440-237-6760.
CONFIRMATION SPONSORS
A Confirmation candidate must select a sponsor carefully. The sponsor chosen must be, according to Church law, a fully initiated, practicing Catholic, in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church, and 16 years of age or older. The sponsor may not be a parent, since the parent already has a spiritual bond with the child and presents the child for Confirmation. A grandparent, other relative or friend may act as a sponsor.

CONFIRMATION UPDATE
Hello, Confirmation Class 2020
Important Dates:
- Confirmation is Rescheduled for 9/13/2020.
- Mass & Tour Retreat Makeup Due Now.
- Sponsor Certificates Were Due February 22nd.

Hello, Confirmation Class of 2021!
Important Dates:
- The in-person Parent & Teenager Information Session information will be distributed electronically.

If you have any questions about Confirmation, please contact me at confirmation@saint-albert.org – thank you!

I am a phone call or an email away if you need me. Know that I am praying for you every day and I want you to stay safe and stay well.

Be sure to check out our website for more information:
https://saint-albert.org/youth-ministry
Katie Nowak Srsen
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"REACHING OUT" TO OUR PARISHIONERS
If you need assistance in any way from our staff or a parishioner friend, for example; groceries, or medications to be picked up, please call the parish office at 440-237-6760, and go to General mailbox and a staff member will contact you.
In April, it was brought to the Mission Team attention, that there is a special need in Teotepeque, El Salvador for the help of justice and compassion, in regards to feeding the poor. People in El Salvador are extremely devastated by the strict stay at home order (pandemic) in their country which is limiting their access to basic food commodities such as flour, beans, rice and coffee. Recently, the additional effects of the tropical storm Cistobal has created mudslides, which have cut-off accessibility to some communities and also has wiped out the subsistence farming in the mountains, causing a greater need for food. In general, there is minimal government assistance and questionable need criteria (mostly political), so the threat of hunger is more widespread in the poor outer communities serviced by the Church.

In the best of times, the local people are poor, hungry and struggling to scratch out a basic existence. Today, without any means of support, quarantined, and cleaning up after a natural disaster, they are in a worse condition physically and mentally.

The Mission Team has cancelled the annual fundraiser, but we have not forgotten the pledge we made to the poor of Teotepeque. In May, we sent $5,000 from our mission fund, to help their “works of charity” group in feeding approximately 500 families with 20 meals each. Additionally, in June, we are sending another $5,000, to further aid Fr. John to help feed the hungry and help those people affected by the Storm Cistobal.

Dear Friends of the San Pedro, Teotepeque Mission

I hope and pray all is well with you and your family as we all bear-in Christ, the sickness and sadness of the novel Coronavirus.

We are the church, The Mission, the Body of Christ. We do not stand alone in doing the work of Christ Jesus. We are called to truly be Saints - prayerfully working in union with the Pope, our Bishops and our pastors so that God’s will may be done and God’s Kingdom reigns.

The Cleveland Diocesan Mission Parish of San Pedro Apostol, (Teotepeque, El Salvador) has had a long standing (22 years) and consistent history in serving the needs of the poor. For instance, today and yesterday three women from our parish ministry called “Works of Charity” prepared 200 bags of food to be distributed throughout this large rural parish. Next week 60 members of "Works of Charity" will receive and distribute the food bags. They know where the greatest needs are because they live directly in the community were they minister. Through working with a foundation called "New Horizons for the Poor", I am able to purchase large quantities of beans and rice at a very low cost which helps multiple the people we are able to serve. Of course, all this help is made possible through generous donors like Saint Albert’s, who have had their hearts touched, healed, or enlighten by being part of the Mission. Many throughout the world are suffering and dying from the effects of the virus. We are all in this together.

As of April 25, in El Salvador, there have been 225 verified cases with 118 active cases of the virus and 9 deaths. Here in the Teotepeque mission, I am working with an established, dedicated and trained group of faithful, to help those in most need during these difficult times while attending to their spiritual needs as well. Together with the Salvadoran people I serve in your name, and I thank you for all you have done or are doing for this mission. God bless you and grant you the peace of the Resurrected Savior.

You are in my thought and prayers. Please pray for me, Padre Juan Ostrowski.

If you would like to help the “Works of Charity” effort in El Salvador, please send your gifts made out to the
El Salvador Mission:
c/o St. Albert the Great Church
667 Wallings Road North Royalton, OH 44133

Thank You for your time and consideration, the Mission Team.
**Living in Communion**

**Holy, Kind and Giving**
*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

**City of North Royalton-St. Albert the Great-Royal Redeemer Food Box Distribution**

St. Albert’s was pleased to be able to participate in quarterly food box distributions in cooperation with the City of North Royalton and Royal Redeemer, on Saturday, June 6th. At this time 175 boxes were distributed to our neighbors in need.

Due to St. Albert the Great’s partnership with the Greater Cleveland Foodbank we were able to contribute a 30 pound box of fresh produce for each family, in addition to providing over 400 pounds of chicken, all free of charge.

**Parish Census Call Program**

In the coming weeks, you will be receiving a phone call from a member of the parish or school staff as a continued effort to remain in touch with our parish family. The call will not only be a check-in and informational call, but while we have you, update our parish database with any changes to your address, phone number or email. In the event that you miss the phone call, you can also update your information by going to the parish website, [www.saint-albert.org](http://www.saint-albert.org), where you will find the Parish Census under the About Us tab.

Thank you for helping us remain current with you!

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**Check Out St. Albert the Great Ministries on-line**

Web: [www.saint-albert.org](http://www.saint-albert.org)

Facebook Group: “Saint Albert the Great Parish and School”

School Facebook Page:
“Saint Albert the Great School North Royalton”

Twitter: Fr. Ed Estok: Matador@TheMatadorWord

Homily Blog: [www.thematadorword.blogspot.com](http://www.thematadorword.blogspot.com)

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**Sponsor of the Week**

*What’s the Scoop*

5160 Wallings Road, North Royalton

[www.WhatsTheScoop.today](http://www.WhatsTheScoop.today)

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**The FEST@home**

*A Day of Hope and Family When We Need It the Most*

We are excited and blessed to announce the FEST 2020 is not cancelled. Instead, it will come to you ‘live’ from the comfort of your home. We will be streaming FEST Day with messages of faith, inspiration, and songs from national Christian bands and so much more! We will have an engaging and interactive website where you will be able to experience and do all the things you love to do on FEST Day—from crafts and activities to sponsor bags and more! Visit [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us) for more information.

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**The next Community Meal**

The next Community Meal will be on Sunday, June 28, 2020 at St. Albert the Great.

1. Drive thru meal pick-up & a bag of grocery items.
2. Enter Parking Lot A or Parking Lot C.
3. Follow parking attendant direction.
4. Remain in vehicle, and have your trunk open.

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HOLY, KIND AND GIVING
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
Read the following Scripture passage paying attention to a word, phrase, or idea that stands out to you:

Jesus said to the Twelve: “Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna. Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father.”

Matthew 15:26b, 27a

Consider and Discuss these 3 Questions:

Considering your life today....

1. What in this reading comforted you?
2. What in this reading encouraged you?
3. What in this reading challenged you?

For further contemplation....

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

Conclude by praying our “Parish Communion Prayer”

O Communion of Love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, embrace us as your children in this family of faith. Welcome us to a place at your table in the wedding feast of heaven. O Father of Mercy, forgive us as we forgive. Reconcile us as one Body in Christ and make us instruments of your Peace. O Spirit of Fire and Light, send us as your witnesses in daily life. Through our prayer, faith, and good works may we become welcoming doorways, inviting others to enter and encounter your Holy Communion of Love.

We make this prayer, Father, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and through Christ our Lord. Amen