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Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

If Nashua schools are closed or delayed due to snow/ice, daily Mass will be cancelled. Mass intentions will be rescheduled to a later date.

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We strive to be a parish of Good Stewards, praising and thanking God for His gifts of life, faith, family and friends and our parish and civic communities. We ask for His grace to grow and develop these gifts abundantly for the sake of His kingdom among us.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM & upon request

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Please call Parish Office 6 months prior to wedding date.

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Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance	882-6372

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Weekly Schedule

Public Weekend Mass Resumes: ***

Saturday, June 13th at 4:00 p.m. &
Sunday, June 14th at 10 a.m.

Public Daily Mass Resumes: ***

Monday, June 15th at 8:00 a.m.

Confessions: ***

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

The church will be open during the following hours for private prayer: ***

Monday - Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon

Sunday from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

***Please be sure to maintain proper physical distancing (at least 6 feet) when entering, inside and exiting the church. We also ask that if you or someone in your household has any symptoms such as a cough, fever, sore throat, etc., please refrain from entering the church. We thank you for your patience and consideration during this difficult time.



For parish updates, faith formation resources and much more, please visit our parish website at:
www.stjoenash.org
and our Facebook page at:
www.facebook.com/stjoenash

Corpus Christi Food Pantry

The needs of the food pantry often change throughout the year, therefore we've asked Corpus Christi to send us a "needs list" each month. Watch for this special bulletin section each month for their updates. God bless you all for your generosity!

June Requests:

2 lb. Bags of Flour

Evaporated Milk

Juice Boxes

Gravy

Baked Beans

Canned Pasta

Mayonnaise

Muffin Mix

Beef & Vegetable Soups

Toiletry Items: Shampoo, Toothpaste & Bar Soap



Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2020.....\$8,820

Offertory Collection 06/06-06/07/20.....\$6,138

On Line Giving W/E 06/07/20.....\$1,577

Total Weekly Collections 06/06-06/07/20.....\$7,715

Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (49th wk.).....\$432,180

Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (49th wk.).....\$393,442

2.5% of the Total Offertory goes to Tithing each week.

Thank you for your support!



Air Conditioning ~ 2nd Collection This Weekend: 6/13th-6/14th

We are blessed to have air conditioning in our beautiful parish home! **We thank you for your continued support and generosity in helping to defray the cost of this budget item!**

100 CLUB

Next drawing is: **Sunday, June 28th**

Good luck to all of our members!

2020 Memorial Bricks

Applications for the 2020 Memorial Bricks are now available in the plastic wall jackets in the Narthex. The **pink**

form indicates the **Marian Garden** area and the **blue form** indicates the **Flag Pole** area. Once you've completed the form, please either mail or return it to the parish office (ATTENTION: HELEN DUMONT).

The deadline for returning your request is

Labor Day weekend: September 5th-6th.

For more details please call Helen Dumont at 883-0757, ext. 3.



St. Joseph the Worker Holiday Fair

We're about to start planning our fall holiday fair!

The date is: **Saturday, November 21st!**

Plans are in the works and forms will be available soon!

Parish & Community News

Public Celebration of Mass Resumes!

Public Weekend Mass Resumes:***

Saturday, 6/13 at 4:00 p.m. &
Sunday, 6/14 at 10 a.m.

Public Daily Mass Resumes:

Monday, 6/15 at 8:00 a.m.

Guidelines and additional information have been mailed/ emailed and are also available on our Facebook page and parish website: www.stjoenash.org.

*****Please note:** The Sunday 8 a.m. Mass has been temporarily suspended and will be reinstated in the near future.

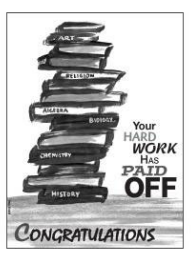


Hats Off to Our 2020 Graduates!

Congratulations to all the young men and women in our parish who are graduating from college, high school and junior high! May God bless them and guide them as they pursue future endeavors. This is an accomplishment to remember and to celebrate!

Gracious and loving God,
bless these graduates,
our leaders and companions on this journey.
Give them wisdom and insight
to choose the right paths.
Give them strength to follow your way
as they continue to grow in your love
and knowledge.
We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is Lord forever and ever.
Amen.

From *Graced Moments*, Volume 1 by Therese Brown



What so ever you do...

For the past few years, members of the parish have joined the Middle School Faith Formation with a special outreach project helping the youth in Nashua that have aged out of the foster care system.

Thank you to everyone for your continued donations!

***** Requests *****

- Canned Pasta, Beefaroni, Small Packets of Mayo
- Mac 'n Cheese in single serving microwave cups
- Gift cards to: Market Basket, Shaws, Wendy's & McDonald's



KNIGHTS NEWS

Knights of Columbus Council 12311
St. Joseph the Worker Parish

College 2020-2021 Scholarship Awards

The St. Joseph Knights of Columbus would like to thank all the outstanding students who applied for the two \$1000 scholarship awards. The student applications have been reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and our two recipients will be announced at next weekend's Masses! (June 20th - 21st)



Blood Drive

Friday, June 19th, 1-6pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit: redcrossblood.org and enter: JOSEPHTHEWORKER to schedule an appointment.

Join us in answering the call to help others give blood!



Hands to Work, Hearts to God St. Joseph the Worker Face Mask Ministry

Our new parish ministry is donating face masks to our parishioners and local outreach agencies. A huge THANK YOU to our volunteers who

are working to ensure everyone who needs a mask has one. **Over 250 masks have been donated so far**, including to Marguerites Place, Meals on Wheels and Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance.

We'd love to provide masks for you and your family!

Masks are made of 100% new cotton material, and will be washed and individually packaged to ensure your protection.

How to Request Masks:

Please use the request form on our parish website using the link below.

<https://www.stjoenash.org/face-mask-request>

If you do not have internet access please call the parish office at 603-883-0757, ext. 2. Thank you!

For further information or if you know of an agency in need of face masks, please email **Donna Donaruma** at: donna.donaruma@gmail.com.



We'd like to take this opportunity to thank **Joanne Anderson, Kathy Carroll, Trina Clark, Donna Cormier, Andrea Hoffer** and **Vicki Provencher** for their help with our recent mailing.

Thank you for the gift of your time!

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



GIFT Assignment: Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

Background on the Gospel Reading

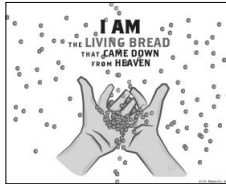
This Sunday we celebrate a second solemnity during this period of Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called Corpus Christi, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Today's Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God's saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world.



Liturgy

June 14, 2020

The Most Holy *Body and Blood* of Christ

Jesus said:
"I am the living bread
that came down
from heaven;
whoever eats this
bread will live forever."

John 6:51



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ;
Flag Day
Monday: Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time
Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed
Virgin Mary; World Refugee Day;
Summer begins



open wide our hearts

Prayer to Overcome Racism

Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other.

We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times when we have failed to love and respect one another.

We ask for your help in obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism and to build a just society.

We ask for your help in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person.

Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son Jesus warms our hearts: pray for us. Amen.

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Mark Your Calendars!!!

The Summer Faith Formation
Program will be held for
Kindergarten through Grade 5
(2019-2020 school year) on

Monday, August 3rd through Friday, August 7th
from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Registration forms have been sent via email. If you have not yet received it, please contact Miss Janice at:
janicemercure@stjoenash.org.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

A few years ago Fr. Marc Linc in a homily guide for priests quoted a local Bishop from a diocese in Nigeria who wrote the following in describing the annual procession that took place on the feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord. "The Lord sent rain. But all along the two mile route the people danced and sang in the rain... the Blessed Sacrament was carried into the place of benediction to the sound of resounding cheering and clapping. Everyone was drenched, but no one thought of seeking shelter or running away. Judges, lawyers, doctors, mothers, and children stood their ground as if nothing was happening but the Eucharist. I have not seen anything like it before, here or anywhere else." Reports like this make us ask ourselves what the Eucharist means to us. It is one of the tragedies of life that we tend to lose our appreciation for precious gifts like the Eucharist. Fr. Linc suggests that part of the reason for this is the psychological process of "habituation". We would go insane if we tried to give full attention to everything that we know. So we block some things out of our attention. The negative side to habituation is that we tend to habituate everything after a while—sunsets, flowers, friends, parents, children. We tend to lose our appreciation of them and our excitement over them. We tend to take them for granted. This can be true even of a wondrous gift like the Eucharist in which we receive the very life of Christ which prepares us for our own Resurrection. We might ask, for example, whether we value Holy Communion as much as we did at another time in our life. Perhaps we need to overcome habituation by attempting to receive the Lord as if we were doing it for the first time, or the last time. In the week ahead perhaps we could add a prayer of thanksgiving to our regular daily prayers in which we praise the Lord for the gift of His Body and Blood to us. For each time we come to communion we receive the same Christ who was born in Bethlehem, who died on the cross for us, who rose from the dead for us, who shares his risen life with us. If there is one place we need to avoid habituation, it is here.



The bread
that I will
give is
my flesh
for the life
of the world

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, June 15th

8:00 am ~ Harrison Ball Jr. by Eric & Kimberly Dupont

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Toni Auclair

Tuesday, June 16th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Doug & Andrea Hoffer

Wednesday, June 17th

8:00 am ~ Lou Urban by Jim & Terri Dieckhoff

8:00 am ~ All Souls Day Intention

Thursday, June 18th

8:00 am ~ Albert Terrell by his family

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Les & Elaine Reid

Friday, June 19th

No Daily Mass

Saturday, June 20th

4:00 pm ~ Wilfrid Hamel by Vicki & Claude Provencher

4:00 pm ~ Marianne & Robin by their sister

Sunday, June 21st

8:00 am ~ Tom Sweeney by Jim & Terri Dieckhoff ***
(Rescheduled to: Saturday, 7/18/20 at 4pm)

8:00 am ~ Paul X. Garon by his daughter Dorothy ***
(Rescheduled to: Saturday, 8/1/20 at 4pm)

10:00 am ~ For all parishioners celebrating anniversaries this month

*****Please note: Due to the temporary suspension of the Sunday 8am Mass, the scheduled intentions have been transferred to different dates. Those changes are noted above. Thank you for your understanding.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7;
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16;
Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16;
Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34;
Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33





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