

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 11, 2023

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NOURISHING FOOD

Manna in the desert, water from a rock, bread, wine. God provides food to nourish our bodies and our souls, to bring us into union with the Divine. This is what we celebrate on this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The Israelites who journeyed through the desert for forty years knew physical hunger, but they were also hungry for more—they needed to know that God was with them as they made their way through the dangerous desert. We too experience hunger. We need to be assured that the Lord is with us as we navigate the circumstances of our lives, some of which feel dangerous, if not to our bodies, certainly to our spirit. Our participation in the Eucharist provides this assurance and more: fed with Christ's Body and Blood, we are drawn into communion with Christ and one another.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Never forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert (Deut. 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

Psalms- God has blessed Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Cor. 10:16-17).

Gospel — Jesus said to the crowds, "I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51-58).

ALIMENTOS NUTRITIVOS

Maná en el desierto, agua de una roca, pan, vino. Dios proporciona alimentos para nutrir nuestros cuerpos y nuestras almas, para llevarnos a la unión con lo divino. Esto es lo que celebramos en esta solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Los israelitas que viajaron por el desierto durante cuarenta años conocían el hambre física, pero también tenían hambre de más: necesitaban saber que Dios estaba con ellos mientras atravesaban el peligroso desierto. Nosotros también experimentamos hambre. Necesitamos tener la seguridad de que el Señor está con nosotros mientras navegamos por las circunstancias de nuestras vidas, algunas de las cuales se sienten peligrosas, si no para nuestros cuerpos, ciertamente para nuestro espíritu. Nuestra participación en la Eucaristía nos proporciona esta seguridad y más: alimentados con el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo, somos atraídos a la comunión con Cristo y con los demás.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El hombre no vive solamente de pan, sino de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios (Deuteronomio 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

Salmo-Dios ha bendecido a Jerusalén (Salmo 147).

Segunda lectura — El pan es uno, y así nosotros, aunque somos muchos, formamos un solo cuerpo (1 Cor. 10:16-17).

Evangelio — El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre, tiene vida eterna (Juan 6:51-58).



Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer List Updates



Syl Vasquez, Jr.	George Garnica	Isaiiah Vasquez
Sarah Contreras	Adam Alonzo, Jr.	Esther Nicholson
Marty Carrera Tobias	Mary Martinez	Valerie Vigil
Frances Lozano	Mark Martinez	Rena Heard
Irma Urias	Albert Rodriguez	Marty Wind
Mary S. Martinez	Albert Casillas	Maldonado Family
Galilea Romero	Robert Sanchez	Margie Zuniga
Flora Torres	Vanessa Quintero	Joyce Ochoa
Iris Luna Sullivan	Joe Cevallos	Ann Marie Eickenroht
Sandy Guerra	Oscar Arcos	Rosemary Flores
Abraham Guerra	Juanita Martinez	Jennifer Flores
Emma O. Velasquez	Maria Rios	Anthony Ramirez
Leticia Martinez	Virginia R. Lucio	Carmen Garza
Kenny De La Rosa	Guadalupe Rodriguez	Gloria Rubio
Raymond Sarabia	Gayle Beaver	Duncan Paul Brown
Frank Rodriguez	Lori Bañuelos	Lisa Brown
Julissa Rodriguez	Jesus Lopez	Mary Herrera
Miliana Bullock	Joe Villanueva	Rebecca Zuniga
Lydia Soriano	Edith Flores	Rosa Elva Villanueva

We thank God for the healing of so many sick parishioners. Please be courteous and call the Parish Office if your loved one is no longer suffering or sick. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK

ENDING JUNE 3-4, 2023

5 PM Mass	-\$1,022.00
9 AM Mass	-\$1,157.00
11 AM Mass	-\$1,848.00
Capital Improvements	-\$ 874.00 2nd Coll
Priest Pension	-\$ 418.00 Arch Coll
On Line	-\$ 264.31
Mail In	-\$ 300.00
Gift of Giving	-\$ 928.00
TOTAL	\$6,695.66



SECOND COLLECTION

June 11, 2023

GOOD SAMARITANS OF SJB

2023 GIFT OF GIVING

Contributions ending June 4, 2023	\$ 184.35
TOTAL	\$ 9,587.71

Announcements

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Saturday, June 10

5:00 p.m. † Felicita Ruiz - Granddaughter
† Carmen Solis - Family
† Roberto San Martin - Socorro & Raquel
Gift of Life Edna Mosely - SJB Family

Sunday, June 11

9:00 a.m. † Jose M. Canales - Angelita Canales
† Daniel C. & Maria Arzola - Family
† Hope Esquivel - Guadalupanas
† Dolores Crittall - Angelita Canales
For Health Joe Villanueva - Family
11:00 a.m. † Isidro Mata - Kim & Khloe Mata
† Mary Louise Lira - Family
† Arthur Arevalos - Family
† Suzanne S. Gutierrez - Maria L. Gonzales
† Erasmo Uribe - Family
Joshua Perez - Grandmother
Gilbert Marin - Wife

Monday, June 12

Tuesday, June 13

12:00 p.m. † Dora Galvan - Friends
Gift of Life Linda Campbell - Sisters in Christ

Wednesday, June 14

12:00 p.m. † Raul, Gloria & David Solis - Neighbors
Gift of Life Richard Santoyo III - Family

Thursday, June 15

12:00 p.m. † Teresa Moreno - Sisters in Christ

Friday, June 16

12:00 p.m. † Tomas Diaz - John & Angie Diaz
† Antonio De Leon - John & Angie Diaz

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Lord Jesus,
let my heart never rest until it finds You,
who are its center, its love, and its happiness.
By the wound in Your heart
pardon the sins that I have committed
whether out of malice
or out of evil desires.
Place my weak heart in Your own divine Heart,
continually under Your protection
and guidance,
so that I may persevere in doing good
and in fleeing evil
until my last breath.
Amen.

—Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque



Dear Parishioners and Friends:

I am taking this opportunity to thank Juan Villanueva, Director of Religious Education, for his leadership in faith formation this past year. We appreciate all of his accomplishments and work. Juan has decided to move on and we wish him a very successful journey.

It is with great excitement to announce, Cyndi Sandoval, as our new CCD Coordinator. Cyndi Sandoval has been a Catechist in our community for many years. She is a faithful and dedicated woman in the community who exhibits love for children and cares deeply about the children's faith. Please join me in congratulating Cyndi and praying for her success in this new endeavor. A sincere thanks is extended to all the Catechists for their continued commitment to teach and instill Christian values to our children. I appreciate all the parents and parishioners for their love and support. *It takes a village to raise a child!*

Our pilgrimage to the Holy Land is tomorrow **Monday, June 12th thru Sunday, June, 21st, 2023**. I invite you to submit your petitions by Sunday, June 11th. We will pray for you and, ask you to keep us in your prayers as well as we prepare for a trip of a life time.

This season of summer has finally arrived! I hope that everyone has a restful and fun time with their family and friends. Please remember to attend Sunday Mass and respect the Lord's house by maintaining the appropriate dress code.

This update is to maintain you informed regarding *Dikete Education Opportunity Foundation*. My annual trip to the Democratic Republic of Congo is the only way to keep me abreast of the situation in my hometown of Kananga where the elementary school Mumianinyi is located and your sponsored children live. It is vital that the *Foundation* stay alive assisting underprivileged students and for this reason a few revisions have arisen.

Upon returning to my hometown of Kananga, the elementary school Mumianinyi that I attended was among the few selected schools destined for a total rebuilding by the government in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The old building has been demolished and a brand new elementary school is emerging. Students will be returning to a new building by the beginning of the academic year 2023-2024 which will commence by September. The government will also provide desks for the new school. That is great news and a very special blessing for the community. Only 35 desks have been fabricated and delivered to the second school.

The *Foundation's* new vision consists of supporting underprivileged students, especially girls, who are graduating from elementary school and heading to middle school. We intend to assist them for the next six years until they graduate from high school. The \$50 you generously sponsor will pay the tuition for the entire academic year and you

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may be assisting students on their way to becoming a doctor or other profession. I rely on your generosity and continue believing in our effort to make "A Difference in a Child's Life." Remember your donation is tax free and you will receive a letter for your accountant in December to verify your exemption. I am very proud of the fact that our *Foundation* is able to subsist because it adapts to the needs of the children and does not remain stagnant. This success is completely achievable because of you, my sponsors.

Please pray for my daughter, Angelique Dikete, as she continues to recover from her major surgery.

May God bless you always,



Fr. Fidèle Dikete, Pastor
Fr.fidele@stjohnberchmans.com

THIS WEEK!
Here's What's On The Calendar!

ShareAFaith

Sunday, June 11

9:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass - Church
11:00 a.m. Mass - Church

Monday, June 12 - FR. FIDELE ON VACATION

Tuesday, June 13

12:00 p.m. Communion Service - Chapel

Wednesday, June 14

12:00 p.m. Communion Service - Chapel
10:00 a.m. Adult Faith Enrichment - Formation House
7:00 p.m. Adult Faith Enrichment - Formation House

Thursday, June 15

12:00 p.m. Communion Service - Chapel

Friday, June 16

12:00 p.m. Communion Service - Chapel

Saturday, June 17

8:00 a.m. Church cleaning
5:00 p.m. Mass - Church

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR:

† SUZANNE GUTIERREZ
GLORIA RUBIO

It is to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

THANK YOU to all who continue to financially support our parish. Your donations and support are greatly appreciated and assists us fulfill our financial obligations.

Donations can be made as follows:

- Mail (1147 Cupples Road, 78226) or physically drop off at the parish office.

Or you may use any of the following options:

- Cash App: \$StJohnBerchmans
 - Pay-Pal: administrator@stjohnberchmans.com
 - Venmo: administrator@stjohnberchmans.com
- Or call the parish office at 210.434-3247 to use your credit card.

PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

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- 1 I WILL GIVE THEM ALL THE GRACES NECESSARY
 - 2 I WILL BE THEIR SECURE REFUGE DURING LIFE, AND ABOVE ALL, IN DEATH
 - 3 LUKEWARM SOULS SHALL BECOME FERVENT
 - 4 I WILL GIVE TO PRIESTS THE GIFT OF TOUCHING THE MOST HARDENED HEARTS
 - 5 I WILL ESTABLISH PEACE IN THEIR HOMES
 - 6 I WILL BESTOW ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON ALL THEIR UNDERTAKINGS
 - 7 FERVENT SOULS SHALL QUICKLY MOUNT TO HIGH PERFECTION
 - 8 THOSE WHO SHALL PROMOTE THIS DEVOTION SHALL HAVE THEIR NAMES WRITTEN IN MY HEART
 - 9 I WILL COMFORT THEM IN ALL THEIR AFFLICTIONS
 - 10 SINNERS WILL FIND IN MY HEART THE SOURCE AND INFINITE OCEAN OF MERCY
 - 11 I WILL BLESS EVERY PLACE IN WHICH AN IMAGE OF MY HEART IS EXPOSED AND HONORED
 - 12 I WILL GRANT FINAL PERSEVERANCE TO THOSE WHO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION ON THE FIRST FRIDAYS IN NINE CONSECUTIVE MONTHS

SACRED HEART OF JESUS, PRAY FOR US

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REST IN PEACE

We offer condolences and sympathy to our parishioners and their families who have experienced the loss of their loved ones: † **MANUEL LOPEZ**

† **JOHN GARCIA, JR.**
† **OLGA VALLADROS**



Announcements!



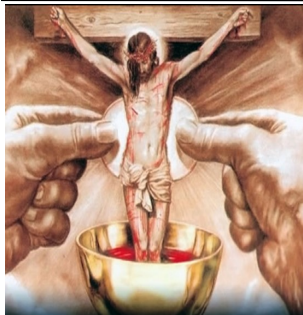
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All requests must be sent by email to osantoyo1104@gmail.com and will be finalized for approval by Father Fidèle. We ask that you submit your requests at least two (2) weeks in advance for placement in the bulletin.



NEW TO OUR PARISH AND WANT TO REGISTER AS A NEW PARISHIONER?

We encourage all newcomers to register and get to know your parish community. Please contact our Parish Office at 210-434-3247 to fill out a registration form.



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christ, which translates from Latin to “Body of Christ.” This a Christian liturgical solemnity celebrating the Real Presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus in the elements of the Holy Eucharist.

The feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus’ suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist. At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which HE is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

**POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE 2023
FOR THE ABOLITION OF TORTURE**

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



We welcome anyone to assist us with cleaning our beautiful church. Every weekend we are faced with needing assistance. When: Every Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m.

WE NEED YOUR HELP
Ministry Scheduled for Saturday, JUNE 17, 2023
VIGIL TEAM

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

Looking for ideas for something to do during the summer? Pope St. Gregory the Great has a suggestion: Learn the heart of God from the Word of God.

We invite you to join us on Wednesdays in the Formation House for the Adult Faith Enrichment sessions. Starting **Wednesday, June 14th**, we will begin a study on **The Parables of Jesus**, taking us to the sites where they took place and to give us a better understanding of Jesus’ teaching.

You have a choice to attend either the **Day session from 10am to 11:30am** OR the **Evening session from 7pm. - 8:30pm.** Bring a friend. Hope you can join us!

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Sal 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12
- Martes: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Sal 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16
- Miércoles: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Sal 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19
- Jueves: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Sal 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26
- Viernes: Dt 7:6-11; Sal 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30
- Sábado: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Sal 103:1-4, 9-12; Lc 2:41-51
- Domingo: Ex 19:2-6a; Sal 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36 — 10:8

SOLEMNIDAD DEL SANTISIMO CUERPO Y SANGRE DE CRISTO

Este fin de semana nos reunimos para recibir el cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo conscientes de que Jesús nos dio su cuerpo y su sangre como alimento para sustentarnos mientras llevamos a cabo su misión. Él es el pan vivo que ha bajado del cielo, el pan es su carne, que entregó para la vida del mundo, el pan que nos conduce hacia la vida eterna. Demos gracias a Dios—Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo—por este don inestimable y único de la Eucaristía, a la cual somos invitados día tras día.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

¿De qué manera participo en la misión de Cristo? ¿Reconozco la fortaleza que recibo en la Eucaristía?