



Holy Family Parish

Corpus Christi -Year B-
Sunday 6th June 2021

FIRST READING : Exodus 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 115(116):12-13,15-18

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name. *R.*

O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I. You have loosened my bonds. *R.*

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil, before all his people. *R.*

SECOND READING : Hebrews 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

GOSPEL : Mark 14:12-16,22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Corpus Christi Poem

Sing forth, O Zion, sweetly sing
The praises of thy Shepherd-King,
In hymns and canticles divine;
Dare all thou canst, thou hast no song
Worthy his praises to prolong
So far surpassing powers like thine.

Today no theme of common praise
Forms the sweet burden of thy lays –
The living, life-dispensing food –
That food which at the sacred board
Unto the brethren twelve our Lord
His parting legacy bestowed.

Then be the anthem clear and strong,
Thy fullest note, thy sweetest song,
The very music of the breast:
For now shines forth the day sublime
That brings remembrance of the time
When Jesus first his table blessed.

Within our new King's banquet-hall
They meet to keep the festival
That closed the ancient paschal rite:
The old is by the new replaced;
The substance hath the shadow chased;
And rising day dispels the night.

Christ willed what he himself had done
Should be renewed while time should run,
In memory of his parting hour:
Thus, tutored in his school divine,
We consecrate the bread and wine;
And lo – a Host of saving power.

This faith to Christian men is given –
Bread is made flesh by words from heaven:
Into his blood the wine is turned:
What though it baffles nature's powers
Of sense and sight? This faith of ours
Proves more than nature e'er discerned.

Concealed beneath the two-fold sign,
Meet symbols of the gifts divine,
There lie the mysteries adored:
The living body is our food;
Our drink the ever-precious blood;
In each, one undivided Lord.

Not he that eateth it divides
The sacred food, which whole abides
Unbroken still, nor knows decay;
Be one, or be a thousand fed,
They eat alike that living bread
Which, still received, ne'er wastes away.

The good, the guilty share therein,
With sure increase of grace or sin,
The ghostly life, or ghostly death:
Death to the guilty; to the good
Immortal life. See how one food
Man's joy or woe accomplisheth.

We break the Sacrament, but bold
And firm thy faith shall keep its hold,
Deem not the whole doth more enfold
Than in the fractured part resides
Deem not that Christ doth broken lie,
'Tis but the sign that meets the eye,
The hidden deep reality In all its fullness still abides.

Here, **Part Three** of the Pastoral Letter of Archbishop Cordileone - Archbishop of San Francisco - is printed in serialized form.

"BEFORE I FORMED YOU IN THE WOMB I KNEW YOU"

A PASTORAL LETTER ON THE HUMAN DIGNITY OF THE UNBORN,
HOLY COMMUNION, AND CATHOLICS IN PUBLIC LIFE

SECTION 3. The Question of Reception of the Holy Eucharist

The Church's teaching and discipline on worthiness to receive Holy Communion has been consistent throughout her history, going back to the very beginning. The earliest account of the Last Supper is found in the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, written within thirty years of the event itself. Immediately after describing Our Lord's institution of the Holy Eucharist, St. Paul offers this admonition:

Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself [1 Cor 11:27-29].

To eat and drink "without discerning the body" means not discerning the reality of the Body of Christ. This refers both to the sacramental Body of Christ, the Eucharist, and to His mystical Body, the Church. Jesus Christ cannot be separated from His Body; to receive His Eucharistic Body and Blood while repudiating essential doctrines of His Mystical Body is to eat and drink judgment on oneself. St. Paul urged the members of his communities temporarily to exclude serious wrongdoers from their midst (e.g., 1 Cor 5:1-5), the First Letter of St. John invoked this practice (1 Jn 1:10), and Jesus Himself speaks of this in the case of those who refuse to listen to the Church (Mt 18:17). The purpose of such exclusion is medicinal: it is intended to help the wrongdoer realize that he or she has wandered from Christ's fold by their ongoing evil behavior.

The earliest description of our Catholic Eucharistic liturgy in Rome is found in the middle of the second century. St. Justin Martyr describes the order of Sunday worship, and also explains the criteria for reception of the Eucharist: "No one may share the Eucharist with us unless he believes what we teach is true; unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ." To apply these ancient requirements to the present topic, those who reject the teaching of the Church on the sanctity of human life and those who do not seek to live in accordance with that teaching should not receive the Eucharist. It is fundamentally a question of integrity: to receive the Blessed Sacrament in the Catholic liturgy is to espouse publicly the faith and moral teachings of the Catholic Church, and to desire to live accordingly. We all fall short in various ways, but there is a great difference between struggling to live according to the teachings of the Church and rejecting those teachings.

It is important to state that "worthiness" in this matter does not concern the inner state of one's soul: only God can judge that. None of us is truly worthy to receive the very Body and Blood of Christ Himself, but God in His great mercy and condescension invites us to receive and makes us worthy to do so. The Eucharist itself is a medicine and a channel of God's forgiveness for our lesser sins. If we are conscious of grave sin, however, we must have recourse to the sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Gift. Confidence in God must not give way to presumption. We are a Church of sinners, and we need to avail ourselves of the many graces Christ offers us in the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Christ Himself gave us these two sacraments and we should regularly receive His forgiveness in confession.

In examining one's conscience about being properly disposed to receive the Holy Eucharist, the definitions regarding the kind and degree of cooperation in an evil act serve as a necessary guiding principle. Most of the time this is a private matter. There are, however, circumstances in which such is not the case, occasions when those in public life violate the boundaries of justifiable cooperation. In the case of public figures who profess to be Catholic and promote abortion, we are not dealing with a sin committed in human weakness or a moral lapse: this is a matter of persistent, obdurate, and public rejection of Catholic teaching. This adds an even greater responsibility to the role of the Church's pastors in caring for the salvation of souls.

THE TEACHING OF THE CHURCH — NOW:

"Among the vulnerable for whom the Church wishes to care with particular love and concern are unborn children, the most defenseless and innocent among us.... This defense of unborn life is closely linked to the defense of each and every other human right. It involves the conviction that a human being is always sacred and inviolable, in any situation and at every stage of development. Human beings are ends in themselves and never a means of resolving other problems. Once this conviction disappears, so do solid and lasting foundations for the defence of human rights, which would always be subject to the passing whims of the powers that be." Pope Francis *Evangelii gaudium*, n. 213

MORE FROM POPE FRANCIS:

"Sad to say, some countries and international institutions are also promoting abortion as one of the so-called 'essential services' provided in the humanitarian response to the pandemic. It is troubling to see how simple and convenient it has become for some to deny the existence of a human life as a solution to problems that can and must be solved for both the mother and her unborn child."

(Video Message to the United Nations, September 25, 2020)

"It is painful . . . to note that under the pretext of guaranteeing presumed subjective rights, a growing number of legal systems in our world seem to be moving away from their inalienable duty to protect human life at every one of its phases."

(Speech to the Diplomatic Corps accredited to the Holy See, February 8, 2021)

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK...

IMPORTANT DATES

- **CONFIRMATIONS : Sunday 13th June** – Parish Celebration of Confirmation for our children. Bring a plate for Hall celebration.
- **ORDINATION : Saturday 3rd July** – **Mass will be at 7am** and there will be **No Reconciliations** that Saturday as Fr Jeremy will be attending the Ordination all day. The Traditional Rite Ordination of Deacon Brendan Boyce is at St Benedict's at 10am.
- **YOUTH TALK : Friday 9th July, 7pm, Bugler Centre**– All youth welcome. Topic = Friendship, the source of real happiness.
- **PARISH RETREAT DAY : Saturday 10th July** – "The person and nature of Christ" by Robert Loretz. A look at who Jesus is.
- **MUSIC TALK and WORKSHOP : Wednesday 14th July, 7:30pm-9pm** – TOPIC = "Origins and History of Sacred Music" by Robert Loretz. Will be very entertaining.
- **THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS (14 to 19 year olds):** August 7, 14, 21, & 28, Saturdays 2pm-6pm. Can be opened to 13 yr olds on a case-by-case basis, if parents think their child is mature enough.
- **QUIZ NIGHT: Saturday 4th September** – Parish Quiz Night – start getting your team of 8 together. The Latin Mass community from St Anne's will join us.

This Sunday (TODAY) – Corpus Christi – there will be adoration after the 9:30 am Mass till 4:00 pm.

Please note: If you are in the foyer or just outside the main doors of the Church after Mass. Please remember to keep noise to a minimum so not to disturb those in prayer.

Any mental picture of your life that focuses on past sins is a lie and thus comes from the devil. Jesus loves you and has forgiven you your sins, so there is no room for having a downcast spirit. Whatever persuades you otherwise is truly a waste of time. It is also something that offends the heart of our very tender Lover. On the other hand, if the mental picture of your life consists in what you can be or could be, then it comes from God

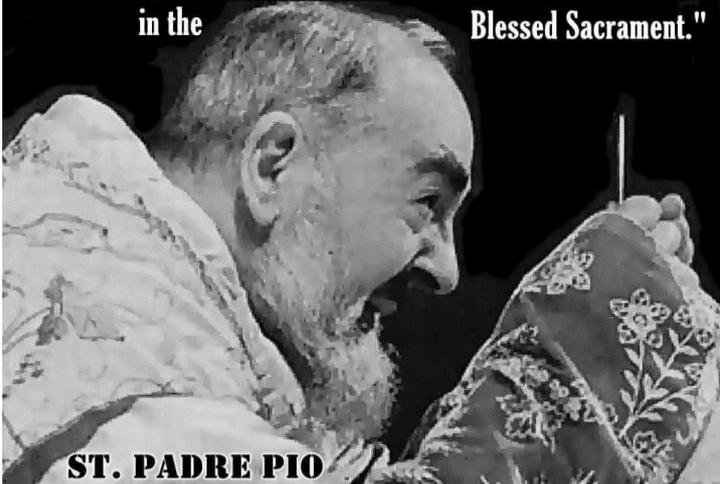
Padre Pio letters (To Maria Gargani, August 26, 1916)

LOVE THOSE WHO HUMBLE AND CONTRADICT YOU, FOR THEY ARE MORE USEFUL TO YOUR PERFECTION THAN THOSE WHO FLATTER YOU

ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE

"Every practical application of Marxist theory has led not merely to tyranny, but to social and economic collapse."
— Sir Roger Scruton

"Keep close to the Catholic Church at all times, for the Church alone can give you true peace, since She alone possesses Jesus, the true Prince of Peace, in the Blessed Sacrament."



St. Padre Pio

"It is through testing that God binds His chosen souls to Himself."

"For the new atheism is not like the old, theoretical atheism, which prided itself on being intellectually compounded of a little science, anthropology, and comparative religion. The new atheism is not of the intellect, but of the will; it is an act of free and eager rejection of morality and its demands. It starts with the affirmation of self and the denial of the moral law."

~ Archbishop Fulton Sheen (Lift up Your Heart)

Works of Mercy

THE SEVEN CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty.
3. Clothe the naked.
4. Shelter the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit the imprisoned.
7. Bury the dead.

THE SEVEN SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. Counsel the doubtful.
2. Instruct the ignorant.
3. Admonish sinners.
4. Comfort the afflicted.
5. Forgive offenses.
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

Let your prayer be completely simple. For both the publican and the prodigal son were reconciled to God by a single phrase.

~ St. John Climacus

HOW OFTEN I HAVE FAILED IN MY DUTY TO GOD, BECAUSE I WAS NOT LEANING ON THE STRONG PILLAR OF PRAYER.

- St. Teresa of Avila -

"BUILD YOURSELF A CELL IN YOUR HEART AND RETIRE THERE TO PRAY"

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Catechism of the Catholic Church #2499

"Moral judgment must condemn the plague of totalitarian states which systematically falsify the truth, exercise political control of opinion through the media, manipulate defendants and witnesses at public trials, and imagine that they secure their tyranny by strangling and repressing everything they consider "thought crimes"."

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

We gather to worship God,
in truth and in spirit,
We gather to be made holy,
to build up the Body of Christ
United in Jesus
that God might be all in all.

We gather to know His Word,
be fed by His Body,
We gather to make thanksgiving
by offering the Spotless Lamb,
And offering ourselves
that God might be all in all.

O Sacrifice of the Cross,
extended through the ages,
A memorial for Your spouse
of your death and resurrection,
Our gift to the Father
that God might be all in all.

O Banquet where Christ is consumed,
O Sacrament of love,
O Bond of purest charity,
O sign of perfect unity,
O pledge of the glory
when God will be all in all

OFFERTORY HYMN:

Mary, what you lived in your heart,
Mary, what you lived in your heart,
Mary, what you lived in your heart
on Calvary.

Mary, how you opened your heart,
Mary, how you lifted your heart,
Mary, how you offered your heart
on Calvary. You offered yourself
as He offered His Body and Blood,
Your soul was pierced as His side began to
flood, O Mary, what you lived in your heart.
Mary, what you lived in your heart.

Mary, help me live in my heart,
Mary, help me live in my heart,
Mary, what you lived in your heart on
Calvary.

Mary, help me open my heart,
Mary, help me lift up my heart,
Mary, help me offer my heart this Eucharist.

I offer myself
as He offers His Body and Blood,
I open my heart as His mercy begins to
flood, O Mary, help me live in my heart,
Mary, what you lived in your heart

COMMUNION HYMN:

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.

On the cross thy godhead made no sign to
men, Here thy very manhood steals

from human ken: Both are my
confession, both are my belief, And I
pray the prayer of the dying thief.

I am not like Thomas, wounds I cannot
see, But can plainly call thee Lord
and God as he; This faith each day
deeper be my holding of, daily make me
harder hope and dearer love.

O thou reminder of Christ crucified,
Living bread, the life of us for whom he
died, Lend this life to me then;
feed and feast my mind, There be thou
the sweetness man was meant to find.

Jesus, whom I look at shrouded here
below, I beseech thee send me what I
long for so, Some day to gaze on thee
face to face in light and be blessed for
ever with thy glory's sight.

Soul of my Saviour, Sanctify my breast;
body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy
tide, wash me with water flowing from
thy side.

Strength and protection may thy
passion be; O blessed Jesus, hear and
answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord,
hide and shelter me; so shall I never,
never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe
malign; in death's dread moments make
me only thine; call me and bid me come
to thee on high, where I may praise thee
with thy saints for aye.

EXPOSITION:

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all,
How can I love thee as I ought?
And how revere this wondrous gift,
So far surpassing hope or thought?

*Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore,
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!*

Had I but Mary's sinless heart,
To love Thee with, my dearest King;
O! with what bursts of fervent praise,
Thy goodness Jesus would I sing.

O, see within a creature's hand,
The vast creator deigns to be,
Reposing infant like as though
On Joseph's arm, on Mary's knee.

Thy body, soul, and Godhead, all
O mystery of love divine!
I cannot compass all I have,
For all thou hast and art are mine.

Sound, sound His praises higher still,
And come ye Angels to our aid;
'Tis God, 'tis God, the very God,
whose power both man and angels
made.

NEXT SUNDAY:**13 June 2021****11th Sunday in Ordinary Time***Ezek 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6 - 10;**Mk 4:26-34;***LITURGY ROSTER****Readers:** E. Shaw, E. O'Brien**Prayers of the Faithful:** S. Shaw**Offertory:** La'akulu Family**Special Ministers:** P. Vernon**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

Leifi Family

SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER

Confirmation Families

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**6 June:** Harold Gillespie, Riki Cash**7 June:** Joyce Barlow**8 June:** Lynette Thomson, Gilbert Fernandez**9 June:** John Ah Loo**10 June:** Vaifale Vaituliao, John Sumich**PARISH FINANCES****Parish** \$2,665.73**Priests** \$1,332.87**Total AP's and Cash** \$3,998.60**HOLY FAMILY NOTICES****SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Please keep in your prayers

*Paul Amerika**Dostella Amerika**Christan Cheong**Wikitoria Christensen**Moringa Christensen**Kristoff Dela Cruz**Jacinta Doherty**Isabelle Kane**Daniel Matson**Andrew Matson**James Thotawattage**Brian Tovia**Ceide Villanueva**Benjamin Ward*

who will be receiving the
Sacrament of Confirmation
on **Sunday 13th June**

at the 9:30am Mass

Confirmation Celebration

All Parishioners are invited to come
to the Hall after the 9:30am Mass on
Sunday 13th June to celebrate with
the children and their families.

*Please bring a plate.***First Friday and Saturday Adoration**

on 2nd - 3rd July 2021 - We need your
help to cover 10am to 3pm on
Saturday 3rd July as our regular
adorers will be attending an
Ordination. If you are available to
cover their times, please contact the
Parish Office on 8346677 or
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