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**Rectory Office Hours: Monday through
Friday, 9:00AM - 3:00PM**

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 7th, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - Weekday in Ordinary Time
NO MASS
Diocesan Priest Retreat

TUESDAY - Weekday in Ordinary Time
NO MASS
Diocesan Priest Retreat

WEDNESDAY - Weekday in Ordinary Time
NO MASS
Diocesan Priest Retreat

THURSDAY - Saint Barnabas, Apostle
NO MASS
Diocesan Priest Retreat

FRIDAY - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
12:05 PM - Albert Reynolds Sr.
(Req. by Mary Reynolds)
Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY - Vigil of 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM - Fred Raco Sr.
(Req. by Debbie Rolish)

SUNDAY - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM - Pro Populo

SANCTUARY CANDLE
In Memory of Helene Balagusz
2 Year Remembrance
(Req. by Family)



The daily readings may be found at
either USCCB.ORG or with the
daily readings listed in the back of
the missalette.

IN LOVING MEMORY: The Sanctuary Lamp is available for your intentions by calling the parish office. Please attempt to request your intentions as early as possible. A \$10 donation is suggested.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Confessions are heard from 6:30 until 7:00 PM on Wednesday Evenings. **CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD FROM 3:00 PM until 3:40 PM THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH.** Confession may ALWAYS be arranged with Fr. John personally by calling the rectory office. Please avail yourselves to this life-giving sacrament!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Scheduled no less than nine months prior to the date of marriage. Four preparation sessions with the pastor, as well as all diocesan requirements, must be met. **All Catholic candidates for Marriage must be registered, practicing members of a parish at least 6 months prior to scheduling the wedding. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

INFANT BAPTISM: Baptisms are generally celebrated during one of the Sunday Liturgies. Pre-baptismal instructions must be completed by the parents at least 3 weeks prior to the celebration of the sacrament. Catholic godparents must obtain a letter of eligibility from their pastors four weeks in advance. Baptisms are never celebrated during the Season of Lent.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Celebrated after any Sunday Mass as requested and as a parish during the Easter Season.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Wednesday and Friday following Mass.

MEMBERSHIP: Forms are located on the back page of the bulletin (or on the parish website) to be filled out and sent to the parish. Registrations are also welcome by phone.

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\$\$\$ INCOME \$\$\$
Collection - May 31, 2026

Loose Money.....	\$476.00
Envelopes.....	\$3370.00
Ascension Thursday.....	\$65.00
Catholic Daughters of America - Deacon Vestment donation.....	\$150.00
Perquisites - Funeral.....	\$150.00
Parking Lot Rent.....	\$280.00

TOTAL: \$4491.00

Second Collection - Music Bingo \$850.00

Let us continue to pray for the members of our parish community who serve in the military, as well as for the sick, elderly and homebound members of our parish especially:

Anonymous Petitioners, Pat Balagusz, John Bair, Ralph Blair, David Clark, Ronald Cleaver, Dolores Danner, Dorothy Fisher, Barbara Fox, Paul Harnish, Catherine Heinlein, Mary Carol Hill and children, Donna Johnson, Gianna Kniss, Karen Kohan, Betsy Konar, Marylee Konicky, Madeleine Krueger, Dick Krumenacker, Gaile Krumenacker, Victoria Leflie, Michael Letzo, Joanne Macri, Patricia Mainhart, Marianne Mangiafico, Pat Meagher, Myla Minner, Pauline Molchany, Larry Oravetz, Anna Petro, Francis Petro, Jean Petrero, Maria Petro-Sanders, Mia Bella Rastall, Stacy Roberts, Sean Rovon, Stephen Sanders, Jennifer Schellhammer, Rose Sigg, Allegra Slick, Father John Slovickovski, Shirley Slovickovski, Ken Turner, Megan Varnecky, Carrie Young

Please join us in remembering members of our parish family who celebrate their birthdays the week of June 8th to June 14th:



Gaile Krumenacker

For the Good of the Vineyard and Our Particular Part

We always pray the rosary Saturday evening at approximately 3:30 PM prior to Mass as well as every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. On Wednesdays, Mass is celebrated at 5:30 PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:30 PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament also occurs on Friday following the 12:05 PM Mass until 1:30 PM. We also pray the litany of St. Joseph since Wednesday is dedicated to him as the patron of the Universal Church. Remember the parish intention for the rosary is for Fr. John's health, however, personal intentions for the Rosary and adoration are your own. A VISITATION WITH OUR LORD PRESENT IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS NEARLY A PERFECT FORM OF PRAYER AND CAN HELP YOU TO BELIEVE THAT WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!!!

Annual Fish Fry - Our annual Fish Fry is now a happy memory and was once again a tremendous success due to the generosity of time, talent and treasure of our parishioners. We are grateful beyond words for the dedicated group of people who worked tirelessly for many hours each week at the Fish Frys. It was truly a team effort and Visitation Parish is greatly blessed to have so many dedicated parishioners who stepped up to the plate for the continued financial stability of our parish. Also, we are most grateful to those persons who means allowed them to provide monetary support through either the second collection or through private donations or both. Thank you also to the parishioners who supported this fundraiser by purchasing fish dinners. May God bless all of you for your goodness to our parish.

Fish Fry Summary – 2026

Income:

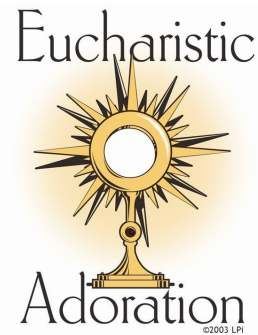
Weekly Fish Frys -	\$17,126.10
Second Collection -	\$650.00
Gob Sale -	\$705.00
Rebate - High Liner Foods -	\$395.00
Total:	\$18,876.10

Expenses:

Sunseri's -	\$9156.84
BiLo -	\$661.50
Tribune Democrat -	\$955.25
Total:	\$10,783.59

Final Profit - \$8,102.51

Fatima Devotions - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Saturday June 13th at 6:30pm in the Gardens at Mount Assisi (in case of inclement weather it will be at Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University). We encourage you to Bring a Friend!



From Pontiff to Pew:

During this past Sunday's Angelus, Pope Leo XIV offered the following reflection in its entirety:

Dear brothers and sisters, happy Sunday!

The Easter season concluded last week with the **Solemnity of Pentecost**. Today, we celebrate the Mystery of the Triune God, which offers us the opportunity to reflect on the journey we have made. We begin with God's life which was given to us in Christ Jesus. This life is a dynamic, inexhaustible and faith communion that draw us in. Indeed, the Spirit who unites the Father and the Son has been poured into our hearts. In this way, the Church becomes a sacrament of communion, a place of encounter, love and life where heaven and earth already touch.

Today's Gospel (Jn 3:16-18) introduces us to Nicodemus, an important person in Israel who felt a profound attraction to Jesus. Indeed, eager to better understand this mysterious Teacher and to ask him questions, Nicodemus went to find him at night, so as not to be seen. The Lord welcomed him and took his search for answers seriously. Jesus surprised Nicodemus by suggesting that it was even possible for an adult to be reborn and led him to realize that the life of God could transform his own life. When Jesus spoke about the Holy Spirit, Nicodemus' interior darkness was illuminated with the truth -- the same truth that resounds throughout the Church in our celebration of today's feast: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life" (vs. 16). And again: "God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him" (vs. 17).

Dear brothers and sisters, in the Mystery of God -- Father, Son and Holy Spirit -- we are at home, just as Nicodemus felt at ease when he was in Jesus' presence. The life of God is marvelous and captivating; it gives peace to our heart, which is often very restless, and it allows us to encounter our brothers and sisters in the joy of the Spirit. The Trinity helps us to love everyone and everything: we discover that every creature is made for communion, relationship and encounter. On the other hand, we understand why division, polarization and contempt for diversity bring destruction, sadness and barrenness to the world.

Nicodemus was a member of the Sanhedrin, the council of the high priests of Israel. When he heard contemptuous words directed at Jesus in the Sanhedrin, Nicodemus urged everyone to listen first before condemning him. He had received the Spirit of communion from God through Christ himself, which opens the heart to new truths and to true renewal. Whoever does not welcome this Spirit grows old quickly, in sorrow, feeling all alone and without joy in their hearts. Instead, today, dear brothers and sisters, is a day of celebration. God's feast is also ours. For this reason, Saint Paul wrote to the Corinthians, saying: Rejoice, strive for perfection, encourage one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you (cf. 2 Cor 13:11).

And now, with the prayer of the Angelus, we turn to the Virgin Mary: like her "yes" to the Divine will, may our "yes" to the love of the Most Holy Trinity also bear fruit.

In his weekly **Wednesday Audience**, Pope Leo began his exploration of the Documents of the Second Vatican Council. III. Constitution Sacrosanctum Concilium. 3. Rite, sign and symbol. Here it is in its entirety:

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we continue our catechesis on the Conciliar Constitution Sacrosanctum Concilium (SC), we wish to pause and reflect on some of the fundamental elements of the sacred liturgy, such as the rite, the sign and the symbol.

The Second Vatican Council, building on the valuable work of the Liturgical Movement, has helped us to rediscover a truth that was very much alive in the consciousness of the early Church and in the teaching of the Fathers. The rites of the Christian liturgy are not a mere external covering of the sacramental mystery, a collection of arbitrary ceremonies, but are the ecclesial mediation through which the divine gift reaches us. Precisely for this reason, the Council invites us to understand the Mysterium fidei which is realized in the liturgy through rites and prayers (cf. SC, 48).

The rite gives shape to liturgical action and, through it, to our lives, generating a spiritual sensibility in us that makes us capable of savouring the presence of God through Jesus Christ. Naturally, this happens if we do not remain strangers or silent spectators (cf. ibid.) with regard to the liturgy, but rather participate in it fully -- body, mind and heart -- in obedience to the Lord's command. Through the sacred rite we are thus formed in listening to the Word of God, in giving thanks and in adoration, in fraternal sharing and in ecclesial communion. We discover that we are an assembly with many faces, united by the same faith.

The rite involves us in a well-defined sequence of gestures and prayers, which can sometimes be at odds with our individual tendency towards spontaneity. Its logic, however, is not to constrain freedom within rigid frameworks. On the contrary, with the solemn simplicity of its rhythms, the rite interrupts our frenetic activities, leading us back to what is essential. We thus discover another dimension of action that is not guided by calculations of productivity, and another experience of time and space. In the rite, we experience a logic of gratuitousness, we find a pause that regenerates the heart, we recognize that we are preceded by divine grace and we learn to live in a rhythm inhabited by the Holy Spirit.

The grammar of the rite is interwoven with the signs and symbols proper to the liturgy. In it, as the Council states, "the sanctification of the man is signified by signs perceptible to the senses, and is effected in a way which corresponds with each of these signs" (SC, 7). The Catechism of the Catholic Church explores the value of these signs, recalling that "their meaning is rooted in the work of creation and in human culture, specified by the events of the Old Covenant and fully revealed in the person and work of Christ" (no. 1145). The sign of water is emblematic: from the origins of Creation to the Flood, from the crossing of the Red Sea to the Jordan, right up to the water flowing from Christ's side, which becomes a sacramental sign of immersion in his death and resurrection.

"Sign" and "symbol" are terms that are often used as synonyms. In reality, a sign is symbolic when it is able to refer not only to an idea, but to an entire system of meanings and values.

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