

### June 19, 2022

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (C) Gn 14:18–20 1 Cor 11:23–26 / Lk 9:11b–17



## Eat and Drink

Pread and wine, the basics for most Mediterranean diets, are featured in the readings for this feast. They were the gifts that were offered to God Most High by the priest-king Melchizedek, as stated in Genesis. Since these gifts represent the staples of life, such a sacrifice was offered because it symbolized the offering of life itself. Who was this mysterious man who blessed Abram when Abram usually blessed others? We have no answer.

This theme of bread and wine shifts a bit in the Gospel passage. There the meal consisted of bread and fish, traditional fare of fisher folk. Hence, this meal also symbolized life. We stand open-mouthed when we realize the multitude of people who were fed on such a sparse amount of food. How could this happen? Mystery abounds!

In the first reading the essence of life is offered to

God. In the Gospel the essence of life is offered to the people. It is in Paul's letter that we find the high point of the readings and of the feast itself. There Paul proclaims what was probably one of the earliest eucharistic formulas of the early Church. It ends with an admonition from Christ himself: "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:24). Here the bread and wine that was first offered to God, and then offered to the people, is the very Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This remembrance of his death is really a celebration of life. The mystery here is incomprehensible.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- \* In what ways is your life dependent on food from God?
- \* Spend a few minutes reflecting on the mystery of the Eucharist.



### St. Joseph's Church

was consecrated on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 1928. It is the oldest standing Roman Catholic Church on the island.

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Mass Schedule Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Anthony's – Saturday at 5:00 p.m., or by appointment

St. Joseph's - Sunday morning 8:30 a.m. "

St. Anthony's Mass times: Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. Sunday morning at 11:15 a.m.

**BAPTISMS** by appointment – one month in advance **WEDDINGS** by appointment – one year in advance (approx.)

Pastoral & Finance Council Meeting – TBA Coffee Social after Mass – 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 (Team 3)

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON IN BERMUDA

Most Rev. Bishop, Wiesław (Wes) Śpiewak www.romancahtolicbermuda.bm

### **Parish Team Leaders**

**Mrs. Elizabeth Card** – Pastoral Council Chairperson

Mrs. Annette Barclay St. Vincent de Paul Society Representative

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Parish Catechetical Leader

Mrs. Mary Harvey - Parish Administrator & Finance Committee Team Leader Mr. Tony Bari Music Ministry

St. Vincent DePaul Society (contact - Annette)



**Entrance:** Draw Near and Take the Body of

The Lord #454

Offertory: Jesus the Very Thought of You #455 Communion: In the Breaking of the Bread #779 Recessional: Christ Be Our Light #824

Leader of Song: Aiden Stones





Proclaimer of God's Word Opening/Closing of Church Collection Counters Music Jane Bermingham Elizabeth Card Annette Barclay Tony Bari

Mass Intentions:

Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> June <sup>†</sup>David Tavares

	Attendance	Collection
Saturday – 11 <sup>th</sup> June Regular Maintenance	9	\$45.00 97.00
Sunday – 12 <sup>th</sup> June Regular Maintenance	20	\$117.00 <u>47.00</u> <b>\$306.00</b>

Thank you for your kindness and generosity, it is greatly appreciated. Banking information: St. Joseph's Parish - Account Number: 20006060757062100 – Bank of NT Butterfield.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Jose Tuazon	19 <sup>™</sup> June
Marisa Stones	21 <sup>st</sup> June
Patrick Harris	24th June

May God, our loving heavenly Father, grant you many more special days.

<u>Prayers</u>: Please keep our sick and shut-ins in your prayers, especially Manuel Arruda, Mary Maybury and Ilene Bremar.

**FHC Class**: Isabel Faries, Mason Leavy, Matteo Maybury, and Seamus Stones, celebrated their First Penance on Saturday morning. Please keep these youngsters and their families in your prayers. They will receive their First Holy Communion next Sunday.

### Peter's Pence Collection.

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Special envelopes have been provided for your use. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

### **PASTOR's NOTE:**

Dear friends.

We are celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi and the Gospel relates the multiplication of the bread as a prefiguration of the Holy Eucharist. In the Bible meals are always an act of welcoming and acceptance. To offer a meal to a visitor means to let him feel accepted in the house. The Special meal

that the lord has prepared for us in the Eucharist is in fact also called communion, which means to be part of the family of God, to be accepted as welcome guests of his. The fact that this meal is in fact the very being of Jesus Christ, Body, blood, Soul and Divinity, in fact makes this acceptance deeper to the point of becoming intimacy, oneness, full union. We are not called just to have a relationship with God, but to become one with Him in Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

Today is also Father's Day. I refer to the bishop's column for this, however I wish to extend my best greetings and wishes to all fathers. Have a blessed day!!! Also, I wish a beautiful holiday on Monday. Enjoy the Bermudaful day!!!!!

Finally, I am travelling this week for the Holy Land. It is a blessed grace for me to be there and I will carry you with me over there. During the trip I will also investigate the possibility to organize a pilgrimage of Bermudians over there within the next year of two. I would be delighted to have you with me in this unique part of the world!

God bless you all. Fr. Attilio

### THE BISHOP'S CORNER

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Father's Day is a holiday honouring fatherhood and paternal bonds, as well as the influence of <u>fathers</u> in society. In Catholic countries in Europe, it has been celebrated on the 19th of March as <u>Saint Joseph's</u> Day since the Middle Ages.

In the United States, Father's Day was founded by Sonora Smart Dodd, and celebrated on the third Sunday of June for the first time in 1910.

Though a Father's Day service was held in 1908 in West Virginia to honor the fathers killed in the Monongah Mine Disaster, it is Sonora Smart Dodd who is credited as the founder of the official American national holiday. Smart held her father in great esteem. While hearing a church sermon about the newly recognized Mother's Day at Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Sonora felt strongly that fatherhood needed recognition as well. She approached the Spokane Ministerial Alliance and

suggested her own father's birthday, of 5th of June as the day of honour for fathers. The Alliance chose the third Sunday in June instead.

The first Father's Day was celebrated on 19th of June 1910, in Spokane, Washington. Although observance of the holiday faded in the 1920s, over time, the idea of Father's Day became popular and embraced across the nation. In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day.

The day is held on various dates across the world, and different regions maintain their own traditions of honouring fatherhood. This holiday complements similar celebrations honoring family members, such as Mother's Day, Siblings Day, and Grandparents' Day.

Happy Father's Day! And a blessed week to all! Bishop Wes

### June 19, 2022 - Feast of Corpus Christi

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." Luke 9:17

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

### Father's Day Prayer

God our Father,
in your wisdom and love you made all things.
Bless these men,
that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honour them always
with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Happy Father's Day to all our Fathers

# Dear Padre,

## Don't we discriminate against other Christians when we don't celebrate the Eucharist with them?

**You must keep the Church's intentions in mind:** Are we excluding to make people feel left out, or are we excluding to uphold the dignity and sanctity of the Eucharist?

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Eucharist—there's only one part they can't participate in. That might sound like a cop-out, but Catholics believe that the Eucharist is the actual Body and Blood of Christ. For it to be true communion, everyone who receives it must believe the same thing about it.

In its "Guidelines for the Reception of Communion," the US Conference of Catholic Bishops says, "Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of...the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to



Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission" as outlined in "canon law....All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another."

> Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

### Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and learn more about Dear Padre.



## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

This is the path of ecumenism. Not only the path of doctrine, that comes last....But let us start to walk together. With good will, we can do this. We must do this. Nowadays ecumenism means moving forward together, praying for one another. Let the theologians continue to talk to each other, to study together.

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### Monday

JUNE 20 Weekday

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18

Mt 7:1-5

### **Tuesday**

JUNE 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

2 Kgs 19:9b-11,

14-21, 31-35a, 36

Mt 7:6, 12-14

### Wednesday

JUNE 22

Weekday

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3

Mt 7:15-20

### **Thursday**

**JUNE 23** 

The Nativity of

St. John the Baptist Is 49:1-6

Acts 13:22-26

Lk 1:57-66, 80

### Friday

JUNE 24

The Most Sacred Heart

of Jesus

Ez 34:11-16

Rom 5:5b-11

Lk 15:3-7

### Saturday

JUNE 25

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19

Lk 2:41-51

## Sunday

JUNE 26 Thirteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21

Gal 5:1, 13-18

Lk 9:51-62

