



St. Mary's Catholic Church

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
June 6, 2021



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MASS INTENTION FOR THIS WEEK			
Sun	June 6	8:00 am	Living & Deceased members of our parish.
Tues	June 8	7:30 am	Prayers for Mary Steffens
Wed	June 9	7:30 am	John Caruso
Thur	June 10	7:30 am	Stacy Mischker
Fri	June 11	7:30 am	Remembrance of Leonard Maufort
Sat	June 12	4:00 pm	Kay Arndt
Sun	June 13	8:00 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Parish Receipts for May 30, 2021	
Parish Support	\$1488.00
Offertory	\$149.00
Total Support	\$1,637.00
Weekly Amount needed	\$2,015.00
Weekly Balance	-\$378.00

Thank you!

**Parish & Finance Council Meeting this
Tuesday, 8 June at 6:30 P.M. in the
Parish Hall**

**Confessions available on
Saturday at 3:00 PM or by
appointment.**

Anyone who would like to purchase a Mass intention on the weekend or on a weekday please contact the parish office. The Mass Stipend is \$10. Masses available for the month of June 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30. Thank-you

End of the Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year 2020/2021 will end on 30 June. Any contributions or donations that anyone would like to have credited toward this fiscal year should please be in by that date. Thank you for your help and generosity. It makes a difference.



Parish Nominations and Elections

Thank you to everyone who has turned in a nomination sheet for the various positions within our parish. **The election for Secretary Trustee will take place the weekend of 26/27 June.** Short biographies on the candidates for Secretary Trustee will be available in the bulletin the weekends of 12/13 and 12/20 June. We will also select new members for the Parish Pastoral Council the weekend of 26/27 June.

**There will be no morning
Masses on June 15th—17th.**

**Father will be at a
Priest Retreat.**



Religious Education News

We hope to have more in-person classes this coming school year, **but in order to do that we need more people who want to share their Catholic Faith as volunteer catechists.**

If you would like to help out with this very important ministry please contact Randy Van Handel in the Parish Office at 920-984-3319. Thank you and God bless all of you who helped with our Religious Education Program this year and to those of you who can help us in the upcoming year.



Missionary Cooperative Appeal—26/27 June

Every year each parish in the diocese is asked to host a visiting missionary on one weekend to allow them to explain the work their organization does and to take up a collection to financially support their efforts. This is to show that we are all involved in the work of the Church throughout the world.



This year both St. Mary's and St. Lawrence will be visited by someone from the Community of St. Paul. This visit will occur the weekend of 26/27 June. More information will be provided.

Donations for a New Computer

We are looking for donations to help with the purchase of a new computer and software for our Religious Education Program. This computer is very much needed to create curriculums and lesson plans for our different grade levels, create and maintain a database on our students, receive important religious education information from the diocese, and to more easily and effectively communicate with our students and their families via email. It might also be possible to create a separate website for our Religious Education Program. The cost of the computer and software is around \$1,300.00. We have already received a donation of \$200. If anyone would like to make a donation please contact or drop it off in the parish office. Thank you for your assistance in helping with the Catholic formation of the youth of our parish.

St John's United Church of Christ Rummage Sale

Corner of Burdick and Clark Streets
Black Creek, Wisconsin
Thursday—Friday—Saturday
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
June 17, 18, & 19
June 24, 25, & 26

Come and shop rooms and rooms of items all inside. Enter through the WEST side of the church. Our facility is accessible for all.



Fund Raiser Meeting

We need your help! Our parish is opening up and it is time to get back in the groove of social gatherings and fund raising. We are looking for your help. Some things we have done in the past were: Packer Parties, Beer and Wine tasting, Spaghetti Suppers, Sunday Brunches, Soup Sales, Hog Roast, Raffles to name a few. What would you like to see? How do we make it "FUN" in "FUNd raising?" These events take volunteers! We are planning a meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 6:30 pm. We plan for a 1-hour meeting. Let's dream big! Any questions, see Randy Van Handel after church or call him at 920-642-4480.



Thoughts on Corpus Christi

The following is an excerpt from an article titled: *“Reflections for the Feast of Corpus Christi,”* written by Fr. Antony Kadavil, dated 20 June 2019, and found on the *Vatican News* website:

Introduction: The feast and its objectives: Today, we celebrate the solemn feast of Corpus Christi. It is three feasts in one: the feast of the Eucharistic sacrifice, the feast of the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the feast of the Real Presence of Jesus in this Sacrament. Corpus Christi is a doctrinal feast established for three purposes: 1) to give God collective thanks for Christ’s abiding presence with us in the Eucharist and to honor Him there; 2) to instruct the people in the Mystery, Faith and devotion surrounding the Eucharist, and 3) to teach us to appreciate and make use of the great gift of the Holy Eucharist, both as a Sacrament and as a sacrifice...

The Sacrament and the sacrifice: Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist during the Last Supper as a Sacramental banquet and a sacrificial offering. As a Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist is an outward sign in and through which we meet Jesus who shares his life of grace with us...The Eucharistic Meal is a great mystery because during the Eucharistic celebration the substance of bread and wine are converted into the substance of the risen Jesus’ Body and Blood, while their appearances (or ‘accidents’) remain. We believe in this miraculous change of bread and wine (called Transubstantiation), because Jesus unequivocally taught it and authorized his apostles to repeat it. As a Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist imparts to us Jesus’ abiding presence in our souls.

The Eucharistic celebration is also a sacrifice because it is the re-presentation or re-living in an unbloody manner of Christ’s Death on Good Friday and of his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. By means of signs, symbols and prayers, we share in Christ’s passion, death and Resurrection, made really present for us in an unbloody manner...This re-presenting, this re-living of the One Sacrifice of Christ, which is the heart and point of every Mass, assures us of Jesus’ love for us and of his forgiveness of our sins. Through this sacrifice, the risen Jesus becomes present on the altar, offering himself to the Father through the ministry of the priest.

Life Messages: 1) We need to receive this message of unity and sacrificial love: The Eucharist, (the Body and Blood of Christ), teaches us the importance of community, the bond that results from this sacrifice...Just as numerous grains of wheat are pounded together to make the host, and many grapes are crushed together to make the wine, so we become unified in this sacrifice. Our Lord chose these elements in order to show us that we ought to seek union with one another, to allow the Holy Spirit to transform us into Our Lord Jesus Christ and to work with Him in the process. Christ is the Head and we are the Body, the members. Together we are one.

2) We need to prepare properly to receive Holy Communion: We have tarnished God’s image within us through acts of impurity, injustice, disobedience and the like. Hence, there is always need for repentance, and a need for the Sacramental confession of grave sins, before we receive Holy Communion...Hence, let us receive Holy Communion with fervent love and respect -- not merely as a matter of routine. St. Paul is speaking also of the Mystical Body of Christ, i.e., the people of God gathered at the altar. Such a union, plainly, means that our outward piety towards the consecrated Bread and Wine cannot coexist with rudeness, unkindness, slander, cruelty, gossiping or any other breach of charity toward our brothers and sisters.

3) We need to become Christ-bearers and -conveyers: By receiving Holy Communion we become Christ-bearers as Mary was, with the duty of conveying Christ to others at home and in the workplace, as love, mercy, forgiveness and humble and sacrificial service.



Secretary Trustee Nomination

We are accepting the nominations of people who would like to serve as the Parish Secretary Trustee. A trustee is an active, responsible parish member, i.e. disciple, who is called to serve the parish as an advisor and counselor. The trustee is a member of the parish Board of Directors and serves as an advisor to the Pastor/Administrator and acts as a representative of the parish. They must be parish members, practicing Catholics and at least 21 years of age. Trustees sign corporate documents as well as checks and the annual financial report to the diocese. They also review the annual parish budget. The specific responsibilities of the Secretary Trustee include:

- A. Serving as a member of Parish Pastoral Council.
- B. Overseeing the corporate, non-financial record-keeping of the parish such as various documents that include proxy documents, notices and correspondence.
- C. Taking minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors and the Parish Annual Meeting.
- D. Assisting the Pastor/Administrator in developing parish policies and strategies to address the needs and mission of the parish.

Trustees are elected to two-year terms. They may serve three two-years terms for a total of six years. They are then eligible for reelection after one year of absence.

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

This month we will be accepting nominations for people who would like to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council. The Pastoral Council is a group of parishioners, i.e. disciples, who work in close collaboration with the Pastor/Administrator and staff to prayerfully discern and carry out the will of God for our parish both now and into the future. Its more specific roles and responsibilities include:

- A. Listen and Respond to the Holy Spirit to prayerfully consider what the Holy Spirit is calling the parish to be and become.
- B. Provide the means whereby lay members of the parish respond to their baptismal commitment and work closely with the Pastor/Administrator, staff, committees and parish organizations for the common good and mission of the parish.
- C. Try to understand the spiritual as well as physical concerns and needs of the people of the parish and broader community, and assist the Pastor/Administrator in the development of parish policies, strategies and a plan to address those concerns and needs.
- D. Provide an opportunity for parishioners, both at Parish Council Meetings and at the Parish Annual meeting, to voice any needs or concerns they may have about the overall operation of the parish.

Members serve for a term of three years, renewable once for a total of six consecutive years. They are then eligible for reelection after one year of absence.

Membership on the Parish Pastoral Council is an opportunity for parishioners to take part in the leadership, governance and direction of the parish. Members should be committed to the mission of the Church and have a concern for the good of the whole parish. They should also be reflective of the age, diversity and ethnicity of the parish. So please consider being a member of the Parish Pastoral Council! Your presence would be very welcome and much needed.

Parish Finance Council Nominations

This month we are also accepting the nominations of people who would like to be appointed to the Parish Finance Council. The Finance Council is a group of parishioners, i.e. disciples, who assist the Pastor/Administrator in the wise use of the material gifts entrusted by God to the parish in support of the mission of the parish and broader Church. Its more specific roles and responsibilities include:

- A. Overseeing the accounting system for the parish and the keeping of financial records which includes: the collection and recording of revenues, the recording and payment of all debts and expenditures in accord with the approved budget, and maintaining an up-to-date record of parish assets and liabilities.
- B. Overseeing the creation of an annual budget in accord with the mission, goals, priorities and plans recommended by the Parish Pastoral Council that includes parish and diocesan obligations such as Bishop's Appeal, Cathedraticum and school subsidies.
- C. Overseeing the creation of financial reports that provide an analysis of income and expenditures in comparison to budget projections, as well as a complete and understandable annual financial report to the parishioners; as well as ensuring that required reports are sent to the diocese in a timely manner.
- D. Overseeing that financial controls are in place for handling things like the offertory collections and petty cash.
- E. Overseeing and coordinating all fundraising activities in the parish.
- F. Monitoring the investment of monies in accord with diocesan norms.
- G. Overseeing the day-to-day and long-range maintenance of parish buildings and grounds, including the parish cemetery.
- H. Maintaining an accurate and detailed inventory of parish goods and resources and being reviewing the diocesan Insurance package for parish properties and liabilities.
- I. Ensuring all proxy requirements are followed when needed.

Members serve for a term of three years, renewable once for a total of six consecutive years. They are then eligible for reappointment after one year of absence. Anyone with business or financial knowledge or experience is most welcome and needed to be on the Finance Council. Please consider nominating yourself or someone you know!