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Solemnity – The Body and Blood of Christ

A Festival Thought

The Body and Blood of Christ is more than just bread and wine. It is the real presence of Christ on the altar and in our hearts. But the Body of Christ is so much more. It is each and every one of us, united as one Body together as the Church of Christ on earth.

About Today's Bible Readings

GENESIS 14:18-20

Melchizedek blesses Abram and receives tithing in return.

Responsorial Psalm:
110:1, 2, 3, 4

R. You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

At the Last Supper, Christ puts forth His own Body and Blood as expiation for our sins.

LUKE 9:11-17

The loaves and the fishes are miraculous food from Christ Himself, in the same manner as His Body and Blood feeds us still this day.

ENTRANCE RITE: Wisdom 16:20-21

V. Lord You nourished Your people with food of angels and furnished them bread from heaven, ready to hand, untoiled for, endowed with all delights and conforming to every taste.

R. For this substance of Yours revealed Your sweetness toward Your children, and serving the desire of him who received it, was blended to whatever flavor each one wished.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED SHEET FOR THE SEQUENCE

ALLELUIA: John 6:56

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me and I in him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL: Luke 9:11-17

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Worship Services

**TODAY – June 22nd
Solemnity – The Body
and Blood of Christ
“Corpus Christi”**

**9:00 AM – HOLY MASS
ONE MASS ONLY!**

Exposition of the Most Blessed
Sacrament and Festival
Procession to the four Altars
with readings.

Intentions for the repose of
the soul of Sandy Pfennig
offered by the choir.

**SUNDAY – June 29th
Solemnity
The Word of God**

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS
9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

SUNDAY – July 6th

14th Sunday Ordinary Time

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS
9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

SUNDAY – July 13th

24th Sunday Ordinary Time

Ordinary twenty four is used to
not repeat the parable of the
Good Samaritan used on the
Solemnity of Brotherly Love.

**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS
9:30 AM – HOLY MASS**

PICNIC FLYERS

Flyers are available on the table in
the Vestibule for the Picnic in
August. Please take a couple and
post them where you can, your
super market, hairdressers, barber,
where ever there is a bulletin board
with permission. And talk about it,
tell your friends. Thank you.

INTENTIONS:

Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, our families and friends, especially Debra Caldwell, Sharon Fitzwater, Isabella Mularczyk, Edward Czechowski, Patrice Czechowski, Donna Schalata, Tom Schalata, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Geri Piotrowski, Janet Katinowsky, Julia Urban, Janice Elaine Casperson, Barbara Waszk, Jackie Weinhold, Jane and John Aldershoff, Father Senior Ed Ratajack, Eileen McCoury, Janet Kelly, Laura Alfano, Scott Gaydos, Donald Barth, Kenneth Cerminara, John Freeman, Sr., Eleanor Kaczmarczyk, Mary Ann Bezek, Michael Lucas, Damon Grossman, Gwen Grossman, Lukas Grossman, Aaron Grossman, Tom Beck, Jeannine Dresh, Violet Hart, Nancy Ziolkowski, David and Judy Wunderlich, Tammy Bolich, Berne Bloom, Marilyn Seiders, Peggy Smith and family, Todd Shaffer, Father Carmen Bolock, Frederick Smith, Judy Mawson, Amber Irving, Paul Edling, Cheryl Weinhold, Dwayne Schwarz, Joe Bezek, Bud Hoffman, John Halecky III, Leina Jean Meier, Brenda Hoffa, Teri Hettinger, Dan Chujko, John DeHart, Bob Price, Joseph Dowd, Judi Mawson, David Faust, Randy Simcox and Iris Diaz. For the repose of the soul of Sandy Pfennig. **Our Father....**

If there are any changes to this list, please let Fr. Sr. Donald know!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, June 22nd; Regular Monthly Meeting of the Parish Committee in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM.

If there are any other events not listed here, please let Fr. Sr. Donald know!

PIEROGI MAKING

The Picnic Committee has established tentative dates for pierogi-making. They continue as follows: July 11-12 (Sauerkraut). Sign Up Sheet for Pierogi Making is on the table in the vestibule. Please take a moment and see if you are available to help. Thank you and God bless. And thanks to all who have helped.

THE KNIGHTS CLOSET

The Reading School District has informed us that the Knights Closet Project which provides items of basic necessity to students in need will continue. The parish has generously participated in this worthwhile cause in past years and I hope that we will find it in our hearts to continue to do so. Please leave your contributions on the table in the Fellowship Hall by the door and we will get them to those in need. A list of needed items can be found in the literature rack in the vestibule above the weekly bulletins. Please take one as you leave. Thank you and God bless.



SEQUENCE – Corpus Christi

Laud, O Zion, your salvation,
Laud with hymns of exultation,
Christ, your king and shepherd true:

*Bring Him all the praise you know,
He is more than you bestow,
Never can you reach His due.*

Special theme for glad thanksgiving
Is the quick'ning and the living
Bread today before you set:

*From His hands of old partaken,
As we know, by faith unshaken,
Where the Twelve at supper met.*

Full and clear ring out your chanting,
Joy near sweetest grace be wanting,
From your heart let praises burst:

*For today the feast is holden,
When the institution olden
Of that Supper was rehearsed.*

Here the new law's new oblation,
By the king's revelation,
Ends the form of ancient rite:

*Now the new the old effaces,
Truth away the shadow chases,
Light dispels the gloom of night.*

What He did at Supper seated,
Christ ordained to be repeated,
His Memorial ne'er to cease:

*And His rule for guidance taking,
Bread and wine we hallow, making
Thus our Sacrifice of Peace.*

This the truth each Christian learns,
Bread into His Flesh He turns,
To His precious blood the wine:

*Sight has failed, nor thought conceives,
But a dauntless faith believes,
Resting on a power divine.*

Here beneath these signs are hidden
Priceless things to sense forbidden;
Signs, not things, are all we see:

*Blood is poured and Flesh is broken
Yet in either wondrous token
Christ entire we know to be.*

Whoso of this food partakes,
Does not rend the Lord nor breaks;
Christ is whole to all that taste:

*Thousands are, as one, receivers,
One, as thousands of believers,
Eats of Him Who cannot waste.*

Bad and good the feast are sharing,
Of what divers dooms preparing,
Endless death, or endless life.

*Life to these, to those damnation,
See how like participation
Is with unlike issues rife.*

When the Sacrament is broken,
Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken,
That each severed outward token
doth the very whole contain.

*Naught the Precious Gift divides,
Breaking but the sign betides
Jesus still the same abides,
still unbroken does remain.*

Lo! the angel's food is given
To the pilgrim who has striven;
See the children's bread from heaven,
which on dogs may not be spent.

*Truth the ancient types fulfilling,
Isaac bound, a victim willing,
Paschal Lamb, its life blood spilling,
manna to the fathers sent.*

Very bread, Good Shepherd, tend us,
Jesu, of Your love befriend us,
You refresh us, You defend us,
Your eternal goodness send us
in the land of life to see.

*You Who all things can and know,
Who on earth such food bestows,
Grant us with Your saints, though lowest,
Where the Heavenly Feast You show,
Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen, Alleluia.*