

Saint John XXIII Parish

The Solemnity
Of The
Most Holy
Body & Blood
Of Christ



June 6, 2021

Corpus Christi Sunday



Mass Intentions

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

Thursday

IJ 8:30 AM

Friday

SJE 8:30 AM

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

June 5 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Mariam Joseph Mattathilani

by Dan & Ginny Dumont

Stella Marcoux by Jennette Chevalier

June 6 Corpus Christi Sunday

Deceased loved ones of Kevin Natwick

Christopher Hilston by Rita Clark

June 8

Intentions of the parishioners

June 9

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June 10

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June 11

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June 12 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Marcel Dubord by his family

Emma Nicol by her friends

June 13 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Joe Desmond by Patricia Peters

Christopher Hilston

by Dan & Ginny Dumont

IJ = Infant Jesus Church SJE = St. John the Evangelist Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 PM
at St. John the Evangelist Church.

UNEMPLOYMENT ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP

For those who may be struggling with job loss – or looking for the next opportunity – Catholic Charities NH is offering a free online support group to help you effectively navigate the complex job search process. “Unemployed: What Now? How do I Find A Job?” is a five-part series where you will learn and share best practices around targeting prospective employers, resume writing and interviewing, as well as how to best apply your unique skills to your own search. The program will be held via Zoom for five consecutive Thursdays (at 10 a.m.) starting June 24. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/unemployment or call 603-752-1325.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ is the most precious gift God has given to each one of us. Invite God into your marriage on the next English Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on Mondays and Thursdays, July 8-29. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. To apply or more information: <https://wwmema.org>

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ May 29 & 30 2021

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| Adult Envelopes (41) | \$1,757.00 |
| WeShare (Online Giving) (50) | \$842.00 |
| Loose Cash | \$388.00 |
| Offertory Total: | \$2,987.00 |

May our loving God bless you
for your continued generosity!



June 7- June 13

Monday: Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 2:41-51 or, for the

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart: Is 61:9-11; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk

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REFLECTIONS FOR CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

This weekend's Readings tell us it is suddenly Holy Thursday again, the night that changed the world. They take us back to the Last Supper just where we left it, without much time to celebrate the miraculous change brought to the bread and wine that had passed around that famous table. Yes we acknowledge the events of this first night of the Triduum, which also featured the washing of feet. But we were collectively conscious of Christ's imminent death coming in a matter of hours the next day. It hardly seemed right to be celebrating anything.

But now, on this side of the Resurrection, it is truly right and just that we give full recognition, honor, and thanksgiving for what Jesus has given us. It is the Church's true and greatest treasure: the Body and Blood of Christ, "Corpus Christi" in the traditional Latin name of today's feast. It is not our real estate, nor the tangible valuables in painted art or sculpture. Not even the Gospels themselves have the first rank. For this sacrament is Christ Himself: Body, blood, soul and divinity.

Simply put, it all began when the real Jesus took real bread and wine and identified Himself with them. With centuries of Church history behind us, concomitant with the development of her doctrine and devotion, more could be said and has been. Saints male and female, together with popes and theologians have had their say, and we can all benefit from them. But the fact remains that we start with the remarkably simple ritual gesture done by a Man who was facing death.

It happened on a night two thousand plus years ago in the upper room of a borrowed house in the city of Jerusalem amid that city's most hectic time of year, the annual Passover. It happened in a world lit only by fire. But the greater fire of mutual love between mankind and God has stayed lit, despite the tempests of war and human folly ever since.

In his new book, *Things Worth Dying For*, Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap., retired archbishop of Philadelphia, posed questions about the Church to a broad selection of his many friends. To the question "What gives you the most joy about the Church?" A convert, husband, and father answered this way: "The Eucharist, without question... The Church gives me a home with spiritual peers I never had before and is more of a family than I ever experienced. Most of all, the Church gives us the sacraments, and they've allowed me to encounter Jesus with greater intimacy than I ever knew." Converts get us to snap out of any stupid stupor that the easy availability of the Eucharist can induce.

Of course, as members of the living Church, present in the world with all her strengths and weaknesses, we have to remember that other meaning of "Corpus Christi", namely that we are also the Body of Christ, with Him as our Head. Mystical yes, but exceedingly real. Immediately we should feel a certain "yoke" on our shoulders, that of living what we believe. When we truly love Christ, that yoke really is easy; that burden really is light. Our task is no more nor less than exhibiting that transparency, which on another level is a fashionable idea these days. God love you, and give you His peace.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Colubus Council #5162 will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, June 12th at St. Kathryn Church Hall, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson. The church hall is at the rear of the building, lower level. Donation hours will be 9AM to 2 PM. The Red Cross is taking special precautions during the COVID-19 crisis to ensure the safety of donors and staff. Whole Blood and Power Red donors will be accepted. You can sign up on line at www.rcblood.org/appt

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance is grateful for the support we receive from St. John XXIII Parish. Because of your generosity, we can provide up to seven days of food, toiletry items and cleaning supplies to a client. Additionally, we are able to help with other financial needs through our assistance office. We want you to know that we are here for you, as well. If you are ever in need, please call for an appointment. No financial information is required and your visit will be confidential. For food call: 882-6372. For assistance call: 598-1641.

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

"SUMMER FAN" VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance is looking for volunteers to be the Tuesday and Thursday "Summer Fan" person during June, July and August, from 2 - 3:30. The volunteer would hand out fans in the upstairs client room (no lifting) to clients that did not receive a fan last year. Even if you could help a few times, your help is greatly appreciated. Please contact Susan at 598-1641 if you can help or if you have any further questions.



FAMILY PROMISE UPDATE

We have 21 families "in house" at this point –including children ranging in age from 3 months to 15 years old. In addition to needing evening meals provided (Monday – Thursday), recent donation requests include: :

Twin blankets Toddler beds

Pillows Small trash cans

Mops and brooms General cleaning supplies

For information about our mission, or if you are interested in visiting the new home of Family Promise of Southern New Hampshire, please contact Pam Wellman, Executive Director at 603-883-7338, ext.1. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Matthew Hodgkiss, 603-883-7338, ext. 3. Please visit our website at www.familypromisesnh.org.

OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS FROM THE HOLY LAND

Maysoon Khair will be at our church this weekend, June 5&6 representing School of Joy (for special needs children) and Christian families who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved olive wood religious articles.

Due to the bad situation in the Holy Land and the interruption of the tourist trade that is happening with our Christian families in Bethlehem, they must seek alternative ways to earn a living.

After all masses there will be a display of these beautiful hand carved items; such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and many other beautiful religious statues.

Please stop by and look over the carvings that are available and help support the Children and the Christians living in the Holy Land.

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 For further information, please call the Parish Office.
 Thank you.

Child Safety Reporting

If you know of or suspect abuse or neglect of a minor (under 18 yrs.), you must report it to the NH Division for Children, Youth and Families: 1-800-894-5533 or 603-271-6566.

If you have experienced abuse by someone representing the Catholic Church, you may contact the Office for Healing and Pastoral Care of the Diocese of Manchester: 603-668-0014 or 800-475-5585 x233.

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