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Saturday: 8:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
Sunday : 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Weekday: 6:30 & 11:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday,
9:20 a.m. Friday - School Mass
Holy Day: 7:00 p.m. Vigil, 6:30 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS:

First-time parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class before the child can be baptized. Classes are held every other month on the second Thursday. Call the Parish Office to register. Baptisms take place every Sunday at 12:00 p.m. except during Lent.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA):

Persons wishing to inquire about the Catholic Faith or seeking to complete their initiation Sacraments should contact Paula Fritz at 431-1802 or pfritz@saintagnes.com.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions are heard on Saturday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on the first Friday of the month or by calling the Parish Office and making an appointment.

MARRIAGE:

Call the Parish Office at least nine months in advance. At least one of the individuals must be a registered parishioner.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK:

For those who are homebound or sick and wish to receive Communion, call the Parish Office.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Gather with fellow Brothers in Christ every Saturday morning, 7:00-8:00 a.m. in the Saint Agnes Daily Mass Chapel. Enjoy fellowship and the Word of God.

GRADE SCHOOL CCD CLASSES:

Held on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. during the school year. Contact Anita Dunn, 431-1802 or adunn@saintagnes.com for more information.

PRE-SCHOOL RELIGION:

Held on Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. Mass from September thru April. Contact Maureen Osterhaus at 859-803-0458 or mosterhaus8@gmail.com for more information.

MEETINGS:

Athletic Boosters-3rd Monday at 7:30 p.m.
in the Parish Conference Room
Board of Education-2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
in the Library/Media (School) Center
Finance Committee-1st Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
in Feb., May, Aug. & Nov. in the
Parish Conference Room
Parish Council-1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the
Parish Conference Room
Pro-Life Committee-2nd Monday at 7:30 p.m.
Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct. & Dec. in
Murphy Hall
St. Vincent de Paul Society-2nd & 4th Mondays
at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference
Room

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 7-The Most Holy Trinity

8:30 a.m. Bill Poncer
10:30 a.m. Ruth Sorrell

Monday, June 8

6:30 a.m. Dodd & Connelly Families
11:30 a.m. Geri Sullivan

Tuesday, June 9-St. Ephrem

6:30 a.m. Vince Melching
11:30 a.m. Margie Ostendorf

Wednesday, June 10

6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
11:30 a.m. Betty Gail White

Thursday, June 11-St. Barnabas

6:30 a.m. Betty Zembrodt
11:30 a.m. Paul Michels

Friday, June 12

6:30 a.m. Intention of JoAnn Glazier
11:30 a.m. Elyner Barnes

Saturday, June 13-St. Anthony

8:30 a.m. All Members of Clay Ministries
4:00 p.m. Larry Schrand

Sunday, June 14-The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:30 a.m. Intention of JoAnn Glazier
10:30 a.m. Carroll "Mac" Heidrich

passed being rediscovered -time with nature, children playing outdoors, being with family. Yes, we have realized we are missing things, too. Family and friends we cannot be with, missing students and teachers, missing celebrations, not being able to comfort, and not being able to be in God's house. Watching Mass on TV or computer gave a whole new sense. Yes, we were trying to make our living rooms prayerful, but something seemed missing. What should we have learned from this pandemic?

St. Paul gives the answer. "Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you."

Through the first 6 weeks it seemed kindness, agreement, encouraging, and living in peace was taking hold. How wonderful to see that in our world! However, suddenly, many episodes of hate have entered into life. We must recognize the devil's hand in fighting back as people turned toward God's ways. Now we must double our efforts of prayer, kindness, encouragement, comfort. Boredom cannot mean we just let things be. Our best rebellion is to turn to God. Look at what he gives us. Pray for our world. Learn the joys of Mass. Come to understand the rituals, the sameness.

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." How often do we say and make the Sign of the Cross without thought of the meaning? It is a branding symbol of our Catholic faith. It makes us stand out as much as those who bow their heads to pray in restaurants do. More than just a Christian we are marked as Catholic.

Today is the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. The key reason for the sign of the cross. Think about touching your forehead first (the Father-the main entity), then your heart (Christ brings the message of love, the center of our faith), and our two shoulders (The Holy Spirit goes out from Father and Son and yet binds all. This concept of three in one is a central doctrinal truth we accept. Being able to explain the process and purpose is just one way to share our faith.

A simple outward sign of faith; nothing difficult, but made so much more meaningful when we know why we do them. As we watch the world around us, we see people unafraid of showing their faith. Yes, people may stare at them or criticize them, or make a big deal out of it, but are we not proud enough of our belief in Christ to show it? Or are we willing to let the devil silence us into hiding the truth of God?

This Sunday make a promise to yourself to learn a fact a week about our faith. Be ready for the Holy Spirit to use you when someone is seeking answers. That is simple evangelization that we can all do. Show your Faith and Share your Faith this Trinity Sunday.

Anita Dunn, DRE



Staff Article

Show Your Faith, Share Your Faith

In the Gospel we hear, "God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through him." However, it depends on people, all of us, to believe to be saved. Do we? Many complain about the boredom of Mass. Do we realize what is happening? What do we search for?

As I started 'staying safe at home' I spent time cleaning. I am known as a keeper of the past. I found a copy of Pray! Magazine from the fall of 2000. "Out of Boredom—and into Rebellion" by David Bryant caught my attention: "Boredom has become a major societal trend," writes USA Today columnist Walter Shapiro. Newsweek laments the 'bland chic' of generic stores and products that look the same everywhere. Social researchers at Yankelovich Partners conclude that America is locked in a 'Boredom boom,' in which much of our lives seems like 'same-old, same-old.' We're bored with politicians, celebrity gossip, ads in magazines, TV programs, even vacation destinations. 'Everything is predictable,' suggests Yankelovich. Shapiro agrees, noting that caller ID means we don't even get surprise phone calls anymore! We are, warns one study, 'over-stimulated and under-satisfied. What's missing is the 'Wow' factor in life." He continued to relate this to the falling number of believers in faith. He says to rebel that things are not as God designed, desires or deserves.

So-o-o, 20 years later, here we are 12+ weeks into 'staying safe'. What have we learned? What are we learning about our world? Many talk about the forgotten joys of life long

Parish Worship

Next Sunday: June 14, 2020

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Cycle A, Ordinary Time

In our current Liturgical Calendar, the second Sunday after Pentecost is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This calendar combines what used to be two separate feasts—the Feast of *Corpus Christi* and the Feast of the Precious Blood of Christ—into a single celebration, emphasizing the unity of the Body and Blood (the Host and the Chalice) of Christ. Reception of Communion is understood to be an essential part of one's full participation in the Mass. Reception of Communion under both species (Host and Chalice), while not mandatory, is available and is considered a fuller sign of Eucharistic Communion. The act of receiving Communion is a statement of one's belief (or "union") in Christ and in His Church.

The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ and its associated *Corpus Christi* Processions and the Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday with its procession with the Blessed Sacrament compliment each other.

"On Holy Thursday, we walk with Jesus to the Mount of Olives, to keep watch with Him on the night of His betrayal. The Sacrament is carried in the ciborium, covered with the humeral veil: and Christ's glory, too is veiled as He undergoes His Passion. On *Corpus Christi*, we walk in the afterglow of Easter Time, in company with the Risen Lord. This time, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in a monstrance: the Lord's glory is not hidden, but visible to all. *Corpus Christi* is one of the most Catholic of days, an expression of our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. And yet, this celebration is also outward looking, carrying the liturgy out of the church and into the streets." (2016 Sourcebook For Sundays, Seasons, and Weekdays)

Gospel Reading (John 6:51-58): This Gospel reading is from a section of John's Gospel called the "Bread of Life Discourse." It is found in John,

chapter 6. Unlike the other Gospels, John gives a developed teaching about the Eucharist. This developed teaching is an indicator that John's Gospel was written later than the other Gospels. This particular reading reflects a technique used quite often in John's Gospel, where a group of listeners understands an image Jesus uses to teach on a very literal level, whereas those enlightened by faith would understand the truer/deeper meaning of the image. "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Jesus' listeners question how He can give them His flesh to eat. Rather than soften the image or change it, Jesus instead seems to use it even more graphically: "Amen, Amen I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink..." The Catholic Church's teaching on the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist finds great support from this Scriptural passage.

First Reading (Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16):

This reading is from a speech of Moses, given to the Israelites as they prepare to enter the Promised Land. He will not be going with them. He reminds them of what God has done for them and urges them not to forget. With the emphasis given to the Manna ("bread from heaven"), this reading's connection to today's feast is obvious. Moses speaks to his people of the necessity of learning that "not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord." Jesus is "God's Word made flesh" and so for us, the Eucharist (the Body and Blood of Christ) is "God's Word" feeding us Sacramentally.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:16-17):

In this reading Paul speaks of the unifying nature of the "cup of blessing" and the "bread that we break." Both are a "participation" in the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist nourishes the unity of the body of Christ: "Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf." The Eucharist should be a sign and a source of growth in unity among Christians.

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Corpus Christi Adoration

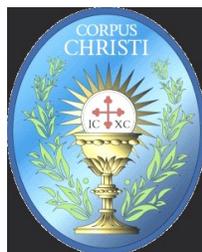
This year we will not be having our traditional *Corpus Christi*

Procession from church over to the Divine Mercy Adoration

Chapel, located in our convent building. Instead, we will be

having times of Eucharistic

Adoration in our church. The times are as follows:



- Saturday, after 4:00 p.m. Mass until 6:00 p.m. (begins after the church is sanitized)
- Sunday, 7:20 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.
- Sunday after the 8:30AM Mass until 10:20 (begins after the church is sanitized)

Please plan to participate in this form of Eucharistic devotion. It is a wonderful opportunity to introduce yourself to this practice if you are not familiar with it. If you have children, it is a wonderful opportunity to introduce them to it. Come enjoy just resting in the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord. –Father Mark Keene

Live-Streaming Project

We have received several very generous donations to help fund the live-streaming project... in fact over \$3,000. We estimate the total cost to be around \$5,500. The equipment needed has all be ordered and much of it is in. We have asked our website developer to do what needs to be done to make this accessible through our website. We also plan to make it available through our Facebook page. So hopefully soon, we will be able to provide live-streaming of our services. A special thank you to our generous donors!

–Father Mark Keene

Bulletin Cover Picture

The statue/grotto of Saint Anthony of Padua, located at the base of the bell tower. June 13 is the Feast of Saint Anthony of Padua. The grotto was established in memory of Hans Bertsch and Doris Bertsch.

Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (07/01/19 thru 06/01/20)

\$1,107,769

Budgeted Collections (07/01/19 thru 06/01/20)

\$1,167,167

Budgeted Collections for Fiscal Year (2019/2020)

\$1,259,000

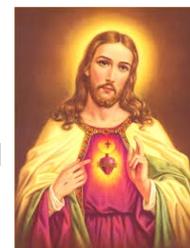
2020 DPAA

After a successful start to the 2020 Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal (DPAA) in February and March, the 2020 DPAA is once again up-and-running. A letter from Bishop Foys has been mailed to every household in the Diocese thanking those that have given to-date and asking others who are able to contribute, to make a gift by returning the pledge card in the envelope provided or you may contribute online at www.covdio.org. If your family has been blessed with good health and employment through these challenging times, please consider increasing your gift this year to assist those who are unable to make a gift at this time. More information on the 2020 DPAA can be found at www.covdio.org. Your gift will help many who have been impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak in our Diocese and is greatly appreciated.

Saint of the Week

Sacred Heart of Jesus Medieval Devotees

The month of June is devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. According to history the devotion to the Sacred Heart began out of devotion to the 5 Wounds of Christ. After the Crusades there was a revival of religious life led by Bernard of Clairvaux among others.



Saint Bernard (1090-1153) said that the piercing of Christ's side during the Crucifixion opened the charity and goodness of His heart for us. During the period between the 13th and 16th centuries the devotion was practiced by Franciscans, Dominicans and Carthusians. Saint Bonaventure, a Franciscan (1221-1274), was a devotee of the

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Saint of the Week continued

Sacred Heart of Jesus. Bonaventure wrote: "Who is there who would not love this wounded heart? Who would not love in return Him, who loves so much?" The earliest hymn to the Sacred Heart was Summi Regis Cor Aveto, by Blessed Herman Joseph (1150-1241), begins "I hail Thee kingly Heart most high."

Saint Lutgarde (1182-1246), a Belgian Benedictine, had a vision in which she exchanged hearts with Jesus. In this vision she asked for a better understanding of Latin which Jesus granted her. She immediately understood the Latin of the Breviary, but she felt deep void within her. She asked Jesus if she could exchange the gift, she received for another. Jesus asked her what she wanted and she said His heart. Jesus reached into her and removed her heart, gave her His and kept her heart within his breast.

Saint Mechtilde of Hackeborn, Germany (1241-1298), said that Jesus came to her in a vision. He told her to love Him ardently and to honor His Sacred Heart in the Eucharist. He gave her His heart as a pledge of His love. She stated that if she were to try to record all of the blessings a large book would not be sufficient.

Saint Gertrude the Great, another German saint (1256-1302), also had a vision of resting her head near Christ's wound and heard the beating of Jesus' heart. In this vision she asked Saint John if he had heard this and if he had why he never spoke of it. He stated that it was left for later revelation to reignite love for Christ in a world that had grown tepid.

There were other saints who had a devotion to the Sacred Heart through the centuries and they will be talked about later. If you want more information look up this devotion online.

Parish News

Parish Office Limited Hours

Due to the COVID19 virus the parish office hours are Monday thru Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Pray for Life

Intercede: May expectant mothers be lovingly supported by the fathers of their children in welcoming new life.

Reflect: "Fatherhood is first a spiritual reality, because fatherhood has its origins in God who chose to reveal Himself to us as Our Father, sending His only Son for the sake of our salvation. Fathers therefore have a special and unique role 'in revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God' (FC 25). Fathers have a vital, unique, and important role to play in the personal and spiritual development of their children, and in reflecting the love of God the Father Himself. Fathers are called to show the world the virtues of a tender protector, while living out the virtues of humility and courage.

In all circumstances, but especially in difficult circumstances, a father needs to be encouraged to faithfully accept the role entrusted to him by God and support the mother of his child. Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the *irreplaceable* role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!"

Read the full article by Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux, at www.bit.ly/fabre-fatherhood.

Act:

- Pray a decade of the Rosary, followed by this Prayer to St. Joseph (www.bit.ly/Joseph-Rosary-Prayer) for all expectant mothers and fathers, especially those who are in difficult circumstances. May they be guided and inspired by the example of the Mary and Joseph in welcoming new life.
- Choose one of your favorite foods, beverages, snacks, or treats to fast from for one day for this month's intention.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

One Step Further: Consider using the simple activity guide located at www.repectlife.org/fathers-day-activity to create a spiritual bouquet seeking the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, on Father's Day. Please also pray for expectant mothers.