

June 6, 2021

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (B)

Ex 24:3-8 Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Take This: Eat and Drink

We are a people who ritualize life's important events. We insist on birthday cakes; we dream about ostentatious weddings; we go over the top on Super Bowl Sunday. If certain rituals are not included in these celebrations, the profound meaning of the event seems compromised.

Today's readings speak of blood rituals. Since life is in the blood (see Leviticus 17:11), the meaning of the ritual is contained in the meaning of the blood. In the reading from Exodus, young bulls are sacrificed at the height of their virility. In this way, not only the life of the bulls, but their future of youthful strength, is offered to God who is the source of life. A visible sign of this offering—sacrificial blood—is sprinkled on the people signifying that, joined to the bulls through this blood, they too are offered to God. Furthermore, the sacrificial blood seals the covenant bond that joins the people to God.

All of these elements are new in the Letter to the Hebrews. There is a new sacrificial victim, Christ. There's a new power in the blood—the ability to obtain eternal redemption, a New Covenant that promises an eternal inheritance. The Gospel reading describes how we might participate in this ritual and benefit from its wondrous power.

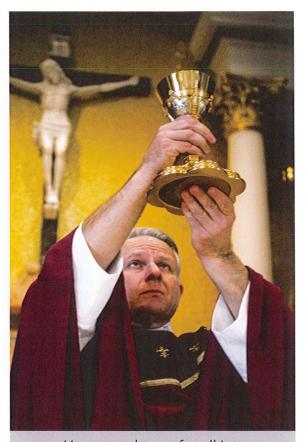
The feast we celebrate today invites us to participate in the ritual it commemorates. Its sacrificial elements are rudimentary nourishments of life, bread and wine. They become the Body and Blood of Christ. All we have to do is draw near with faith, eat, and drink.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

** The word Eucharist means "giving thanks."

How grateful are you for the privilege to participate in this wondrous event?



He entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. HEBREWS 9:12





I am the living bread come down from heaven, say the Lord; Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:

St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton NB E1C 4W9 (506) 857-0425 St. Vincent's, 63 Charlotte St, Sackville, NB E4L 2Y5 (506) 536-1460 St. Clement's, 14 Church St, Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9 (506) 538-2262

MASS TIMES – WEEK OF JUNE 7-13, 2021		
St. Bernard's	Friday @ 9:30 AM	
	Saturday@ 4:00 PM	
	Sunday @ 11 AM	
St. Vincent	Sunday @ 9 AM	
St. Clement's	Every 2 nd Saturday – call 538-2262 to confirm	

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	for Mass	

Please note you must register each week to attend Mass - call 857-0425

Deadline to register for all regular Masses: Thursdays, 12 noon

Please arrive early to allow for ushered seating.

Facemasks are mandatory.

We are currently in the Covid-19 yellow phase.
Six feet social distancing must be maintained at all times.

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM			
Priest Moderator:	Fr. Allison S. Carroll	Social Justice:	Claudia McCloskey
Assistant: (part-time)	Fr. Charles Broderick	Catechetics:	Lorella Dunnett
Liturgy	Darlene McGraw	Adult Faith:	Dr. Andrew Wilson

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Custodian	Michel Saulnier		

Access to the Parish office is restricted. Phone messages & emails are checked regularly. If you wish to make an appointment, call the parish office to arrange a time.

Parish office: 506-857-0425 Email: sbhf@rogers.com

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF WEEK OF JUNE 7-13, 2021				
Friday Jun 11 9:30 AM Late Fernand Gallant Norma Hunter			Norma Hunter	
Saturday	Jun 12	4:00 PM	Late Ronald, Nella & Terry Sonier	Doug & Angelique
Sunday	Jun 13	11:00 AM	Late Paul Cormier	St. Bernard's CWL



MAY 29 & 30, 2021, RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

Envelopes	\$ 4,233.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 41.25
Loose	\$ 83.00	ReConnect	\$ 10.00
Syrian	\$ 40.00	Capital Expenditure	\$ 1,520.00
Good Friday	\$ 20.00	Building Fund	\$ 75.00
Papal charities	\$ 10.00		



Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!

In	Sympathy
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A time to mourn... Sincere sympathies to the familes of:



May Russell	Wife of Bob, mother of (late) Dianne, Joanne & Tracey	
Nella Sonier	Wife of (late) Ronald, mother of Doug (Angelique)	
Ted Carroll Husband of Joanne		
And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.		



Ecclesiastes 3...

Under every season there is a time... A time to heal. We remember in our prayers those who are sick:

Roger Berube	Beth Tingley	Corry Evers
Jenny Purcell	Edgar Doiron	Sylvia Theriault
Jessica Fowler	Cathy Jensen	Alphé Theriault
And for all who care for them.		



Congratulations and best wishes to:

Madeleine Fortin
recipient of St. Bernard's Parish \$ 1,000 bursary.
May God's love and guidance be with you
on all future endeavors.
God Bless you!



Graduation Mass Sunday, June 20, 2021 @11:00 AM

With much hard work and dedication, high school graduation is just around the corner!

We will celebrate our students who are graduating with a graduation mass.

If your child is graduating from high school this year, please confirm their attendance by emailing me directly at lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com by June 6, 2021.

We will require prior registration for this mass in keeping with Covid protocols.

Last minute additions will not be possible.

A stride into a future full of success...Blessings, Lorella

Karing Kitchen

The Karing Kitchen offers basic, nutritional meals to all who come, five days a week, 52 weeks a year. They depend on private donations of both cash and foodstuffs to keep their doors open. They would like to thank you for your generous support in the past. Without your help there can be no Karing Kitchen. They welcome your support.



From the Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development To contact us:

Ellen - 857 - 9952 or <u>ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com;</u> Trevor - 857 - 4879 or <u>trevord.diocese@gmail.com</u>

Please note: Summer hours - The reception office for the Diocese will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 1 PM starting June 1st. Regular hours will resume September 7th.



Celebrating the Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis has declared this the year of Saint Joseph. One of the many things Saint Joseph is known for is providing for the Holy Family. With this in mind, the Adult Faith Commission is seeking to partner with organizations who are working to feed those less fortunate in our community. We recently met with Alicia Clarkson from the Peter McKee

Community Garden and she gave a wonderful presentation on the work they are currently doing and their plans for the future.

When asked what their most pressing needs are she responded with "seeds and funding". Some of the seeds they would be looking for are **Carrots** (Tenderly Imperator, Scarlet nantes), **Lettuce** (Buttercrunch, Little Gem, Romaine) and **Tomato** (Prudens Purple, San Morzano). Also, gift cards to hardware stores or garden centers are always useful.

As far as funding. They currently have 101 Garden Boxes on the go; of the 101, only 16 are currently being sponsored. You can sponsor a box for \$200 for the year. This will provide seeds, soil and maintenance, updates, a charitable tax receipt, and the good grown in your name will go to the food bank, or a family in need. Also, for the \$200 there will be a sign put up with the information of the sponsor.

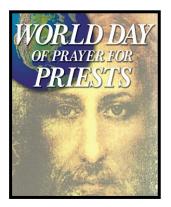
If you would like more information about this, please check out their Facebook page or email Alicia at alicia.clarkson@fooddepot.ca

<u>AFC Committee members</u>: Mike Jefferies, Susan McCarthy, Debbie Theriault, Mark Mahoney, Fr. Phil Mulligan.



St. Bernard's Parish invites applications / resumes for an office support person position. This job involves 30 hours per week from Monday - Friday. The role includes a variety of activities in the front office: as the initial contact with parishioners and the public through the phone, door and email; preparing the bulletin, and some bookkeeping work. The successful candidate will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort /

working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook) and QuickBooks, and have a criminal record check. Please call the parish office at 857-0425, or email sbhf@rogers.com to request the job description and submit an application for the position. **Deadline to apply: Friday, June 25, 2021**. Salary to be negotiated based on experience.



World Day of Prayer for Priests June 11, 2021

Catholics worldwide are urged to pray for priests today on the World Day of Prayer for Priests. The day was begun by Saint John Paul II in 2002 with the objective of having all Catholic faithful join in prayer for the sanctification of priests. The World Day of Prayer for Priests coincides with the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Prayer for our Priests

Lord, lift up your Holy Priests.

Grant them the graces they need to administer your people.

Keep them pure and strong in your love.

Give them courage when things are difficult,

Accompany them when they are lonely.

Strengthen them in times of weakness.

Support our Priests and always keep them in prayer. Amen.





Mental health in a pandemic:

It is natural to feel stress, anxiety, grief, and worry during and after a stressful situation. Everyone reacts differently, and your own feelings will change over time. Notice and accept how you feel. Self-care during a stressful situation will help your long-term healing. Taking care of your emotional health will help you think clearly and protect yourself and your loved ones.

Reactions during an infectious disease outbreak can include:

- Fear and worry about your own health status and that of your loved ones who may have been exposed to COVID-19
- Changes in sleep or eating patterns
- Difficulty sleeping or concentrating
- Worsening of chronic health problems
- Increased use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs

Coping with these feelings and getting help when you need it will help you, your family, and your community recover from a disease outbreak.

Reaching out for help: Reaching out for help is not a sign of weakness; it is a sign of strength.

- <u>Kids Help Phone</u> Text TALK to 686868 or call 1-800-668-6868 to chat with a volunteer Crisis Responder 24/7.
- CHIMO Helpline Help is just a phone call away: 1-800-667-5005
- Hope for Wellness Helpline The Hope for Wellness Helpline offers immediate mental health counselling and crisis intervention to all Indigenous people across Canada: 1-855-242-3310

People with preexisting mental health conditions should continue with their treatment plans during an emergency and monitor for any new symptoms. If you experience stress reactions in response to the COVID-19 outbreak for several days in a row and are unable to carry out normal responsibilities because of them, contact your health care provider or your local addictions and mental health centres.

For more information visit:

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/corporate/promo/covid-19/mental health.html

Dear Padre,

Should extraordinary eucharistic ministers receive Communion before or after the congregation? In my home, guests are normally served first.

undamentally, we're all guests in the house of God at the gracious invitation of Jesus Christ! When the presider and ministers of holy Communion gather in the sanctuary to consume, they affirm their belief in the Real Presence of Christ. Then, in service, they proceed to distribute the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful, asking others to affirm that same belief. In this affirmation of faith, and in rendering service to one another, the worshiping community forms a unified "body of Christ."

Therefore, according to the Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion: "The practice of extraordinary ministers of holy Communion waiting to receive holy Communion until after the distribution of holy Communion is not in accord with liturgical law" (NDRHC 39). Essentially then, these extraordinary ministers cannot give what they haven't already received.

The amount of time for ordinary and extraordinary ministers to receive holy Communion need not be prolonged unnecessarily before others can partake. Despite logistical challenges, especially for the cantor and choir, the *General Instruction of The Roman Missal* advises, "While the priest is receiving the sacrament, the Communion chant is begun, its purpose being to express the spiritual union of the communicants by means of the unity of their voices,



to show gladness of heart, and to bring out more clearly the 'communitarian' character of the procession to receive the Eucharist" (GIRM 86).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

The Eucharist satisfies our hunger for material things and kindles our desire to serve. It raises us from our comfortable and lazy lifestyle and reminds us that we are not only mouths to be fed, but also his hands, to be used to help feed others.

CORPUS CHRISTI HOMILY, JUNE 14, 2020

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 7

Weekday 2 Cor 1:1–7

Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday

JUNE 8

Weekday

2 Cor 1:18-22 Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday

JUNE 9

Weekday 2 Cor 3:4–11

Mt 5:17–19

Thursday

JUNE 10

Weekday

2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3–6 Mt 5:20–26

Friday

JUNE 11

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9

Eph 3:8–12, 14–19 Jn 19:31–37

Saturday

JUNE 12

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Cor 5:14–21

Lk 2:41-51

Sunday

JUNE 13

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 17:22-24

2 Cor 5:6–10

Mk 4:26-34

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