

**THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
**JUNE 23, 2019**



**SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019**

5:30 P.M. Eleanor Leppin  
 Vincent "Jim" Spina  
 Rose & Peter DiMiceli  
 Mary & Arthur D'Onofrio  
 Intentions of Anthony Scioscia

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2019**

7:30 A.M. Parishioners  
 Jean & Bob Richter  
 Maria Bidart  
 10:00 A.M. Roy & Shirley Parian  
 Dorothy & Frank Orofino  
 Rocco Tarulli  
 12:00 Noon Bob Smerklo  
 Elaine Arendas  
 Cenia Soto

**MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019**

8:00 A.M. Elaine & Al Levine  
 Cenia Soto

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019**

8:00 A.M. Cenia Soto

**THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2019**

8:00 A.M. Sam Bisaccio, Jr.  
 Cenia Soto

**FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019**

8:00 A.M. Mary Tracey  
 Cenia Soto

**SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019**

5:30 P.M. Sister Rita Toomey  
 Deceased Member of Renick Family  
 Cenia Soto

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019**

7:30 A.M. Parishioners  
 Emilia & Michael Gorzelany  
 10:00 A.M. Redencion Glorioso  
 Bernard Harrsch  
 Anne Bencivenga  
 Thomas Karwacki  
 12 NOON Vincent "Jim" Spina  
 Cenia Soto

**Pray daily for our servicemen and women serving their country.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Mary Carton Jacob Hicks Estella Soto Ray Nyhuis  
 Ava Rae Nebbia Matthew Polifonte William Pannone  
 Gary Ragusa Alex Haines Evelyn Means  
 George Link Michael Soojian Valentina Manuele  
 Susan Nichols-Boggio Kevin Kerrigan Ryder Sasso  
 Mike Tidaback Robert Moreno Jordan Soroko  
 Dorothea King Jerome Foray Sister Annette

Manuel Esguerra Frank Michaelson Norberto Marin  
 Robert Nebbia Christopher Berry Ann Cervino  
 Sharon Acquaire Noah Lorencovitz Jessica Skorubski  
 Florence Grim Anton Grim George Macagnone  
 Alex Coronel Alice Roslund Kathleen Kiley  
 Bernie Shushan Jean'na Wojik Post Jodie Aguilar  
**DECEASED:** Maria Petracca Rev. Arkad Biczak

**CHURCH MEMORIALS**

**Church Altar Candle** in memory of Elaine Arendas requested by William Morrison.

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

Sunday, June 16, 2019 – \$5,675.00  
 Thank you for your continued support.

**WEEKLY REFLECTION**

**Dear Friends in Christ,**

Augustinian nun Juliana of Liège had a vision in which a glistening full moon appeared to her. The moon was perfect but for some hollow dark spots which she was told represented the absence of a feast of the Eucharist. This led to the celebration of Corpus Christi which was introduced into the church calendar in 1264.

Why do we need a feast of the Eucharist? A feast like this affords us the opportunity to give God collective thanks for Christ's abiding presence with us which is made visible in the Eucharist. It is also an opportunity for us to seek a better understanding of the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ and to order our attitude to it accordingly, since the Eucharist is a sacrament of life which, if misused, could bring about the opposite effect. As St Paul wrote to the Corinthians, **"All who eat and drink in an unworthy manner, without discerning the Lord's body eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died"** (1 Corinthians 11:29-30). Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, is about Jesus giving Himself to us to eat and to be transformed. Lots of the early disciples of Jesus left Him because of this teaching. This is not easy to teach, and this is not easy to accept.

The testimony of the early followers of Jesus is found in the letters of the New Testament and we find this strong belief in the presence of the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread: not just a symbolic presence but a real presence.

The Church, both East and West, has always accepted this true and real presence of the Lord Jesus in this sacrament that we now call Mass or Eucharist. May our faith be strengthened today. How we long to have this personal encounter with the Living God! May we rejoice in the Lord and give Him praise.



## CORPUS CHRISTI

This Sunday we celebrate a second Solemnity during this period of Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Calendar. Today is the Solemnity of “The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.” The Feast owes its existence to Blessed Juliana, an Augustinian Nun, in Liege, France, who had a great veneration for the Blessed Sacrament around 1230 and longed for a special feast in its honor. Through her insistence, in 1264 Pope Urban IV commanded its observance by the Universal Church, on Thursday after Trinity Sunday; however, where it is not a day of obligation it is usually celebrated on the Sunday following Trinity Sunday.



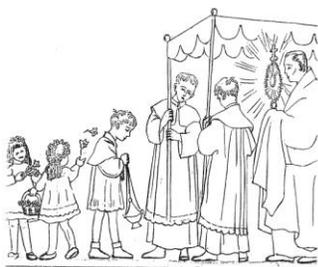
In a way, we have already celebrated this feast. We did so on Holy Thursday in Holy Week. On that occasion, the emphasis was on the institution, the gift of the Eucharist to us as one of Jesus’ last acts before his suffering and death. It was, moreover, to be an enduring memorial of that great liberating act by which God’s love would be forever kept before our minds. One reason why we may have this second feast of the Eucharist is that it takes place during the more joyful period of the Ordinary season when we can celebrate it with greater freedom from the constraints of Lent and Holy Week.

### Eucharistic Procession

The Eucharistic procession is also known as a Corpus Christi procession because of its association with the Feast of Corpus Christi.

The full name of this feast is *Corpus et Sanguis Christi*, or the Body and Blood of Christ.

The Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord and the procession with the Blessed Sacrament, celebrating the sacrament and signifying God’s presence in our world and in our lives and reminding us of our common pilgrimage to Heaven, is a prayerful and edifying act of the entire Church. Devotions are generally not mentioned in the Code of Canon Law. However, because of its importance in the life of the Church it is referred to in canon 944: “When it can be done in the judgment of the diocesan bishop, as a public witness of the veneration toward the Most Holy Eucharist, a procession is to be conducted through the public streets, especially on the solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ.”



## WHAT IS TRUTH?

Many of us who hear that question, “What is truth?” immediately think of Pontius Pilate speaking to Jesus during Holy Week. Jesus did not reply, for He knew that He *was* the truth. Jesus had already said the words, “I am the way, the truth and the life”. Pilate did not recognize the truth for himself; sometimes we don’t recognize it either. As Catholic Christians, we need to understand that the truth, as Jesus refers to it, is not the truth we make up for ourselves, but the truth as He spoke it and as the Word reveals.

In our culture many want to make truth relative. You have heard people say, “You have your truth and I have mine.” That’s not truth. If someone’s idea about something does not conform to what the facts actually are, then that is in error—no matter how convinced he or she is about being right. It is a kind of spiritual blindness; the same thing Pilate experienced when he did not see the truth, Jesus, standing right in front of him.

People often don’t realize that their perceptions are distorted. When you make a statement about something that does actually exist, then such a statement could be called a truth. Any statement that would contradict that statement would then be an untruth. When that statement is made deliberately in an attempt to deceive others, then that statement is called a lie. Pretty basic, isn’t it? Unfortunately, there is so much dishonesty in our society about the very nature of truth that many are confused. Since God is the source of all that is, and knows his creation perfectly, He is the fullness of all truth.

*Jesus says, “..when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears...” (Jn 16).*

When you answer a question, do you have the courage to answer truthfully even if you know the answer is not what people want to hear? Before you speak, do you pause and listen for a moment so that the Spirit of truth can guide you?

## JUNK IN THE TRUNK

The Ladies Guild is holding a Junk- in-the-Trunk sale on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, (Rain Date, 9/14) 9AM to 3PM. Food and a 50-50 raffle are planned. Exhibitor space is 16 x 17 (size of 2 parking spaces) and will accommodate one car and one table. Cost is \$25.00 . To reserve a space contact Diane at 973-839-1416 / [ladydi240@yahoo.com](mailto:ladydi240@yahoo.com) or Claire at 973-835-9344 for further details. Reservation forms are also at the rectory.

## Carnival News

Yes! The St. Francis Carnival is only nine weeks away! At last year's carnival, to celebrate Wanaque's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, our parish donated 80 ride bracelets (at \$30.00 per bracelet) to children in Wanaque Borough whose families could never afford to come to the carnival before. Friday night at last year's carnival was a joy to see—happy kids everywhere. So, we are going to do it again. We will celebrate Wanaque's 101<sup>st</sup> birthday. Beginning the weekend of June 8-9, donation baskets will be in the narthex and at the side church entrance. If you can, just drop a few bucks in the basket—or more if you are able. Last year, those few bucks really added up. And one more thing—PLEASE pray for good weather. Thank you.



### CARNIVAL

**JULY 29TH - AUGUST 3RD**

Please note the carnival will run from Monday through Saturday this year. We have the usual need for volunteers, so we are asking

that you seriously consider volunteering your time to help run a successful carnival. Think about giving your time as a way of giving back for all the good in your life. The volunteer sign-up forms are in the Narthex and by the side entrance to the church. Please fill one out and return it to the rectory. Your help is greatly needed.

Help is also greatly needed for setting up the carnival and taking it down. Dale Ostrander is the man in charge of this and the help he gets is minimal. There is a lot of work in preparing for a carnival of our size and it takes manpower, not just Dale power. We appreciate the few who show up to set up the tent and trailers, but there just isn't enough help. We are reaching out to all able-bodied men and high schoolers to volunteer your time to help your parish. This is your church and your help is needed. Let us work together as a family! Please call the rectory to say "yes, you're willing to help." Thank you!

**Advanced Ride Tickets** are available at the rectory. There are 15 tickets to one sheet and the cost is \$10. These tickets are only available at the rectory up until 4pm Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. These are a good deal to purchase for your little ones who cannot use the full value of a Bracelet.

**Bracelets** "Pay One Price" will be available every night Monday through Saturday this year. The cost will be \$30 (same as last year) and are only sold on the carnival grounds in a separate tent. They are not available at the rectory.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

As the summer months will soon be upon us, with all the busyness of vacations and activities, it would be wonderful to find some quiet time in our hectic schedules to visit with Our Lord!

We will be offering, once again, our overnight Adoration beginning at 7 PM on Fri., July 5th to 10:30 AM on Sat., July 6th. The sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Please include your name, email & designate your home or cell phone number so that we can contact you with the details. One or many Adorer can be present at any given time.

To assure the safety of those participating in overnight Adoration, only those who have signed up will be permitted in the Church during the overnight hours. The Church doors will be open for Adoration from 9:00AM to 10:30 AM for those who would like to stop in for an unplanned visit.

Our First Saturday Novena Mass will begin at 11:00 AM followed by the Patriotic Rosary which is being said for the needs of our country and all who dwell within it.

Many thanks to all those who participate in this ministry and a warm welcome to those who would like to join us!!

### LAKELAND NURSING HOME SCHEDULE SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

Martha Bisaccio & Margaret O'Neill

#### LECTORS

##### SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

5:30 P.M. Annick Vasquez & Lynn Magnini

##### SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

7:30 A.M. Erika Reid

10:00 A.M. Annie Rivera & Sue Kummer

12 NOON Fred Ackerly & Henry Mendoza

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

##### SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

5:30 P.M. Peg Carolan & Cesar Vasquez

##### SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

7:30 A.M. Sue Raoul & Jason Velante

10:00 A.M. Judy Moran & Chris Zak

12 NOON Debbie Ackerly & Brenda McWeeney

#### ALTAR SERVERS

##### SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

5:30 P.M. Peter Sutula & Kevin Bruenjes

##### SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

7:30 A.M. Danielle Reid & Collin O'Keefe

10:00 A.M. Kelly Frisina & Jonathan Hogue

12 NOON David Ackerly & Aaron Manalili



St. Catherine Church is attempting to recycle its school inventory. Several Catholic schools have already visited, but there are still many more items to dispose of. The school will be open to the general public Saturday and Sunday, June 29 and 30, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**THERE WILL BE NO SET PRICES - only voluntary donations.**

**Below is a partial list of the remaining inventory:**

Blood Pressure Cuffs, Bookends, Bulletin Boards, Cabinets, Cafeteria Tables with Attached Benches, Calculators, Carnival-Type Hot Dog Roaster, Chairs, Coffee Pots (Large), Copiers, Cots (For Pre-K Age), Desk Accessories, Desks – for Students & Teachers, Dictionaries, Educational Board Games, Envelopes –All Sizes, Fabric, File Cabinets, File Folders, Flags, Flashcards, Grow Lamps for Tables, Kraft Paper, Library Books for All Ages, Lockers (in good condition), Mail Bins, Maps, Math Aids, Megaphone, Metal Money Boxes, Outdoor Playground Equipment, Paper Cutter, Portable Science Lab, Pre-K Toys, Printers, Puzzles, Racks, Record Player, Religious Statutes, Rocking Chair, Shelves, Sports Equipment (from Gym Classes), Step Stool, Stereo, Stickers, Surgical Gloves, Toner for Copy Machines, Yarn, etc.

**St. Catherine School, 112 Erskine Road, Ringwood (corner of Skyline Drive**