

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

Monday, July 1st

Adoration and Confessions—5 to 8 pm

Thursday, July 4th **Happy Independence Day!**

Mass— 10 am
Office Closed

Friday, July 5th

Office Closed

Sunday, July 7th **Healing Mass—3 pm**

Legend

Church (1) Padua Hall (2)
Religious Ed. Center (3) Ewald (4)

MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 24—30

6/24	8:00 am	Tony O'Connor (D)
6/25	8:00 am	Nancy Brady (D) r/b The Family
6/26	8:00 am	Mary Pilkerton (D) r/b Brahm Family
6/27	8:00 am	Special Intention r/b Marie Heaton
6/28	8:00 am	Addison Donovan (D) r/b Hanco Family
6/29	9:00 am	James Paddy (D) r/b Mr. & Mrs. Scott Curtin
	4:30 pm	Parishioners
6/30	8:15 am	Kevin Stavely (D)
	11:15 am	Mary Semrow (D) r/b Marilyn Quinn

"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all deceased members of our parish and their families.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER?

Visit masstimes.org to find a Mass near you.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY SUMMER CAMPS

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FROM THE PASTORS DESK

The Feast of Corpus Christi

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

Today I write to you on the beautiful Feast of Corpus Christi. This feast has a long and beautiful history which dates back to the Middle Ages. God's gift of bread has a very long and sacred history dating back to Abraham (1900 BC). We see in Genesis 14:18, that a mysterious priest called Melchizedek brought out bread and wine and blessed Abraham. This is how far references to the Eucharist go back in history. The priesthood and the Eucharist are intimately bound together from the very beginning of the history of God's people.

In the second book of the Bible, Exodus, we see how God feeds his people in the desert by giving them bread to eat (Exodus 16:4). The people of Israel were sustained by the "Manna" in the desert for forty years. These are just a few Old Testament types of the foreshadowing of the beautiful gift that Jesus Christ was to give to his Church in the generation to come. And finally, one of my favorite Eucharistic references is from the book of Kings, (1 Kings 19:6), when the prophet Elijah was on the run to save his life from the evil woman Jezebel and an angel told him to get up and eat. The scripture says: "He looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water." The angel said to Elijah; "Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you." The Old Testament is filled with foreshadowing images of the Eucharist.

Jesus would have been very familiar with all these stories from his childhood. They would form a part of his religious education and He would draw upon them many times through His ministry to the people of Israel. Also, the whole concept of the Lamb of Passover, where during the meal they would eat bread of the unleavened type, comes into play. All these images, which are too numerous for us to comment on here, were part of the rich history of this feast we celebrate today.

One of the most interesting places I have ever visited is the little mountain town of Orvieto. It is the place of one of the many "Eucharistic Miracles" attributed to the Church. As the story goes, a priest was on his way to Rome and stopped at this town to say Mass. He was having very serious doubts about the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharistic elements of bread and wine. The Bishop invited him to say Mass, and while he was consecrating the host, it miraculously began to bleed. The drops of blood fell upon the altar cloths and to this day you can go see this same altar cloth with the blood of Jesus stained upon it.

Because of a series of events like this, the Church instituted this feast that we celebrate today. St. Thomas Aquinas was commissioned to compose the Eucharistic hymn "Tantum Ergo" and others to commemorate this event.

As I have shared with you many times, the Eucharist for me is the only reason I stay in the Church. For me it is the whole reason for my being. Through prayer I have come to realize that the whole reason I was created by God was to be His priest and to be grafted to the Eucharist, which is the source and summit of the Christian life and mine.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Leaders Inspired to Evangelize (LITE) is a four day, three night conference/retreat offered through the Archdiocese of Washington which focuses on evangelization and leadership development for Catholic youth. Centered on the Eucharist, youth are called and empowered to be Disciples of Christ and to share that call with their peers. Three of our young people are attending the LITE Conference/Retreat from June 24—27. Christina Scott, Seraphina Barberio and Gabriel Matthews. Please pray that Christina, Seraphina and Gabriel will have an open mind and heart to what the Holy Spirit has planned for them! May God bless them and give them wisdom and courage to fulfill His will in their lives!

There are still a few spots left for our **Life Teen** trip to **Camp CoveCrest** in the beautiful mountains of Georgia, August 4-10. No more procrastinating! Jump on the bus and come with us for the **#BESTCAMPEVER!**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vicki Baxter, John Bell, Sam “Bo” Bradley, Florence, Dominic Brady, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Elaine Cunnane, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Gavin DiBietto, Dominic Dilorio, Jo Finch, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, Aaron Fortney, John P. Flynn, Cathy Giancoli, Noah Christopher Haas, Anna Halterman, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Carolyn Humerick, Roza Ivanac, Lindsey Jay, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, Richard Knupp, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Anne Marie Mako, Maude Mangels, Josephine Martin, Mark Mann, Kelly McCarley, Josephine McWhorter, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Sarah Olsen, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Barbara (Amon) Powell, Babies Ace and Troy Remer, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, , Grayson David Rodriquez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Penny Snow, Richard Swann, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Marc Timms, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Chelsea Whittington, Shannon Wink, Sue White, Tina.

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS!

Please join us for an overnight



Friday July 12th we will be hosting an evening for young women at the St. Anthony's Retreat House (former Convent) beginning at 6:30 pm and ending after 9:00 am Mass on Saturday July 13th!

**Our theme is 'Sweat Proof:
The Feast of St. Veronica'**

We will begin with a picnic dinner, learn about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, and have lots of fun and games! Girls with the last name of A-M please provide a side dish and girls with the last name of N-Z please bring a dessert.

RSVP to Mary Beth Woodburn at dre@stanthonycal.us by July 5th

*Give yourself the gift of spending time with
Your sisters in Christ.*

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Next Weeks Readings: 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time — June 30th, 2019

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Weekly Offerings and Donations—June 15/16 **Thank you for your continued generosity!**

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