

STEWARDSHIP

May 27th.....Report in next week’s bulletin due to Memorial Day

Bobcat Catholics like you provide more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to Christ. Contact Tom Deming, Development Director, anytime to join our mission at 512-392-5925 or tdeming@txstatecatholic.org



MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

Why are you eating somebody’s body and drinking his blood? An indelicate question, but still, why? One answer is found in the word “sacrifice.” Once upon a time, the tribes of the world tried to please whatever gods they believed in, by offering “sacrifices” to them. It involved taking the best lamb from the herd, for example, and making it a gift for the gods by freeing it from earth. This is why sacrifice usually meant killing an offering. Sacrifice of the lamb or dove was

meant to represent the best things that belonged to earth, now directed to heaven. Send the finest of earth up to paradise in order that the best of paradise could come down to earth. Also, people ate the flesh and drank the blood of their offering. Why? So that they too could be part of the giving to give to the gods. They became an integral portion of the sacrificial union of heaven and earth. The desire for earth to join the gods is lodged deep in human culture and human nature. In the fullness of time, the one God gave his people at last a real connection with the One for whom they had been thirsting. He did it through sacrifice, reversing the order of the offering by sending himself to be sacrificed. God sent the best of heaven to earth in order that the best of earth (Christ on the cross) could go up to heaven! Christ was emphati-

cally of the earth, and thus he achieved a perfect unity of heaven and earth in this “sacrifice.” Animals could not choose to be offered, but Christ did so choose, freely, out of love, on our behalf. Alright, what about sacramental signs? At what we call the Last Supper, he symbolized what would happen the next day when he handed over his body and blood. But he did it under the sacramental appearance of bread and wine. This was a re-presentation for all time of the bloody sacrifice on the cross, now in an unbloody form, and remaining today in every Mass. So what is the answer to the question we began with? You and I eat flesh and drink blood in order to be a part of Christ’s sacrifice. In order to join in the new and eternal covenant. It is our salvation and that of the world. Let us let it in.

from Fr. John Foley, SJ

SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday July 1st
11:30AM -2PM
BBQ & BINGO

**PARISH
ENGAGEMENT TEAM
(PET)**

Regular meetings
2nd Sunday of the month after
10am Mass.

Next meeting Sunday
June 10th

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EIM

(Ethics & Integrity in Ministry)
Workshop, English

St. John’s
Saturday, June 30, 2018

1:00pm – 3:00pm

Register on-line

Our parish actively supports the EIM policy of the Austin Diocese to prevent harm to any of our children or vulnerable adults. All members of our parish community are encouraged to be unified in support of this very essential program.



**SACRED HEART
OF JESUS**

Friday June 8

Fountain of salvation for all who believe.



**IMMACULATE
HEART OF MARY**

Saturday June 9

Mary kept all these things in her heart.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK will be at St. John’s: Saturday, June 9th from 10am to 1pm. Accepting furniture, clothing, household items, etc.

No appliances or computer equipment please. Proceeds used to assist the poor and needy including those of San Marcos.

****NOTICE****

NO 5pm Sunday Mass until August 19th, 2018.

**SUNDAY CONFESSION
CANCELLED**

**SUMMER SESSION I
Begins June 4th**

AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE MAY
10am, 210 ; 5pm, 73;
7:30pm, 92

**SUMMER PARKING
PASSES**

Will be sold during Office Hours ONLY starting Tues. May 29th \$20 ea. Valid 5/29-8/26
Green passes from last fall are still valid.

Bulletin Submissions
bulletin@txstatecatholic.org

Send content, questions, suggestions, etc.
Deadline: Wednesdays 5pm