

Church of St. Sebastian
June 2, 2013 — The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, June 1, Vigil: Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, June 2, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:00 am For the People

11:00 am Special Intention
-requested by Joseph and Kathleen Moniz

Monday, June 3, Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, June 4, Weekday

7:00 am Robert P. Arrigan, Memorial Mass
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Wednesday, June 5, Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, June 6, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

First Friday, June 7, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 am Mass

5:30 pm Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, June 8, Vigil: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Francis and Zola Ventre
-requested by Cynthia Ventre-Hewitt

Sunday, June 9, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:00 am Mavis Claire Young
-requested by Clark and Kay Phillip

11:00 am James Gannon
-requested by Mary Cappelli

COULD YOU ASSIST AS A SERVER AT MASS?

We are in need of servers at weekend Mass. I do want to thank our faithful servers who you see nearly every week. I encourage parents to speak to their children about serving at the altar. With my scheduled sabbatical in August, I would like the visiting priests to have the ordinary assistance of servers at the weekend Mass. Adults, married couples, father/son, mother/daughters are welcome to the ministry. Two (just two) training sessions will be coordinated. If you are interested in assisting, please call the rectory this week.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Today's Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ, centers on the gift of the Most Holy Eucharist, the center of our Catholic faith. The Risen Christ is really present to us in the Eucharist. It is His parting gift to his Apostles and disciples.

We should never approach the Lord unworthily, that is, conscious of serious sin in our lives. If we are, we need to be reconciled in Confession, be absolved, and only then return to the Eucharist. Presumption (taking God's mercy for granted) can thus easily lead to sacrilege. St. Thomas Aquinas opines that the worst sacrilege is committed by those who deliberately receive Communion unworthily. (*Summa Theologica*, Secunda Secundae Partis, Article 3 at #99). Yes, God is merciful with all us sinners; but also just. The summer is coming... get right with God...be reconciled in Confession and then receive the Eucharist.

On a transitional *note*, the parish choir concludes its ministry this weekend. "It is right and just" that we offer our thanks to Bill Cooper, the choir, Marie Brito, and Lori Maciel for their very diligent service to the parish in music ministry. I hope more parishioners will consider making a commitment and join the choir in the fall. Choir, Outreach, Religious Education, liturgical ministries, and parish activities don't just "happen." They're the result of our involved, interested, and committed parishioners making a difference in this great parish on the East Side. We'll have a whole conversation of committed and volunteerism in the very near future.

Finally, so many of our young adults have concluded their collegiate studies. Some will enter graduate school; others will land their first post-college job. To all the 2013 graduates, the parish sends you of very best wishes and prayerful support at this accomplishment in your life. Thanks, too, to your parents, who sacrificed to make your degree a reality. The world awaits you! Stay close to your faith, your families, and get out there and make a difference in the Church and in the world.

~Monsignor Darcy

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First Friday Mass will be celebrated this Friday, June 7th at 7 am and 5:30 pm.



EASTSIDE MARKETPLACE RECEIPTS

Please remember to bring in your Eastside Marketplace grocery receipts and leave them in the marked box in the vestibule. Outreach Committee members will be tallying all receipts on **Saturday June 15th**. The parish receives 1% of the total, which is then donated to worthy causes. Thank

ALZHEIMER'S CONFERENCE FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Join us for the Alzheimer's Association Caregivers Journey Conference on Tuesday, June 25th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Warwick. If you are a family caregiver of someone with Alzheimer's disease or a professional in the field, this conference is for you. The conference is free for family caregivers, but registration is required by June 10, 2013. Call 1-800-272-3900 or visit our website to print out a conference brochure with registration form at www.alz.org/ri and click on Caregiver's Journey Conference under What's Happening.

SICK CALLS AND VISITS

Please inform the rectory if a relative would like a Communion visit during their stay at a hospital, rehab, or nursing home. You are *not* imposing! Please call the rectory to have Msgr. Darcy visit them.

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

May 26, 2013

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	75
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$2347.00
Loose Contributions	\$1340.00
Total Offertory	\$3687.00
Haitian Project	\$1416.00

Please consider enrolling in ***Parish Giving***, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. You can register online at www.Parishgiving.org or on our parish website

A VOCATION MOMENT FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

Jesus asked, "*Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?*" What do you have to offer to the hungry world? (Luke 9:11-17). If you think God may be calling you to be a priest, visit our website at www.catholicpriest.com or call Fr. Carl Fisette at 331-

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The parish welcomes to the faith **ROSALIE MONIKA PATRICO**, who was baptized this past Wednesday. She is the daughter of Dr. Andrea and Ryan Patrico. They will be relocating to Boston, and then to Germany. The parish send you forth with our prayers and

PRAYER TO JESUS IN THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Lord Jesus, I firmly believe that the Blessed Sacrament is Your very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. Senses cannot grasp this marvel. Faith, however, reaches beyond what the eyes can see and assures us that You are present.

Grant, O Lord, that our faith in the Eucharist may also strengthen our ability to recognize the dignity of every human life. We know that the senses can fool us there as well. Some may not be attractive, others may seem too small, some may appear as less than human.

But we, who can see You in the Sacred Host, can certainly see you in our brothers and sisters. We can also see You, O Lord, in the children in the womb. In a day when so many have forgotten these children, and dismiss them as less valuable than those who are born, grant that we may grow all the more convinced of their dignity and worth. Then grant, O Lord, that we may act accordingly. Amen.

Please keep our fellow parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers:

Carol Anne Theroux, Nicole Ruffine, Dick Beaupre, Beverly DiLello, Kathy McCaughey, Deborah Bessette, Beatrice Calvo Crozier, Mariella, Amy, Ursula Shea, James Shanni, Vilma O'Connor, and David Carlos White.

Please contact the rectory if you would like to add a person to our prayers.