

TRANSFORMED INTO BODY

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

[First Kings 17:17-24](#)
[Psalms 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13](#)
[Galatians 1:11-19](#)
[Luke 7:11-17](#)

In every celebration of the Mass, Christ is present to us through minister, word, prayer, song, and each other. In each of these ways, we encounter Christ as he reaches out to encounter us. In addition, Christ left us the Eucharistic celebration so that we might encounter him in a unique and special way: the blessing, offering, and sharing of bread and wine transformed into our spiritual food and drink.

The more we embrace Christ's gift of self in each of these modalities, the more we are drawn into life-giving union. Thus, the more enthusiastically we sing, the more fervently we pray, the more earnestly we offer thanks, the more generously we exchange peace, and the more devoutly we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, the deeper our transformative encounters with Christ become.

These transformative Eucharistic unions, however, are never strictly private or personal. As Pope Benedict XVI has explained, all who actively participate in the Mass find themselves drawn together *through* their union with Christ. "If the same Christ is in [my neighbor] and in me, we are no longer separate individuals ... we are no longer two separate "I's", rather we are united in the same "I" of Christ." To paraphrase St. Augustine, in celebrating Eucharist we become what we receive: the Body of Christ.

This transformation of numerous individuals into One Body, says the pope, "sparks the transformation of the world" It serves as the foundation of the divine mandate to love, for if you are now part of me and together we are part of Christ, how can I do anything else but love you?

God wishes to transform us and all of creation through us. To this end, Christ gave us the Eucharist. As we celebrate the wondrous gift of Eucharist, let us open our minds and hearts so that God's desire can be fulfilled. As we feast on our spiritual food and drink, let us pray that *we* be transformed into Eucharistic bread and wine for others.

Stephen J. Sauer, S.J.
Pastor

HOLY FATHER'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTIONS

- That every national and transnational institution may strive to guarantee respect for human life from conception to natural death.
- That the Churches in Asia, which constitute a "little flock" among non-Christian populations, may know how to communicate the Gospel and give joyful witness to their adherence to Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Would you like to remember a loved one, a special intention, or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.) by sponsoring flowers? If so, call Michele in the Parish Office (529-1477 Ext 226).

ALTAR SERVERS

Those interested in becoming altar servers, ages 10 and up are invited to call Michele in the Parish Office (529-1477, Ext 226).

CORPUS CHRISTI

Thank you to all who volunteered as liturgical ministers, altar servers, ushers, and canopy bearers for the Corpus Christi Mass and procession, which takes place this Sunday. Without your help, these celebrations could not take place.

PARISH SOCIAL AND DINNER

Thank you to all who contributed to this past week's parish social and dinner, especially to Maxine Francois, who prepared all of the entrée dishes. Due to summer activities and travel, the next parish social and dinner will not take place until the end of August, Stay tuned!

THREE SOPRANOS CONCERT

Kitty Cleveland, Trish Foti Genco, and Lorraine Hess are giving a free concert Thursday, **June 10th at 7:30 PM** at St. Clement of Rome Church in Metairie. A collection will be taken to benefit victims of the earthquake in Haiti. For more information contact threesopranos@aol.com.

MONASTIC DISCERNMENT PROGRAM

St. Joseph Abbey will host a program for men ages 20 to 45 interested in discerning a call to monastic life. The program, entitled "Living the Monastic Identity," will be held from Wednesday evening, **July 7, 2010** through Sunday, **July 11, 2010**. Anyone interested in more information is asked to contact Br. Jude Israel, O.S.B., vocation director of St. Joseph Abbey, at (985) 567-2249 or through email at brjude@sjasc.edu.

FRONT DOORS TO BE REPAIRED

Over the next few weeks the front doors of the church will be removed, one pair at a time, so that the metal that has corroded near the bottom of each can be replaced. Once re-hung, all of the doors will be repainted. The estimated cost for the entire project is \$9500. We apologize for any inconvenience.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

Break away with your spouse for the Willwoods Married Couples Retreat at St. Joseph Abbey Christian Life Center. The retreat begins on Saturday, **June 26, 2010 at 9 AM** and ends at **1 PM** on Sunday, **June 27, 2010**. The theme of the retreat is "Love Never Fails" and will be lead by Arthur & Shirley Dupre, Willie & Aly Leonard, Jason & Elise Angelette, and Ryan & Danielle Enk. If you are interested please call Jason at (504)830-3716 or visit www.willwoods.org. There are no fees for the retreat. Suggested donation is \$220.00.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

With professional instruction, Natural Family Planning has proven itself to be a safe and effective way for couples to plan their families. Caroline Sholl of the Archdiocese will conduct a series of classes on **July 22, August 5, August 19, and September 16**. The classes will be held at St. Dominic Parish. Preregistration is required and the cost is \$100.00. For more information and registration please call: Family Life Apostolate at (504)861-6243.

CHURCH TOUR

The next Jesuit Church tour will take place **Saturday, June 26 at 3 PM**. Private tours are also available. For more information please call the parish office.

ON-LINE GIVING!!

You may now make your contribution to the parish through a secure link on our web site www.jesuitchurch.net. Access the site to set up automatic payments, to pay by the week, or to make a one-time donations. If you encounter any difficulties whatsoever please contact Cathy Brown in the parish office.

PRESIDERS**Saturday, June 5**

4:00 pm Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.

Sunday, June 6

8:00 am Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.
 9:30 am Fr. Michael Dooley, S.J.
 11:00 am Fr. Anthony Wieck, S.J.
 7:30 pm Fr. Michael Dooley, S.J.

Saturday, June 12

4:00 pm Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.

Sunday, June 20

8:00 am Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.
 9:30 am Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.
 11:00 am Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.
 7:30 pm Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Scripture Study classes are held on **Tuesdays at 6 PM**
 and **Thursdays at 12:30 PM** in the rectory.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

The Jesuit Spirituality Center in Grand Coteau, La, is offering individually directed retreats on the following dates: **June 7-16, and June 21-30**. During these period, individuals may make silent retreats of 3, 5, or 8 days. For more information or to register: www.jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or call 337-662-5251.

WEDDING BANNES**June 12, 2010**

Monje Piron & Brandon Atlow
 Ashley Hermann & Wayne Maiorana, Jr.

June 19, 2010

Lauren Mahnke & Adam Lair

June 26, 2010

Michelle Boudreaux & Ryan Calub

COLLECTIONS

May 30, 2010: \$5,368.00
 (2nd Collection: Oil Spill Victim Relief: \$3,021.00)

PRAYER LIST

Please call the church office to request a name be placed on the prayer list

Johnnie Adams	Ourdes Armbruster
Rowan Atwill	Patsy Basco
Bobby Boasberg	Alison Bracewell
Rose V. Bumbas	Brook Burmaster
Mac Carr	Mary Ann Ciravolo
Andre Colletti	Adrian A. Colon
Alison Cook	Audrey Dore [?]
James Foster	Helen Frey
Cartan Gibbons	Theresa Guy
Nathian Guy	Bradley Hamilton
Mark Hardie	Joseph Herman
Norma Hubble	Mary Kelly
Cathy Lacassagne	Herbert Lacassagne
Lisette Lincoln	Kevin Marrero
Roman Marrero	Jacquelyn Monroe
Navey Nix McDonough	Josie Palermo
Jennifer Saux Perry	Darlene Peters
Desmond Peters	Ralph Redmann
Antonio Releford	Coleen Remont
Gayle Sarbeck	Gaspar Schiro
Steve Schmedtje	The Tyson Family
Roslyn Vance	Marion Cardwell

Names are kept on the praer list for three months unless requested otherwise.

EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ALL PRESENT AND FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Tuesday, June 8

7:30 a.m. Maria Ngan Pham
 Noon Thomasine Ryan Deal

Wednesday, June 9

7:30 a.m. Sr. M. Brian Rafferty, RSM
 Noon Joyce Breaux Maggiore &

Thursday, June 10

7:30 a.m. Rosemary Curry Abadie
 Noon Shalyn McCabe Cuadrado

Friday, June 11

7:30 a.m. Edgardo DaCosta Gomez, Jr.
 Noon Jimmy Rafferty

Saturday, June 12

4:00 p.m. Beverly Kingsmill
 Kenny LeBlanc

Sunday, June 13

8:00 a.m. Hugh C. Curtis
 7:30 p.m. Margaret Regan