

June 14, 2020

The Most Holy Body & Blood  
Of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)



St. Stephen's Catholic Church

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*Week of June 14, 2020*

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1st Reading:

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

2nd Reading:

Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel Reading:

John 6:51-58



## Mass Intentions

- 6/6 +For The People
- 6/7 +Margaret Fleming req. by Estate
- 6/13 +Loretta Gotto Keller req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
- 6/14 +Geri & Paul Petrosky req. by Arlene Babb

THE CHILDREN'S (CRY ROOM) ROOM  
LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE  
CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED.



There will be an offering box located in the  
back of the church to put your  
collection envelopes and/or cash and Mass  
Intentions

**YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

**Thank You!**

### Sister Margie Memorial

The pavers will be delivered to Gordon's  
on Monday. If you would like to  
purchase a paver there is still time to do  
so. Please contact Carol Babinsack or call  
the Parish Office at 717-485-3723 and  
leave a message.

### FROM THE DESK OF FATHER FAIRMAN

Dear Parishioners,

I am very grateful for the support that you have provided for the parish. Some of you have called to check to see if I am doing well, and I appreciate your support. Mostly, I am concerned that all of you are doing well. I continue to pray for everyone.

I want to assure you that I have continued to celebrate the Mass intentions. It is not always easy celebrating Mass privately with no one present, but for those who provided Mass intentions, rest assured that I have been fulfilling them. Be sure of my prayers for everyone during this difficult time.

Beginning the weekend of June 13-14<sup>th</sup>, we will begin to have public Mass again. We will resume our normal schedule, with one difference: I will hear Confession at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday for a few weeks. Then, we will go back to the normal time of 3:45 p.m. However, the rest will remain the same: Mass at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, then Mass at 12:00 noon followed by Confessions.

There will be certain restrictions at Mass, by request of the Bishop. Those who come to Mass will have to bring a mask. Also, we will have to be spread out in order to keep social distancing. In addition, the recommendation is not to sing. We will not have a procession with the gifts; we will not have our usual altar servers. It will be a very simple Mass, but still meaningful.

For the distribution of Communion, there will be no physical contact for those who receive Communion in the hand. Those who wish to receive on the tongue will have to wait until all others have received.

The obligation to come to Mass is still not in place yet. If you are sick or at-risk, it is perfectly understandable to stay at home. We welcome you back to church when you are ready. If you are at minimal risk, you should probably be fine to come back to Mass, with distancing and masks. If you are not sure, don't hesitate to ask.

Whatever you might need during this time, please do not hesitate to call. If I cannot help personally, I will ask someone who can. I know that there are those in our parish who are willing to help, and I appreciate their support. As a parish, it is important to stay connected as much as possible and keep each other in prayer.

I will do my best to call to check on those who need it. Don't hesitate to call me. Even if you don't need anything specifically, it will be good to know that you are doing well and to hear from you.

You and your family are in my prayers, and I hope that I am in yours.

Gratefully in Christ

Fr. Fairman

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**READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020**  
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**Reading 1** [Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a](#)

Moses said to the people:  
"Remember how for forty years now the LORD, your God,  
has directed all your journeying in the desert,  
so as to test you by affliction  
and find out whether or not it was your intention  
to keep his commandments.  
He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger,  
and then fed you with manna,  
a food unknown to you and your fathers,  
in order to show you that not by bread alone does one live,  
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the  
LORD.  
"Do not forget the LORD, your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt,  
that place of slavery;  
who guided you through the vast and terrible desert  
with its saraph serpents and scorpions,  
its parched and waterless ground;  
who brought forth water for you from the flinty rock  
and fed you in the desert with manna,  
a food unknown to your fathers."

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

Glorify the LORD, O Jerusalem;  
praise your God, O Zion.  
For he has strengthened the bars of your gates;  
he has blessed your children within you.  
**R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

He has granted peace in your borders;  
with the best of wheat he fills you.  
He sends forth his command to the earth;  
swiftly runs his word!  
**R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

He has proclaimed his word to Jacob,  
his statutes and his ordinances to Israel.  
He has not done thus for any other nation;  
his ordinances he has not made known to them. Alleluia.  
**R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

**Reading 2** [1 Cor 10:16-17](#)

Brothers and sisters:  
The cup of blessing that we bless,  
is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?  
The bread that we break,  
is it not a participation in the body of Christ?  
Because the loaf of bread is one,  
we, though many, are one body,  
for we all partake of the one loaf.

**Sequence**

*The shorter form of the sequence begins here.*

Lo! the angel's food is given  
To the pilgrim who has striven;  
see the children's bread from heaven,  
which on dogs may not be spent.

Truth the ancient types fulfilling,  
Isaac bound, a victim willing,  
Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling,  
manna to the fathers sent.

Very bread, good shepherd, tend us,  
Jesu, of your love befriend us,  
You refresh us, you defend us,  
Your eternal goodness send us  
In the land of life to see.

You who all things can and know,  
Who on earth such food bestow,  
Grant us with your saints, though lowest,  
Where the heav'nly feast you show,  
Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen. Alleluia.

**Gospel** [Jn 6:51-58](#)

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds:  
"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;  
whoever eats this bread will live forever;  
and the bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world."

The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying,  
"How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

Jesus said to them,  
"Amen, amen, I say to you,  
unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood,  
you do not have life within you.  
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
has eternal life,  
and I will raise him on the last day.  
For my flesh is true food,  
and my blood is true drink.  
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him.  
Just as the living Father sent me  
and I have life because of the Father,  
so also the one who feeds on me  
will have life because of me.  
This is the bread that came down from heaven.  
Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died,  
whoever eats this bread will live forever."