

**St. Monica
Catholic Church
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June 18, 2017**

**The Most Holy Body
&
Blood of Christ**



*Our Mission :To be a Home of
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Helping each other to connect life
and faith,
and Welcoming all to the
compassionate love of Jesus.*

TRUST IN JESUS

Today's feast celebrates another central mystery of our faith—the mystery of the Eucharist. Like the mystery of the Trinity, the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist can never be fully understood, but can only be believed. Just as the Israelites in the desert were invited to put their trust in God's word to them, we are invited to trust wholly in the word of Jesus. In today's Gospel Jesus promises to give us a share in his very own flesh and blood, and a share in eternal life besides. We are called to take him at his word and open our hearts to receive true nourishment and life from our participation in the Eucharist.

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Corpus Christi!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

At the heart of today's solemnity is a eucharistic procession, held in many parishes, that calls to mind the procession of Holy Thursday, yet has a purpose different from the somber adoration in the night watch. In the late Middle Ages, a procession through the city with the Blessed Sacrament was an occasion of heartfelt joy and great emotion. In a time when people seldom approached the altar to receive Holy Communion, the procession through the streets, past homes and workplaces, was a vibrant reminder that Christ was with them as a dear companion and guide.

Every year on this day, a joyful procession winds through the streets of Rome from the Lateran cathedral. A few years ago, Pope John Paul II, deeply moved at the sight of the throng accompanying the sacred host, said that we ought to feel profoundly united with the faithful everywhere in the world at such a moment. "Before our mind's eye all the Churches of the world, from East to West, from North to South, are present." Originally this feast was on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, but after the calendar reform of 1970, its title was expanded from "Corpus Christi" to "The Body and Blood of Christ" and in the United States it was moved to the Sunday after Trinity Sunday. Even though Easter season ended two weeks ago, this beautiful feast is aglow with Easter light.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses - 8:30 a.m.
First Friday Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion
and Other Fridays Holy Hour - 9:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses
8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Confessions - Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Or by Appointment

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Never forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Corinthians 10:16-17).

Gospel — Jesus said to the crowds, “I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever” (John 6:51-58).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10;
1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15;
Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

Next Week's Mass Intentions

Sat.	6/17	4:30 p.m.	+ Alberto David
Sun.	6/18	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Mon.	6/19	8:30 a.m.	Homebound
Tue.	6/20	8:30 a.m.	Mary Guiao
Wed.	6/21	8:30 a.m.	+ Father Joseph Finlay
Thur.	6/22	8:30 a.m.	+ Paulina Guanlao
Fri.	6/23	8:30 a.m.	+ Irene Roberts
Sat.	6/24	4:30 p.m.	Cris David

Office Hours PARISH OFFICE

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Mon., Wed., Thur., and Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Nancy Tatum, Secretary/Bookkeeper
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Liturgical Ministers Saturday June 24th & Sunday June 25th

Saturday June 24th

Altar Servers:
Joe Iovino, Skylar Gugal, Avery Gugal

Eucharistic Ministers
Joyce Fitzsimmons, Patricia Kilgore, Lina Majesky

Readers:
Helen Muir, Mary Crawford

Ushers:
JJ Nichols, Bill Maus, Fred Lininger, Bill Black

Greeters:
Sandy Sharp, Sammy Sharp

Sunday June 25th

Altar Servers:
Lizzie Fortner, Matthew Webb, Grant Fortner

Eucharistic Ministers
Cheryl Carr, Frank Fraize, Hazel Fraize

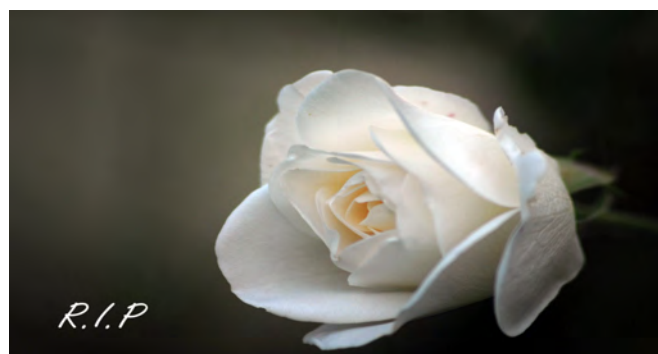
Readers:
Youth

Ushers:
Rick Webb, Gerald Donnelly, Karen McMillan, Matt Harris

Greeters:
Lillian Morgan, Roy Hawkins

Due to printing deadline, the offertory will be printed in the June 25th. bulletin

NEVER BE IN A HURRY; DO
EVERYTHING QUIETLY AND IN
A CALM SPIRIT. DO NOT LOSE
YOUR INNER PEACE FOR
ANYTHING WHATSOEVER,
EVEN IF YOUR WHOLE WORLD
SEEMS UPSET. - SAINT
FRANCIS DE SALES



Pray for the soul of Dr. John Soong, may he rest in Eternal peace.


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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing Mass for the Sick

June 24th at 11:00 a.m.

Happy Fathers Day!!
Free Breakfast by the Knights of Columbus

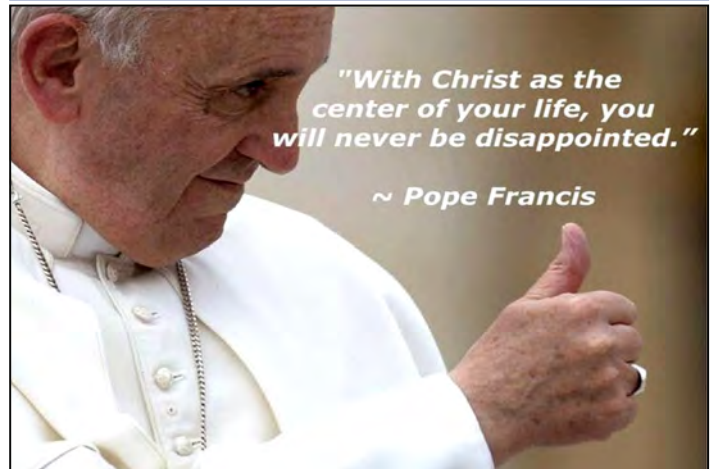

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 CCC # 1374

The St. Monica Video Club will continue viewing Father Michael Gaitley's (speaker at the Eucharistic Congress) new Divine Mercy video series on Tuesday, June 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

Looking for something to do this summer? Having trouble forgiving somebody? Join the St. Monica Book Club in reading **Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody** by Dynamic Catholic author Allen R. Hunt beginning Tuesday, July 11, at 6:00 in the parish library. Call Karen Lee at 972-0316 by June 30 to get your free book!



Rosaries and Rosary CDs are available in the back of the Church if needed!

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 -POPE FRANCIS

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