

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 06/11 (Corpus Christi - Solemnity) **HOLY MASS** at 10am. Coffee hour in the Church hall as usual.
- 06/17 (Saturday) **Free Lunch 11am—12.30pm.**
- 06/18 (Sunday—Father’s Day) **Holy Mass** at 10am. Special blessing for all fathers at the end of the Mass. Breakfast to follow in the church hall.
Mass Intention: For + BARBARA STEPIEN

- THANK YOU Diane and Jacqueline for running yesterday’s Polish Food Sale.
- We're looking for sponsors** who would like to support us with bingo prizes for our POLISH FOOD FAMILY FESTIVAL. We need to have 4 air fryers—the cost of one is around \$70-80 at Walmart. Sponsors are invited to display their business banners on the festival tents!
- POLISH FOOD FAMILY FESTIVAL is planned for June 24, 2023 (rain date: June 25) 12-6pm. This will be an event open to the public and it’s a part of *Manchester Bicentennial Celebrations*. Each St. John’s Parishioner and volunteer will receive 10 free tickets at the Festival to use for food and bingo cards.

CHURCH NEWS

- Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: MARIA BEDNARZ (06/17). Happy anniversary! Happy birthday!

If you have any information for the „Church News Column”, please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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June 11, 2023

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PARISH BULLETIN

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For the parishioners and friends of St. John’s Church.

INTROIT

C: Lord, You nourished Your people with food of angels and furnished them bread from heaven, ready to hand, untoiled for, endowed with all delights and conforming to every taste.

R: For this substance of Yours revealed Your sweetness toward Your children, and serving the desire of him who received it, was blended to whatever flavor each one wished.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

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.

DT 8:2-3, 14B-16A

"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."

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

„Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.”

PS 147

READING 2

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

1 COR 10:16-17

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

JN 6:51-58

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.*

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we focus on the Lord Jesus’ continued presence with us, particularly through the proclamation of the Word and the celebration of Eucharist – “giving thanks” – especially as we receive the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation. Jesus desires to feed us with His very Self so that we will have the wherewithal to continue to follow Him as He leads us to the place He has prepared for us. He wants us to be in union with Him and with all those who partake of Him and are part of His Body. When we gather as a faith community, we are called to remember/ re-enact/make present again His saving events of giving of Himself totally to us and for us. Let us continue to give thanks to our Abba for sending the Very Best – Jesus – and let us come and share in His Body and Blood.
The sixth chapter of St. John’s Gospel is known as the “Bread of Life” discourse. In this chapter Jesus equates the eating of the “bread of life” with being nourished by His Body. As Jesus proclaim the necessity of His followers’ eating His flesh and drinking His blood, many listeners turn away. They cannot “stomach” these words. Yet, Jesus does not call them back and say, “I was only speaking figuratively.” He lets them leave. He wants His followers to truly digest Him as their means of nourishment as they journey to the house of His Abba-Father, Who happens to be GOD.