

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Our readings are focused on the gifts of the Word of God and the Eucharist. This feast has deep significance to those of us living the stewardship way of life.

Why? As stewards, we recognize that all that we are and all that we have been given are gifts from God. We are called to treasure these gifts and use them for God's glory. Aside from life itself, the most precious gifts God has given us are His Word and His Body and Blood. Our Solemnity today and the readings for this week invite us to a deeper gratitude and better stewardship of these two sublime gifts.

In our first reading, from Deuteronomy, Moses tells the people that God "let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna... in order to show you that not by bread alone does man live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord. Do not forget the Lord your God." Our Heavenly Father is such a good teacher. He reminds His people that just as we experience physical hunger from lack of food, we become spiritually malnourished through lack of feeding on the Word of God. It is that important.

God's Word is alive and He intends for us to feed on it daily. Yet, it is a gift that is easy to neglect. In this noisy modern world, it can be challenging to even recognize our spiritual "hunger pangs." And it is easier to feed them with the junk food of mindless distraction and entertainment. As Christian stewards, we must recognize our dependence on God's Word, and treasure this priceless gift — out of gratitude to the Giver and so that we can share it with others.

Our Lord reveals the full meaning of this gift in our Gospel passage from John. He says to the 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." In the Old Testament, God fed His people with manna. Now, He feeds us with the very Flesh and Blood of His Son.

And, just as the Word of God is vital to our spiritual nourishment, so, too is the nourishment of the Eucharist.

Jesus could not make this any clearer to us: "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." Without the Eucharist, we die spiritually. But through the Eucharist, we experience a taste of heaven right now. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life." Notice that Christ does not say those who partake of His Body and Blood will have eternal life, but that they have eternal life — right here and right now! It is no wonder then, that the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes the Eucharist as the "source and summit of our faith" (1324).

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection figures for the weeks the Parish was "shut down" will be posted soon.

June 7, 2020

Sunday Collection	\$	5,186.44
Vigil Candles.....	\$	49.32
Priest Pension	\$	337.00
OnLine Giving	\$	375.00

**Second Collection - June 20 - 21:
No 2nd Collection Next Week**



***** WE NOW HAVE ONLINE GIVING! *****

Go to our website - www.ThomasMoreSATx.org

Click on the "**DONATE**" option and select:

Online Giving - to make a donation...

or

Prayer Request - submit a prayer request.



You may also go directly to the websites by entering:

<https://www.GiveCentral.org/location/885>

for online giving

or

<https://www.GiveCentral.org/Short-Form/885>

to submit a prayer request.

Questions? Contact the parish office at (210) 655-5070

Pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy!

Join us in front of the Rectory at our Guadalupano grotto as we pray for our Family and Friends... our Parish and Faith Community, our City, State, Nation and the World.

We join in prayer daily at 7 pm - ***Rain or Shine!***
(inclement weather... we meet in the church).

If you can not join us here at the parish... please... at 7 pm - take a moment from whatever you may be doing - and join us in prayer. God Bless.

¡Rezar el Rosario y la Divina Misericordia!

Acompáñenos enfrente de la Rectoría en la gruta de la Virgen de Guadalupe mientras rezamos por nuestras familias y amigos... nuestra Comunidad Parroquial y de Fe, nuestra Ciudad, Estado, Nación y el Mundo.

Para unirnos en oración todos los días a las 7 pm -
¡Mientras el tiempo nos permita!
(nos reunimos en la iglesia si hay problemas con el tiempo).

Si no puedes unirse con nosotros aquí en la parroquia... Por favor... a las 7 pm – tomar un momento de lo que está haciendo - y únase con nosotros en oración.

Que Dios los bendiga.



School News

(A Message from the Principal - Mrs. "G")

We are enrolling for the 2020-2021 school Year!

Tours can not be given during this time but we encourage you to email us with any questions regarding our school.

Leticia Brown, our Admissions/Office Manager can be reached at lbrown@stmcs62.org or myself, at kgutierrez@stmcs62.org

Visit us on our web site: st-thomas-more-school.org

Hope for the Future Tuition Assistance applications are also still available through the following link:

www.archsa.org/hope/

Blessings,

Mrs. Kimberly A. Gutierrez,
Principal



Today... in addition to celebrating the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*)... we also celebrate 'Flag Day' and being a patriotic American, who has served our country honorably... I can truly appreciate this day...

Amidst all the problems, protests and everything else facing our country today... There will also be celebrations, newspaper and magazine articles, television newscasts and shows telling us about 'Old Glory,' what it symbolizes, how it should be honored, cared for, etc. Again... being a patriotic American it's all well and good. *But then it hit me...*



No disrespect to our country, the flag, and what it represents but... We have all this 'hoopla' for a flag... but we let the concept of what we call the '*Real Presence*' of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, slip away... We take it for granted! What's wrong with this picture?

Our country's motto is '*In God We Trust!*' When we pledge allegiance... we do so to 'one nation *under God!*'

We have to wake up and realize that... that God we are Trusting in... that God we are pledging our country to... is *here!* at *St Thomas More*... and every other Catholic Church in the world... Not just symbolically... but physically and '*Really Present*' in the tabernacles and on the altar during Mass!

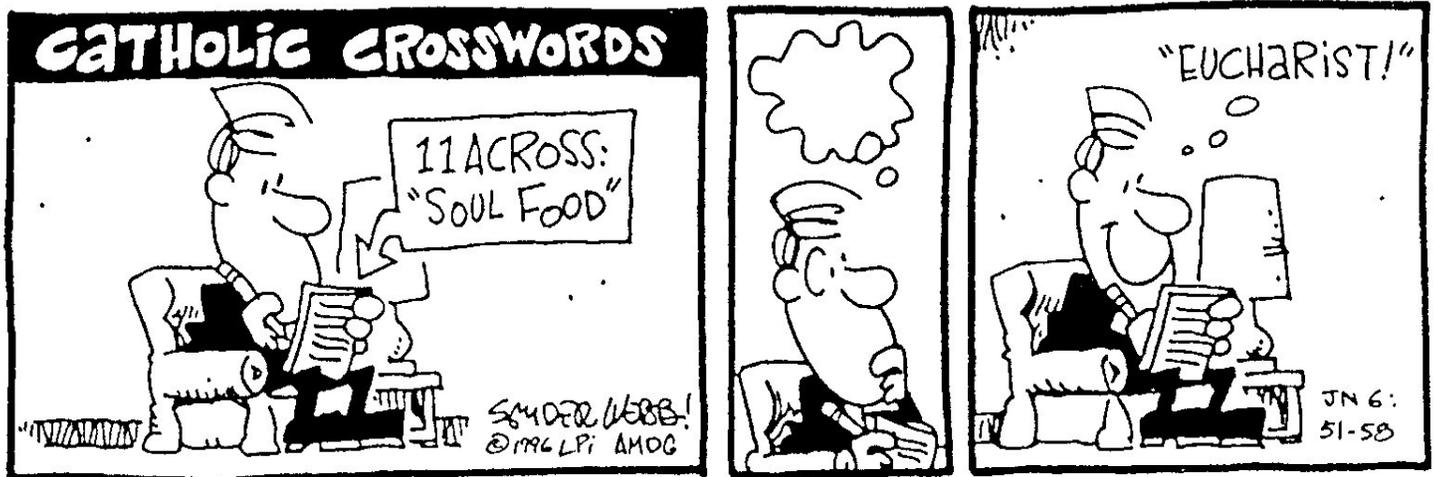
Let's not forget Him! Let's not take Him for granted! Bow / genuflect to our Lord... Pray to Him... Treat Him and His '*house*' with reverence.

Unlike the flag... which is only a symbol and has no special powers in and of itself... The host we see in the tabernacle *IS GOD! Jesus*... the 2nd person in the Holy Trinity (and since they are 3 persons in one God, we know that where the Son is there also are the Father and the Holy Spirit).

Re-Affirm His *Real Presence* in your heart and share that information with your children... your grandchildren... your friends... and neighbors.

Enjoy a Glorious Feast of Corpus Christi... and... Happy Flag-Day, too.

THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Most of Our Faith Formation Students have already celebrated their First Holy Communion! The last group will join them in their celebration soon:

English:

- Reconciliation:** Tues, June 9th @ 6:30 pm
- First Holy Communion:** Group-1: Sat, June 20th @ 10 am
- Group-2: Sat, June 20th @ 12 pm



Congratulations to all of you!
 My Our Good Lord bless and keep you all enveloped in His loving arms!
 Now that you have received your **FIRST** Holy Communion... you have to start thinking,
 "When am I going to receive my **SECOND** (third, fourth, etc.) Holy Communion"
 Let's make it soon.

God Bless-

Fr. Tomy

From our STM Prayer Groups:

Jesus' first instructions to his disciples had been,
 "As you go, make this proclamation: *The Kingdom of heaven is at hand!*
Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons!" (Mt 10:7-8)

We read in Hebrews 13:8, "*Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever.*"

Indeed, the same Holy Spirit who empowered Jesus while he was still walking on this earth and raised Him from the dead is with us and upon us.
WHAT AWESOME POWER!

 **St. Thomas More English Prayer Group** 

Correction: The English Prayer Group will meet on Thursday, June 18th, at 7 pm... in the Church.

The topic will be:
Encountering Jesus at this time of the Corona Virus

Everyone is invited to attend.

Prayer Group Contacts:
 Olga Guerrero: (210) 657-1610 or Stella Lopez: (210) 618-6977

Grupo de Oración
Familias compartiendo la palabra 

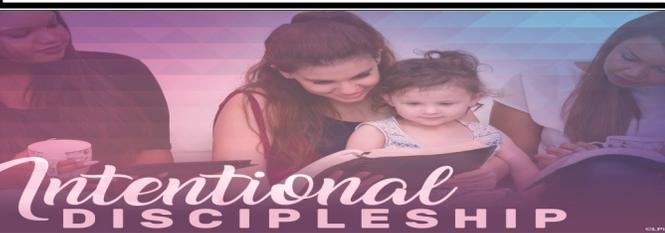
El grupo de oración se reúne los viernes a las 7 pm.
 Para mas informacion contacte María Isabel Hernandez.

This Week at our Parish

Sunday, June 14, 2020
Monday, June 15, 2020
Tuesday, June 16, 2020
Wednesday, June 17, 2020
Thursday, June 18, 2020
 7:00 pm English Prayer Group - Church
Friday, June 19, 2020
Saturday, June 20, 2020
Sunday, June 21, 2020



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE:
 May God comfort the families and friends of
Elida A. Silva
 who died this past week.
(Mother of Parishioner - Johnny Silva)
 Our sincere sympathy and assurances of prayers
 are extended to Johnny and the Silva Family




Sanctuary Light Intention:
†John (TV) Duong

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, June 20, 2020
 5 pm **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando
Lector - E. Roscoe

Sunday, June 21, 2020
 8 am **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando
Lector - O. Weich

10 am **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, DC John
Lector - M. Briseno

12 pm **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando
Lector - I. Hernandez / (+ Vol)

5 pm **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim
Lector - Volunteer

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 13, 2020
 8:00 am **HEALTH - Marianne Sanchez**
 5:00 pm **HEALTH - Will Larson**

Sunday, June 14, 2020
 8:00 am †Msgr. George Adams
 †Elida A. Silva
 10:00 am †Mardonio M. Serratos
 12:00 pm †Hortencia Aguirre
 †Juaquin Bazan, †Felipe Gaytan, †Valdemar Gutierrez,
 †Luiza Gaytan, †Belen Magana, †Alfredo Orozco,
 †Jose Luis Orozco and †Macimina Cisneros
 By Elida Orozco and Esela Cisneros

5:00 pm †Frank White

Monday, June 15, 2020
 8:00 am **Our Knights of Columbus Members**

Tuesday, June 16, 2020
 8:00 am **HEALTH - Dcn Paul & Olga Charron**

Wednesday, June 17, 2020
 8:00 am †Rosie Reyes by Eddie Reyes
 †Suzell Waller by Eddie Reyes

Thursday, June 18, 2020
 8:00 am **Our Guadalupano Society Members**

Friday, June 19, 2020
 8:00 am †John TV Duong by Wife

Saturday, June 20, 2020
 8:00 am **Our Catholic Daughters Members**
 5:00 pm †Ray DuMenil by Family
 †Joseph Monteverdi by Mary Monteverdi

Sunday, June 21, 2020
 8:00 am †John TV Duong by Guadalupanos
 10:00 am †Eusebio Mireles by Family
 12:00 pm †Jose Jesus Cortez by la familia Cortez
 5:00 pm **All Who Are Struggling During This Pandemic**

Lecturas de la Semana del June 15 - 21

Lunes: 1Re 21:1-16; Sal 5:2-7; Mt 5:38-42
Martes: 1Re 21:17-29; Sal 51:3-6,11,16; Mt 5:43-48
Miércoles: 2Re 2:1,6-14; Sal 31:20,21,24; Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Jueves: Eclo 48:1-14; Sal 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15
Viernes: Dt 7:6-11; Sal 103:1-4,6-8,10; 1Jn 4:7-16;
 Mt 11:25-30
Sábado: 2Cr 24:17-25; Sal 1 Sm 2:1,4-8; Lc 2:41-51
Domingo: Jr 20:10-13; Sal 69:8-10,14,17,33-35;
 Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

Readings for the week of June 15 - 21

Monday: 1Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-7; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 1Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6,11,16; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2Kgs 2:1,6-14; Ps 31:20,21,24; Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15
Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4,6-8,10; 1Jn 4:7-16;
 Mt 11:25-30
Saturday: 2Chr 24:17-25; Ps 1 Sm 2:1,4-8; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10,14,17,33-35;
 Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-3