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DAILY MASS **MON/TUE/THURS/FRI** 9 am St. Lucy **FIRST SATURDAY** 9 am St. Monica
WEEKEND **SAT** 4 pm (Vigil) both parishes **SUN** 9 and 11 am St. Monica, 10 am St. Lucy

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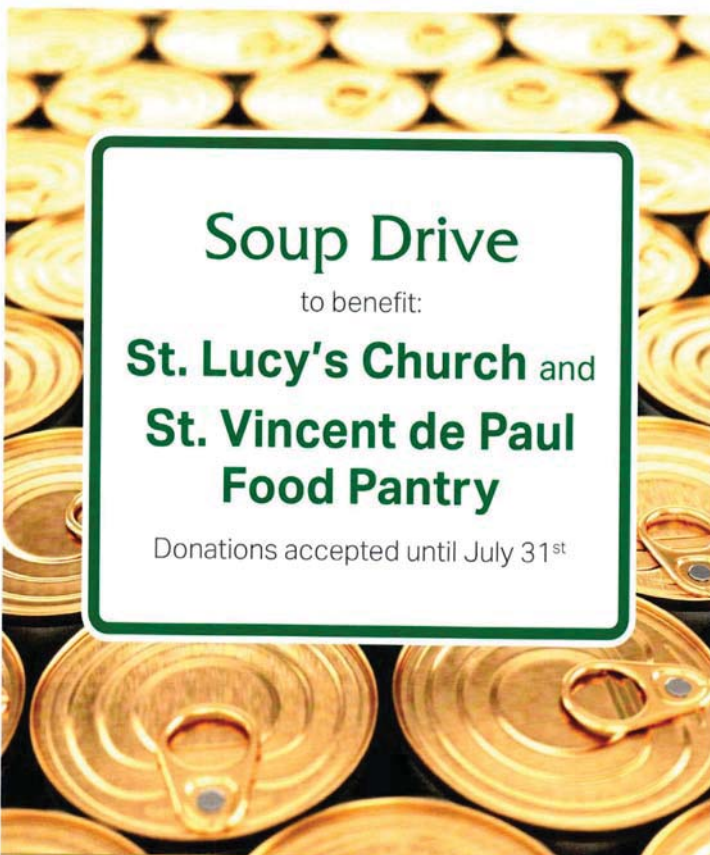


Please welcome Father Theo Okpara from Cross Catholic Outreach who is visiting St. Monica Parish this weekend.

Fr. Okpara will share some touching stories about the amazing work Catholic missions are accomplishing worldwide.

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Please join the St. Monica School Community in wishing Mrs. Andrea Korbey, our Grade 1A teacher, a very happy and well-deserved retirement. She has been with St. Monica since 2008 and started her teaching career in 1974. Although we are very happy for her and her new found freedom - we will miss her and know it will be difficult to fill her shoes moving forward. On behalf of the students that graced a spot in her classroom, and the teachers and staff who worked with Mrs. Korbey - we thank her for sharing her gifts and talents with our school community and her friendship with so many of us. We will be honoring her with a car parade on **Thursday, June 10th from 6-7 PM.** Please enter the Park Street entrance and proceed to drive in front of the school and exit out to the regular exit on Lawrence Street.

We hope to see you there!

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9:00am **First Saturday Mass**
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Sunday, June 6

9:00am *Multiple Intention*
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11:00am **Roberta Palmisano**

Saturday, June 12

4:00pm **Patricia & Donald Leslie**

Sunday, June 13

9:00am *Multiple Intention*
Elizabeta Chojnowska
11:00am **Marianna Zielinski & Diane Magosian**

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4:00pm **Vincenzo Fragola**

Sunday, June 6

10:00am *Multiple Intentions*
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Loretta Saulen
Margherita A. Gilbert
Michael Arcidiacono

Monday, June 7

9:00am **Yvonne Soucy**

Tuesday, June 8

9:00am **Mary & Joseph Augeri**

Thursday, June 10

9:00am **George O. Ferguson**

Friday, June 11

9:00am **Vincenzo Minicucci,**
Gerardo & Mattia D'Andrea

Saturday, June 12

4:00pm **Joseph Boyden**

Sunday, June 13

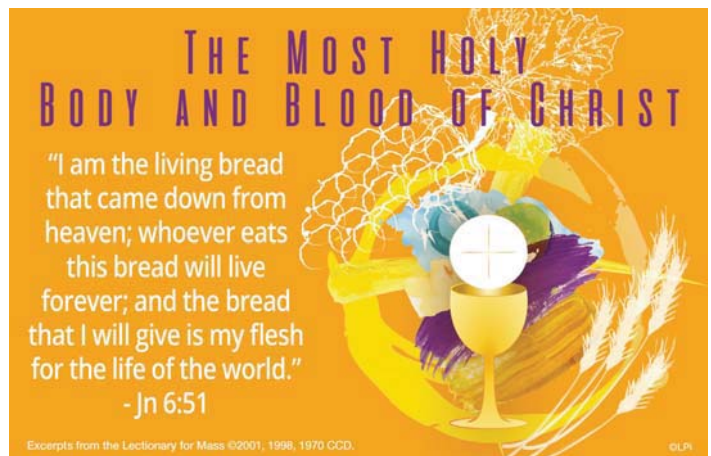
10:00am *Multiple Intentions*
Rosa Russo
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Readings for this week

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Observances for this week

Sunday: **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
Wednesday: **St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church**
Friday: **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**
Saturday: **The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Next Sunday: **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

First Reading:

"This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his." (Ex 24:8)

Psalm:

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 116)

Second Reading:

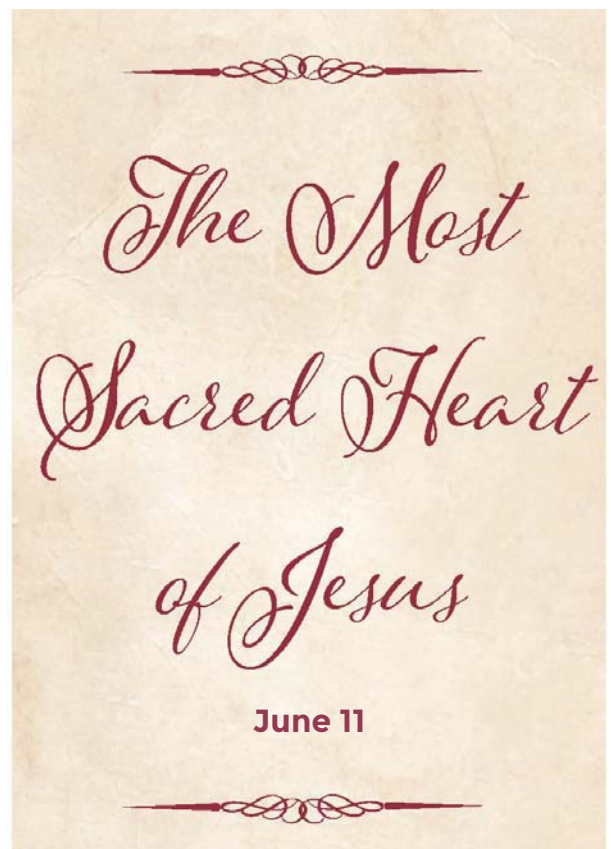
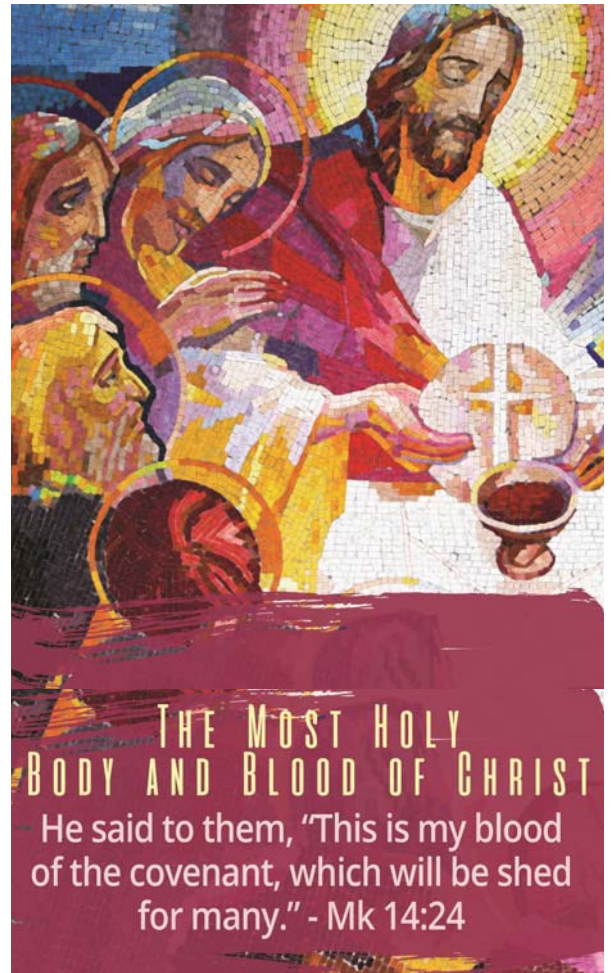
How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God. (Heb 9:14)

Gospel:

He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." (Mk 14:24)

Inspiration for the Week

As we gather today to reaffirm our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we are reminded that we are also the Body of Christ. The mission of the Gospel calls us to be Christ for others. There is so much brokenness and pain in our world. Many people are lost and feeling lonely, marginalized and oppressed, victimized and abused. Every time we receive the Body (and Blood) of Christ, we are asked to become what we eat. Are we willing to step aside from our preoccupations and concerns so that we can be Christ for others? The power and presence of Christ in the Eucharist becomes present in us. In receiving this transforming presence of Christ, we can truly effect change in the lives of those we meet. We can show them God's unconditional, ever-present love and the beauty that can come from loving others. We are given the grace to become temples of justice and peace, carrying God's sacred Presence within us wherever we go.



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Body and Blood of Christ • Mark 14:12-16, 22-26





GOSPEL


Jesus broke the bread and said, "This is my body." Then he held up the cup of wine and said, "This is my blood." During Mass the priest says the same words: "This is my body. This is my blood." Through the prayer, the bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Christ. When you eat the body and blood of Christ, it gives you the power to say "No," to evil.


PUZZLE

Count the objects in each group. Draw lines to match the groups with the right number. Then color in all the pictures.

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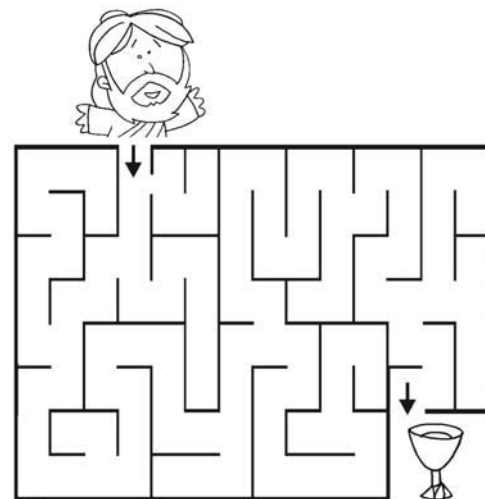
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MISSION

I will share a can of my favorite soup with the hungry.

PUZZLE

Find your way from Jesus to the cup.



MISSION

Using the concordance found at the back of your Bible, look up the word "Passover." As a family, write down the verses, find them in your Bible, and read them out loud. Sometimes Jesus is referred to as the Lamb of God, or the Lamb sacrificed for our sins. Talk about how Jesus took our sins away when he died on the cross.

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 2 - 5 pm
Gethsemane Chapel



Confessions

Fridays 4 - 5 pm Gethsemane Chapel
Saturdays 3 - 3:45 pm St. Monica Church & St. Lucy Church



YES I CAN PROGRAM

We are in need of **oatmeal, mashed potatoes, and canned corn.**

We have placed food collection baskets in both churches. You may also drop off food at the side door of Gethsemane Chapel during the week, but please do not leave food donations at the main door or entranceway of the chapel. Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for **Edera M., Roger Branchaud, Annalize, Sarah Wilkens, and Nancy A.**

Please pray for **Eileen Breen** whose Funeral Mass was recently celebrated at St. Monica's. May her soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace.

Please pray for our priests, seminarians, and vocations daily. Pick up a Pray for Our Priests calendar and a seminarian prayer card at the back of the church or use this list each day. Our priests and seminarians need our prayers!

Day	Date	Priest	Seminarian
Sun	6/6	Pope Francis	Aaron Arbizo
Mon	6/7	Fr. Arnold Kelley	Patrick O'Connor
Tue	6/8	Fr. James Braley	Francis Trewin
Wed	6/9	Fr. Christopher Hickey	Nicholas Stano
Thurs	6/10	Fr. George Pucciarelli	Diego Alejandro Pena
Fri	6/11	Fr. Walter Keymont	Maxwell Chukwudiebere
Sat	6/12	Fr. William Russell SJ	All Seminarians being ordained to the transitional Diaconate today

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