

Pulpit Announcements for the The Solemnity of the Most Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christi June 2, 2024

Welcome to all who are here today on this Sunday when we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord. Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey. Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!

- **Thank you to those who came for the Family Matters info session two Sundays ago. If you couldn't make it or wish to know more about it, please contact Dee Nann at the parish office.**
- **Do you know any adult (among your family or friends) who needs to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Communion? Please visit page 8 of the bulletin for more information on our RCIA and whom to contact.**
- **One of our Youths, Abigail, has shared her experience of attending the Diocesan Youth Day. Read her insights on page 6 in today's bulletin.**
- **(Only for Saturday 5 pm):** Joining the numerous Catholic parishes around the world, we too will have the Eucharistic Procession soon after this Mass. Please join this beautiful Catholic tradition, publicly witnessing to the Lord's presence with us.

Wanting to be with our loved ones is a human longing. Jesus had the same longing and so he remains with us giving us His Body and Blood as spiritual nourishment each time we gather around His Table. May today's feast of Corpus Christi remind us of this invaluable treasure that we sometimes take for granted...

Music for Our Assembly

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He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock...Psalm 81

Gathering Hymn – Gift of Finest Wheat

**You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.**

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when you call your fam'ly, Lord,
We follow and rejoice.
2. With joyful lips we sing to you
Our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heav'nly food.
3. Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
Our oneness in the Lord?
4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell:
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell.
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord;
Then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in your name
In truth and charity.

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Prayer of the Faithful

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Our response is: "God of Glory, Hear Our Prayer."

1. For the Church, especially Pope Francis, and all church leaders...that through our sharing in the holy Eucharist, we may be transformed more and more into the living Body of Christ, we pray.
2. For the world... Help us to set aside war, hatred and intolerance and pursue peace; for those suffering from natural calamities, especially the people of Papua New Guinea, we pray ...
3. For our parish... that we may truly become the Body of Christ by treating all as the family of God; ... for our St. Matthias School graduates and our youth graduating from High Schools and colleges, to take with them the Catholic identity and become model citizens for God and country, we pray. . .
4. For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit...heal them, restore their health, and give them strength to live life fully, we pray . . .
5. For all who have died, especially **Jeffery Curran**...Let Your glory shine upon them for all eternity, we pray. . .
6. For the prayers that are silent in our hearts, we pray...

The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions.

Preparation of the Gifts - Miracle of Grace

1. Miracle of grace, mystery of faith,
calling us to venture to the deep.
Though our senses fail, your graces still prevail,
and we become the love that we receive.

Bread of life, bread of life.

Those who eat this bread shall live and never die.

Bread of life, bread of life.

Your true presence in this holy sacrifice.

Bread of life.

2. Unworthy though we are, you feed the hungry heart
with bread come down from heaven above.
And like a grain of wheat, we fall down at your feet,
dying here with you. Oh, let us rise!

3. Your faithfulness revealed in this covenant you've sealed
with your very body and your blood.
Come, claim your bride again with love that cannot end,
for what God joins no one can divide.

Communion Hymn – The Supper of the Lord

Precious body, precious blood,
seen as bread and wine;
here the Lord prepares the feast divine.
Bread of love is broken now,
cup of life is poured:
come, share the supper of the Lord.

1. This is the bread of God
coming down from heav'n,
giving life to us,
to all the world.

2. "I am the living spring
of eternal life;
you that drink from me
shall not thirst again."

3. "I am the bread of heav'n
giving life to you;
you that eat this bread
shall never die."

4. "All those who feed on me
have their life in me,
as I have my life
in the living God."

5. All praise to you, O Christ,
present in this feast;
in this bread, we share
in one life, one Lord.

Closing Hymn - O God Beyond All Praising

1. O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay
For we can only wonder at every gift you send
At blessings without number and mercies without end.
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word
We honor and adore you, O yugreat and mighty Lord.
2. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favor may serve you as our King.
And whether our tomorrow be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

How shall I make a return to the LORD
for all the good he has done for me?
The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

Precious in the eyes of the LORD
is the death of his faithful ones.
I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
you have loosed my bonds.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and I will call upon the name of the LORD.
My vows to the LORD I will pay
in the presence of all his people.

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.