

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, as well as the feast day of our Diocese, whose name is derived from this celebration. Since it is at the Mass that the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ is conected, I thought I would use this letter to talk about the implementation of the new Roman Missal which will mark updates in the Mass texts. This implementation should take place sometime in late 2011.

During the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II announced a revised version of the *Missale Romanum* (Roman Missal). For those who are unfamiliar with this term, the Roman Missal is essentially the official text containing all prayers, rubrics (instructions), and guidelines for the celebration of the Mass. This is the book which the priest uses at the altar. The revised Roman Missal will incorporate prayers for the observances of more recently canonized saints, additional prefaces for the Eucharistic Prayers, new Votive Masses and Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Intentions. Additionally, there will be updated rubrics for the celebration of the Mass and changes in translations of acclamations and responses.

Most notable will be changes that will take some getting used to. For example, when the priest says the greeting "The Lord be with you", everyone will reply with the response "And *with your spirit*." This translation more closely resembles the original Latin and has been the response in Spanish for years. Another example is the change in the "Holy, Holy." Instead of saying "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of *power and might*" we will say or sing "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of *hosts*."

As you can see, this will require some adaptation on our part, since most of us have been so accustomed to our current responses for many years now. That is why we are already beginning to catechize the faithful. My hope is that we will be sufficiently prepared when these changes take place.

Why make changes at all? What is the purpose of these revisions? Essentially, there are many good reasons for these changes. There is a theological principle that is invoked to highlight the importance of faithful and accurate translations and prayers that are doctrinally correct. The principle is "Lex orandi lex credendi" (Loosely translated - "The law of prayer is the law of belief"). Perhaps a more understandable way of translating this principle is - "As we pray, so we believe." Our belief is articulated by our prayer. If we were to repeatedly say a prayer that is doctrinally vague, we could begin to interiorize that vagueness into our belief. The same would be true if we were to pray something that is doctrinally incorrect. If we prayed something erroneous, the error would be perpetuated in our belief. Now, I am certainly not saying that there is anything erroneous about the prayers that we currently use at Mass. Nevertheless, the new translations will hopefully add greater depth to our understanding.

Throughout the centuries, revisions in the Missal have taken place to address the needs of each age. The upcoming revisions will, I am sure, bear great fruit in the needs of our contemporary age, which is heavily influenced by competing, and often confusing information. In the future, we will be including some inserts into our bulletin detailing many of the revisions that we will see in the revised Roman Missal. God bless!

Fr. Paul



Saturday, June 5, 2010

8:00 AM Danny Jones
by Mary Jones
4:30 PM +Agnes Parker
by Donna Parker

Sunday, June 6, 2010

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:30 AM Mary Ann Broyles
by Women's Council
11:00AM +Jose Maria & Manuela Peña
by Nelson & Elva Peña
6:00 PM Parishioners & Benefactors of St. John's

Monday, June 7, 2010

8:00 AM +Francisca G. Garcia
by Children

Tuesday, June 8, 2010

8:00 AM +Maria D. Cano
by Mary Cano

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

8:00 AM +Tomas Hinojosa
by Consuelo Hinojosa

Thursday, June 10, 2010

8:00 AM +Augustine Mejia
by Adrianna Toren & Family

Friday, June 11, 2010

8:00 AM +Agnes Parker
by Donna Parker

Next Saturday, June 12, 2010

8:00 AM +Michael J. O'Flynn
by Michael & Josey O'Flynn
4:30 PM +Marlin McMorrow
by Dolores McMorrow

Next Sunday, June 13, 2010

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Parishioners & Benefactors of St. John's
11:00 AM Special Intention
by Delia O'Keefe
6:00 PM +Jessie Barnes
by Rosie Barnes & Daughters

Readings for the Week of June 6, 2010

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Gn 14:18-20; Ps 30; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4; Mt 5:13-16

**Wednesday: Saint Ephrem, deacon, doctor
1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16; Mt 5:17-19**

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65; Mt 5:20-26

**Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7**

**Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 16; Lk 2:41-51**

**Sunday: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36—8:3 or 7:36-50**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH ...



Beatrice Ferrell, Edward Nemec, Oscar Soliz, Florence Fuertez, Mary Ann Broyles, Cameron Marshall, Cattia Longoria, Jane Cheesman, Jerry Alvarez, Bonnie Maloy, Olivia Marshall, Henry Lamb III, San Juana Yglesias, Blanche Rhiddle Hoover, Elida Salas, Sister Suzanne Friedman, Rachel Martinez, Lisa Cash, Mary Rose Yeager, Delia Almaraz, Irma Mugerza, William McAbee, Ray Matta, Monica Ellison.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Please Pray For Our Troops



Sgt. Roger Elkins, Glen Turner Jr., Sgt Matt Maufin, Aaron Philipchuck, Dwayne Solis, Charles Krohn Jr., Oscar Rossi Billy Swatzell, James O'Donnell, Paul Adame, Brandon

Felton, Zicorian Coleman, Wendy Hand, D'Aldo Alaniz, Paul Walton, Joseph Yglesias, Jaime Robles, Rudy Hoyt, Roseann Guerrero, Sr. Airman Charlie Stevens, Sr. Airman Patrick Scheuter, Matt Hettinger, Mike Brown, Erik Garza, Damian Saldivar, Maj. Chuck Taylor, Alex Saucedo, Jay Alvarez, John Rodriguez, Jr., Jimmy Karjian, Orlando Rodriguez, Ken Demick, Yvette T. Demick, Scott Nielsen, Timothy Johnson, Mr. Rogers, Lt. Jg John Dolby III, Michael Nelson, Michael A. Berry, Gabriel Reza, Mike Llamas, Manny Olvalle, Luis Martinez, Lt. Hector Jude Garcia, Lt. Jg Kristopher McAbee, Chris Hesse, Natalie Manzano, Capt. Cristian Alejandro Pinzon, David D. Ruiz, Melissa Davila, Ramon Panganiban, Jr., Sgt. Carlos Torres, Jr., Michael D. Valdez, Lt. Norman Renfro.

Ministry Schedules

This Week's Lectors:

Next Week' Lectors

4:30 pm Annisa Hernandez	4:30 pm Mary Jones
8:30am Lee Overstreet	8:30am Brenda Garcia
11:00am Karen McIntire	11:00am Melinda Gomez

This Week's EM's:

Next Week's EM's:

4:30 pm Janie & Ed Salinas, Judy & Gerald Beckman, Marcy, Tracy & Samantha Mora	4:30 pm Linda, Michael & Crystal Hite, Randy Ritter, Richard & Patty Dolan, Anita Joya
8:30am Imelda Ramirez, Maricela Spencer, Connie Salas, Kathy Jo Overstreet, Mary Carrillo	8:30am Bill Cheesman, Mark & Mary Jo Cheesman, Bonner Dorsey, Anita Joya
11:00am Norma Huerta, Beto & Minnie Peña, Cynthia & Gabriel Gatica, Judy Cruz	11:00 am Olaya Solis, Rene & Janie Esquivel, Cindy Morin, Maribel Muñoz, Judy Cruz

This Week's Ushers:

Next Week's Ushers:

4:30pm Margaret Dechant, Larry Dechant, Patty Dolan, Richard Dolan	4:30pm Virginia Haasl, George Fegan, James Coburn, Gene Gonzalez
8:30am Steven Hansen, Monica Hansen, Lawrence Balderas, Rhonda Balderas	8:30am Allan Rasmussen, Bea Heenan, David Berlanga, Elizabeth Berlanga
11:00am Kathy Deis, Albert Lichtenberger, Eddie Cruz, Henry Lamb	11:00am Vanessa Bedoya, Victoria Bedoya, Eddie Cruz, Kathy Deis

Sunday Collection



Gifts for God

May 30, 2010

Envelope & Loose
Building Fund

\$ 8,032.01
25.00

*You are a priest forever,
in the Line of Melchizedek.*

St. John's Parish Dates to Remember

Jun 07	5:00 PM	Intercessors of the Lamb	RM #1
Jun 10	7:00 PM	Adoration	Church
Jun 11	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Adoration	Church

Vacation Bible School 2010

Vacation Bible School News! Registration is now open for VBS to be held on **June 14-18 from 9 to 12**. All children completing Kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to join in on the fun! Registration is limited to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church **registered** families. Participation is limited, so be sure to register now! On line registration is at <http://www.vacationbibleschool.com/stjohnthebaptistcc/>

Father's Day Novena



Give your Father a priceless gift this **Father's day, June 20th**. What better way to honor and remember your father than with a Novena of Masses. You may pick up a card from the entrance of the Church. Take the card with you and return the envelope to the parish office or place it in the collection basket by Father's Day.

Our Lady of Corpus Christi

Our Lady of Corpus Christi has begun a Miraculous Medal Novena Holy Hour, every Tuesday night from 7 – 8 pm. All people are invited to join in this Holy Hour in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel at 1200 Lantana St. Corpus Christi.

John Paul II High School

John Paul II High School is currently seeking a Certified Librarian for the 2010-2011 School year. The following qualifications are required: Master's Degree in Library Science or Bachelor's Degree with Learning Resources Endorsement, and proficiency in the use of information technology resources. If you are interested in this position, please call John Paul II High School at 361-855-5744.

Pilgrimage to Holy Land & Egypt

Fr. Paul announces a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Egypt that will take place from March 21 - 31, 2011 and will cost \$3,190 per person (includes airfare, airport taxes, 2-meals daily, hotels, and tips). The deadline for total payment is the beginning of January, 2011. If you would like more information, please contact Fr. Paul at the parish office.

Youth Ministry Announcements

LIFE TEEN: (grades 9-12) It's officially summer! Come hang out with friends **this Wednesday, June 9th at 7pm-8pm**.

*****ATTENTION STEUBENVILLE PARTICIPANTS:** We are meeting this Monday, June 7th at 7pm to get ready for the conference. See you in room 7!***

EDGE: (grades 6-8) We will meet again for **First Friday Frenzy on Friday, July 2nd at 6pm-7pm**. All youth going into 6th grade and leaving 8th grade are invited!

Go to www.stjohnyouth.com for more info on the youth program and events!!