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Masses

Saturday

9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday

7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

Weekday

M—F 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days

Mass times as announced

Reconciliation

Saturday
4:00 pm—4:45 pm

June 19, 2022 — The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Melchizedek brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram
(Genesis 14:18-20).

Psalm — You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek
(Psalm 110).

Second Reading — Paul gives his description of the institution of the Eucharist
(1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

Gospel — Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish
(Luke 9:11b-17).

THE GIFT OF THE EUCHARIST

Today we hear how Abram encounters Melchizedek, “king of Salem . . . and a priest of God Most High” (Genesis 14:18). Melchizedek appears nowhere else in scripture, but is nonetheless significant. Psalm 110 declares of the great King David, “You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek,” a description later given (in the letter to the Hebrews) to Christ as High Priest.

Early Christians saw in Melchizedek’s bread and wine the bread and wine of the Eucharist; Paul’s account of the Last Supper (in today’s second reading) is the oldest one in scripture. In the Gospel, Luke describes Jesus providing bread for a crowd in words similar to Paul’s, words still used by the Church: Jesus takes bread, gives thanks, breaks it. Together, these three readings reveal how Christian priesthood, Christ’s Real Presence, and the call to serve those in need are all found in the gift of the Eucharist.

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Give Your Children and Grandchildren the Gift of Faith!

Youth Faith Formation (Sunday Sessions) have come to an end for this school year. Registration for the upcoming school year will be available by July.

This includes sacramental preparation:

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist - typically 2nd graders or older
Sacrament of Confirmation - typically 8th graders or older

For information, please contact: Loy Oppus-Moe
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June 19, 2022



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

To all who walk in “Father” shoes: Special blessings on all men who have taken on the role of “father” (fathers, grandfathers, teachers, brothers, caregivers, friends) in whichever way was required.

If you have a special “father” in your life, let him know you appreciate him.

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

This many-century devotion honors the heart of Jesus as a symbol of his threefold love: human, spiritual and divine. In the Old Testament this love is described as a parent's love for his or her children or a husband's love for his wife. In the New Testament God's love is exemplified through many images of love ascribed to Jesus: servant, friend, healer, shepherd. The image of the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind through his sacrifice on the cross for human sin. Christ's suffering is portrayed in the Sacred Heart with a knife going through it and a crown of thorns surrounding it.

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is closely linked with that of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It is a reminder that although Mary is the mother of Jesus, the mother of God, she was not spared suffering and sorrow. Even as Mary loved Jesus, she has embraced all of humanity as its mother with a mother's tender love for all her children. The image of Mary's Immaculate heart reflects that of her son—a heart beating with love, with guidance, with desire for her children's happiness in the eternal kingdom.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday	Father's Day (a day honoring fatherhood and paternal bonds as well as the influence of fathers in society)
Tuesday	St. Aloysius Gonzaga (16th cent. Italian prince & Jesuit religious; died helping plague victims)
Wednesday	St. Paulinus of Nola (5th cent. Roman senator, poet and bishop; introduced bells into liturgy) St. John Fisher (16th cent. English bishop, cardinal & martyr; patron of Diocese of Rochester) St. Thomas More (16th cent. English lawyer & martyr; patron of adopted children, civil servants, court clerks)
Thursday	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist (coming 3 months after the Annunciation, celebrated March 25, when Angel Gabriel told Mary her cousin Elizabeth was with child in her 6th month. John's birth anticipates Christmas and foretells the coming of the Messiah)
Friday	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (see above)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Jun 18	Sat	9 a.m.	All Parishioners
		5 p.m.	Maxine Stice +
Jun 19	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	The McKeever Family
		11 a.m.	Giovann Mascitelli +
		5 p.m.	Robert, Richard, & Stephanie Mandal (L)
Jun 20	Mon	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Jun 21	Tue	8 a.m.	Nino Borromeo (L)
Jun 22	Wed	8 a.m.	Mabel Chang (L)
Jun 23	Thu	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Jun 24	Fri	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Jun 25	Sat	9 a.m.	All Parishioners
		5 p.m.	Annie Adriano (L)
Jun 26	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	All Parishioners
		11 a.m.	Robert P. Mandal +
		5 p.m.	Andrea Beltran +

Our Diocese begins the National Eucharistic Revival with a celebration of Mass at 1:00 pm this Sunday, June 19th, at St. Joseph's Cathedral.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- If you or someone you know, who is unbaptized and older than 7 years, or a baptized Christian and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, call us.
- If you are a baptized Catholic, but for one reason or another never completed your Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, you're not alone; call us.

"The sacraments of Christian Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life." (Catechism, 1212).
Please speak with Fr. Hao at the Parish Office at (408) 725-3939 for more information. We are forming our next RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) which will begin in late August.

THANK YOU

June 12, 2022	Our Weekly Offering
NEEDED	\$5,400
COLLECTED WESHARE	\$4,982 n/a
TOTAL	\$4,982
CATHOLIC CHARITIES	\$500

Patience is the ability to idle your motor when you feel like stripping your gears.
—Anonymous