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**The Diocese of St. Catharines
 60th Anniversary—1958-2018**

“Put out into the deep water and let down your nets.” (Lk 5:4)

Sunday, June 3rd, 2018

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, “Take it; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.” — Mk 14:22-24

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Sat. June 2	9-10am 4-4:45pm 5:00pm	Reconciliation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation Mario Forte (Family)
Sun. June 3	9:30am 11:00am	Missa Pro Populo Michael Wilson (Karen) Frank & Kristina Hozjan (Stefan Hozjan & Family)
Mon. June 4	9:30am 7-8pm	Mass Cancelled Holy Hour Cancelled
Tues. June 5	9:30am	Communion Service
Wed. June 6	9:30am	Communion Service
Thurs. June 7	9:30am	Mass Cancelled
Fri. June 8	9:30am	Mass Cancelled
Sat. June 9	9-10am 4-4:45pm 5:00pm	Reconciliation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation Nicola Colangelo (Rosa Colangelo & Family)
Sun. June 10	9:30am 11:00am	Missa Pro Populo Michael Wilson (Karen)

**Reconciliation from 9-9:20am before all weekday Masses.
 Offertory May 26th & 27th, 2018**

73 Envelopes	\$1,755.00
Loose Collection	\$ 43.00
Total Offertory	\$1,798.00

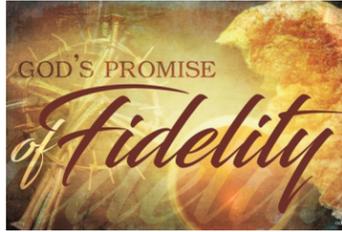


The month of June has traditionally been dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
 “In that divine heart beats God’s love for everyone, for each one of us individually.”
 —St. John Paul II

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In our modern times, symbol can seem to have lost its value. The most recognizable “signs” are ones we see on the road or the branding in advertisements. The logos for major companies don’t do much more than perk our interest or disdain. They surely don’t deliver on their promises for our lives to be happier, healthier, and easier.

On this feast of Corpus Christi, we hear the account of the Last Supper. This was Passover, an ancient sign of the covenant of Moses. The Hebrew people celebrated God’s providential care for His people. To the listening disciples, Jesus makes a very bold claim. “This is my blood of the covenant.” At the time of the first Passover — the redemption of the Hebrew people from slavery to the Egyptians — the blood of the sacrificial lamb was spread on the lintels of the doorpost. Tomorrow, some of the disciples would witness the blood of the new covenant spread across the wood of the cross.



Christ’s Body and Blood are more than a sign. They are a sacrament. In the sacrament, the sign makes real what it signifies. More than ritual, a sacrament enacts truth of the covenantal love of God and His promise of fidelity. It’s a promise God keeps. The same bread and wine of that first Holy Thursday liturgy becomes — throughout the centuries and until the end of time — the very Body and Blood of Christ. On this feast, we celebrate the unfailing covenantal love of our God. As you partake in the Eucharist today, and next Sunday, and the Sunday after that, remember that you receive neither a meaningless sign nor an empty offer. You receive God Himself, as He fulfills His promise to remain with us always.

Pope’s Prayer Intention Month of June
Social Networks—That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

LIVE THE LITURGY - 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.

Summer Mass Hours
Beginning the weekend of June 30th/July 1st weekend Masses will be celebrated on SATURDAY @ 5PM, & SUNDAY @ 10AM . This schedule will be effective for weeks ends in JULY AND AUGUST ONLY. Regular weekend Mass hours resume Labour Day weekend—September 1/2. Beginning the first weekend of July, the bulletin will be published every 2 weeks to the end of August.



Children’s Liturgy will continue throughout the summer months (July and August) **during the 10am Sunday Mass**. If your child has not received the Sacrament of First Eucharist, he/she is welcome to attend. Children’s Liturgy leaders spend time with the children reviewing the day’s Gospel at their level of understanding using picture and literature resources.

STRAWBERRY FAIR JUNE 10TH, 2018, 10AM-1PM
 Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to assist. This event is one of our major social events of the year bringing together our parish community before the summer break. Your support is most appreciated!! A few volunteers still needed. Phone the office if you can help!
As always, your help & support is greatly appreciated!

Collection for the Education of Seminarians & Clergy. Please continue to pray for our seminarians and support the funding of their education. **The collection will take place in our parish on the weekend of June 9/10. Envelopes are in your offertory boxes and extras are at the back of the church. As with all special collections, if donating by cheque, please make payable to St. Ann’s Parish. Thank You!**

Elisha House Pregnancy & family Support Centre—Celebrating 30 Years campaign runs from **MAY 13 JUNE 17 (Father’s Day)**. Fill a bottle with coins, bills or a cheque made out to Elisha House. See your Church Rep for more info. Thank you for investing in the lives of young women and families in the Welland area. The bottles are now available at the back of the church. Please return them to the parish by the Father’s Day weekend. Your support is very much appreciated. **Last year, our parish donated \$611.45 for this campaign.**

Outdoor Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery: All welcome to join with Bishop Gerard Bergie as he celebrates the sixth annual Outdoor Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery, 50 Woodlawn Rd., Welland on **Saturday, June 23rd, 2018 at 11am**. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be re-scheduled for Sat. July 7th at 11am.



Everyday Stewardship
 What else is there to give when one has already given away their body and their life? What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for another when all they have has been given to another? This total giving of self to loved ones cannot be trumped by flowery words or material gifts that are fleeting. This is the ultimate in love. This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist. This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration of the Mass on altars in every church, in every city, in every nation on earth. No one can give more. No one can ask for more. This is the true heart of Christian stewardship. If you take the time to gaze upon your God in the simplest of forms and begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with bread and wine becoming Real Presence of the Divine, then you can begin to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love. And when you have the privilege to take that Real Presence into your body at the meal where you are an honoured guest, you become one with the One who is the embodiment of stewardship. Then, you must ask the question of yourself, “How can I even begin to reflect the love that I have encountered at this feast?” The answer is you can begin with the simple actions of the day: where will you go, whom will you meet, and in what work will you partake? Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread. By joining your body to his, he can now transform human hearts, not by grand acts but by everyday acts, by everyday people, practicing Everyday Stewardship.

Parish Calendar

June.....	
June 3rd....	Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ
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June 4-8.....	Weekday Masses cancelled (Priest retreat)
June 10th....	Strawberry Fair 10am-1pm
June 10th....	Special Collection—Education of Seminarians
June 20th....	Year end school Mass 9:30am
June 27th...	CWL Mass 9:30am followed by breakfast social At Grill on Canboro. All ladies welcome!



Still Time to Sign up! This year’s theme is: Pirate Camp - Searching for Real Treasure
 Your kids will be entertained, they will be excited to come to VBS everyday and, most importantly, they will get to know God better and draw closer to Him.
Registration Forms are at the back of the church.



Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped St. Ann Youth Ministry participate in the Fenwick Lions Parade for our 3rd consecutive year! We had great weather, and lots of fun handing out candy and flyers for St. Ann Youth Ministry. A special thank you to the Gillies family for setting up our audio system, and driving the truck, and to all the youth who came out and made this day such a great success. Our banner read **"In the image of God he created them"**. We are so blessed to have such amazing young people in our community!

Tuesday Bingo: The last session before the summer break will be this coming Thursday, **June 7th at 7pm**. We thank the bingo team for their work this past year and dedication to this parish fundraiser. We also thank all who attended & supported this event.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Shrine, 4706 Miller Road, Port Colborne operates May to October. Every Thursday at 7:00 p.m., in the Chapel, the Rosary is recited followed by the celebration of Holy Mass. On Thursday, June 14, 2018 Bishop Bergie will celebrate Mass – EVERYONE IS WELCOME. For more information please call Shelley Tamas, 905-714-7677 or visit www.rosaryshrineniagara.com.

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL ROSARY RELAY: for the sanctification of priests, takes place on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Members of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Shrine/Le Sanctuaire du Rosaire invite you to join us We will join our prayers to the prayers of millions throughout the world at the Shrine on (4706) Miller Road, Port Colborne on **Friday, June 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** Let us raise our hearts to God for all priests, that they will be blessed, through our prayer, with God’s grace for their priesthood.

Catholic Men’s Breakfast - June 16/18 (7:30-11:30 am) at Club Roma Pavilion (125 Vansickle Rd, St Catharines) - \$20. Featured speakers: Bishop Gerard Bergie “Put Out Into the Deep” and Robert Raisp of the Toronto Lift Jesus Higher Rally “Leadership -Walk on Water style” .Contact Branches at 905-685-7000.

