THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

TAKE IT; THIS IS MAY BODY.

— MARK 14:22 —

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024 GOD'S PEOPLE IN EXTRAORDINARY VARIETY

Welcome!

We're so glad you're here and invite you to journey in faith with us. We believe the church is the sacrament of God's saving presence in the world. Our goal is to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, where the healing, reconciling, liberating love of God flows through us to all people. If you have any questions about our parish, please call or email our parish office.



On Tuesday, May 21, I had the privilege of being at Saint Xavier University (SXU) to offer a day of reflection for parish ministers on the topic of Eucharist. As you may recall, the US Bishops have called for a Eucharistic Revival and we are currently in year two of three, which is focused on parishes renewing a deep love for the Eucharist. Thus far, here, we have only offered a Bible Study that examined the Eucharist in Scripture. I hope that late in summer and/or fall we can offer some additional adult formation opportunities to explore our Eucharistic living. Below is one of the prayers the group at SXU broke open to help us understand how the Eucharistic living forms the assembly in the theology of eucharist (*lex orandi, lex credendi*) and teaches us that we are called to live (*lex vivendi*) and serve for the life of the world. I invite you to consider this week, how you are transformed by sharing in the Eucharist, how it challenges you to serve your neighbors, and how it reveals God's love in your life.

[Jesus] has always showed compassion / for children and for the poor, / for the sick and for the sinners, / and he became a neighbor / to the oppressed and the afflicted. / By word and deed he announced to the world / that you are our Father / and that you care for all your sons and daughters.

—The Roman Missal, "Eucharistic Prayer for Use in Masses for Various Need IV: Jesus, Who Went About Doing Good."



Join us on May 30, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. (ET) / 2:00 p.m. (CT) to reflect on *The Eucharist and Social Mission: Body of Christ, Broken for the World* as the Church prepares to celebrate the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Together, we will break open the theology of the Eucharist and consider how our liturgical practice calls us to be missionary disciples, going forth from the Eucharistic meal to accompany those who are poor and vulnerable.

This webinar will also provide practical examples, resources, and tools to help our Eucharistic communities live the call to transform all that degrades human life and dignity and create systemic change.

This virtual event is co-sponsored by the Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Charities USA, Catholic Relief Services, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

To register, visit usccb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dMCIAwYnQtifcCRmPVN74g#/registration



This Sunday's Readings: The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ

Exodus 24:3-8 Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 (13) Hebrews 9:11-15 Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Wylola Cooper

We encourage you to prepare yourself for next weekend's liturgy by reading and praying the scriptures (visit www.usccb.org).

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Genesis 3:9-15 Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7bc) 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember those listed below in your prayers this week.

MONDAY, June 3 Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs Readings: 2 Pt 1:2-7 | Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16 | Mk 12:1-12 & Gwendolyn Lewis & Lewis Family

TUESDAY, June 4 Readings: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 | Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 | Mk 12:13-17 Paul Mostacchio, (Speedy Recovery)

WEDNESDAY, June 5 Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr Readings: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 | Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef | Mk 12:18-27 Ronald Spencer, (Speedy Recover)

THURSDAY, June 6 Saint Norbert, bishop Readings: 2 Tm 2:8-15 | Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 | Mk 12:28-34 Angelica Salazar, (Speedy Recovery)

FRIDAY, June 7 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Readings: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9 | Ps 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3) | Eph 3:8-12, 14-19 | Jn 19:31-37 Paul Mostacchio, (Speedy Recovery)

SATURDAY, June 8 Readings: 2 Tm 4:1-8 | 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd | Lk 2:41-51 ♥Wylola Cooper

Remember in Prayer

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Dorla Allen, Lucas Allen, Rita Allen, Alexandria Banks, Romulo Barreno, Dorothy Bonds, Bradford family, Diane Clarke, Emil F. Coccaro, Thomas & Carol Cole, Patricia Comeaux, Romy Crena, Esther Dionisio, Jean Douglas-Washington, Sheldon Dugan, Barbara Dunn, Pat & Dick English, Marilyn Epps, Joan Gallagher, Lina Garcia, David Giles, Pamela Graniczy, Albert Hines, Kathleen Holden, Maria Jimenez, Olga Jimenez, Carolyn Jones, Connie Jose, Terri Kilbane, Charlie King, Carol Landrum, Mary Lerps, Linda Loggins, Mankowski Family, Anastacia I. Mebane, Clara Morgan, Caridad Neal, Carmen Orendain, Edmond Peirre, Agnes Pelt, David Nathaniel Robinson, Dick Russel, Nelson R. Sample, Justina Sentino, Zahari Simmons, Bobby Sims, Olustee Smith, Ernest Talbott, Ronald Spencer, Ed Vaughn, Charles Walker, Sr., Jo Washington, Julia Washington, Terrance Watson, Mavis Willis, Marie Bijou Wong, Maria Wooder, Joan Yedinak.

> For those who have died: Dr Mark Robinson David Merz, father of Matthew Merz





SPIRITUALITY OF THE MINISTRY OF THE ASSEMBLY

excerpt from Living a Liturgical Spirituality: Journeying Daily with Christ by Joyce Ann Zimmerman, CPPS (LTP, 2020)



THE BEING AND DOING OF THE MINISTRY OF THE ASSEMBLY

We do far more when we come together for liturgy than simply get together for a common action. The being of the liturgical assembly is to be Church made visible. The ordained priest is in our midst as the Head of the Body, the visible Presence of Christ. When we gather as one, Head and Body, we are Church. The doing of the assembly is to surrender ourselves as individual members of the Body of Christ to being the one Body of Christ that is larger than ourselves as individuals. All our full, All focus on common identity united under one Head. Variety conscious, active participation in liturgy is directed to becoming more perfectly the Body of Christ.

THE ROLE OF THE ASSEMBLY

The liturgical assembly manifests the Church, the Body of Christ, in its fullness. Every person who gathers for liturgy is a minster to self and others. As liturgical assembly, the gathered peopleordained priests and people, Head and Body-enact the paschal mystery and continue Christ's ongoing work of salvation. When we gather as liturgical assembly, we call to mind and live out our identity and mission. We renew our baptismal commitment to be disciples of the risen Christ, connect with liturgical spirituality in the very shape of the liturgy, and are sent forth to be the Presence of Christ to all those we meet.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SPIRITUALITY

OF THE MINISTRY OF THE ASSEMBLY

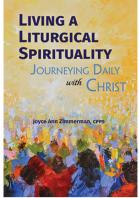
- Communal. Communion with other members of the Body of Christ reveals the many gifts given to the community to continue Jesus' saving ministry. No one of us has all the necessary qualities and talents to continue Jesus' saving mission. Together, we have all we need when we surrender ourselves to continue Jesus' mission. The spirituality of the ministry of the assembly calls us in our daily living to overcome divisions and promote unity.
- Universal. One of the four marks of the Church is that it is catholic, that is, universal. The liturgical assembly is not just a collection of individuals gathered at a certain time and place. The liturgical assembly is far-reaching: It encompasses the whole Church, past, present, and future. It is the visible presence of the communion of saints offering God praise and thanks. As such, each member of the liturgical assembly is a model of welcome for anyone who comes and for anyone who is met in the daily circumstances of life.
- Other-centered. Selfishness has no place in members of the ► One concrete behavior I choose to liturgical assembly. Like Christ our Head, the members of the assembly strive to be all things to all people. No one is excluded, everyone has the dignity of the Children of God, others' needs are our own needs. The surrender proper to becoming a liturgical assembly mirrors the kind of surrender to the care of others that is part and parcel of our daily Christian living.

- Open to surrendering. Our natural tendency is to be concerned about ourselves. This is appropriate and necessary for us to have what we need to live a good life. We tend to keep what is ours. Contrary to this, the ministry of the assembly requires us to let go of ourselves-to surrender our thoughts and desires, preferences and habits, likes and dislikes to become more than we are as individuals. Without our being open to surrendering to the liturgical action, we block God's desire to transform us into more perfect images of the divine Presence.
- in our liturgical assembly is indicative of no one being excluded from God's Beloved people. What draws this variety into a seamless whole is a concerted focus on Christ, who is Head of the Body and who unites us as one. We assemble in response to Christ's call; it is Christ who is the reason for our being and doing, and the cause of our becoming a community united in one purpose.
- Accepting of diversity. A variety of gifts and people make up the liturgical assembly. To celebrate liturgy well we must recognize each one's place and role in the immense diversity that characterizes our liturgical assembly. Everyone has something to contribute, and the differences simply help us grasp the creativity of God in the variety of people gathered.
- *Real commitment to celebrating "good" liturgy.* It is very easy to get lost in our personal likes and dislikes about how liturgy ought to unfold. We must be willing to be formed in what good liturgy is and why the Church is so particular about how liturgy is celebrated. Liturgy is not our personal prayer, although there are times during liturgical rites that allow us personal prayer. Liturgy is a communal prayer of the whole Church and , as such, every liturgical assembly must be willing to know, understand, and be formed in the liturgy as it is most fruitfully celebrated.
- Balances liturgical and devotional prayer. Liturgical prayer cannot be the only prayer of the members of the assembly. If we never raise our minds and hearts to God during daily living, then nothing magic will happen at the liturgy in encountering God. Our own daily, personal prayer is a kind of

"practice" in opening ourselves to God's Presence, encountering God in divine goodness, and listening for the direction God wishes us to take in our daily living.

APPROPRIATING THIS SPIRITUALITY

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- ► One concrete action I choose to do to enhance the effectiveness of my ministry is . . .



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What ever happened to CCD?

The Confratemity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) was an ecclesiastical committee and office within the United States Bishop's Conference from 1935-1969 tasked with overseeing the handing on of the faith.

Following the Second Vatican Council and the restoration of the baptismal catechumenate as the model of initiating adults into the Catholic Church, the Church in the United States began examining methods for apprenticing children and adults in the way of Christian living. Since as early as the final decades of the twentieth century, models of family– and whole-parish based formation have been developed.

The *Directory for Catechesis*, issued by the Vatican in 2020, notes that "the catechumenate … has an explicit missionary intention and is structured as an organic and cumulative whole for initiation into Christian faith and life. Precisely because of [this], … one speaks of a catechesis *inspired by the catechumenal model*" (DC, 61).

The catechumenal model consists of a multi-faceted approach in which individuals are accompanied on their journey of faith, provided with a suitable catechesis accommodated to the liturgical year, are helped by the example and support of the Christian community, participate in liturgical rites, and work actively to spread the Gospel (see RCIA 75).

Here at St. Thomas the Apostle, our Family Faith Formation process is rooted in this vision provided by the Church. Families accompany one another in their journey of faith by coming together once a month to encounter God and the teachings of the Church through activities, stories, discussion, and fellowship. They receive materials to continue their conversations and formation at home throughout the month.

Family Faith Formation is not immediate preparation for the sacraments of reconciliation, eucharist, or confirmation. Rather, it is a

process of ongoing faith formation designed for all families and individuals of the parish. Family Faith Formation is rooted in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*; our liturgical documents and ritual texts; full, conscious, and active participation in the Mass; the Christian way of life; and the call to baptismal living and apostolic witness.

The preschool process is tailored for families with children from preK3-K and meets for 45-minutes, while our K-8 process gathers for 3-hours on Sunday afternoon and includes a meal and time for fellowship. There are also opportunities for those who are in high school, college, graduate school, or adults without children to participate.

Registration is open for when Family Faith Formation resumes in August and an early-bird registration discount is available until June 30. To learn more or receive registration materials, contact Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK — Bread for Others

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." (Mark 14: 22)

ADULTS: In what ways have you practiced the words of Jesus and been bread for others?	?	Exodus 24: 3–8Hebrews 9: 11–15Mark 14: 12–16, 22–20Ratification of the CovenantThe Sacrifice of JesusPassover Preparation		
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THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH THE CENTENNIAL BUILDING BALL



Glamour Under the Stars! The Centennial Building Ball!

It is with great joy and excitement that we extend a warm invitation to you for the **Centennial Building Ball**, celebrating the **100th Anniversary** of our beloved parish church building. This momentous occasion marks a century of faith, community, and countless blessings shared within these sacred walls.

We're rolling out the red carpet just for you. Join us for a night of elegance and celebration. Don't miss out on the event of the year mark your calendars and let's dazzle together!

<u>WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR</u> <u>CENTENNIAL CHURCH BUILDING</u>:

◆ Donate Monthly through the remainder of the year via your Building Fund envelope, Give Central or mark the Building Fund on the envelopes available on the tables in the rear of the Church. Thank you for your generosity!

◆ Be a Sponsor of the Centennial Building Ball at one of the levels listed below. For more information and assistance, contact Brittany McGhee, Centennial Building Ball Co-Chair, brittany@stapostleparish.org

◆ **Donate** to the **Silent Auction**! Information is in the back of the Church and at Hospitality Sundays, or contact directly Co-Chairs Carrie & Rolf Barth: <u>rolfandcarrie@yahoo.com</u>

> ◆ Join one of the Sub-Committees: Promotion & Sponsorship Reception & Entertainment Decorating

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- One table of 8 guests
- · Recognition on website and social media
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OFFERTORY *May 25 and May 26*

Thank you for your donations. Due to the holiday deadline for the bulletin we will provide the offertory report as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity and support of our mission.

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Please contact Allen Hawkins, *Grand Knight*, at 630–945–4133 for more details.

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Stewardship

SHARING OUR GIFTS



THE HYDE PARK Kenwood *Food Pantry*

CLP

is open to give out groceries from 10am until 1pm on Saturdays at the **Hyde Park Union Church** at 56th & Woodlawn.

For more information, contact Margaret Mitchell at mmm17@uchicago.edh.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for setting up on Fridays 3:00 pm–4:30 pm and food distribution on Saturdays 9:30 am–1:30 pm. For further information and to sign up, please contact Margaret Mitchell at mmm17@uchicago.edu.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE for The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it." - Mark 14:23

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself up for us, completely for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine, we meet Christ personally. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means we offer our own self-sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth.

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Walk with Us for the Hyde Park Parade!!

We are excited to announce that St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church and School will be participating in the Hyde Park Parade on July 4th! This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together in celebration of our nation's independence while showcasing the spirit and unity of our parish and school. We invite all parishioners, students, families, and friends to join us for this festive and patriotic event.

To make this event a success, we need your help! Volunteers are needed to walk in the parade, carry banners, represent St. Thomas the Apostle with joy and enthusiasm. Let us come together and make a memorable impression at the parade.

We look forward to seeing everyone walking with pride and sharing the vibrant spirit of St. Thomas the Apostle. Let's make this July 4th a day to remember by bringing our community's warmth and unity to the heart of Hyde Park. Thank you for your support, and we can't wait to celebrate with you!



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BAPTISM: Visit our website for additional information or contact Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org

MARRIAGE OR MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact Fr. Michael Trail at least six months before your wedding date.

TO SCHEDULE A FUNERAL: Email the parish secretary, Lisa Couch or call 773–324–2626

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH AS A MEMBER? Contact the parish secretary, Lisa Couch or visit our website for the registration form.

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Any school related matters or interested in having your child enrolled St Thomas the Apostle School? Email marketing@stapostleschool.com

IN NEED OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE? St. Vincent de Paul Society is available to help. Call the parish office at 773–324–2626 and dial ext. 108. Please leave your name, phone number, and state your need and someone will return your call.