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"Angel with Host"
by Sebastien Melchior Cornu

"Listen, my children; when you wake in the night, transport yourselves in spirit before the tabernacle and say to our Lord : 'My God, here I am. I come to adore thee, praise thee, bless thee, thank thee, love thee, and keep thee company with the angels...Say what prayers you know, and if you find it impossible to pray, hide behind your good angel and charge him to pray in your stead.'"

~ St. John Vianney

PASTOR'S NOTES

Dear Friends,

Mother Teresa, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, once received as a gift a giant red ruby. It was worth many thousands of dollars. And what she did with that ruby surprised many people. She had the ruby set into and mounted onto the tabernacle which was in the chapel of their Calcutta home. She used that ruby to decorate the tabernacle. She was widely criticized for this action. Many thought it would make more sense to sell the stone for a great sum of money so that the poor could be helped with the funds. And she responded as she always did with a quote worthy statement. She said, "When Christ is no longer revered, then people will soon pay no more attention to the poor." Mother Teresa wanted that tabernacle to be especially honored. She wanted it to be honored because it contained the sacred Host, the Body of Christ.

Today on Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ the sacred Host is revered. Pope Clement V instituted this solemnity way back in the 13th century. He did it at a time when there was a growing lack of respect and understanding of the Eucharist. On this day the Eucharistic host is revered with a period of adoration and sometimes our Lord, hidden in the Eucharistic Host is revered with a procession where the host is carried within a monstrance beneath a canopy. These processions usually wind through the streets and sidewalks of town. I'm sure we've seen photos or been a part of some great Eucharistic procession.

In the miracle of the Multiplication of the loaves and fishes we read that Jesus was concerned for the people in need, those lacking bread, those that go hungry. "Give them some food" he tells his disciples. And with only five loaves, and two fishes he more than satisfies the hunger of five thousand.

This miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, foretells of the unique bread of the Eucharist. As we read in the Gospel, Jesus took the loaves, said the blessing, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. Jesus fed that multitude with earthly bread. Today, however, He feed us with His body and Blood hidden in the form of bread and wine. He gives us all that he has and all that he is, His Body, His Blood, His Soul, and His Divinity. The visible miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes was a transitory onetime event taking place in a tiny area of the Middle East. The greater invisible miracle of the Eucharist, however, has been with us continually for two millennia and has taken place throughout the entire world in every continent on every altar of every Catholic Church wherever the Holy Mass is celebrated and this miracle will endure until the end of time.

Today's Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is meant to honor this greater miracle of the Eucharist. The bread that's become the Body of Christ is revered and adored on the altar, in the tabernacle, in the monstrance, and in processions. Honoring the Eucharist in this way strengthens us and brings us closer to God and His will. We know this from our own experiences and we can see this lived out in the order that Mother Teresa founded. After Mass the Missionaries of Charity spend one hour in prayer every morning before the Blessed Sacrament. They then go out to serve the poorest of the poor all over the world. They go out to those in need, those lacking bread, and those that go hungry. They draw the strength to do this, day by day, from Christ in the tabernacle. Mother Teresa once credited this practice of daily adoration for the success experienced by the order. This daily adoration helps them to realize who they are receiving in the Eucharist and who they are serving in the poor.

We reverence and adore the Body of Christ in the Sacred Host so that we're inspired and strengthened to use our time, our talent, and our treasure to help and feed and support the Body of Christ who we encounter in our brothers and sisters. As Mother Teresa once said, "When Christ is no longer revered, then people will soon pay no more attention to the poor."

Peace and all Good,

Fr. Christopher Ankley

YOUTH & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Kathy Williams 649-1629 ext 27 or dre_cym@stmartinvicksburg.org
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SISTER CAMP 2015: A JOYFUL PRAYER LIFE, REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 8TH. Join us June 15th – June 19th from 9:00am – 12:30pm The Dominican Sisters Mary Mother of the Eucharist will be joining us once again this summer to lead us and our youth in learning how to pray. There will be games, songs, snacks, fun, and most importantly growing closer to God and our neighbor. Volunteers are needed! Please see the Youth Table for more information and registration. Please contact Kathy Williams with any questions.

ST. MARTIN MISSIONARIES SOFTBALL SEASON 2015!!!! All parishioner ages 18 and up are invited to join are team of all-star characters this year. Sign-ups are on the Adult Education Table. Games begin in June and are generally played on Sunday afternoon with laid back practices on Wednesday evenings. It is a ton of fun, great community, and of course fierce competition. New players are welcomed and encouraged to join. Let's play ball!

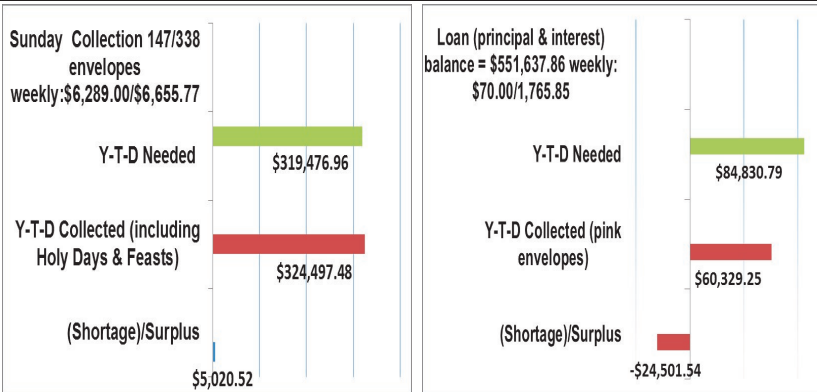
PARISH & MASS SCHEDULE

INSIDE THE PARISH & AROUND THE DIOCESE

Sunday, June 07
 8:00 a.m. Mass For the people of St. Martin
 11:00 a.m. Mass †Dick Huey by the Thamann Family
 Corpus Christi Procession
 Youth Center
 5:00 p.m.
Monday, June 08
 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday, June 09
 9:00 a.m. Mass For the intentions of Toni Dibble
 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus
Wednesday, June 10
 9:00 a.m. Mass †Veronica Stolars by Jan Boynton
 No coffee with the Pastor
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
 7:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 9:00 p.m. Church open for prayer until 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 11
 9:00 a.m. Mass †Phillip Condich by the Saliwanchik Family
Friday, June 12
 8:00—9:00 a.m. Adoration
 9:00 a.m. Mass †Veronica Stolars by John & Stacie Sokolowski
 9:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Adoration
Saturday, June 13
 7:30 a.m. Men's Group
 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. St. Martin's Knights taco booth at Old Car Fest, Vicks
 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. †Doris Birkhold by Roger & Susan VanderBeek
Sunday, June 14
 (Ex 24:3-8 Ps 116:12-13, 15-18 Heb 9:11-15 Mk 14:12-16, 22-26)

SOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES during the month of June will be collecting dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper & pancake mix for the month of June. A basket in the narthex is provided if you'd like to donate any of these items. Thank you. We are making a difference!
BISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL We are still in need of your pledges. 52% of our parishioners have responded thus far. Thank You!
ST. MARTIN'S ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE JULY 23-25: Help your parish now by saving used clothing, toys, housewares, etc. - sorry, we are not able to accept exercise equipment, computers or artificial Christmas trees. Paper shopping bags with handles are also needed. A box for bags is located in the narthex.
CORRECTION ON JUNE 2015 CALENDAR: On June 24th there will be Coffee with the Pastor!
STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE JUNE 12 - 14 The St Ann Youth Group has two open spots available that we would like to fill. Anyone currently in high school or eighth grade is welcome to join the group. The cost is \$187 & includes conference programming, six meals, and housing for two nights in the dorms on campus. Transportation is provided. Call Joy Brown at 269-209-0399 or visit www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/steubenville-main-campus-1
THE 1965 GRADUATING CLASS OF MSGRS. HACKETT AND O'BRIEN HIGH SCHOOLS WILL HOLD THEIR 50TH REUNION Sept. 18, 19 & 20 2015 at the Four Points of Sheraton, Cork St. in Kalamazoo. Reservations are due August 1st. For more information call Kathie Haas Dekker at 517-629-6066. Don't miss this chance to reconnect.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION



YTD RESERVES: \$7,877.28 (Please remember this financial statement of reserves reports the previous quarter's cumulative collection.)

SCRIPT CARDS: Last week 17 families participated and our building fund net \$95.50 Thank You!

FEATURED SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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PLEASE PRAY FOR Paul Fleckenstein, Wendy Boutell, Frank Penar, Leigh Ann Polsinelli, Paul Portland, Devon Swiat and Agnes Wingerter



HOLY ADORATION



Our Lord is waiting to spend some time with you each week. St. Martin's welcomes all of you every Friday 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
 * Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex and note the following times are available:
 10:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.
 2:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m.
 5:30 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

"The Eucharist"

The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the entire Christian life" (Vatican II, Lumen Gentium, 11; CCC 1324). From time to time one may be tempted to leave the Catholic Church because of a bad experience with a priest, difficulty with some Church teachings, etc., but regardless of "any" problem that arises, nothing can compare to the priceless gift Jesus gave His Church in the Holy Eucharist – the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ Himself, the Savior of the world. When one leaves or separates himself from the Catholic Church, for whatever reason, one walks away from, not to, Jesus, for nowhere else is Jesus present as He is in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine in the Catholic Church. We believe this for one simple reason – Jesus told us: "This is my body... This is my blood" (Mk 14:22-24; Mt 26:26-28, Lk 22:18-20, 1Cor 11:23-25).