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### LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES: SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM & SUNDAY AT 9:00 AM, 11:30 AM & 8:00 PM

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:26

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact Candace at 204-453-0933 ext. 281 or candace@stvitalparish.ca for more information.

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesdays from 6:00pm—6:45pm OR by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please contact one of our priests at the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

# **FUNERALS**:

Please contact one of our priests at the parish office prior to making arrangements with the funeral home.

June 22 2025

**PASTOR** Fr. Wayne Morrissey

**PAROCHIAL VICAR** Fr. Christopher Pugh ext. 270

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# Our Parish community

June 22, 2025 **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (C)** Genesis 14:18–20 / 1 Corinthians 11:23–26 / Luke 9:11b–17



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JUNE 21ST

4PM † Angelo da Costa (da Costa family)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND

- 9AM † Sidney Cairo (Clarisa & Ramon Cairo)
- 11:30AM † Raymonde Pelletier (Doris Cormier)
- 8PM Missa Pro Populo

TUESDAY, JUNE 24TH7PMThanksgiving<br/>(Rolfenda Tabios)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH 11:30AM † Roger & Eva Bernier (Jeannette Ali & family)

THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH 11:30AM † Edward Zalewski (wife & daughter)

FRIDAY, JUNE 27TH - Mass with school 9AM † Victor Sawatzky (St. Maurice School Staff)

Please join us for the rosary on Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays starting at 11:00am before the daily Mass

# Food in the Desert

### FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**oday, Sue lives in a retirement community.** She no longer drives, so she walks the few blocks to the grocery store for her simple needs. One day, she took her checkbook to pay for some groceries because she had lost her credit card and had not yet received a new one. The store, however, would not accept personal checks without some identification, and, without a driver's license to show, she found herself in a swirl of distraught frustration. That was when the person behind her in line offered to pay her \$11 bill. She was overwhelmed and called to tell me about the stranger's kindness to her.

Throughout the Scriptures, deserts were always places of chaos and abandon, but they were also places where people were fed by God. In the desert, the wandering Hebrews were fed manna; in the desert, Jonah was fed when he wanted to give up; in the desert, Jesus was sustained by God; and in today's Gospel, Jesus fed the crowd in that "deserted" place with five loaves and two fish. In so many ways, it is when we find ourselves in the deserts

of life, feeling abandoned and hungering for solutions to our needs, that we recognize God feeding us. Sometimes, it occurs in simple, unexpected ways, as it did for Sue. At other times, we are fed with the strength to endure and make our way through a difficult time to the other side of life's storms.

## -Reflect-

Reflect on your experiences of loss and abundance, loneliness and acts of kindness, and struggles and grace.

# Dear Padre,

# Some of my non-Catholic friends say the bread and wine are just symbols of the Body and Blood of Jesus. Is there documented proof that we receive the Body and Blood at Communion?

Your non-Catholic friends are accurately representing their understanding of the Eucharist within their Christian denomination, but it is not the Catholic understanding. Catholics believe that, "in the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist, the 'body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ, and therefore, the whole Christ, is truly, really, and substantially contained" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1374). Therefore, Catholics do not

believe that the Eucharist is a symbol of Jesus but rather, "This presence is called 'real'" (*CCC* 1374). To answer your question regarding "documented proof," this can be offered only by the consistent and unchanging witness of the Christian community, found in the Catholic Church, that has never wavered in belief or practice of this understanding. At the same time, we understand that it is a mystery. It is not something that can be placed under a microscope or dissected. As a mystery, it is not subject to the laws of science and biology. Such laws are not applied to theological mystery, which goes beyond what can be physically seen but is "seen" through the eyes of faith. As the hymn proclaims: "Look beyond the bread you eat, see your Savior and your Lord" ("Look Beyond," Darryl Ducote).





A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS There is hunger for food around us, but also for companionship; there is hunger for consolation... there is hunger to be evangelized. We find this in the eucharistic bread—Christ's attention to our needs and the invitation to do the same toward those who are beside us. We need to eat and to feed others. ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 19, 2022

### Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

| Monday    |
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| June 23   |
| Weekday   |
| Gn 12:1–9 |
| Mt 7:1-5  |
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## Tuesday

June 24 *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist* Is 49:1–6 Acts 13:22–26 Lk 1:57–66, 80

#### Wednesday

June 25 *Weekday* Gn 15:1–12, 17–18 Mt 7:15–20

#### **Thursday** June 26 *Weekday* Gn 16:1–12, 15– 16 or 16:6b–12, 15–16

## Mt 7:21–29

Friday June 27 *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* Ez 34:11–16 Rom 5:5b–11 Lk 15:3–7

### June 28 *Weekday* Gn 18:1–15 Mt 8:5–17

Saturday

#### Sunday

June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles Acts 12:1–11 2 Tm 4:6–8, 17–18 Mt 16:13–19

### Do you have a question for the Padre?

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|  | Sunday Collection<br>June 8, 2025 |             | Budgeted per<br>week | Weekly Collection<br>+/-                  | Year to D<br>+/-         | ate             |                           |  |
|  | \$ 7921.10                        |             | \$ 7307.69           | \$ 613.41                                 | \$ 2854 <mark>.34</mark> |                 |                           |  |
| Parish Debt<br>collected–May 25'25                                       | Budgeted per<br>week              | Week        | ly Collection<br>+/- | Sharing God's Gifts<br>collected—May 25'2 | Ű                        | eted per<br>eek | Weekly Collection<br>+/-  |  |
| \$ 461.42  | \$ 1052.55                        | - \$ 591.13 |                      | \$ 131.00                                 | \$ 11                    | 06.67           | - <mark>\$ 975</mark> .67 |  |



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