WEEK IX OF ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 3, 2018

OUR PARISH MISSION: By the grace of God, we, the people of the Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Frances Cabrini, firmly rooted in the Apostolic Tradition of the Church and the Holy Scriptures, are called to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to build up the Kingdom of God in the world through our faithful living according to His teachings, our proclamation of the Gospel by word and deed, and the worship of God in our private prayer as well as in our public celebration of the Sacraments. We can do all things in Christ who strengthens us! (Philippians 4:13)

MASSES & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

6/3 SUNDAY THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST
Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16,22-26
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Frank Betro (Daughters, Gabriella & Connie)
9:00 AM D/M Vinci & Bennette Families (Family)
11:00 AM Louis Carpetto (Mom & Dad)
12:30 PM Mauro J. Monaco (Mom & Dad)
6/4 Monday 2 Peter 1:2-7; Mark 12:1-12
8:30 AM Carmine J. Guidice (Family)
6/5 Tuesday Boniface, Bishop & Martyr
2 Peter 3:12-15a,17-18; Mark 12:13-17
8:30 AM Robert Caroll: Good Health (M. Brennan)
St. Anthony Novena Week 12
6/6 Wednesday Norbert, Bishop
2 Timothy 1:1-3,6-12; Mark 12:18-27
8:30 AM Fr. Domenick Adessa
Lillian & Anthony: Anniversary Blessing
Francesco & Concetta DiPasquale (Family)
Antonino Gambino (Family)
Antonio Acquista (Mimi Sferraza & Family)
Father’s Day Intentions
6/7 Thursday 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34
8:30 AM Carmine Zanca (Connie Bertolino)
6/8 Friday THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Hosea 11:1,3-4,8c-9; Ephesians 3:8-12,14-19; John 19:31-37
8:30 AM Emanule & Delizia Nastro (Family)
6/9 Saturday Immaculate Heart of the BVM
2 Timothy 4:1-8; Luke 2:41-51
8:30 AM Terence & Rita Dalton (Bernsten Family)
11:00 AM Memorial Mass: Annemarie Bagarozza
6/10 TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Salvatore Catalano (Anna Fiore)
9:00 AM Antonia & Antonio D’Anna (Family)
11:00 AM Rosario Scro (Carmelina Scro)
12:30 PM Duni, DeMartini & Antonucci Families

BREAD & WINE
IN MEMORY OF
LOUIS CARPETTO
REQUESTED BY
MOM & DAD

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED SICK

Father’s Day Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church to remember your father living or deceased in the Father’s Day Novena of Masses throughout the month of June

Sacred Heart Mass
The SFC Sacred Heart Guild will hold its Annual Mass & Induction of new members THIS Friday, June 8th at the 8:30 AM MASS

Feast of St. Anthony
Next Wednesday, June 13th
8:30 AM Mass
Novena Prayers & Blessing of Bread
Today we celebrate Jesus’ gift of self to us in the Eucharist, the Living Bread by which we are nourished. We commemorate the perpetual sacrifice by which we are redeemed, Jesus’ Real Presence among us as a comfort on our pilgrimage and a challenge to self-sacrificing love. As in our own Liturgy of the Word, the first reading pictures Moses proclaiming God’s Word and the people affirming their acceptance of that Word. Then, as if foreshadowing the Eucharist, Moses sprinkles the assembly with sacrificial blood. In the second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews, the sacrificial blood does correspond to our Eucharist, for Jesus offers his own blood for our redemption. It is this sacrifice that Jesus instituted sacramentally at the Last Supper and offered on the altar of the Cross, the sacrifice and supper we partake of at every Eucharist.

"Take and eat; this is my body. "Take and drink; this is the chalice of my blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

The Feast of Corpus Christi, or the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, goes back to the 13th century, but it celebrates something far older: the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion at the Last Supper. While Holy Thursday is the celebration of this mystery, the solemn nature of Holy Week and the focus on Christ’s Passion on Good Friday overshadows that aspect of Holy Thursday. Thus, in 1246, Bishop Robert de Thorete of the Belgina diocese of Liege, at the suggestion of St. Juliana of Mont Cornillon (also in Belgium), convened a synod and instituted the celebration of this feast. From Liege, the celebration began to spread and, on September 8, 1264, Pope Urban IV issued the Papal Bull "Transiturus," which established the Feast of Corpus Christi as a universal feast of the Church, to be celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday and now transferred to Sunday. At the request of Pope Urban IV, St. Thomas Aquinas composed the Office (the official prayers of the Church) for the feast. This Office is widely considered one of the most beautiful in the traditional Roman Breviary (the official prayer book of the Divine Office or Liturgy of the Hours), and it is the source of the famous Eucharistic hymns "Pange Lingua Gloriosi" and "Tantum Ergo Sacramentum."
A REFLECTION ON THE FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

From the earliest times in the life of the Church until today, Christians have followed Christ’s loving command: “TAKE AND EAT”. We have always regarded the Holy Eucharist as the heart of our lives, as the “Source and Summit of Christian Living”. Our continuous celebration of the Eucharist and our belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist has been expressed through the building of Churches for worship and Tabernacles for reservation. For over 2000 years our faith in the Eucharist has been accompanied by:

**Reverence and Respect**: one hour Eucharistic fast, gestures of kneeling and genuflecting, the way we celebrate Mass, being on time, staying till the Mass is ended, dressing properly, participating fully in the Mass and welcoming the newcomers to our Mass and Parish

**Silent Adoration**: our time of thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion, remaining in the Church after the Mass and our visits to Church for prayer and reflection

**Special Devotions**: Exposition/Adoration and Benediction, Novenas, the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, Prayers before the Shrine of the Unborn, the Rosary for Life and Marian Litany for Life. All these expressions of our love for Christ in the Eucharist reach their high point in the way we celebrate the Mass and follow the command of Christ to: “Take and Eat and Take and Drink.”

On Corpus Christi it is good for us to reflect and review the way we follow this command:

- **Communion in the hand should show, as much as Communion on the tongue, due respect towards the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.** For this reason the Church has always emphasized the dignity of the gesture of the communicant. In the 4th century the newly baptized were directed to stretch out both hands making “the left hand a throne for the right hand, which receives the King” (or the right hand to be placed upon the left) so the sacred host can be conveyed to the mouth.

- **The teaching of the Church has always stressed the importance of the AMEN said in response to the formula, “The Body of Christ”.** With a reverent bow of the head you receive the host on your tongue or in your hand. This AMEN is an affirmation of faith: Yes, I believe this is the BODY OF JESUS.

- **After receiving the host you are to consume it in the presence of the priest or minister before returning to your place, moving aside yet remaining facing the altar.**

- **If you are receiving Communion from the Cup you go to a Minister of the Cup, make a reverent bow, answer the same AMEN to the formula, “The Blood of Christ”, Yes, I believe this is the BLOOD OF JESUS. Reach out and take the Cup, drink from it and hand it back to the Minister.**

In reflecting upon what the Eucharist is for us and the way we receive Jesus it is important to remember the sacramental impact. *The Eucharist given to us makes the People of God Holy and makes Holy the People of God.*

The Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is part of the revelation of St. Margaret Alacoque:

I give myself and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, my person and my life, my actions, pains and sufferings, so that I may be unwilling to make use of any part of my being other than to honor, love and glorify the Sacred Heart. This is my unchanging purpose, namely, to be all His and to do all things for the love of Him, at the same time renouncing with all my heart whatever is displeasing to Him. I therefore take You, O Sacred Heart, to be the only object of my love, the guardian of my life, my assurance of salvation, the remedy of my weakness and inconstancy, the atonement for all the faults of my life and my sure refuge at the hour of death. Be then, O Heart of goodness, my justification before God the Father, and turn away from me the strokes of his righteous anger. O Heart of love, I put all my confidence in You, for I fear everything from my own wickedness and frailty, but I hope for all things from Your goodness and bounty. Remove from me all that can displease You or resist Your holy will; let your pure love imprint Your image so deeply upon my heart, that I shall never be able to forget You or to be separated from You. May I obtain from all Your loving kindness the grace of having my name written in Your Heart, for in You I desire to place all my happiness and glory, living and dying in bondage to You. Amen.