



## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

Parish Stewardship

Weekly collection for 06/15/25. ....	\$2,075.00
Weekly budget goal .....	\$3,425.00
Difference .....	<b>\$1,350.00</b>
CSA 2025 Assessment Goal .....	\$30,504.00
CSA Pledges to date .....	\$30,165.00

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**POPE'S INTENTION FOR JUNE****That the World Might Grow in Compassion**

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from His Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world. Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6pm

**Baptismal Training Sessions 2025**

August 7th 7:00 pm St. Joseph Church 814-787-4151  
August 28th 6:30 pm St. Mark, Emporium 814-486-0569

**SAVE THE DATE!** Mark your calendar to attend the 21st Annual St. Joseph Parish Picnic on **Sunday, August 10th.** More information will follow in future bulletins.

Mark your calendar for our **5th Annual Golf Outing** which will be held on **Sunday, August 17.** It will be held at Silverwoods Golf Course at Treasure Lake, DuBois. Start getting your team together! More information will follow.

Our parish bus trip to see NOAH at Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster will be on Friday, July 25th. The show is at 3:00 pm. After the show, we will have dinner at Hershey Farm. The deadline to sign up has been extended to July 18th. Contact Bernadette at 814-371-0108 for more information.

**VISITING MISSIONARY** We welcome, Fr. Shaiju Mulayinkal, V.C, a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, to our parish this weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will share his missionary experience at each Mass this weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational, and charitable activities in their missions. They also request our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priest hood. There will be a special collection this weekend to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries. We urge you to be generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help.

If you do not have an opportunity to make an offering today or would like to make an additional offering, you may make your offering through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support. The Vincentian Missionaries keep you and St. Joseph Church in their prayers and Masses.

## The Celebration of Corpus Christi and its Healing Grace

During this weekend's special Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we take a special look at the Holy Eucharist. This is a very important sacrament that we celebrate everyday; and as a larger worshipping community, on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. It is the source and summit of our faith.

We are very grateful that Jesus, Himself, began and instituted this Eucharistic Celebration on the night before He died. As He and His Disciples were gathered together, He said the following words: "Take it, this is My Body..." and "this is My Blood..." (Mark 14: 22-24)

What then are we celebrating? We are celebrating the partaking in the Body and Blood of Christ, which will give us eternal life. (refer to John Chapter 6) It is an eternal life of happiness and endless fulfillment beginning right now -- Heaven on earth!

What does this special Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ, mean to you personally? **It could mean healing for you.** It certainly can be a healing experience because, right before we receive our Lord, we say the words together at Mass: "Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof. But only say the word, and my soul shall be **healed.**" In this prayer, we are praying for **healing of spirit, soul, and body.**

Also, for us personally, this Sacrament of the Eucharist can strengthen our unity and love with all of our brothers and sisters throughout the world who also receive Jesus at Mass.

Ask for the grace to have a joyful anticipation of receiving Jesus at every Mass. **Let it be a healing experience and the highlight of your week!**

God Bless,  
Father Mark





# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, June 23, 2025 <b>8:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Mary Morelli birthday	daughter-Rita	Weekday	Gn 12: 1-9 Mt 7: 1-5 (371)
Tuesday, June 24, 2025 <b>No Mass</b>			THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	Is 49: 1-6 Acts 13: 22-26 Lk 1: 57-66, 80 (587)
Wednesday, June 25, 2025 <b>No Mass</b>			Weekday	Gn 15: 1-12, 17-18 Mt 7: 15-20 (373)
Thursday, June 26, 2025 <b>No Mass</b>			Weekday	Gn 16: 1-12, 15-16 or 16: 6b-12, 15-16 Mt 7: 21-29 (374)
Friday, June 27, 2025 <b>8:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Virginia & Stanley Gralak, Sr and family	Family	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS	Ez 34: 11-16 Rom 5: 5b-11 Lk 15: 3-7 (172)
Saturday, June 28, 2025 <b>No Mass</b>			Weekday <i>The Immaculate Heart of The Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, and Doctor of the Church; BVM</i>	Gn 18: 1-15 Mt 8: 5-17 (376) or, for the Optional Memorial of the Immaculate Heart, Gn 18: 1-15 (376) Lk 2: 41-51 (573)
Saturday, June 28, 2025 <b>5:30 p.m. Mass</b>	Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church		Vigil of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	(see below)
Sunday, June 29, 2025 <b>9:15 a.m. Mass</b>	Ann Micheline	Children and grandchildren	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	Acts 12: 1-11 2 Tm 4: 6-8, 17-18 Mt 16: 13-19 (591)

## St. Joseph Church

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## The Bells During Mass

This weekend, we will start to ring the bells during the Prayer of Consecration at Mass. What this means is that after the priest prays the following Words of Institution over the Host (Bread): "Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is My Body, which will be given up for you," he will then elevate the Host and the hand bells will be rung three times by the server.

The bells are rung three times again, when the priest elevates the Cup after he prays the following Words over the Cup: "Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the Chalice of My Blood, the Blood of the New and Eternal Covenant, which will be poured out for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of Me." (Roman Missal Pages 782-783) We are very grateful to bring back this beautiful tradition that parishioners have requested in recent years.

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