

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: The readings for the **Feast of Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ** emphasize the theme of Covenant blood because the ancient peoples sealed Covenants with the blood of ritually sacrificed animals, and Jesus sealed his New Covenant with his own Blood shed on Calvary. Today's first reading describes how Moses, by sprinkling the blood of a sacrificed animal on the altar and on the people, accepted the Covenant God proposed and made with His People. In the second reading, St. Paul affirms that Jesus sealed the New Covenant with his own Blood, thereby putting an end to animal sacrifices. Gospel details how Jesus converted this ancient ritual into a Sacrament and sacrifice. Instead of the lamb's blood, Jesus offered his own Divine/human Body and Blood, and instead of sprinkling us with blood, Jesus put it into our hands as food and drink: "*Take ... eat ... this IS my Body which will be given up for you*" (He did not say "This represents my body"), and "Take ... drink ... *This IS ... my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal Covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many....*" (nor did He say, "This represents my blood..."). **A Sacrament and a sacrifice:** Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist both as a sacramental banquet and a sacrificial offering. As a Sacrament, a) the Eucharist is a visible sign that gives us God's grace and God's life and, b) as a Meal, The Eucharist nourishes our souls. As a sacrifice a) the Eucharistic celebration is a re-presentation or re-enactment of Jesus' sacrifice on Calvary, completed in His Resurrection. b) We offer Jesus' sacrifice to God the Father for the remission of our sins, using signs and symbols. **Life messages:** 1) Let us appreciate the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, by receiving him with true repentance for our sins, due preparation and reverence. 2) Let us be Christ-bearers and conveyers: By receiving Holy Communion, we become Christ-bearers as Mary was, with the duty of conveying Christ to others at home and in the workplace, through love, mercy, forgiveness and humble and sacrificial service. 3) Let us offer our lives on the altar along with Jesus' sacrifice, asking pardon for our sins, expressing gratitude for the blessings we have received and presenting our needs and petitions on the altar.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Please pray for: Reggie Bernardo, Armand L'Anglais, Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Dorothy Meaney, Stella Alberry, Heidi Reid, Gerald & Irene Moriarty, Bibin John, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice Belec, Margaret Smith, Grant Marshall, Margrite Dezainde, John Beriau, Debbie Freer, Shelley McCaffrey, Stella Popek, Brian Brougham and Ronald Roy.

PAPAL PRAYERS FOR JUNE: Let us pray that social networks may work towards the inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

MASS SCHEDULE JUNE 2 - 10, 2018		
Saturday, June 2	5:15 p.m.	Deceased members of the McMahon family
Sunday, June 3	8:30 a.m.	Somered MacDonald
	10:00 a.m.	David Grant
	2:00 p.m.	CONFIRMATION MASS Our Parishioners
Tuesday, June 5 <i>Note the change in time</i>	5:30 p.m.	Deceased members of the Dennis family
Wednesday, June 6	9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Vanderlinden family
Thursday, June 7	9:00 a.m.	Lilianne Marion
Friday, June 8	11:00 a.m.	SHERWOOD PARK MANOR Deceased members of The Pittman family
Saturday, June 9	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, June 10	8:30 a.m.	Bill and Marguerite Clifford
	10:00 a.m.	Jacqueline Brougham-Bishop
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: <i>Somered MacDonald</i>		

Weekly Target: \$3500.00	Actual Offering – May 27: \$3694.50 Property Maintenance: \$3994.35	Operating Surplus: \$ 194.50
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WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ARCHBISHOP: We would like to extend a warm welcome to Archbishop Brendan O'Brien this weekend as he celebrates the Eucharist and administers the Sacrament of Confirmation to our twenty Confirmandi. We also wish to extend our prayers as he celebrated his 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on June 1.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday, June 5	6:00 p.m.	CWL Potluck
Wednesday, June 6	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, June 7		PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS
Sunday, June 10	After the 10:00 Mass	Social for Father Brian Martin's 50 th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood

"Take; this is my Body. Drink; this is my Blood." Mark 14.12-16, 22-26

JUNE 3, 2018

MINISTRY SCHEDULES				
MASS TIMES	HOSPITALITY	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday, June 9 5:15 p.m.	Mary MacDermott Grant Marshall	Michael McMahon Lloyd Clayton	Cecile Houle Melinda Condon	Allie White Grace Kelly Samantha Glashan
Sunday, June 10 8:30 a.m.	Rick Zabloski Marg Bougie	Deborah Souder Theresa Iddon	Judith Hart Noreen Shepherd	Grace Whiteland Evan Duffy
Sunday, June 10 10:00 a.m.	Johanne Cardinal Mary Gilliard	Mark Grant Robin Reil	Deacon Shawn Souder Peter Verhoeven	Christopher Logstrup Joshua O'Keefe

THE ALKAFREI FAMILY: Early on May 26th, Rajaa gave birth to twin girls at the Kingston General Hospital. The babies, Fatema and Saja, are each about five pounds. They are in intensive care for now as they were five weeks early, but they are progressing well. Rajaa is tired but also doing fine. We are indeed grateful that they are all healthy. We want to thank the CWL for setting up the Jesse tree for items for the babies, and to all the kind parishioners who donated to that cause. On May 1st, the Alkafreis moved from their apartment to an elevated bungalow on Bisley Crescent. They are much better accommodated now, with four bedrooms and a fenced-in back yard. We have been trying for months to get a travel visa for Ahmad's mother to come to Canada for three months to help Rajaa with the twins. There is no Canadian Consulate or Embassy in Syria, so all the work must go through Lebanon or Jordan, which makes it very difficult. Progress is ongoing very slowly, and we are hopeful for a mid-June arrival. Her airfare will be covered by the Parish Refugee Fund.

JESSE TREE FOR THE ALKAFREI TWINS: The CWL would like to thank all parishioners who donated items for the Alkafrei family. Your generosity knows no bounds.

CWL POTLUCK DINNER: All members of the CWL are invited to our Potluck dinner with our St. Francis Xavier friends on **Tuesday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m.**

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Prayerful best wishes to all who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in June:

Dennis and Melinda Condon	42 years	June 5
Dave and Judy Publow	48 years	June 6
Peter and Lanna Murphy	12 years	June 10
Neil and Margaret Cameron	57 years	June 17
Allan and Mary Ferguson	33 years	June 22
Larry and Lorraine Horahan	29 years	June 24
Robert and Laura Noonan	63 years	June 25

FATHER BRIAN MARTIN'S ANNIVERSARY: We would like to our prayerful best wishes to **Father Brian Martin** of our parish who will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on **June 8**. There will be a coffee social for Father Brian Martin after the 10:00 Mass on June 10.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: (CPHC) Community and Primary Health Care is a registered charitable organization dedicated to improving the life of seniors and their families. CPHC is in need of volunteers who can deliver hot meals to home-bound, frail seniors and persons with disabilities in the homes. Hot meals are delivered from Monday to Friday (except on holidays) over the noon hour. Volunteers may sign up to be a driver or a 'runner'. Volunteers choose how often they are able to be on the schedule (weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or as a backup). All volunteers must go through a screening process. If you can help email volunteerism@cphcare.ca or call 613-342-3693.

CURSILLO WEEKEND FOR WOMEN TO BE HELD IN KINGSTON: A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held at Providence Spirituality Centre from August 9-12, 2018 (inclusive). For more information, please contact Diane Foley at 613.546.6224 / mfoley8@cogeco.ca or Lionel Ryan at 613.634.9588 / RyanLionel07@gmail.com

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT: Register early for this Women's Fall Retreat – September 21 – 23 at Glen House Resort in Gananoque. For more information go to <http://womensfallretreat.com> or call Annette 613-258-7885.

WORKSHOP REDISCOVERING THE ART OF DYING: Dr. Nuala Kenny a doctor, ethicist, former Deputy Minister of Health for Nova Scotia and expert in palliative and end of life care will facilitate this workshop on October 13, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at our Lady of Lourdes, 490 Days Road. Registration \$10.00. Lunch included. Details to follow.

JOKE OF THE WEEK: "Do you think two cases of whiskey are enough?" There was to be a Baptismal party for the new baby of a soldier and his wife at their home on an Army base. Before the ceremony the chaplain took the new father aside. "Are you prepared for this solemn event?" he asked. "I guess so," replied the soldier. "I've got two hams, pickles, bread, cake, cookies....." "No, no!" interrupted the chaplain. "I mean spiritually prepared!" "Well, I don't know," said the soldier thoughtfully. "Do you think two cases of whiskey are enough?"

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