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THE MOST BENEFICIAL SACRAMENT

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Today we celebrate Corpus Christi — the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus' Body and Blood was sacrificed for us on Calvary, but before that excruciating event, He humbly bound Himself to human hands in the Eucharist. As St. Thomas Aguinas expresses, "In this sacrament sins are purged away, virtues are increased, the soul satiated with an abundance of every spiritual gift. No other sacrament is so beneficial."

Our Gospel today recounts the Last Supper. As Jesus ate the Passover meal with His apostles, He broke bread, telling them, "This is my Body," and again, poured wine, saying, "This is my Blood... which will be shed for many." In this moment, Jesus sacrificially gave us Himself in the Eucharist by foreshadowing His passion, death and resurrection.

Out of total love, Jesus holds nothing back from us. He gives us His entire self.

We must ask ourselves; do we understand Who we consume at every Mass? It is our Precious Redeemer.

As life becomes busy and our minds are filled with the countless things we must get done each day, we often forget to acknowledge our Savior at Mass; or to spend time with Him throughout our week; or to accept all the graces He wishes to bestow on us as we receive Him. So let us stop and recognize the real presence of our Savior.

Jesus gave us the perfect and loving Gift of Himself so that we might be nourished, strengthened and more fully united to Him as we journey to eternal life. Let us strive to intentionally honor and reverence Him at every Mass; strive to fully partake in each Eucharistic meal: and let us find time to visit our Savior in the Tabernacle.

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Pastor

Rev. Father Christopher Gerard Gillen P.P. Diocesan Social Justice Rep. Member of Ontario Bishops' Social Affairs Commission. Spiritual Chaplain to Diocesan D&P Spiritual Director to Acts Retreat Ministry Men & Women. Intern to Mental Health/ Addiction

Sunday Masses i

Counselling Hamilton.

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am

Weekday Masses

See Schedule on the inside of the bulletin

In Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Administrative Assistant Financial Recorder

Sandy Johnson

Reconciliation/Confessions By Appointment Only in COVID-19

Requesting Sacraments

Must be registered and practicing Call office for details

St Martin Elementary School

Phone 905-957-3032

Cemetery

Ron Roscovich at 905-386-0648

Parish Organizations

Catholic Women's League President - Carolyn Vaughan

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Grand Knight - Pierre Paradis koc.16421@gmail.com

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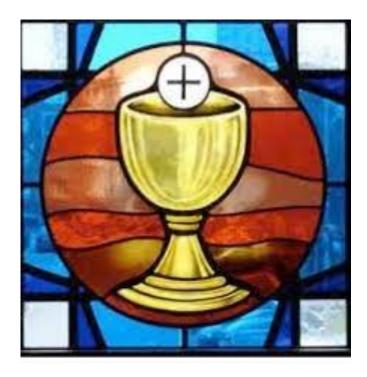
Parish Groups

Children's Liturgy. Youth Ministry West Lincoln Loaf of Bread Parish Events Group Parish Financial Council Responsible Faith Ministry **ACTS Retreat Teams**

Diocese of St. Catharines Bishop of the Diocese Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, D.D.

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Year B MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

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Τι	ues June 8		+James Mayhew & Darren Mayhew ON Communion Service	by Andrew & Verena Mayhew
W	ed June 9		+Vincent Quast - 12:pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/ Confessions	by Rodney & Joyce Ross Fr .Christopher
Tł	nurs June 10		+ Martha Devlin Communion Service	by St. Martin Parish
Fr	i June 11	10:30 am	Health and healing of Michael Urban - 12: Noon Home/Front Door Visitations - Call office to Registe - 9:00 pm Praise and Worship at Gethsemane Centre	by the Knights of Columbus er. Fr Christopher Fr .Christopher
Sa	t June 12	8:30 am	- 10:00 am The Case for Jesus : Bible Study	Fr. Christopher
Sa Su		5:00 pm	** Sunday in Ordinary Time +Martha Devlin Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Paris	by Sandy Johnson

MASS INTENTIONS

9:00 am + Martha Devlin (Died June 2, 2021)

Please remember to have Masses offered for loved ones living and deceased. Every parish Mass needs to have an intention. We have many available date this month and in the months to come. Thank you.

ONLINE EUCHARIST Cathedral of St. Catharine of Alexandria

Sunday Mass live stream at 11:30 am. Visit the diocesan website for viewing:

www.saintcd.com or on YouTube

St. Joseph Grimsby:

Mon June 7

http://www.facebook.com/StJoeGrimsby

Vision TV: Sun - 8:00 am

Mon - Fri - 8:00 am & 12:00 pm Sat - 8:00 am & 9:30 am

Salt + Light: Sun - 11:00 am & 10:30 pm

Mon - Sat - 6:30 am, 11:00 am, 3:00 pm, 10:30 pm

Yes TV: Sun - 10:30 am & Mon - Sat - 1:00 pm

Internet: www.dailytvmass.com www.youtube.com/dailytvmass

E-TRANSFERS

by Fr Christopher

These transfers are often referred to as **e-Transfers** and done through your online banking, website or app. To transfer funds to St. Martin Parish e-Transfer to:

st.martinsdonation@gmail.com

Please do not enter a security question and answer. You will be informed that your transfer to "The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation" has been completed.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

In this time of absence from church, expenses go on just the same. You can mail in your stewardship or you can use E-Transfers.

Thank you!

"VIRTUAL" CHILDREN'S LITURGY"

Our Children's Liturgy, under the direction of Mrs. Noseworthy is posting videos, lessons and the parish bulletin every Sunday at 10 am, to our catholic education community. Thank you; and God bless! We appreciate your ministry immensely.

"THE IMPACT OF COVID-19"

presented by Anna Racine June 19 (10:00 am - 3:00 pm, "virtually" by Zoom) \$40/person

Are you experiencing stress caused by COVID-19?

You are not alone! People around the world have felt overwhelmed and helpless as a result of the pandemic. Adjusting to new realities has caused fear and worry. This workshop will explore coping strategies and practical skills to deal with the impact that COVID-19 has had on our lives and as we move forward in post- Covid times.

To attend, email: annaracine.org@gmail.com or call 905/351-8367

MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE FOR STUDENTS IN NEED

The Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education (NFCE) is a registered charitable foundation with a mission of supporting students in need who attend Niagara Catholic District School Board Schools.

Poverty exists not only in developing countries, but also right here at home. Every day one in five students goes to school hungry and waits in line for breakfast. One child in four suffers from a vision problem severe enough to impact learning and some cannot afford eye glasses.

Covid-19 forced cancellation of some the NFCE's major and essential fundraising events. During virus-forced school closures, the foundation provided \$10,000 to purchase wi-fi access that enabled students in need to learn from home, and food vouchers were also purchased for families requiring assistance. Recently, the foundation provided financial assistance for a secondary school student with a serious health issue, the need for an organ transplant. Over the years, hundreds of scholarships have been funded.

The NFCE is a registered charitable foundation and receipts are issued for tax purposes. Your consideration of support would be greatly appreciated. Mailing address, Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education, 427 Rice road, Welland, Ontario L3C 7C1.

Donate on line & watch our videos www.nfce.org
Thank you for your consideration.

JUNE - THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus recalls Christ's love for us. Here are five facts that you may not know about this important feast of Our Lord.

1. The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus took centuries to become a universal celebration

This Devotion goes back to the 11th century. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had multiple visions of the Sacred Heart between 1673 and 1675. However, it wasn't until 90 years later in 1765, that the feast was officially celebrated in France. In 1856, Pope Pius IX made the feast of the Sacred Heart into a universal celebration.

2. The first feast of the Sacred Heart was actually celebrated in 1670

Even before St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had her visions of the Sacred Heart there was a recorded celebration of this feast. The first feast of the Sacred Heart was celebrated on Aug. 31, 1670 in Rennes, France.

3. The feast takes place on the 19th day after Pentecost

The feast of the Sacred Heart is scheduled to be celebrated on the Friday after the octave (eighth day) of the feast of Corpus Christi. Corpus Christi is traditionally the Thursday after Trinity Sunday.

4. Jesus made 12 promises to those who honor the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque:

- 1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
- 2. I will establish peace in their families.
- 3. I will comfort them in their trials.
- 4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
- I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
- 6. Sinners will find in My Heart an infinite ocean of mercy.
- 7. Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
- 8. Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
- 9. I will bless every place where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
- 10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- 11. The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
- 12. I promise thee, in the excessive mercy of My Heart, that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months, the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.