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Dear Parishioners,

I write to you in thanksgiving and with humility this weekend. Believe it or not, I'm celebrating my 15th anniversary among and with you as Pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church!



I distinctly remember that bright, sunny and beautiful day of June 13, 2005 when I arrived in Lexington and Charles Kostelni, then President of the Parish Pastoral Council, greeted me at the front door of the parish house and gave me the keys to the kingdom.

On the solemn Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus et Sanguis Christi) it is my hope and prayer that we continue to grow as a Eucharistic faith community. If we don't daily nourish our bodies and appetites with proper food and nutrition, we will grow weak. If we don't weekly or daily nourish our souls and spirits with the body and blood with the Eucharist, we may grow farther away from the Lord, Jesus Christ.

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for all your kindnesses to me personally since my arrival. As you know, it is a collective effort to continue to make St. Patrick's faith community that it is and that we call home.

Love and prayers, Fr. Joe
Fr. Joseph A. D'Aurora
Pastor

Mass Sign-ups for June 13 and 14 are available:

Mass will be offered at 5 p.m. on Saturday for adults only. The 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will be for individual adults, couples, and families. This will help us to meet the Diocesan and CDC distancing guidelines and to maximize seating for each Mass. We can have up to 45 parishioners at each Mass, so during this reopening phase you will be required to sign-up to attend Mass using Eventbrite. It is very easy, however, if you have any trouble, please call the parish office and have Leslie or Cindy sign you up. Click here to sign up for the June 13 and 14 Mass. You can also find the link on the parish website and Facebook page.



Friday, June 12

12:15 PM †Frank & †Gloria Lauria by Family

Saturday, June 13

5:00 PM †Gerri Dunne by Rita Duffy

Sunday, June 14

10:30 AM People of St. Patrick

Friday, June 19

12:15 PM †Teresa Carter McCoy by Jennifer

Palmer

Saturday, June 20

5:00 PM John & Barbara Czekner for their

50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, June 21

10:30 AM People of St. Patrick

Wedding: Congratulations to Lauren Vance (St. Patrick's) and Samuel Stockstill (Washington,



D.C.) on the occasion of their June 6th wedding here at St. Patrick's; also to Andrew Newman (Campus Minister) and Laura Christine Mobley (Charlottesville) on their June 6th wedding in Pittsburgh, PA. For these newly married couples, for their faithfulness to each other, and for their loving service of the Gospel, we rejoice in the Lord.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stockstill







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Quarterly Mailing: There will be no Shamrock or quarterly mailing this June. Kindly submit all articles for the September mailing no later than August 14 to oliverb@wlu.edu and office@stpatrickslexington.com.

Reception of Holy Communion: Please be aware that the Diocese of Richmond, although encouraging reception of Holy Communion in the hand, is now allowing reception on the tongue. Fr. Joe asks that the latter recipients kindly come at the end of the line.



Friday, June 12

11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers 12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, June 13

Reconciliation - AFF Meeting Room 4:00 PM

Cantor Rehearsal 4:15 PM

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 14

8:30 AM "Kindle My Fire" Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ

9:45 AM Cantor Rehearsal

Catholic Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ 10:00 AM

10:30 AM Mass

Monday, June 15

Tuesday, June 16

10:30 AM Staff Calendar Meeting – Church Hall

Wednesday, June 17

11:00 AM Adoration

1:30 PM Finance Council - Church Hall

Thursday, June 18 - Piano Tuning

Friday, June 19

Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers 11:45 AM

12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, June 20 - First Day of Summer

4:00 PM Reconciliation - AFF Meeting Room

4:15 PM Cantor Rehearsal

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 21 - Father's Day

"Kindle My Fire" Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ 8:30 AM

9:45 AM Cantor Rehearsal

10:00 AM Catholic Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ

10:30 AM Mass

Scripture Readings for this weekend: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58.

One of our daily Masses will resume tomorrow, Friday, June 12 at 12:15 p.m.

From the Director of Religious Education, Kathleen Nowacki-Correia:

"Behold the Bread of Angels, as pilgrims' food inherited." (Sequence – "Lauda, Sion, Salvatorum")

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, once known by its shortened, Latin title, "Corpus Christi." In preaching on this solemnity, St. Pope John Paul II proclaimed, "Today the Church shows the world the Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ, and invites, "venite adoremus" ("Come, let us adore Him"), for, Christ, who died and rose for us, is truly present in the Holy Eucharist. In the consecrated bread and wine, the Jesus of the Gospels remains with us - the same Jesus whom the disciples met and followed, whom they saw crucified and risen, whose wounds Thomas touched, exclaiming in prostrate adoration, "My Lord and my God." The Sequence tells us, "Ecce Panis Angelorum, vere Panis filiorum," which means "the angels' Food is given, see the Bread of the sons of God." We are nourished by this Bread of Angels to become authentic witnesses of the Gospel and we need this Bread of Angels to grow in love. The echo of a feast that has gone on without interruption for over 2,000 years reaches us today, for it is the feast of a people on their way in the exodus from the world, nourished by Christ, the true Bread of Salvation" (2001 Homily). Solemnity, and especially in these challenging times, may we remember and ever cherish our personal encounters with the Risen Lord in the sacrament of the Eucharist, which not only effects what it symbolizes, as do the other six sacraments, but IS what it symbolizes – the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Whether making an Act of Spiritual Communion or receiving the Eucharist within our limited-capacity Masses, may we offer all praise, honor, and thanksgiving for this Bread of Angels! United with the Eucharistic Lord, may we, the Pilgrim Church on Earth, exclaim unceasingly in prostrate adoration, "my Lord and my God!" ~K.N-C.





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Liturgy Notes by Justin Soutar:

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*), our biblical texts summon us to praise and thank God our Creator, who nourishes and sustains his people both physically and spiritually. In the first reading, Moses recalls the miraculous manna strengthened the Israelites during their desert sojourn, a foreshadowing of the Eucharistic feast. Saint Paul tells the Corinthians that all believers who receive the one Christ are united in one body. And in the Gospel, we hear the core of Jesus' great Bread of Life discourse to the Jewish crowds in the synagogue of Capernaum, in which he reveals himself as the greater Moses who gives the true "bread from heaven": his own Body and Blood.

"Jesus' bread discourse, on one hand, points the main movement of the Incarnation and of the Paschal journey toward the sacrament, in which Incarnation and Easter are permanently present, but conversely, this has the effect of integrating the sacrament, the Holy Eucharist, into the larger context of God's descent to us and for us. On one hand, then, the Eucharist emphatically moves right to the center of Christian existence; here God does indeed give us the manna that humanity is waiting for, the true 'bread of heaven'—the nourishment we can most deeply live upon as human beings. At the same time, however, the Eucharist is revealed as man's unceasing great encounter with God, in which the Lord gives himself as 'flesh,' so that in him, and by participating in his way, we may become 'spirit'" (Benedict XVI, Jesus of Nazareth: Part One: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration, Doubleday, 2007, pp. 269-270). Through his Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, may Christ our Savior lead us through the desert of this life to the glory of the heavenly Feast.

*** A Musical Note: We are greatly in need of additional cantors under age 65 to sing at our 5 PM Saturday and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses. Please contact Justin Soutar at 463-3533 or music@stpatrickslexington.com if you would like to serve as a cantor. ***

Prayer Net: Barbara Ekin; Amanda Soutar; Mary Ann DeLuca; G. John D'Aurora; Matilda Tinsler; Patricia Burch; Knox Thomas; Michele Fletcher; Mary Lou Olszewski; Ryen Frost; Rachel, Sean & baby Duffy; Antoinette Warzinski; Tom Greenwood; Matt Hemp; Jerry Beckley; Noel MacDermott; Terry Early; Antonietta Scire; Mrs. Donald; Dean Batterman; Fr. Chapin Engler; Lou Ramsey; Carol Leninger; Carolyn & Julie Rapoza; Kathy Crawford; Jeanette Luke; Sally Ann Bulger; Deborah Soutar; Ted DeLaney; John Hilt; Wendell Tucker; Isabella; Aailiyah & Joseph Slagle; Rita Rooney; Frances Farrell; Maria Rosenberger; Margaret Strong; Cathy Keyser; Carol Melvin; Barbara Thomas; Clare Kulle; Janet Nablo; Carolyn Miller; Eleanor Skip Knight; Ruby Ramsey; Hector Guerrero; our parishioners in nursing homes and those who are homebound; those addicted to alcohol & drugs; the underemployed and unemployed; our military and their families; families affected by the coronavirus; those struggling financially because of this crisis; first responders, medical personal and all government leaders; and for the repose of the soul of †Cruz Lopez. (For Prayer contact Cher requests, McCoy chergrindlemccoy@gmail.com or 540-570-2111.)

Holy Father's Prayer Intention:

For Evangelization – the Way of the Heart: That all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Peter's Pence Collection: This weekend's special collection is for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope



Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.







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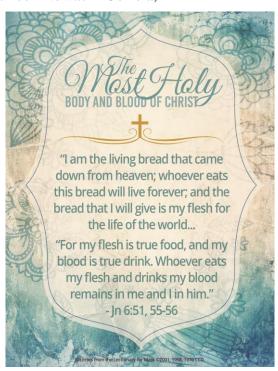
Parents of Kindergarten through Grade 8 Rel. Ed. Students: As of Saturday, June 13, your children's text books will be sanitized, labeled, and available for you to pick-up in the screened porch located in back of the parish house, next to the church. It will remain unlocked, so you can take the books at your convenience. These books belong to your children, so please be sure to take them home as soon as possible.

Parents of All Rel. Ed Students: Since five Sunday classes had to be cancelled, our catechists are preparing a final lesson, inspiration, or course summary for your children and teens, and will email them to you to review as a family. We hope many online links provided in our parish newsletters have been helpful.

Parents of all First Eucharist Students: Based on new diocesan guidelines, plans are underway for preparation to continue this summer for First Holy Communion in early September.

God bless you and your families! Thank you for your continuing devotion to your children's religious education and thanks to our wonderful catechists for their hard work and dedication!

~Kathleen Nowacki-Correia, DRE



Parish Finances:

Collection for 6/4/2020	\$ 10,478
Weekly Budgeted Need	\$ 7,469
Operating Income YTD	\$ 374,507
Budgeted Operating Income YTD	\$ 365,981
Over YTD Budgeted Income	\$ 8,526
Collections not included above:	
Maintenance Reserve	\$ 1,005

Giving Options: Thank you for your continued financial stewardship during this difficult time. With public Masses suspended, please consider giving online at offertory.richmonddiocese.org or through our direct debit program at Direct Debit. Both can be accessed through this link or our website. Alternatively, you can mail checks (no cash please) to P.O. Box 725, Lexington, VA 24450 or drop your envelopes in the locked mailbox on the side door of the Parish House.

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Please continue to check the parish website at <u>stpatrickslexington.com</u> for updates.

Hymns for This Weekend's Masses:

Entrance Chant: Table of Plenty #761

Offertory: Lord, Who At Thy First Eucharist #804

Communion Chant: Panis Angelicus #836 Hymn of Praise: Gift of Finest Wheat #791 Recessional: Now Thank We All Our God #603





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PANIS ANGELICUS / HOLY AND LIVING BREAD



Latin text: Thomas Aquinas, 1227-1274. English text: Owen Alstott, © 2001, OCP Publications. All rights reserved. Music: Louis Lambillotte, SJ, 1796-1855.

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart



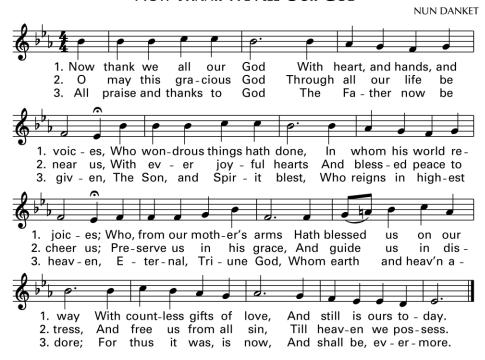
Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1998 Tune: BICENTENNIAL, CM with refrain: Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996 © 1977, Archdiocese of Philadelphia





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Now Thank We All Our God



Text: 67 67 66 66; Sirach 50:22-24; Martin Rinkart, 1586-1649; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt. Music: Johann Crüger, 1598-1662; adapt. by William H. Monk, 1823-1889, fr. Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847.