

GREETINGS FROM FR. SCOTT

Today we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ. What we receive during the Eucharist is about sacramental nourishment, spiritual strength, and eternal life. To understand this, let us take a closer look at the bread and wine.

Wheat and grapes grow and “die” only to “rise” again as flour and grape juice. They die and rise again as bread and wine. Bread and wine die as food and rise as spiritual nourishment for eternal life.

When we offer up the gifts at mass, we bring the best that we as human beings have to offer to God. We give bread and wine, which represents communal human effort at its very best.

For example, bread is harvested by workers in the field, transported to market by drivers, made into dough by bakers, delivered to stores, marketed, and sold. Bread represents God’s people working together as one to nourish our society.

Our gift of bread and wine also represents God’s help. We provide the labor. God provides the atmosphere, the rain, and the miracle of growth. Without God’s touch, there would be no wheat or grapes; no bread, no wine.

During the Consecration, we offer up the bread and wine to God. What does God do? Because God loves us so much, he gives it right back to us as the Body and Blood of His only Son, Jesus Christ. Catholicism is the only Christian religion that believes the bread and wine is transformed. It is not a representation. The priest acts as the person of Jesus, transforming the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ.

There are two kinds of truth in our world, scientific and religious. Scientific truths are based on clear observations of physical reality and can be tested through observation. Religious truth is this: When millions of people over 2012 years believe that the bread is changed into the Body of Christ, then it is, it could be nothing else.

Before a priest consecrates the bread, it is just ordinary bread. After consecration, it becomes the Body of Christ. If it is not consumed, we take very good care of the remains. We store it in a Ciborium in a Tabernacle. We use a Pix to transport it to the sick. We expose it in a Monstrance for Adoration. We purify vessels at the end of Mass to ensure we consume all the remnants.

When we ingest the actual Body and Blood of Christ, we nourish the spirit within us. Spiritual strength comes from having faith that we become Christ-like. Henry Nouwen states, “The Eucharist can be seen only by those who already love the Lord and believe in his active, loving presence to us.”

When we believe, trust, and have faith that we consume the actual body of Christ, it will nourish and strengthen our spirits. The Eucharist unifies us as one body and makes us strong. It motivates and empowers us to fight corruption, injustice, and temptation.

STEWARDSHIP

June 3,2012	\$6,873.10
Last Year	\$7,333.20
Online Giving	\$225.00

Daily Mass Readings

Monday June 11

Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3 Ps 98:1-6 Mt 5:1 –12

Tuesday June 12

1 Kgs 17:7-16 Ps 4:2-5,7-8 Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday June 13

1 Kgs 18:20-39 Ps 16:1-2,4-5,11 Mt 5:17-19

Thursday June 14

1 Kgs 18:41-46 Ps 65:10-13 Mt 5:20-26

Friday June 15

Hos 11:1,3-4,8c-9 (ps) Is 12:2-6 Eph 3:8-12,14-19

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

5:00pm

Sunday

9:00am

11:30am

Monday

9:00am

Tuesday

9:00am

Wednesday

9:00am

Thursday

9:00am

Friday

9:00am

June 9

+ Earl Hopp, Emery & Helen Jadack

June 10

For the People of the Parish

June 11

+ Aaron Grinnell

June 12

+ Shan Satterfield

June 13

June 14

June 15



FAITH FORMATION

1st Eucharist photographs are available after the Masses.

Vacation Bible School

June 25-29

Sacred Heart—preschool

Good Shepherd—K-5th grade

1st Presbyterian—6-8th grade

Mon—Rejoice in God's presence

Tue—Pray for God's creation

Weds—Ask questions and listen

Thur—Tell others about God's love

Fri—Seek God in our lives

Registration forms will be available on line and after masses.

Volunteers are needed.



ONE BREAD ONE BODY

The people of Sacred Heart have pledged \$26,547.50 To this year's *One Bread, One Body* Annual Appeal. This has been a wonderful response. Thank you. If you haven't already, please join this effort to nurture the ministries of our local Church. For your convenience, you may give or pledge by mail or securely online at www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate

VENTURING CREW

Venture crew - a coed group of teens and young adults looking for outdoor excitement - meets the first Monday of the month (July 2) at 7 pm in the social hall. Call Ed at 357-7029 if you want more information or come to the meeting!



OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OLV is now enrolling for the 2012-2013 school year in grades K-8. Please stop at the Sacred Heart Parish office or call 376-0883 for information.

We are now officially at Sacred Heart and are looking forward to a great year. Enrollment packets are available in the office. OLV is committed to teaching values for a lifetime and is dedicated to helping students reach their highest potential. The many benefits of a Catholic education help students develop the foundation they need for success in life.

Scan for Mass Ministry Schedule



COMING EVENTS

June

- 10 Church picnic
- 11 Centering Prayer 6pm
- 14 Rosary 7pm
- 15 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass 9am
Adoration 9:30am-12:45pm
- 17 Father's Day
- 24 Inquiry for those interested in the Church
- 25-29 VBS—Discovery Canyon

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday 11am—2pm
Tues—Fri 8:30 am—2:00pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—Arctic Madonna MEETING

Tuesday, June 12 at 7:30pm—all Council members are strongly urged to attend this important meeting for the election of officers .

PARISH GARDEN BOXES

Please see the sign-up sheet in the Social Hall.

FLAG RETIREMENT

Retirement ceremony is on June 14th
Flag Day at St. Andrew's Parish.



FOOD PANTRY

Items needed at the pantry:
All kinds of pasta
Beans—canned (not green)
rice, flour, sugar,
grocery bags

357-3769

WASILLA FOOD PANTRY

The following data indicates the increasing need and hunger in the Valley.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Oct 2011	805	2541
Feb 2012	1009	3160
Apr 2012	1047	3442

Every donation helps our community. Families need our outreach, please put your donations in the buckets at both church doors. Again thank you for your ongoing support of our local food pantry.