THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST JUNE 3, 2018

LIVING GOD'S WORD

Lord Jesus, in Baptism we were washed in the blood of the Lamb; at every Communion, we eat your Body and drink your Blood. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we continue to live with your life, sharing in your divinity as you have shared in our humanity. For this we give you praise and thanks.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK JUNE 4, 2018

Monday, June 4
12:10PM Intention of Catholic Extension Donor
Tuesday, June 5, St. Boniface
8:15AM Ida Ann Sams by Bruce & Mary Brown
Wednesday, June 6, St. Norbert
10:30AM Dorothy Niermann by Dave & Kathy Hustedde
Thursday, June 7
NO MASS
Friday, June 8, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
8:15AM Pat O'Toole by Family
Saturday, June 9, The Immaculate Heart of Mary
5PM Roberta Jany by Paul & Marie Schulein
Sunday, June 10
9AM For the Parish

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK JUNE 3 THRU JUNE 10

Sunday 9AM Mass Monday 12:10PM Mass

11AM-1PM K of C Luncheon

Pork Loin & Gravy/Fried Chicken

Tuesday 8:15AM Mass

Wednesday 10:30AM Mass at Three Springs

Thursday Fr. Gene's Day Off Friday 8:15AM Mass

4:30PM Fried Chicken Dinner at K of C

Saturday 5PM Mass with Rev. Steven Pautler Sunday 9AM Mass with Rev. Steven Pautler

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR: It might be surprising to listen to the three readings that all have to do not just with shedding blood, but sprinkling it on people, as Moses did out in the desert, and presenting Jesus as the great high priest who goes into the sanctuary bearing his own blood, which will "cleanse our consciences from dead works' (Hebrews 9:14) so we can worship the living God. And then there is the more familiar reading of Mark's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus tells his disciples to drink his blood. Perhaps we have gotten used to hearing these words since they are spoken at every Mass. But if you stop and think about it they are rather shocking. In the biblical world blood is sacred, blood is life. From the beginning animals were offered in sacrifice. But with the offering of the body and blood of Christ, a new relationship has been entered into with our God. Through Jesus' gift of his body and blood, salvation was won for us and is present to us when we gather in his name to praise the Father.

TITHE WEEK OF MAY 27, 2018

Mary Help of Christians: \$5058.00

\$736.00 Improvement; \$217.00 Seminarian Education;

\$1.00 Child Env.; \$5.00 Votives

WEEKLY Budget Need: \$7,000.00 YTD Average Weekly Tithe: \$6,601.27

Fiscal Year Week: 48

YTD Actual Giving: \$316,861.00 YTD Budget Need: \$336,000.00 YTD Budget Difference: (\$19,139.00)

YTD Weekly (\$398.73)

<u>SERVERS SCHEDULE</u> for June 9 & 10: 5PM, Nate Maes, Jack Heffernan; 9AM, David Grau, Luke Miller, Paige Vasquez

<u>THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK</u>: Remember the great price paid for our salvation. Jesus gave his body and every drop of his blood for us.

2018-2019 SMS REGISTRATION will be held on Wednesday, June 6, from 10AM-5:30PM for kindergarten through 8th Grade. If you are unable to attend, please call the school office (826-3120) to arrange a meeting on a different date.

ST. ANDREW CHURCH in Murphysboro will present the movie, I CAN ONLY IMAGINE, on Thursday, June 7, at 7PM and again on Sunday, June 10, at 1PM in the Liberty Theater, Murphysboro. A freewill offering will be accepted.

FRIED CHICKEN DINNER will be hosted by Liberty Bell of the West, NSDAR, on Friday, June 8, at the k of C Hall from 4:30-7PM. Cost is \$10. Proceeds from the dinner will help to support their Bicentennial Memorial Project which will be dedicated at the Chester Courthouse on Sunday, August 26.

A RECEPTION FOR REV. STEVEN PAUTLER will be held on Saturday, June 9, at the K of C Hall immediately following the 5PM Mass. Please come to welcome our newest diocesan priest.

<u>A QUILTARAMA</u> will be hosted by Mary Help of Christians, Chester, on Tuesday, June 12, at the K of C Hall from 8:30AM-3:30PM. We are asking the ladies of our parish to bring casseroles, salads, desserts, and attendance prizes. Please call Bonnie Todd (618-340-5013) to let her know that you will help.

MEET ME AT THE MUNY: On Wednesday, July 11, we will travel to see "Jersey Boys". Tickets are \$35 for parishioners (guys-this includes you too). Seating will be approximately in the same area as last year. Other guests will need to pay an additional \$15 bus fee. We will stop at Lisa's in Prairie du Rocher for a Fried Chicken Dinner. Additional stops can be made along the way for boarding. Departure time will be announced closer to the show date. Donna Ritter (826-3706) will need all monies by Wednesday, June 13, to confirm your seats. For additional information, please contact Donna Ritter.

<u>DOMESTIC VIOLENCE</u> can happen to anyone. Every year, more than 3 million children witness domestic violence in their homes and suffer abuse or neglect. Become familiar with the signs of domestic violence at Violence Protection Center of Southwestern Illinois (www.vpcswi.org). If you suspect that someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, be aware of the resources available in your community. Pray those subjected to abuse receive the help and support necessary to break away from the cycle of violence.

MAKING MORE CONNECTIONS: We harken back to Holy Thursday and that first supper we now call Mass and Eucharist. That Last Supper with Jesus spoke four verbs: took, blessed, broke, gave. Every Sunday since then we still give Communion. And we give our lives to mercy works. How will my sharing Communion change my life this week? How will my eating and drinking Communion strengthen my efforts to be merciful? How will my dining at the Table of the Lord enrich the world?