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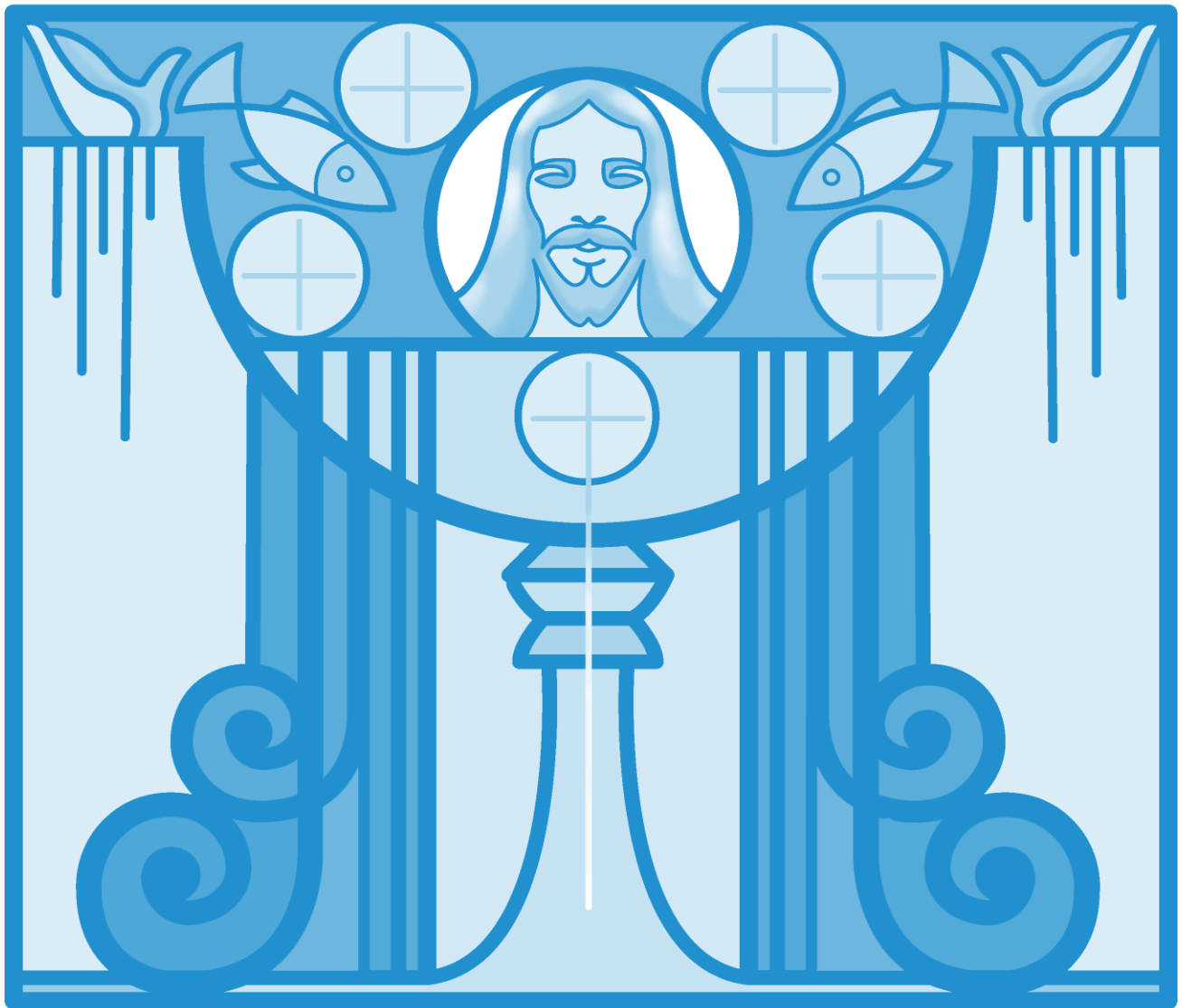


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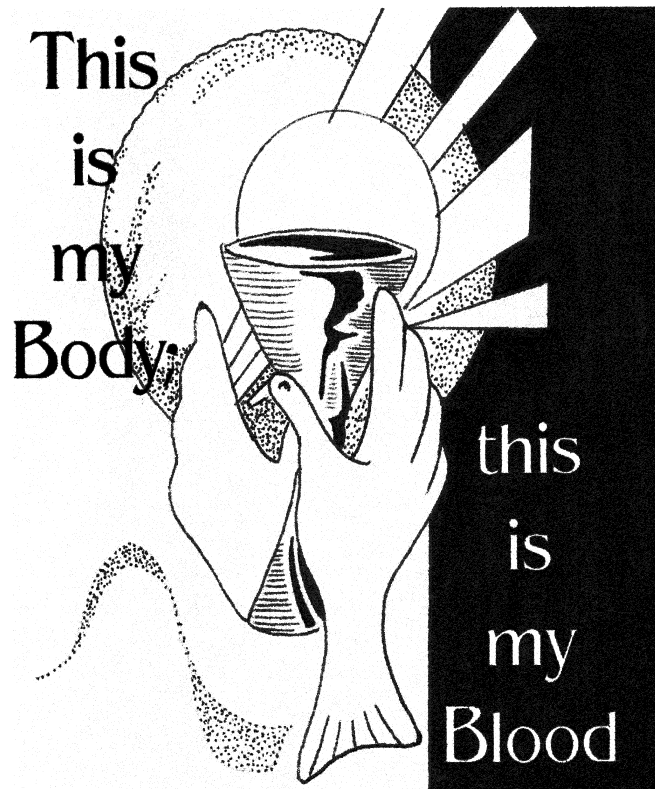
St. Irenaeus Parish, Park Forest, Illinois

June 6, 2010 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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Are you widowed?

Do you know someone who is widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you “over the hump” because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with your life while treasuring your past and its precious memories. This weekend program will be held at St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park, IL. All are invited. The Joyful Again! Retreat workshop is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and joy in their lives.

What: Retreat for Widowed Men & Women

When: June 12 & 13, 2010

Where: St. Julie Billiart Parish,
Tinley Park, Illinois

For further information, call 708-354-7211

e-mail joyfulagain@att.net

VITAS

Bereavement Support Groups

Note: These groups, sponsored by VITAS Innovative Hospice Care, are offered free of charge to the community.

There are no sessions conducted on holidays.

TINLEY PARK (SUPPORT GROUP)

1st Thursdays

10 am. - 11:30 am.

3rd Wednesdays

6:30 pm.-8:00pm.

Hope & Healing After the Loss of a Loved One

VITAS Office 8525 W. 183rd St.

Suite M Tinley Park, IL

PARK FOREST (SUPPORT GROUP)

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

10:00 am.-11:30am.

50 Westwood Park Forest, IL

Phone 708-747-3700

For additional information call Ron Walker, MDIV.

VITAS Bereavement Service Phone 708-781-4400

“Women’s Contemplative Retreat...Finding Peace Among The Pieces”

Date: June 14-18 (With single day options on 15, 16, 17)

Time: Monday, 3pm-Registration begins; 4:30pm-Opening Session to Friday, 11 am-(After brunch)

Registration Deadline: June 1. Single day schedule: 15, 16, 17: 9:30 am-5:00pm.

Fee: Full week-\$350 (includes overnights and all meals) Single day-\$50 (includes lunch)

While these days will be spent in quiet with the opportunity for individual spiritual direction (included in full week option only), the group will gather for prayer and a presentation each morning, and a closing ritual and conversation before dinner in the afternoon.

Welcome and Gathering-Monday, June 14, 3pm (Full week option)

“The Gift of Aging...Piecing Together a Life”-Tuesday, June 15 Facilitator: Mary Ruth Broz, RSM

“Embracing Body, Mind, and Spirit”-Wednesday, June 16 Facilitator: Norma Jessen, OSF

Growing Strong in Broker Places...Welcoming the Healing Energy of Summer”

Thursday, June 17 Facilitator: Marianne Saieg, OSF

Closing Ritual followed by brunch-Friday, June 18 (Full week option)

“Summer Solstice...A Prayer and Poetry Walk”

Date: June 21 Time: 9:30am-Noon Fee: \$20

Facilitator: Mary Ruth Broz, RSM

Join us as we make a walking meditation through the grounds here at St. Francis Woods, pausing along the way for some of the favorite prayers of St. Francis and selections of poetry from Mary Oliver, Gerard Manley Hopkins, and others who are able to usher us into the season of summer and speak to us of God.

“Healing: A Gift of the Holy Spirit”

Date: June 26 Time: 10am-4pm (includes lunch) Fee: \$55

We are all hurting people who live in an imperfect world. We need the healing touch of God -spiritually, physically, emotionally – but often do not know how to open ourselves to that gift. This day you are invited to learn more about healing - what it is and what it is not – as well as some attitudes that are helpful in entering into healing prayer. In addition to the presentations, there will be time for quiet as well as a closing liturgy where a healing service will take place.

Facilitator: Father Paul Burak

“Gospel Minority: Taking Francis’ Low Road”

Date: July 9-July 16 Time 7pm (Friday) to 11am (Friday) Fee: \$475 (includes overnight accommodations and all meals) Commuter fee \$285 (includes lunch) The Admonitions have been called the “Beatitudes of Gospel Minority” by Kajetan Esser. “Minority” is a key to unlock the richness of the originality of Francis of Assisi, and Admonitions-insights offered to his followers at their chapters and gatherings-are an indispensable source to tap into Francis’ wisdom and insights about the human person and the working of grace.

This retreat will provide a context for and exploration of the Admonitions so that they can become a guide and a handbook for our daily lives. At times seemingly harsh, at other times seemingly benign, the Admonitions can help bring Francis’ true spirit to life for a contemporary religious who seeks to follow in the footprints of Jesus.

In a polarized world where dialogue and the art of listening have taken a back seat to “talking points” and “spin”, the Admonitions can lead us back to becoming the peacemakers we are called to be as well as people who know and experience the peace that is found only in Jesus.

Facilitator: Brother John Petrikovic

“THE PORT”

9263 West St. Francis Road, Frankfort IL

815-464-3880 www.portforprayer.org

Reflections on Today's Readings June 6 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Reading 1 Genesis 14:18-20

Abram mounted a rescue mission to free his nephew, Lot, from four kings who ravaged Sodom and kidnapped him. On Abram's return after the mission was successful, "Melchizedek, king of Salem (Peace), brought out bread and wine, and being a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram... then Abram gave him a tenth of everything." The city of Salem is identified with Jerusalem. Melchizedek invokes "God Most High, the creator of heaven and earth." Abram identifies "God Most High" with Yahweh and accepts Melchizedek as a high priest called by "God Most High." Not much is known about Melchizedek. This is one of the only times he appears as a character in Scripture. Psalm 110 and the writer of Hebrews link his priesthood with that of Christ, who was called by God to be our "Great High Priest." Like Christ, Melchizedek received his priesthood, not by appointment, or from any human succession, but from "God Most High." Some commentators identify Melchizedek with Shem, first-born of Noah. Eucharistic Prayer I in our liturgy asks, "Look with favor on these offerings and accept them as once you accepted the gifts of your servant Abel, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the bread and wine offered by your priest Melchizedek."

Psalm 110:1, 2, 3, 4.

"You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek. Melchizedek, like Christ, received his priesthood from "God Most High."

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

"For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you." Paul seeks to correct abuses of the Eucharist which have developed in the Corinthian community. Paul is troubled because when they assemble for Eucharist they gather in small groups or cliques determined by economic status, for example, rather than as one in Christ -- there is no real community. Each goes ahead with his or her own supper. The elite of the community gather around the table to feast while the lesser members eat sparingly or go hungry. Some overindulge to the point of drunkenness. They have misunderstood or lost the communal, one Body in Christ spirit of the celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ. Paul urges them to consider the context in which the original "Last Supper" was celebrated. The Eucharist is Christ's gift of remembrance of the life He sacrificed to bring us eternal life.

Gospel - Luke 9:11b-17

Jesus not only feeds the 5000 from five loaves and two fish, but has twelve wicker baskets of food left over. The superabundance of Jesus' generosity is apparent. The incident foretells the superabundance of the Living Bread and the Cup that is to come. The Eucharist is not just the food of an earthly feast, but the Bread of eternal life, the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. John the Evangelist, uses the entire sixth chapter of his Gospel to witness to Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist. Like the Corinthian community, many Christian communities come together but miss the Real Presence, the one Body in Christ nature of their gathering. In the true sense of "You are what you eat," Christ intended that we become one in Him and He in us through the Eucharist. Four times, as John reports in his sixth chapter, Jesus tells his followers that his body is real food and his blood real drink. Despite their objections that "this is saying is hard, who can accept it," He persists, even when most of them leave him, asking the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Peter, speaking for the Twelve, responds, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." They probably still do not understand, but they put their faith in Jesus.



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, June 7

8:00 Patricia O'Connor

Tuesday, June 8

8:00 Willie Schaper

Wednesday, June 9

St. Ephrem

8:00 Carmen Bullington

Thursday, June 10

8:00 Communion Service

Friday, June 11

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:00 Communion Service

Saturday, June 12

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:00-4:45 Reconciliation

5:00 Mary Paulauski req by
Julie Dionne

Sunday, June 13

8:30 The Patrick Corey Family

10:30 Ludwig Szechinski req by
The Mac Kenzie Family

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, June 12 5:00 pm

Lectors

Laurie Miller, Marilyn Bourgeois,
Arthur Bourgeois

Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist

Beverly Helm, Joe Augustyn, Sam Bowns,
Jan Pattyn, Sally Fortune, Merle Arr,
Loren Bowns

Cantor

Cathy Williams

Altar Servers

Michael Rosenquist, Myles Greska

Sunday, June 13 8:30 am

Lectors

Sara Veldhuizen, Harlan Smith,
Gene Schmittgens

Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist

Kathy Murphy, Laura Hennessy,
Richard Thomas, Chrys Rudnik,
Carol McCullough, Pat McCartan, Jim Silvia

Cantor

Melva Leblanc

Altar Servers

Kevin Headly, Karen Ertl

Sunday, June 13 10:30 am

Lectors

Stephanie Sagun, Terry Townsend,
Vanessa White

Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist

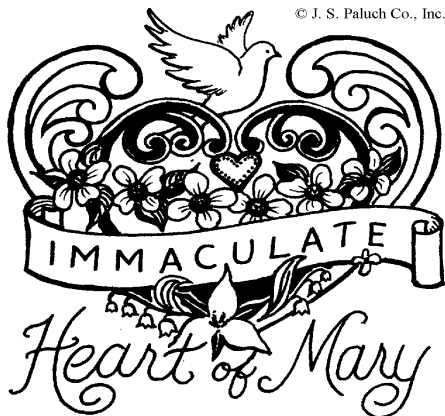
Marilyn Carroll, Dave Perkins, Linda Marron,
Kathy Anderson, Rita Oganwu, Pat Benjamin,
Gary Marron

Cantor

Bill Carreras

Altar Servers

Bill Carreras, Vincent Adami, Michael Adami



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&
Audra Fouts**



Church Stewardship

Budget Information - 47

Budget Information **\$4,650.00**

May 30 Collection \$3,789.00

Thank you to the 118 families who used their stewardship envelopes last weekend.

Money collected\envelopes \$3,199.00

Loose Money \$590.00

Budget Year to Date \$218,550.00

Actual Income Year to Date \$205,978.02

09/10 Budget Shortage (\$12,571.98)

Maintenance Fund May 30 \$346.65

Maintenance Fund YTD \$30,627.00

Collections Prior Fiscal Yrs. \$325,363.00

Total Collections \$355,990.00

Total Expenditures \$300,797.83

Catholic Charities \$2,493.00

Hotlines:

COURAGE

*For single mothers and
unplanned pregnancies
708-636-8001*

*Catholic Charities Family Shelter
312-655-7700*

*Senior Services
708-596-2222*

*Crisis Center for South Suburbs
708-429-7233*

*Grief Support Center for New
Beginnings
708-985-3010*

*So. Sub. Family Shelter Domestic
Violence
708-335-3028*

*So. Sub. Council on Alcoholism
and Substance Abuse
708-647-3333*

Ministry of Care & Anointing of the Sick

Please call the rectory if you, or someone you know, is unable to join us for Eucharist. Our ministers of care visit parishioners at home and in the hospital or nursing home. Arrangements can be made for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to marry must call the rectory at least six months prior to their desired wedding date. All couples must attend a Pre-Cana Conference.

Need prayers?

Call the St.

Irenaeus Health

Ministry Prayer

Line at 747-0974

with your requests

The Sacrament of Baptism

We celebrate the sacrament of baptism on the fourth Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Parents must attend a baptism preparation session. These sessions are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

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