

# Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, June 18, 2017



“A particular mention should be made at this point of the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ as an act of public worship rendered to Christ present in the Eucharist, a feast instituted by my predecessor Urban IV in memory of the institution of this great Mystery” (Dominicae Cenae - Pope St. John Paul II)

### Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering - \$ 1479.10  
 'Host a Family..' \$ 40.00  
 Repair & Renovations fund - \$ 115.00  
 Education of Seminarians \$ 133.00  
*Bless you for your continued generous support.*

### Upcoming Events

Family Mass & Luncheon - June 25 @11:00 AM  
 Vacation Bible School - July 10 - 14, 2017

### Host a Family Fund Raising Program:

Meatball Sale - July  
 Grocery Store BBQ - August  
 Garage Sale - September  
 (Save & donate your spring cleaning treasures!)  
 Pie Sale - October  
 Prosciutto Raffle - November  
 Winery Wine Sale - November  
*Friends, please join and support that we may help our two Syrian families.*

### Vacation Bible Class, 2017

During the week of Monday July 10 to Friday July 14, 2017 our parish will be hosting its annual Vacation Bible Class. Daily from 8:45am 4 pm. Register now—see Fr. Paul or call the office (905)732-5046 or visit the web site. Thank you!

### WPC Pro Life Thank you.

A most sincere thank you for those who sponsored Greg Shinton as a participant in the Pro-Life Walk-a-thon on June 4th. On behalf of St. Andrew's parish a significant amount was raised. May God bless you for your generosity and for standing for life.

### Mass Schedule & Intentions from June 17, 2017 to June 25, 2017

Saturday	5:00PM	† Pasquale Vaccaro by wife & family Louis & Rose Agro by Family Antonio & Giuseppina Gallo by family Fred Leon by wife Betty & family In Honour of St. Anthony by the morning Prayer Group. <i>(Sharing of St. Anthony's Bread after Mass)</i>
Sunday	9:00AM	† Salvatore Giovinazzo by Children Beni Inneo by wife Nardina & family Maria & Francesca Rizzuto by Lea Locco & family Ippolito Mauro by wife Ines & family
Father's Day		
	11:00AM	For us and for all our dearly deceased ones
Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	7:00PM	† Thomas Puthenkalam by Maria Fazzalari
Wednesday	9:00AM	† John Nenadovich by wife & family
Thursday	9:00AM	For the health of Dawn Ann MacDonald by Lydia Matchett
Friday	9:00AM	For the safety and wellbeing of all students by St. Andrew's CWL
Saturday	5:00PM	† Paolina Torre, Rosa Celi & Agata Presti by the Presti family Antonino Giovinazzo by grandchildren Andrea, Adam & Matthew Frank Sdao by borther Tony & sister in law Maria Grazia-Sdao Antonio DiCesare by Angela DiCesare
Sunday	9:00AM	† Gail Hennessy by husband James Pierino Ioannoni by wife Bruna & family Carlo Nero by wife Olga & family Giorgio Agostino by Tina Giovinazzo
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*Thank you for supporting 'Host a Family Program'*

**Happy Father's Day**  
 St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect all the fathers who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done. St. John XXIII

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Friday, June 23  
 Catholics worldwide are urged to pray for priests on June 23, World Day of Prayer for Priests. The day was begun by Saint John Paul II in 2002 with the objective of having all Catholic faithful join in prayer for the sanctification of priests. The World Day of Prayer for Priests coincides with the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

# Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us



GENERAL AUDIENCE June 14, 2017  
 POPE FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters:  
 In our catechesis on Christian hope, we have found the source of that hope in God's unconditional love, revealed for us in the coming of the Son and the gift of the Holy Spirit. None of us can live without love. Happiness comes from the experience of knowing love, freely given and received. So much unhappiness in our world is born of the feeling of not being loved for our own sake. Faith teaches us that God loves us with an infinite love, not for any merit of our own, but out of his sheer goodness. Even when we stray from him, God seeks us out, like the merciful father in the parable of the prodigal son, offers us forgiveness, and restores us to his embrace. In the words of Saint Paul: "While we still were sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8), so that we might become beloved sons and daughters of our heavenly Father. Through the resurrection of Jesus and the grace of the Holy Spirit, we become sharers in God's own life of love. May all of us find in God's embrace the promise of new life and freedom. For in his love is the source of all our hope.

### Year of the Rosary

Celebrating a Mother's Love: a Day of Marian Reflection to honour the 100th anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions will be held Saturday June 24th, 2017, at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls. The presenter is Dr. Josephine Lombardi, associate professor, St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto.

### In Memoriam.

The diocese of St. Catharines announces the sudden passing of St. Alfred's Associate pastor, Father Trevor Plug. Our hearty condolences go out to his family. May God grant eternal rest to Fr. Trevor

### Anniversary of Religious Profession

The Sisters of the Sacred Heart cordially invite you to Sister Emmanuela Naig's 25th Anniversary of Religious Profession, Saturday June 24, 2017 at 3:00 pm at St. Mary Church Welland. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Gerard Bergie. Reception in Parish Hall after Holy Mass.

### A Eucharistic Hymn

"O Sacrament Most Holy  
 O Sacrament Divine!  
 All Praise and All Thanksgiving  
 Be every Moment Thine!"

### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ is also referred to as the Feast of Corpus Christi.

The Feast of Corpus Christi was not celebrated throughout the entire Catholic Church until the year 1264.

In 1208, St. Juliana of Liege experienced several visions, including one of Christ instructing her to plead for the institution of a feast to honor the Eucharist. She experienced these visions for 20 years, but kept them a secret. She finally told a priest about the visions, who in turn told the local bishop about them. She repeatedly petitioned the bishop to institute the feast, and in 1246, the feast was celebrated throughout the Diocese of Liege for the first time.

In 1264, Pope Urban IV issued a Papal bull, Transitus de hoc mundo, in which the feast of Corpus Christi was made a feast throughout the entire Catholic Church. This came after Pope Urban IV had investigated claims of a Eucharistic Miracle in Bolsena, Italy, in 1263, in which it was reported that a Consecrated Host began to bleed.

Jesus, in giving us the Eucharist, makes several different statements about the Eucharist being His Body and Blood. Perhaps the most well known of these passages comes from the Gospel of John, chapter 6, verses 32-59. This passage is often referred to as the Bread of Life discourse, in which Jesus proclaims "I am the Bread of Life. You who come to me shall not hunger, and you who believe in me shall not thirst." This passage is one of the most beautiful passages pertaining to the Eucharist, because in it, Jesus lays out for us exactly what we must do to have life in Him.



To read more on the Feast of Corpus Christi Please visit:

<http://saltandlighttv.org/blogfeed/getpost.php?id=23629>

### GRIEF RECOVERY OUTREACH PROGRAM:

Grief Recovery Outreach Program sponsored by Armstrong Funeral Home and Davidson Funeral Home, starts on Tuesday, July 4th, 2017 and will continue every Tuesday for 10 weeks. It is held from 6:30 p.m. at Northland Pointe (Board Room), 2 Fielden St. Port Colborne. This is a FREE seminar for the public.

**An RSVP is required.**

You can contact Armstrong Funeral Home at 905-834-3483 or Davidson Funeral Home at 905-834-4833