THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 11, 2023

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"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." - Jn 6:51

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Sacred Heart Church



Wednesday & Friday, 9 am to 2:00 pm



E-mail: usacredh@nycap.rr.com Sandi McCaslin, **Administrative Assistant Office hours**: Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am to 2:00 pm

Collections & Attendance June 3 & 4, 2023—Weekend totals:

Collections:	SH	SC
WEEKLY COLLECTION	1606.00	644.00
Other	30.00	143.00
UNDRAISING	574.00	
Catholic Comm	50.00	195.00
Parish Total	2210.00	787.00

OTHER- E-GIVING, VIA USPS, VOTIVES



Sat. June 10, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) Birthday

remembrance for Jean Paige, requested by Norm & family.

2.) † In memory of Helen Rajter, 20 yrs passed, requested by all of her children. 3.) † In memory of Belinda Douglas, requested by Kandy & David Tokarowski.

Sun. June 11, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) † In memory of Alex & Betty Addesse, requested by their daughters. 2.) In thanksgiving for Father Juanito on the 30th anniversary of his ordination.

Mon. June 12 thru Sun. June 18, 2023

Mon. June 12, 8:00 am (SC) - Mass Canceled

<u>**Tue. June 13, 8:00 am (SC)</u>** - *†* For the repose of the soul of Millie Healey, requested by Pat & George Galeazza.</u>

Sat. June 17, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) † In memory of Barbara Barno Haley & John Barno Coleman, requested by George Stanwick.

2.) † In memory of Alfred Opalka, requested by his daughter Barb..

Sun. June 18, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) In memory of Ralph & Sadie Mancini, requested by their children. 2.) In memory of Linda Araujo, requested by her family. 3.) In honor and thanksgiving for Fr. Juanito and his 30 yrs of and instiguted by the Warm for it

ordination, requested by the Wray family.

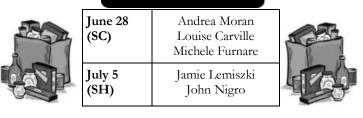
Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

June 10	Theresa Kovian	June 17	Katherine Downing
(SH)	Kathy Avery	(SH)	Cathy Parry
June 11	James Wray	June 18	Dianne Kierpiec
(SC)	Bill Quinn	(SC)	Dave Marcais

Counters Schedule

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June 13	Katherine Downing	(SH)	Noreen Brownell
(SH)	Tony Stellato		Deb Swarczewski
June 12	Lorna Quinn	June 19	Bette Papa
(SC)	Linda Coyne	(SC)	Sandy Hayes

Food Pantry



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

June 11, 2023 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Years ago, a woman at daily Mass approached me in the communion procession. She had her arms crossed, indicating she wanted a blessing instead of the Sacred Host. She had tears in her eyes. I gave her a little blessing. She returned the next day. And the next. The same thing repeated. After a few weeks, I asked her why she didn't receive Holy Communion. She said she wasn't Catholic yet and was preparing to become so. I asked her why she wanted to be Catholic. She said, "Because I long to be in a real communion with Christ and with everyone I love." That, I submit, is a darn good reason. A few months later, she became Catholic and received the Body and Blood of Christ with unspeakably great joy and still does to this day.

Saint Paul says of the Eucharistic bread, "Is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" For Paul, the answer is obvious. Yes, it is exactly that. Which is why he can say, "we, though many, are one body." Jesus is truly, really, and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. This is no magic trick, but a mystery of our salvation. He feeds us with the Sacrament of his body so that our communion with him — and with the other members of his body — is built up and becomes mature. That's why the Eucharist quenches our deep thirst for love and communion. The Body and Blood of Christ is the best reason to be Catholic. It's our participation of love in the one we love.

~Father John Muir

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Saint Anthony of Padua (1195 – June 13, 1231) - Patron Saint of Lost items – Poor – Travelers

The gospel call to leave everything and follow Christ was the rule of Saint Anthony of Padua's life. Over and over again, God called him to something new in his plan. Every time Anthony responded with renewed zeal and self-sacrificing to serve his Lord Jesus more completely.

His journey as the servant of God began as a very young man when he decided to join the Augustinians in Lisbon, giving up a future of wealth and power to be a servant of God. Later when the bodies of the first Franciscan martyrs went through the Portuguese city where he was stationed, he was again filled with an intense longing to be one of those closest to Jesus himself: those who die for the Good News.

So Anthony entered the Franciscan Order and set out to preach to the Moors. But an illness prevented him from achieving that goal. He went to Italy and was stationed in a small hermitage where he spent most of his time praying, reading the Scriptures and doing menial tasks.

The call of God came again at an ordination where no one was prepared to speak. The humble and obedient Anthony hesitantly accepted the task. The years of searching for Jesus in prayer, of reading sacred Scripture and of serving him in poverty, chastity, and obedience had prepared Anthony to allow the Spirit to use his talents. Anthony's sermon was astounding to those who expected an unprepared speech and knew not the Spirit's power to give people words.

Recognized as a great man of prayer and a great Scripture and theology scholar, Anthony became the first friar to teach theology to the other friars. Soon he was called from that post to preach to the Albigensians in France, using his profound knowledge of Scripture and theology to convert and reassure those who had been misled by their denial of Christ's divinity and of the sacraments..

After he led the friars in northern Italy for three years, he made his headquarters in the city of Padua. He resumed his preaching and began writing sermon notes to help other preachers. In the spring of 1231 Anthony withdrew to a friary at Camposampiero where he had a sort of treehouse built as a hermitage. There he prayed and prepared for death.

On June 13, he became very ill and asked to be taken back to Padua, where he died after receiving the last sacraments. Anthony was canonized less than a year later and named a Doctor of the Church in 1946.

Anthony should be the patron of those who find their lives completely uprooted and set in a new and unexpected direction. Like all saints, he is a perfect example of turning one's life completely over to Christ. God did with Anthony as God pleased—and what God pleased was a life of spiritual power and brilliance that still attracts admiration today. He whom popular devotion has nominated as finder of lost objects found himself by los-ing himself totally to the providence of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saint Cecilia-Sanctuary Candle: Our candle burns this week for the birthday remembrance of William Connery, requested by Andrea.

<u>THANK YOU:</u> Thanks to all who participated in spring cleanup at Sacred Heart last Saturday. You all made an incredibly noticeable difference. <3

Feast of the Sacred Heart: We will be celebrating with a potluck cookout following the Vigil Mass on Saturday, **June 17th**. Sacred Heart will provide Hamburgers/hotdogs. We ask attendees to bring sides and desserts. We are inviting musical guest, Shelby Wadsworth to entertain us.

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: Our parking fundraiser has begun. Volunteers are needed for the following dates: Sunday, July 2 - Saturday, July 22 –Saturday, September 16. Please call or text Kelly Viscosi @ 518-774-7250

<u>Saint Cecilia Rummage Sale:</u> The annual Rummage Sale will be held on **October 13-14, 2023**. Carry in until Oct.9, set-up throughout the week.

The Diocesan Appeal: June 30 is the deadline for the Diocesan Appeal. You can make a gift or pledge online at <u>www.thediocesanappeal.org</u> or make a check payable to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Be sure to include your name & the location of your parish. Sacred Heart- has a balance of \$4,933.

<u>Weekly Mass</u>: We record the 4 pm Saturday Mass at Sacred Heart. Please join us virtually for weekly Mass on Sacred Heart's YouTube channel

<u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs_-FDzyfvHZZ9y8UlC4gAw?</u> <u>view_as=subscriberg</u> <u>Upcoming Second Collections</u>: July 29/30—Peters Pence August 27/28—Catholic Home Missions



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