

Mass Intentions for the Week

- 6-23 Mon 9:00 AM Mildred Tiedemon
By Vic & Pat Tartaglia
- 6-24 Tues 9:00 AM Bill LaFave
By Marge LaFave
- 6-25 Wed 9:00 AM Ray Keckeisen
By Tony & Joan Barber
- 6-26 Thurs 9:00 AM Denise Dinoto
By Daily Mass Group
- 6-27 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
- 6-28 Sat 4:00 PM All Deceased Parishioners
- 6-29 Sun 10:30 AM Mark Granan
By Chris Granan



Religious Freedom Week 2025

takes place June 22–29. The Week begins with the Memorial of Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More, ends with the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, and includes the Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist and the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Resources will be made available to help the faithful **pray, reflect** on, and **take action** for religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad. They will be made available at uscgb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek.

Annual Diocesan Appeal

The Annual Diocesan Appeal provides resources for Catholic Charities Outreach and supports the faith of all parishioners through diocesan ministries. The end date is 6/30/25 and all pledges must be in by this date.



“Give them some food yourselves”: Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

This Sunday, we celebrate one of the most profound mysteries of our Catholic faith—the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. This great feast invites us to renew our belief in the **Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist**, His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

The readings for this solemn day reveal the depth of God’s love and His provision through this sacred mystery. They remind us that God has always provided for His people, and that Jesus now offers Himself to us in the Eucharist to **nourish our souls and strengthen our faith**.

In the **first reading**, we encounter **Melchizedek**, the high priest and king of Salem, who offered bread and wine in thanksgiving to God. This ancient gesture foreshadows the Eucharist.

Melchizedek blessed Abram after his victory and this sacred exchange becomes a sign of **friendship, blessing, and covenant**—a sign that Jesus fulfills perfectly.

In the **Gospel**, Jesus fed a vast crowd with five loaves and two fish. The people, weary and hungry, were fed abundantly. Jesus took the little that was available, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples to distribute them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied and twelve baskets of leftovers were gathered. This miracle points to the Eucharist, where Jesus feeds us not with earthly bread, but with the **Bread of Life**.

In the **second reading**, Saint Paul gives us the earliest written account of the **institution of the Eucharist**. He recalls how, at the Last Supper, Jesus took bread and wine, and said: "This is my body....and This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." These are not mere metaphors or symbolic gestures. They are not symbolic words—they are words of a Savior who gives Himself completely for the life of the world.

At every Mass, we bring simple gifts of bread and wine. Through the power of the Holy Spirit and the words of consecration spoken by the priest, these gifts are transformed. This is the mystery **transubstantiation**, the substance of bread and wine become the very **Body and Blood of Christ**, even though their appearances remain unchanged. Though our eyes see bread and wine, **our faith sees Jesus, truly present, truly alive, and truly with us**. In the Eucharist, Christ nourishes us, strengthens our faith and unites us more deeply with Him and one another.

Today, we give thanks for the gift of the Eucharist and for those who help share it—our **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**. This ministry requires deep faith, a prayerful heart, and a humble spirit. To our Eucharistic Ministers: **thank you**. You bring Christ to others, in church, in homes, and hospital. You are signs of the Lord’s love and care. As we celebrate this solemn feast, let us renew our love for the Eucharist. Let us come to the altar with grateful hearts and strive to live as the **Body of Christ in the world**. **God bless.** Fr. Dr. Ben

Weekend of June 28th & June 29th, 2025

First Reading-Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11

Second Reading- 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

St. Peter & Paul, Apostles

Gospel- Matthew 16:13-19

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:30AM

Celebrant:

Fr. Ben

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Lector:

Nancy Kahane

Carole Ostrander

Eucharistic Ministers

Carole Ostrander, Gene Walsh, Bill Babbage

Terry Maggio, Pat Smith, Lorraine Keckeisen

Altar Servers

Anderson & Garret Callender

Ayla & Quinn Gronwall

Offerings from June 14th & 15th, 2025: Regular \$2207.00; Evangelist \$15.00

SAVE THE DATE

Sacred Heart & St Paul the Apostle Church Picnic
Sunday August 17 2 PM to?
Oquaga Creek State Park
Come join us for food & fellowship!
More details to come in the following weeks.

Congratulations to all graduates!

Nathan Artis
Camille Bagley
Quin Gronwall
Brock Porter
Alexandra Neubert
Clare Sullivan
Erinne Sullivan
Nevaeh Hutter
Emily Morris
Dakota Moore

Everybody Needs Help Sometimes

There are many assistance programs sponsored by New York State. If you or someone in your family is in need of temporary assistance with food, health care expenses, home energy needs and many more programs, check out what is available at <https://mybenefits.gov/screening/>. This site prescreens for many of the programs the state sponsors.

Zoom Summer Scripture Study

Featuring: The Book of Revelation
Presented by: Dr. Joy Galarneau
through the Dominican Retreat and Conference Center
Thursday July, 17, 24, 31
Sacred Heart Parish Center
10:00 am – Noon

Christ's Blood

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June Bulletin Quotes

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Step Up Men's Conference 2025

This year's conference is being held at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park on Saturday, August 9th from 8:15 AM-3:30 PM. For more information and to register go to: <https://www.rcda.org/StepUp>. Additional information is on the flyer posted on the bulletin boards by each exit and in the vestibule.

Poverty

We think sometimes that poverty is being hungry, naked and homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved and uncared for is the greatest poverty. We must start in our own homes to remedy this kind of poverty.

Share The Bounty Dinner

June 26 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm.
All are welcome!!

Appreciation

A huge thank you to Brother Brown's Flowers for their generous support of our gardens!

Rosa Mystica Shrine

Come join us July 12, 2025 from 10am – 4pm.
Gift shop, food concession and flowers available for purchase.
No Admission cost!

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmiers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlana Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfreidine Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Ray Keckeisen, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Fred Mertz, Dawn Cronin, Stephen, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Michael and Christopher Doi, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Joan Barnes

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual