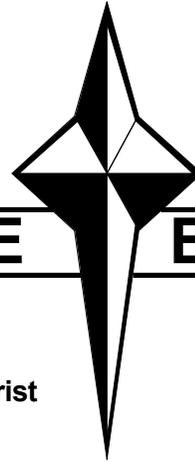


CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



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Masses

Monday-Friday 6:30 & 8:00 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m.
12:30* & 6:00 p.m. (*Spanish)

Rosary Daily 7:40 a.m.
Novena Mondays 8:30 a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church

Monday-Friday 7:00-8:00 a.m. &
8:30-9:30 a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel

Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office two months in advance.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Call the Parish Office ten months in advance.



Monsignor Jude O'Doherty, Pastor
Father Luis Largaespada, Associate Pastor
Father Ireneusz Ekiert, in Residence
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Deacon Norman Ruíz-Castañeda
Deacon Thomas V. Eagan
Deacon Marcos Pérez

THE WISE STILL SEEK HIM



According to our Gospel today, he looked at the crowds with compassion, and saw that they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he gathered them around him. Picture Jesus surrounded by thousands of people. They were drawn by the magnetism of his words and the warmth of his personality. The first thing he did was to teach them about the Kingdom of heaven. Then he healed the sick.

By the time he had finished it was late afternoon and everybody was hungry. The apostles urged him to send the people away. But he would not hear of sending them away. He worked a great miracle to feed them instead. How happy they must have been as they made their way back to their homes. The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves, when the Lord said the blessing, broke and distributed the loaves through his disciples to feed the multitude, prefigured that which he gives us in the Eucharist. On the first day of week, the day of Jesus' resurrection, the early Christians met 'to break bread.' From that time on down to our own day, the celebration of the Eucharist has been continued so that today we encounter it everywhere in the Church with the same fundamental structure. It remains the center of the Church's life.

We are the new people of God. Jesus is in our midst. Here, we hear his voice when the Scriptures are read. His words are not dead words. They are living words which console, inspire and challenge us. Here Jesus heals the wounds of sin and division. He forgives our sins and heals the wounds they leave. We are all healed of our selfishness and indifference to others. The Eucharist forms us into a community of love. Here we are nourished by the food of the Eucharist. *"Unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood you shall not have life in you."* At the end of Mass we are not simply dismissed, but sent forth as bearers of life to others. Thus from celebration to celebration, as they proclaim the paschal mystery of Jesus

"until he comes," the pilgrim People of God advance towards the heavenly banquet, when all the elect will be seated at the table in the kingdom.

Regular reception of Christ's body is an assurance of resurrection. *"Anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise that person up on the last day."* The resurrection of all of us seems remote to us now, so remote that the mind cannot focus on it. But, as remote as it may seem now, the Resurrection is the one event on which we base our hope. I cannot believe that death is the supreme reality. I cannot believe that we were born to wither like a sun-baked leaf and to rot in the dampness of the earth. I cannot believe that the good things of life are the false faces of death! We were not born for death, we were born for resurrection. And we have it on the word of our Savior that, if we are faithful to the Eucharist, we too will rise on resurrection day. It is a mighty thought, a happy thought, a hopeful thought. Take it away with you and may it bring you closer in Holy Communion to Jesus, our Risen Lord.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ





Many parents dread the time when their children ask the question: “Do I have to go to Mass?” What to say? What do you do? They have already been through it when these same children said, “I don’t want to eat my dinner; I don’t want to go to school,” and so on. When it’s about going to Mass, it seems different. And, yet, it is the same phenomenon. We often don’t want to do the very things that will be good for us, that will give us life.

The obligation of going to Mass every Sunday has been a great support to many people in their journey of faith, especially at times when they had nothing else to hold on to. But that same obligation is a barrier to recognizing the extraordinary gift we have in the Body and Blood of Christ. Mass becomes a duty, an imposition, a bore. It is painful to hear people using phrases like that about the wonderful love of God, but it is where many of us are. How do we move beyond it?

“Take it,” Jesus said, “This is my body.” For two thousand years, these same words have been spoken to people of every age and in the four corners of the world. Today, they are spoken to us. Our faith is that, through the power of Christ among us, these words make real what they state. In Holy Communion we receive the Body of Christ, the Living Presence of Christ. What we forget is the price that was paid so that this could happen to us today. On the cross, Christ died so that we might have life. He shed the last drop of His blood so that we could hear His word of love: “Take this, this is my body.” Generations of our people have put up with suffering and hardship so that we today might hear these words spoken to us. So many of our people chose death rather than deny the truth which they loved. And yet, we can hear these words today: “Take this, is my body” and maybe not be touched by how awesome the whole thing is. This Feast is a special opportunity to renew our own faith and to encourage the faith of one another.

The most striking thing about every Catholic Church is the place where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved, the Tabernacle. In every community, and in ours, we have the presence of Christ living among us. He is present in each one of us through our baptism. He is present and active in every aspect of our lives, helping us to believe, to hope, to love, to forgive, to make peace and be at peace, to heal. But we believe that Jesus is present in a very special way here in our Church in the blessed Sacrament. He is here for us, for the sick so that they may have communion; for the broken, that they may have a place of comfort; for the day to day living of our lives so that we may have gratitude.

Jesus is here for us, interceding for us all the time, offering us a focus point for our daily lives, giving us a quiet haven where we can step aside from the hassle of our world in order to live in that world with confidence. And we pass by, forgetting what is available to us right here. Today’s feast is a call to become conscious of this again and do something about it.

We all struggle with belief in God at times. We all take the gifts of Christ for granted and hardly notice what they are about. But the greatest struggle of all is believing in ourselves, living our own gifts to the full and being happy in who we are. This feast is a statement of God’s belief in us. We are given the Body and Blood of Christ to state clearly how much God thinks of us. That is the most difficult thing of all to believe in, and that is why we need to hear these words, day after day, week after week: “Take this, this is my body.”

It is so that we can believe in ourselves, have confidence in our own goodness, be reminded that we need to take time to come here frequently and think about the Real Presence of Christ. Almost every day something or someone is going to lessen that sense of worth in us. Christ is with us to set us free from fear and self-doubt so that we can grow into people who, like Mary can say, “My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour. He that is mighty has done great things for me. Holy is His Name.”



Mass Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Requested By	Readings
Saturday May 28	5:30 p.m.	+ Thomas O'Doherty + Fred Dyer	Family Family	
Sunday May 29	8:00 a.m.	+ Rid & Charles Broyard + Natalie Antinarella	Family Family	Gn 14:18-20 Ps 110:1-4
	9:30 a.m.	Adela Del Toro + Horacio Obduber	Gloria Lasaga Jose & Jeannie Smith	1 Cor 11:23-26 Lk 9:11b-17
	11:00 a.m.	People of Epiphany		
	12:30 p.m.	Waddell's 53 rd Wedding Anniversary	Family	
		+ Diaz-Forero Grandparents	Family	
	6:00 p.m.	+ Aristides Jacobs, Jr. + Haydee Canovas	Pargas Family Pargas Family	
Monday May 30	6:30 a.m.	No Mass		2 Pt 1:2-7
	8:00 a.m.	+ Alvaro Castillo + Eduardo & Hugo Rams	Family Family	Ps 91:1-2'14-16 Mk 12:11-12
Tuesday May 31	6:30 a.m.	Conlan Kastanias Diana & Gavin Campbell Wedding Anniversary	Family Alicia Aixala	Zep 3:14-18a (Ps)Is 12:2-3, 4abcd,5-6
	8:00 a.m.	Hortensia Benedetti + Dr. & Mrs. Carl Sheehe	Yidi Family Family	Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday Jun 1	6:30 a.m.	Special Intentions United States of America	Pistorino Family Pistorino Family	2 Tm 1:1-3,6-12 Ps 123:1-2
	8:00 a.m.	Marisol & Gonzalo Diaz + Losir Vianna + Celina Rubio	Marisol & Gonzalo Diaz Family Bazo Family	Mk 12:18-27
Thursday Jun 2	6:30 a.m.	+ Benigno Alvarez + Robert J. Smith & Mary Lyn Steffens	Aleida Gutierrez Sheehe Family	2 Tm 2:8-15 Ps 25:4-5b,8-10,14 Mk 12:28-34
	8:00 a.m.	+ Adolfo & Ana Maria Comas + Ramon Perez-Gonzalez	Family Marianela Perez	
Friday Jun 3	6:30 a.m.	+ Alex Carrion + Humberto Gonzalez, Jr.	Family Family	Ez 34:11-16 Ps 23:1-6
	8:00 a.m.	+ Epiphany Parishioners + Claudy Kubicki	Family	Rom 5:5b-11 Lk 15:3-7
Saturday Jun 4	8:00 a.m.	+ Frank O'Connor Soldiers in Harms Way	Mary Teasdale George & Maria Shahin	2 Tm 4:1-8 Ps 71:8-9,14-15b, 16-17,22 Lk 2:41-51
(Sunday Vigil)	5:30 p.m.	+ Sante De Leo Florenca de la Serna, RSCJ	Gina De Leo Ma. de los Angeles Aranalde	
Sunday Jun 5	8:00 a.m.	+ Maria Mirete de Ruiz + Rodrigo & Pura de Vivero	Family Family	1 Kgs 17:17-24 Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-13
	9:30 a.m.	+ Rodolfo Ortiz + Georgina Gomez	Jose & Jeannie Smith Family	Gal 1:11-19 Lk 11-17
	11:00 a.m.	People of Epiphany		
	12:30 p.m.	+ Gus Garcia DuQuesne	Pargas Family	
	6:00 p.m.	+ Jonathon Perez + Juan & Carolina Castro	Family Family	



Mass Schedules

June 4/5	Celebrants	Lectors	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Msgr. Jude O'Doherty	Karen Murphy Debra Menegay	R. Etten G. Etten M. Ortiz C. Parr A. Valdes-Sueiras P. Valdes-Sueiras	Coordinator: (Luis Siman) Ana Maria Perez Phil Prellezo Cristina Velarde Gloria Gonzalez Luis Gonzalez Luis Siman Elena Wilson
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Fr. Ireneusz Ekiert	Lourdes Boue Montserrat Morrison	M. Herrholz A. Jimenez	Coordinator: (Frank Acosta) Cynthia Risavy Tom Risavy Chuck Broyard Amanda Rodriguez Frank Acosta
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Fr. Ireneusz Ekiert	Pat Parker Gaby Lopez	M. Alfano N. Del Valle C. Fernandez A. Sacher	Coordinator: (Aileen Nunez) Aileen Nunez Tony Nunez Pedro Toro Monica Perez Alfie Perez Rick Gonzalez Raphael Bastian
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Jude O'Doherty	Ramon Garcia Gloria De la Osa	A. C. Arguello D. Baboun M. F. Candela M. M. Candela V. Martin M. Martinez	Coordinator: (Ely Fleites) Katerina Velikopoljski Roberto De Leo Ani Diaz Maria Renfrow Richard Renfrow Lina Reardon Jorge Diaz Ely Fleites
Sunday 12:30 p.m.	Fr. Carlos Massieu	Jorge Torres Marcela Torres	A. Abascal E. Agurto	Coordinator: (Tere Molins) Tere Molins Pamela Ugarte Raul Zabala Mary Gonzalez Humberto Gonzalez Enrique Ugarte Liliana Acosta
Sunday 6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Jude O'Doherty	Tamara Clavero Cecilia Altonaga	C. Candela F. Castro S. Cicarelli A. Clavijo A. Zurfluh C. Zurfluh	Coordinator: (Esther Sousa) Esther Sousa Gladys Patino Gelvys Campo Rosy Verde Armando Verde Mari Campo Rafael Campo



Stewardship Corner

BODY OF CHRIST

Today is the Feast of Corpus Christi... "The Body of Christ." Each time during Mass, we reverently walk up to the altar to receive Holy Communion, and we hear the Priest, Deacon or Eucharistic Minister say... "Body of Christ," and we respond, "Amen."

When we consume that host, we have received the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, not a symbol, not a remembrance, not a memory of Christ, but the Body and Blood of Christ. It may taste like bread, it may taste like wine...but it is actually the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. Therefore, when the priest says his sacred words over the gifts at Mass, the bread and wine "have ceased to exist," and it is the "adorable Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ under the sacramental species of bread and wine."

Why do you think Jesus gave us Himself to nourish our souls? Christ wanted to unite Himself to us in a very special way. He had to give us something real...what greater gift could He give us than Himself? Every time we receive Holy Communion, we truly receive the real presence of God within us.

At the Last Supper, Jesus instituted the Eucharist. Christ knew that the true "Lamb of God" was about to be slain. By His cross and resurrection, He was to free all mankind from bondage and the bitter slavery of sin. There was to be a new law of love, a new nearness of God, a new promised land. He looked at His Apostles and said, "This is my commandment that you love one another as I have loved you." Then He took bread, blessed and broke it and gave it to His disciples and said, "This is my Body." Picking up a cup of wine, He gave thanks, then gave it to His Apostles saying, "This is my blood" do this in remembrance of me.

God made us different because of His true presence within us. The Body of Christ.

Bible Study with Fr. Ireneusz The Gospel of Luke

Thursday, June 2, 9,16,23 & 30
from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
in the Parish Center.

Imagine how your life could change if you had a profound encounter with God in Scripture, and began relating to him in a personal way. The Bible is at the heart of everything we do and believe as Catholics. Join us for a study of the Gospel of Luke.

Saturday Softball for Men of Epiphany

Every first Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m., we get together for a couple of hours of informal softball at the Epiphany baseball field. We call it "Knights of Columbus and Friends Softball" and it is open to all Epiphany parishioners.

Our next game will be on **Saturday, June 4**. Ages are from 15 to 95 and no experience is needed. Please join us for some fun time, exercise, and Christian companionship.

For more information, please contact Carl Lowell at 305-546-4347 (cell), 305-666-9843 (home), or by email at carlwlowell@aol.com.



The next session of our Baptism Preparation Program will be held on **Saturday, June 11**. The program runs from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Epiphany Parish Center. Attendance by the parents is a pre-requisite to the child's baptism.

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

Everyone is invited to come and pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy **every Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass**, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 a.m. Join us.



The Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary

invite you to celebrate an
ALL NIGHT VIGIL

on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Friday, June 3 at 8:00 p.m.

Holy Mass of the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

Main Celebrant:
Archbishop Thomas Wenski



Saturday, June 4 at 6:00 a.m.

Holy Mass in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

at
St. John Vianney Seminary
2900 SW 87 Avenue, Miami

All night adoration of the Blessed Sacrament accompanied with prayers, intercessions, and mediations every hour,

There will be transmission via our websites throughout the entire evening.

For more information call: 305-444-7437
Visit our webpages at: www.piercedhearts.org
www.corazones.org

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday
6:30 a.m. & 8:00 a.m.

Twenty five minutes with the Lord at the start of each day will make a big difference in your life.

Contemplative Cenacle of the Divine Mercy

Monday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the church

We meet as a community in adoration and recollection to contemplate and venerate the image of the Divine Mercy.

With songs of praise, prayers, the reading of the Gospel of the day, reciting the Chaplet and meditating on the Diary of the Divine Mercy in our souls under the spirituality of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, we allow ourselves to deepen our faith drawing closer with trust to the Fount of Mercy of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Join us!

Parish Pilgrim Virgin Ministry

During the week of **May 29**, the Parish Pilgrim Virgin will be in the home of:

Jackie Gatto 305-275-7383
Maggie Souto 305-323-4858

To schedule your visit, please call
Patricia & Luis Siman at 305-238-4555.



PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Michael Beier; Arthur Brodeur; Dean Brownlow; Pat Clarke; Amanda Espinosa; Bethza Evans; Ana Alicia Fernandez; Yvette Bidus Hernandez; Ellen Middleton; Richard Roth; Roger Shay, Jr.; Esther Suarez; Paulina Tawil; Teodula Wong.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Manuel Coroalles, Sr.; Eugenio Del Busto; Oscar Enriquez; Ursula Everbusch; Helberto Gomez; Blanca Gonzalez-Cuzan; Elena Henriquez; Wanda Jean Isom; Reinaldo Jimenez; Julia Maria Lucena; Thomas Osacar; Margarita Smith; Norma Cotarelo Solis; Mary E. Truka.

Memorial Day



Memorial Day was first observed on May 30, 1868,
when flowers were placed at the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers.
On this day we honor all who have died in service of our nation.

Dear Heavenly Father,

*With a sober heart we come before You this Memorial Day.
We pause for a moment and call to mind all the men and women
who have died in the service of our nation.*

Dear God,

*please look with mercy on our brave and selfless brothers and sisters,
who did not shirk from their task but gave themselves completely
to the cause of defending and protecting us all.
Bless all who have given their lives for the sake of liberty,
and grant them eternal rest with You.*

*We remember also our brave men and women
now serving in our Armed Forces, both at home and abroad.*

Dear God, send out Your angels to protect them all.

Help them discharge their duties honorably and well.

Please bring them safely home to their families and loved ones.

Please bring Your peace and mercy to our troubled world.

We ask this, Father, in the name of Jesus,

Your Son, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.