

From Fr. Totton's Desk

Corpus Christi - It's not just a town in Texas!

In fact, the city of Corpus Christi, TX takes its name from the venerable Feast we celebrate today - the *Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord* (rendered in Latin: "*Corpus Christi*" which means "The Body of Christ"). In the history of the Church, this feast was established rather late (in the mid thirteenth century) but centers on a mystery so central to our Faith that it dates to the night before Our Lord's Passion, when Jesus, at supper with his apostles, instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist by which he nourishes us with his True Body and Blood in Holy Communion. This Feast provides us with a good opportunity to renew our Faith in the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. For we say we believe, but do our actions belie our purported belief? Below you will find a set of questions you might use to examine how well your actions coincide with your belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist:

1. When I enter the church, do I genuflect (if able) in adoration of Jesus' Presence in the tabernacle behind the altar?
2. Have I gone to confession recently to prepare my soul to welcome Our Lord who wishes to give Himself to me in Holy Communion?
3. Do I fast (from food - including gum - and drink, except water) for at least one hour prior to receiving Holy Communion? (*this does not apply to those who are ill or infirm)
4. Do I show reverence in Church as a temple of God out of respect for Jesus' Divine Presence, and in order to allow others a quiet place for prayer and meditation?
5. Do I dress for Mass in the *same way* I would dress for a wedding or some other special occasion out of respect for Jesus' Presence in the Blessed Sacrament?
6. When receiving Holy Communion, do I make an act of reverence (profound bow or genuflection) immediately prior to receiving?
7. If receiving Holy Communion in the hand, are my hands clean?
8. After receiving Holy Communion do I use the time of silence to offer a prayer of Thanksgiving to God for His Gracious Gift?
9. Having acknowledged Jesus' Presence in the Eucharist, am I also able to recognize him in my brothers and sisters? In strangers?
10. Bonus Question: *What other U.S. City (besides Corpus Christi) is named in honor of this Mystery of our Faith?**

*Sacramento, California is named for "*The Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist*".

Fr. Joseph W. Totton



Designed to assist couples in re-establishing communication and insights to their marital relationship, the process is neither counseling, a spiritual retreat, seminar or sensitivity group. Retrouvaille is a process that leads to a healing of relationships for couples either contemplating a divorce or already have divorced and hope to reconcile differences.

For more information visit <http://www.wix.com/retrokc/home>

To register confidentially, please call (816) 505-0510.



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Fr. Joseph Totton
Administrator

Mass Times

Saturday: 6 pm Sunday: 8 am
Confessions: 1/2 hr before Mass
Office 816-473-2011

P.O. Box 197

107 North Shortridge
Easton, MO 64443
816-294-9841 - Fr. Joe's cell

Mission Statement

**We the members
of Saint Joseph
Catholic parish,
will strive to be
the reflection of
Jesus in this
particular time
and place.**



Cemetery Board

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***The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ***

Parish & Finance Councils

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To Protect our Children:

To Report Abuse - Jenifer Valenti 816-812-2500

Victims' Advocate - Kathleen Chastain 816-392-0011

chastain@diocesekcsj.org

June 18, 2017



June 18- 8 am Mass

Greeter: Hubert Gregory

Lectors: Jim Ingle & Jan Pottier

Ministers: Jackie Pottier, Wayne Weipert
Diane & Jim Barber

Counters: Richard and Mary Ann LaFollette

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 17 + George Burns
By: Steve & Pat Culver

Sunday, June 18 + Richard & Mark Kretzer and Orville Giles
By: Dorothy Kretzer & Family

Saturday, June 24 + Barbara Culver
By: Steve & Pat Culver

Sunday, June 25 + Waitkoss Family
By: Roxy Musser

BIRTHDAY

Blake Antle	June 20th
Rita Pierson	June 20th
Jared Roth	June 22nd
Therese Connett	June 24th
Jackie Pottier	June 24th
Duncan Ottinger	June 25th
Jeanel Adkins	June 25th

ANNIVERSARY

Jess John & Margo McPhee	June 23rd
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Congratulations and Best Wishes Everyone!

Ministry Schedule

June 25- 8 am Mass

Greeter: Jim Ingle

Lectors: Bonnie Gregory & Jay Pflugradt

Ministers: Marylou Euler, Doug Ottinger
Jim Ingle & Hubert Gregoory

Counters: Paul & Jan Pottier

Mark your Calendars!

Parish & Finance Council: July 13- 6 pm - Rectory

Altar Society: Parish Hall after Donut Sunday

Hand Linens: May/June: Jan Pottier

Donut Sunday: July 2 - Charlie & Kathy Barton

Knights of Columbus: 5067-1st & 3rd Thursday 7 pm

Rosary on 3rd Thursday 6:30 pm
Larry Tatro, Grand Knight

Recitation of Rosary - 2nd weekend of the month
20 minutes before Mass

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more info.

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remains in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message and support the collection today!

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Weekend Collection June 10 & 11, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,396 Plate: \$128.95

Payable to Others: Fr. Tottton's uniforms: \$80

Total Parish: \$1,604.95

2nd Collection: June 17 & 18 - Communications

COLLECTIONS:

June To Date: \$ 3,272.95
June Budget: \$ 7,191.52

Year-To-Date: \$105,436.09
Year Budget: \$ 96,298.36

"Thinking about religious life? We have tools for your spiritual journey!"

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Summer Monastic Experience June 24-28 at their monastery in Clyde, Mo.

It's a chance to experience contemplative monastic life and learn about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend, and details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION.

The annual Eucharistic procession for the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, co-hosted by the Archdiocese and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, will take place on June 18 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Kansas City, KS.

The celebration will begin with a Holy Hour in the church at 1 p.m., during which the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. The procession begins at 2 p.m. and will travel around the near vicinity of the church, returning to the church for Benediction.

Contact the Archdiocesan Liturgy Office, liturgy@archkck.org, for more information.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF ST. JOSEPH NEEDS YOUR HELP!

One of the Catholic Charities' mission is to provide basic needs to families who can't afford the essentials.

CC's cupboards are in need of the following items: laundry soap, dish soap, bleach, paper towels, toilet tissue, Kleenex, deodorant, shampoo, soap, tooth paste, tooth brushes, diapers, baby wipes and other items for personal hygiene needs.

Just drop them in the box in the back of the church marked "Catholic Charities" at your convenience.

Thank you for your generosity to help those in need that live in our surrounding area.

Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and a time...for every purpose under Heaven." Ecc. 3-11

"...a time to heal..."

Jon Clark, Felicia Bober, Mildred Ottinger, and Jane Everett

"...a time of war and a time of peace..."

We pray for the safety of all our service men and women who serve our country.

Ten Life-Changing Days in the Holy Land during Lent 2018

A 10-Day Holy Land Tour From Kansas City, Missouri, February 26 to March 07 2018 with Father Ben Kneib from St. Columban's in Chillicothe.

The tour begins with arrival in Tel Aviv and includes a visit to Nazareth/Cana of Galilee/ Mount Tabor, the Sea of Galilee, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Shepherd's Field/Bethlehem, the Old City of Jerusalem, and the Mt. of Olives/Mt. Zion.

Package price of \$3,390.00 from Kansas City, Missouri includes roundtrip airfare, accommodations, two meals daily, private bus and more.

For additional information visit stcolumbanonline.org and click on "pilgrimage" under the Church News tab.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR MARRIED COUPLES

The car gets a tune-up. The house gets a painting. The job gets our all. When is there time to "brush up" on US? Carve out the time you so richly deserve and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next Weekend in Kansas City is **July 28-30, 2017**

For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wwme4youandme.org

or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net