

June 14, 2020

## The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ!

SOLEMNITY OF  
THE MOST  
HOLY BODY AND  
BLOOD OF CHRIST

"FOR MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD,  
AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK"



### Important Announcement

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last ten weeks because of the coronavirus, we have been deprived of joining together as Catholic Christians to celebrate and participate in that which makes all Catholics around the world "one body of Christ" -the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. While we have been celebrating the Mass without physically gathering with you, it is now with great excitement and words of caution that **I announce the reopening of St. John the Baptist Church for public worship to resume once again.**

#### **Public Weekend Masses:**

\* **Saturday 4PM / 6PM (Spanish)**  
\* **Sundays 6AM/ 8AM/ 10AM/ 12:30PM (Spanish).**

#### **Weekend Mass requires a reservation:**

\***You can visit**

<http://saintjohnthebaptistkalihi.eventbrite.com>

**and register.**

#### **Daily Masses will begin Tuesday, June 2**

with the following schedule (No reservations required; attendance will be filled as "First -come, First-served")

#### **Public Daily Masses/Confessions**

**Daily Masses:Tuesday – Friday @7:15AM**  
**Outdoor Confessions: Saturday @ 9AM at the main entrance begins (May 30<sup>th</sup>)**

## SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Our readings are focused on the gifts of the Word of God and the Eucharist. This feast has deep significance to those of us living the stewardship way of life.

Why? As stewards, we recognize that all that we are and all that we have been given are gifts from God. We are called to treasure these gifts and use them for God's glory. Aside from life itself, the most precious gifts God has given us are His Word and His Body and Blood. Our Solemnity today and the readings for this week invite us to a deeper gratitude and better stewardship of these two sublime gifts.

In our first reading, from Deuteronomy, Moses tells the people that God "let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna... in order to show you that not by bread alone does man live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord. Do not forget the Lord your God." Our Heavenly Father is such a good teacher. He reminds His people that just as we experience physical hunger from lack of food, we become spiritually malnourished through lack of feeding on the Word of God. It is that important.

God's Word is alive, and He intends for us to feed on it daily. Yet, it is a gift that is easy to neglect. In this noisy modern world, it can be challenging to even recognize our spiritual "hunger pangs." And it is easier to feed them with the junk food of mindless distraction and entertainment. As Christian stewards, we must recognize our dependence on God's Word, and treasure this priceless gift — out of gratitude to the Giver and so that we can share it with others.

Our Lord reveals the full meaning of this gift in our Gospel passage from John. He says to the crowds, "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." In the Old Testament, God fed His people with manna. Now, He feeds us with the very Flesh and Blood of His Son.

And, just as the Word of God is vital to our spiritual nourishment, so, too is the nourishment of the Eucharist.

Jesus could not make this any clearer to us: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." Without the Eucharist, we die spiritually. But through the Eucharist, we experience a taste of heaven right now. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life." Notice that Christ does not say those who partake of His Body and Blood will have eternal life, but that they have eternal life — right here and right now! It is no wonder then, that the Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the Eucharist as the "source and summit of our faith" (1324).

## Stewardship Collection

Total Weekly Collection - 05/31 to 06/04	\$7,458.25
Other Offerings (Mass Offering, Funerals, Marriages, Donations)	\$2,551.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection Maintenance Fund	\$1,668.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERINGS</b>	<b>\$11,677.25</b>
Weekly Offering needed for Operations	** \$6,743.00
*Unplanned expenses in our budget for This Year (Increase) Parish Assessment and Property & Liability Insurance	\$21,898.00
Collection <u>not retained</u> by the Parish	\$870.00



If you would like to have confession. You can call the office to schedule an appointment for Father. Thank you.

- Rev. Diego Restrepo Serna  
*Parish Administrator*
- Peter Soumwei  
*Deacon*
- Ricardo Burgos  
*Deacon*
- Bertha Guerrero  
*Secretary & Business Manager*
- Carol Chong  
*School Principal*
- Sr. Esther Pagdato, O.P  
*Sisters Convent & Superior*
- Renier Torres  
*Pastoral Council Chair*
- Ping Blas  
*Finance Council Chair*
- Danielle Burgos  
*Religious Education Director*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Repose of the Souls of;

- (+)Tereza Dagulo
- (+)Valentin & Eduarda Cachola
- (+)Modesto Quines
- (+)Andrea Ignacio Leano
- (+)Romana Gamata Fontanilla
- (+)Esteban Bumanglay Fontanilla
- (+)Marcelino & Bonifacia Socia

### Thanksgiving ;

- Leota Family
- Monika Faasu Family
- Gorgonia Devs & Family
- Esperanza Bolosan

### Birthdays;

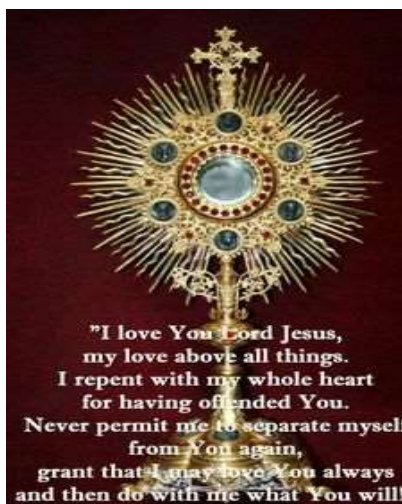
- Frederick P. Sebastian
- Ben Quines

### June 15-June 20 For the repose of the Souls;

- (+)Francisca Galo
- (+)Angela Labuguen
- (+)Edward Choy
- (+)David Belz

### Birthdays;

- Princess Philomena.Leota



### Our Stewardship Prayer

Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to Malama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift).As disciples of your Son, we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts to appreciate your countless blessings more deeply.

Increase your transforming spirit within us, to nurture our call to stewardship as a way of life marked always by faith-filled prayer, service to others and generous giving. With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien, teach us to be good stewards so we may return a hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

## PARISH MINISTRIES

- Building & Maintenance**
- Baptism Preparation**
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**
- Marriage Preparation**
- Eucharistic Ministers**
- Lectors**
- Altar Server**
- Altar Cleaners**
- Ushers/Hospitality**
- Social/Outreach**
- Neo-Catechumenal Way**
- Divine Mercy**
- Music Ministries**
- Knights of Columbus**
- Youth Ministry**
- Gimong ti Novena**
- Ethnic Ministries (Hispanic, Samoan, Ilocano, Chuukese)**

### Other Masses, Adorations & Devotions

- \* First Friday @ 7:45am-9:00am –Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- \* First Friday @ 6:00pm- Ilocano Mass
- \* First Saturday @ 8:00am- Holy Rosary - Dominican Lay Associates
- \*First Sunday @ 5:00pm- Chuukese Mass