

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 17

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions
- 4:35 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Rose Ann Lautzenheiser + by Mike & Debbie Lautzenheiser

Sunday, June 18 - *Father's Day!*

- The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -

- 7:10 a.m. Rosary
- 7:30 a.m. Parish Family
- 9:40 a.m. Rosary
- 10:00 a.m. Doris Williams + by Larry & Nancy Leitz

Monday, June 19

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Robert Bender + by Rob & Lisa King
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary

Msgr. Pius N. Ilechukwu will be out of town attending the Annual Priest's Retreat at Pokagon State Park, Angola, IN. There will be no weekday Mass here in our Parish.

Monsignor Pius will celebrate these intentions while he is at the retreat:

- Tues., June 20- Hildegard Schaefer + by Diane Humphrey
- Wed., June 21- Trent Patterson + by Tom & Barb Ault
- Thurs., June 22- Edward J. Schaefer + by Diane Humphrey
- Fri., June 23- Mothers of Mike & Becky Anderson by Mike & Becky Anderson

Saturday, June 24

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions
- 4:35 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, June 25

- Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

- 7:10 a.m. Rosary
- 7:30 a.m. Lloyd Smith Family by Family
- 9:40 a.m. Rosary
- 10:00 a.m. Gene & Kay Keys- Wedding Anniversary by Gene & Kay Keys

SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS - The most beautiful gift one can give to another person is a Spiritual Bouquet of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. No material gift can ever compare to or equal the Infinite Value of the Holy Mass. Call the Parish office to schedule 824-1380.



Bud & Sharon Miller, Ramon Villamil, Genevieve Lohmuller, Dolores Borton, Gloria Gordon, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, James A. Yonker, Sr., Priscilla Rogers, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, Ron Payne, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, George Bitzer, Dorothy 'Dottie' Marbach.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST; CORPUS CHRISTI, PROCESSION: JUNS 18, 2017 (11TH SUN. ORD. TIME)

"Happy Fathers' day"

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, in the name of the Lord Jesus, I say peace with you all. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

I hope you still remember that we shall have Eucharistic Procession today Sunday June 18, the CORPUS CHRISTI, after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

The Lord Himself said: "This is my Body. This is my Blood. My body is real food and my blood is real drink". My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the Holy Eucharist is the body and blood of Christ; it is real food and real drink. The Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist, is the presence of the Lord among us his people. In ordinary circumstances of life, food and drink are the most essential need of the human person. What food is to the body, is what the Holy Eucharist is to the human soul. The importance of the Holy Eucharist cannot be over emphasized. It is the center of our Christian life. It is the center of our Christian Catholic life. It is apex, the pivot of our life here on earth.

In the celebration of the Holy Mass, we have two tables: "the table of the Word and the table of the table of the Eucharist". The Lord Jesus is present in both tables. That is why in the 1st Reading, Moses said to the people, "Remember how for forty years now the Lord your God, has directed all your journey in the desert ... Do not forget the Lord, your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt ..." He directed them by the Pillar of Cloud by day and Pillar of Fire by the night. This was the sign of the presence of God among his people. And in the 2nd Reading, Paul admonished the Corinthians and all of us and said: "Brothers and sisters: The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? So, the bread is the Body of Christ and the wine is the Blood of Christ. Do you believe in this Doctrine? We need to believe in it.

In the Gospel; Jn 6:51-58: The Lord Jesus himself said: "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." Do you believe in it? The Jews did not believe him, when He said it, so He firmly said again: "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. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him up on the last day." So we must eat it, in order to be saved. But we must be worthy before we eat it. For this, St. Paul warned us and said that if anyone eats or drinks it unworthily, the person is guilty of sacrilege. We should desire to eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ, for our salvation. But unfortunately some of us desire and hunger for things of less value such as power, authority, prestige, honor, money, respect etc.. These are good if we possess them in God.

So, in the Holy Eucharist the Lord Jesus, with his Father and the Holy Spirit is present, among us, His people. The presence of the Lord among us is real. He promised to be with us till the end of time. When Saul was travelling to Damascus to persecute the Christians, the Lord Jesus encountered him on the road and said, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" He did not say, "Why are you persecuting my followers?" Thus, all the members of Christ are his body. OK!

Therefore, after the 7:30 a.m. Mass there will be Eucharistic Procession. The procession is one of the ways we show our faith in the Lord Jesus, that He is present in the Eucharist. Do you believe this? If you believe, then make sure that you join the procession. For we are not only washed clean in the blood of the Lamb, we come into communion through the body and blood of the Lamb. We need to praise and thank God for this precious gift and pray that the Eucharist will nourish us and make us worthy citizen of heaven.

Today is fathers' Day, so dear fathers "Happy Father's Day". Let me briefly mention the duty of fathers in the Family: Every adult male married or not married is a father. So, it is the duty of every father to love all around him, in the home, in the office and everywhere. If you are married you need to love your wife, support the family, even at the risk of your life. He should stand by his wife and children in all circumstances, except in evil, loving, teaching, directing, instructing, guiding, advising, leading, caring, and forgiving the wife, children and all around him. That is what it means to be a father and a husband. A good father trains his children. Sir 30:1-3 says, "He who loves his son (and daughter too) chastises him/her often, that he/she may be his joy when he/she grows up, ... Vs. 7 says: "He who spoils his son/daughter will have many wounds to bandage". Do not be afraid to train and instruct your children. It is your holy duty. Do it well. Father/husband read Ephesians, 5:21-33.

Msgr. Pius will be out of town from June 19 to 23, 2017 for Priests' Annual Retreat at State Park at Angola. Be assured, I will pray for each every one of you.

God bless you Msgr. Pius N. Ilechukwu

Remember: "Heaven is for us all. I hope you are doing something about it".

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION



Next weekend, June 24 and 25, we will have a second collection for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit out brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression,

and disasters. Please be as generous as you are able. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peter-pence.

Dare to love and to be a real friend. The love you give and receive is a reality that will lead you closer and closer to God as well as to those whom God has given you to love—Henri J.M. Nouwen

ALL DAY ADORATION/ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. JOSEPH, BLUFFTON



Thursday, July 6, 2017 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /
Evening Prayer— 6:30 p.m. /Litany of the Eucharist/
Benediction— 6:45 p.m. /Mass— 7:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex if you plan to come and spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This helps us plan the day making sure Jesus is not left alone while exposed on the altar. Thank you!

SCRIPTURE/MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon., June 19 - Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time - St. Romuald, Abbot** - 2 Cor 6:1-10/ Mt 5:38-42
- Tues., June 20** - 2 Cor 8:1-9/ Mt 5:43-48
- Wed., June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious** - 2 Cor 9:6-11/ Mt 6:1-6,16-18
- Thurs., June 22 - St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop/ Saints John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs** - 2 Cor 11:1-11/ Mt 6:7-15
- Fri., June 23 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** - Dt 7:6-11/ 1 Jn 4:7-16/ Mt 11:25-30
- Sat., June 24 - The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist** - Is 49:1-6/ Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66,80
- Sun., June 25 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - Jer 20:10:13/ Rom 5:12-15/ Mt 10:26-33

ST. JOSEPH'S 2017 PARISH CALENDAR

- Sun., June 18— Eucharistic Procession for Corpus Christi Sunday— 8:30 a.m.
- Sun., June 18— There will not be Coffee & Donuts after 7:30 Mass due to the Eucharistic Procession.
- Tues., June 20 through Fri., June 23— Msgr. Pius N. Ilechukwu will be gone to attend the Annual Priests' Retreat.
- Sun., June 25— June 29— Vacation Bible School
- Tues., June 27— Msgr. Pius's home Bishop will be here visiting and will celebrate Mass with and for us by 6:00 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner. **Chicken and Lemonade will be served; please bring an extra large dish to share!**
- Fri., June 30— VBS Carry-in/Pool Party at Wells Comm. **Pool— all are invited and welcome!**
- Mon., and Tues., July 3 & 4— Office Closed for the Holiday
- Sun., July 16— Coffee & Donuts after 7:30 & 10:00 a.m. Masses by St. Joseph Social Group
- Mon., Sept. 4— Labor Day— Office Closed for the Holiday
- Sun., Sept. 10— Parish Picnic at Roush Park— 925 W. Silver Street, Bluffton- details coming!
- Sat., Nov. 11— St. Joseph CCW 4th Annual Bazaar— 9a-3p.

WEEKEND OF June 24 and 25, 2017

CANTORS:

- 5:00 Nancy Leitz
- 7:30 Tammy Horn
- 10:00 Jay Crisp

LECTORS:

- 5:00 Glenn Ryan
- 7:30 Geoff Frank
- 10:00 George Witwer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- 5:00 Mary Ann Flowers or Michelle Paxton, Janette Minch,
- 7:30 John Horn, Dave Gruss, Volunteer!
- 10:00 Cathy Dunwiddie, Larisa Sudhoff, Ann Reifsteck, Monica Harris, Luisa Sumabat

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

- 5:00 Mike/Becky Anderson Family
- 7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle
- 10:00 Brad/Susan Poper, Mike Painter, Dave Cowdrey

SERVERS:

- 5:00 Isabel/Catherine Crawfis, McKenna McNabb
- 7:30 Jeremy/Mitchel/Justin Mayer
- 10:00 Quinn Dreiband, Eve/Gabe McElhaney

Collection for Weekend of June 10 and 11 weekend

- Adult Envelopes- \$4,047.00
- Child Envelopes- \$79.00
- Loose- \$272.70
- Religious Ed. Fund- \$125.00
- Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$125.00
- Total- \$4,648.70**

Please remember to send your weekly contributions to St. Joseph's while you are away on vacation this summer!

Thank you for your gifts to St. Joseph's!

The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$467.70 behind budget from last week

Other Collections within our Parish-

- St. Vincent de Paul Coll.- \$660.25
- Bolivian Mission- \$10.00
- Father's Day Mass Intention- \$10.00

Diocesan Special Collections:

- Pentecost- \$125.00
- Peter's Pence- \$10.00

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SUNDAY, JUNE 25 - THURSDAY, JUNE 29
CARRY-IN/POOL PARTY - FRIDAY, JUNE 30



Please turn your Registration Forms in for your child to attend this year's Vacation Bible School so we know how many children to prepare for. We are also needing Volunteers; so if you are interested, please fill out the form in the narthex. Milk caps, Gatorade caps, etc., are bring collected for a craft project. Thank You!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MISSION:

Playground Repairs & Improvements!

Our VBS Mission this year is to make repairs and improvements to our playground for our "little" parishioners to enjoy.



With God all things are possible! Luke 1:37