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Take and Eat

Many of us are little different from the Jewish crowds who cried out: "How can this man give us [his] flesh to eat?" (John 6:52). Jesus does not explain how the bread was really his flesh. What he did was underscore the importance of eating this bread, which was his flesh. He then goes on and insists that we must drink his blood as well. If these were hard sayings for the people of Israel, who in their ancient past might have shared the flesh and blood of a sacrificed animal, what are we "sophisticated" contemporary Christians to make of it?

The people of Jesus' time would have recognized several elements from their traditions in Jesus' discourse, but his reinterpretation of them would have startled them. Like the victim of an ancient holocaust offering, Jesus' blood is shed. However, it is not poured around the altar; it is to be consumed. Bread from heaven recalled the manna that fed their ancestors in the wilderness. However, the manna lasted for only a day; it then rotted. The bread Jesus gives is living bread that enables those who eat it to live forever. This is a lot to believe. But then, that is exactly what we are asked to do. We might have correct theological language to explain how this transformation takes place, but we still will not understand the mystery to which it points. So what are we to do? Very simply: take and eat!

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

★ *The Eucharist is one of the foundational mysteries of our faith. A good Eucharistic prayer might be: "I believe; help my unbelief."*



Holy Trinity Catholic Church



St. Thomas More Catholic Church



St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Tuesday 12:15pm and

Thursday - 8:30am

Saturday Confessions - 3:15-3:45 PM
or by appointment

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

***Pastor of the Three Churches**

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****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

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For All Three Churches

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -

Wednesday & Friday - 8:00AM

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

**Sunday (Last Chance) Mass -
5:30 PM**

Adoration Room

Open Monday-Friday 8AM-8PM

Saturday & Sunday -

8AM Until After 5:30PM Mass

Divine Mercy Prayers

Every Friday 3:00PM

****Upcoming Events At Church****

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St. Patrick Church

(Office at Holy Trinity Church)

106 Church St.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

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****Office Hours****

Holy Trinity - Tues, Thurs, & Fri.
- 9AM-12PM

St. Thomas More -

Wed - 9AM - 12PM

****Facebook:** Use Link on Home
Page - www.bureaucatholic.org

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**Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of June 15, 2020**

Monday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 5:30pm**HT**

† Deceased Mem David Hunter Fam

Tuesday

****Facebook Link - 11:15AM**SP**

† Ernest & Alba Bartoli

Wednesday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:15AM**HT**

† Norma Templeton

Thursday

****Facebook Link - 11:15AM**STM**

† Purgatorial Society

Friday

****Facebook Link - 11:15AM****

† No Mass

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of June 20-21, 2020**

Saturday:

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 4:00PM**HT**

Offered For

† For The Sick

Sunday:
ers

****Facebook Link - 11:00 AM**STM**

† For The Parishion-

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† No Mass

****St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 6:00 PM (Last Chance Communion) † No Mass**

On-Line Giving Offering's

Holy Trinity -	\$0.00
St. Patrick -	\$0.00
St. Thomas More -	\$0.00

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday	2pm - 2pm
Saturday	3pm - 6pm
Sunday	9am - 2pm

****Temporarily Closed****

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - ?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

? & ?

****Mass Intentions****

We are in need of Mass Intentions for weekday Masses. The Masses on the web are a great occasion for family members not living in this area to pray with us for family members who have died. Please consider having a weekday Mass for a deceased member of your family and thank you. Mass intentions can be paid through our online giving program, mail or dropping by our office.

****Recurring Special Church Events****

Wednesday's - Rosary - 6PM (On Website)

(Rotates Between 3 Churches)

Friday's - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Suspended

3PM - St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel

Third Monday of the Month -

Mass for Reparation of Sins & Rosary -

5:30PM (No Wednesday Rosary That Week)

Need For Volunteers At All Three Churches When Masses Begin Again

Our diocese, in conjunction with the Archdiocese of Chicago, is seeking volunteers to help assure at the Masses, at each church, we are adhering to social distancing guidelines and disinfecting after each Mass.

We will not be opening the church just yet for people to attend Mass. After each church is certified to begin Masses again, the limit right now is 25 people. Soon it will be 50 people and it seems more prudent to wait until that limit is approved.

Even when the churches are opened again for Mass, the dispensation from Mass will still remain in effect for those who have health problems.

Current Mass Schedule And Holy Communion

The Mass schedule we will be using for all weeks other than the week with the Monday evening Mass for Reparation of Sins is what you see on the Mass schedule this week until the social distancing is a thing of the past. On weekends, I will be rotating back and forth the Saturday 4PM and Sunday 11:00AM Masses between Holy Trinity and St. Thomas More. Again the times are what they are for people without internet access to watch EWTN and then come for Holy Communion in the church parking lots.

Holy Communion starts 5-10 minutes after the end of Mass and continues until at least Saturday 5:10PM or Sunday 12:05PM! Then Father will at St. Patrick's for Holy Communion at Saturday 5:30PM or Sunday 12:30PM. Also distribution of Holy Communion is at 6PM on Sunday's at St. Thomas More. Thank you!

Confessions

The next confessions will be at Holy Trinity in parking lot on Saturday, June 27th from 11-11:45am.

End Times Conference

The fourth, and final, conference on the End Times and what we need to do to be prepared for it will be a week from this Wednesday on June 24th at 5:30PM followed by the Rosary. Any previous conferences can be watched through our church website by clicking "Watch The Mass" and then click "Previous Broadcasts" and they will be on list chronologically.

In case you missed it, our Facebook link on our home page, on our website, takes you directly to where the Masses can be watched. And an account is not needed to watch the Masses. In case you missed it, the Facebook page name is now under "Bureau Catholic Churches".

This weekend we celebrate Jesus' great gift of Holy Communion, the sacrament of the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the center of our Catholic faith with Jesus truly present in the consecrated host. No other faith has this great reality. And it is because the priest in the person of Christ says the very words of Jesus Christ to consecrate the bread and wine as Jesus' Body and Blood. It is a great way to see and understand how much Jesus really loves us. Remember unless it is raining, I will offer Holy Communion about 5-10 minutes after Mass until the line is gone.

With regard to people attending Masses, we still need some volunteers, preferably under 65 years old (if we have any?) to participate in the webinar "Mass Health Safety" at Masses from Holy Trinity and St. Patrick. My hands are tied from celebrating a Mass in them until we are set up with people to help.

May God always protect us and be with us!
Fr. Pat Fixsen

Dear Padre,

Why have many Christian religions been divided over the question of Christ's Body and Blood?

Today's Gospel indicates that even before the Last Supper, Jesus' teaching about his Real Presence was met with skepticism. When Jesus said, "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world," the reaction was, "How can this man give us [his] flesh to eat?" (John 6:51-52). When Jesus continued, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains



in me and I in him," his hearers shrugged: "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" (John 6:56, 60).

John's inclusion of this incident in his Gospel indicates that some of his contemporaries also denied Christ's Real Presence. Since then, some Christians have broken away from the Catholic Church because they could not accept the reality of Christ's eucharistic Presence. Some contend that Christ

was speaking metaphorically—that the bread and wine merely symbolize the spirit of Jesus. Others say that Christ is present only as a result of the faith of the community and doesn't remain after the worship service.

The Catholic Church teaches that when Jesus pronounced, "This is my body...this is my blood," he meant exactly what he said. For Jews of Jesus' time, "body" meant the person, and "blood" was the source of life identifiable with the person. Jesus was saying over the bread and wine, "This is my very self." Church teaching couldn't be more clear: in the Eucharist "the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1374).

—Fr. Oscar Lukefahr, CM
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Eucharistic worship also teaches us the right balance of values: not to put earthly realities in first place but heavenly goods; to hunger not only for material food, but also for "food that endures for eternal life" (John 6:27).

—ADDRESS TO THE DIOCESES OF CESENA AND BOLOGNA,
APRIL 21, 2018

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 15

Weekday

1 Kgs 21:1-16

Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

JUNE 16

Weekday

1 Kgs 21:17-29

Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

JUNE 17

Weekday

2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

JUNE 18

Weekday

Sir 48:1-14

Mt 6:7-15

Friday

JUNE 19

Most Sacred Heart
of Jesus

Dt 7:6-11

1 Jn 4:7-16

Mt 11:25-30

Saturday

JUNE 20

Immaculate Heart
of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

2 Chr 24:17-25

Lk 2:41-51

Sunday

JUNE 21

Twelfth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13

Rom 5:12-15

Mt 10:26-33