

June 6, 2010 ~ The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Masses June 7 thru June 13

Monday, 5:30PM, Queen's

Tuesday, 7:30AM: Mike & Dorothy McDonald
(Adoration all day until 5PM Benediction)

Wednesday, 8AM, Queen's

Thurs., 8AM: Special Intention

Friday, 8AM, Queen's

Saturday, 4PM, Queen's

Saturday, 5:30PM: Parishioners

Sunday, 8AM, Queen's

Sunday, 9:30AM: Deceased Ryan Family

Sunday, 11AM, Queen's

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

This weekend we celebrate one of the most important feast days of the liturgical calendar, Corpus Christi, or the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. This feast celebrates our belief in the real loving presence of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. During these holy Masses, we have an opportunity to reaffirm our belief and devotion that our Lord is truly present body, soul and divinity in the Blessed Sacrament. We have a great opportunity to reflect our Lord's Eucharistic love to everyone we meet.

Today we'll have our historic Corpus Christi procession between Queen of Apostles and Holy Family. The procession will start immediately following 11AM Mass. If you have already attended Mass, please arrive at Queen's by 11:30AM. There will be people present assisting you on where to stand. This procession will give us the opportunity to witness our Eucharistic faith to the wider Co. Bluffs community.

As we carry the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of Co. Bluffs, I ask you to join me in prayer to bless our city, our families, parish families and to include all your special intentions. Please pray for the many graces to come upon our collaboration and for a greater belief in Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament.

The month of June has traditionally been a month when the Church has asked the faithful to reflect on the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This reflection allows us to be reminded of the forgiveness and mercy of our Savior. This reflection can open us to receive our Lord's tender healing in our hearts. Throughout this month, please include in your prayers a devotion to our Lord's Sacred Heart and experience His mercy and love.

In the Risen Christ ~ Fr. Dan Kirby

Altar Server Training: Deacon Darwin will be having server training for current and those who wish to become altar servers here at Holy Family on June 8th, 6:30-8PM. If you are in the 3rd grade or older and have made your First Communion and would like to be an altar server, please come to the training session. Current servers should have received a letter in the mail.

Rosary Society Meeting is Wed., June 9th, 7PM, in the hall. All ladies of the parish are members of our Rosary Society. Come and be involved!

Attention all altar servers! Mark your calendars for June 25th as we take a chartered bus to Adventureland. The cost is just the admission to enter the park. We have received a discount price of \$21.50 per person. If you would like to go, please call Holy Family by June 20th to reserve your spot. I will also need some brave adult souls to help me chaperone. We will start with Mass at 8AM at Queen's and leave around 8:30AM. We will return that evening at 8PM. Please make your check payable to Holy Family. See your letter sent out earlier this month for more details and permission slips needed.

Rosary Society directories are in the narthex. If you haven't received one yet this year, be sure to pick one up.

Parish Registration forms are available in the narthex. If you are new to the parish or if you have been coming for awhile but not registered, please take a packet home, complete the form and return it.

The Rosary Society's May Circle would like to thank all parishioners who helped in any way with the funerals, brunch, & salad luncheon held in May.

Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The diocese expects two new men to attend seminary in the fall and hopes for a few more to join the program during the summer.

Wine & Hosts for the month of June are in memory of Joanie, Bob, Larry & Jerry from the Quandt and Jan Hughes families.

Regional Events Bulletin: Eve Fazio, 323-1695. Deadline 1PM Wed. Mail announcements to her by Tues. delivery. (St. Peter's & Queen's deadline is Mon. Please call their offices.)

Father Paul Monahan invites you and your families to a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Albert High School today, Sunday, June 6th, at 2:00 PM, celebrating his 50th Anniversary of Ordination. An Open House will continue from 3:00-6:00PM.

Gifts are not necessary.

The Catholic Daughters of Americas St Anthony Court #330 will hold their next meeting on June 14th, St Peter's Social Hall. Mass will start at 5:15; potluck dinner to follow. After dinner we will have our monthly meeting and the installation of officers. Please bring canned goods to donate to a local food pantry.

The Office of Vocations has extended the registration deadline to June 21st, for the third annual Fairway Fathers Golf Tournament for men between the ages of 16 and 40 who want to team up with priests in our diocese, including Bishop Richard Pates. Fairway Fathers is a joint venture sponsored by the Office of Vocations, Serra Club of Des Moines, and St. Francis of Assisi Knights of Columbus. The purpose of Fairway Fathers is vocations awareness-not competition. The tournament will be played at Legacy Golf Club in Norwalk on Mon., June 28th, with lunch & prizes provided. There is no cost for young men to participate. Call Darlene Oliver at 515.237.5014 or e-mail doliver@dmdiocese.org for registration details.

You are invited to join Fr. Dan Kirby on a trip July 12-16 to "The Great Passion Play" and "Living Bible" tour in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. The trip also includes daily Mass and four Branson shows including "Noah – the Musical". Call Ward or Kathy Kinney, 366-9596, for more info. Reservation deadline is June 7th.

Making vacation plans? The exhibit *Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Faith & Art* is at the Missouri History Museum in St. Louis. The exhibit contains approximately 200 objects from the Vatican, including personal items from both his Holiness Pope Benedict and the late Pope John Paul II. A parish advantage program allows you to reserve admission before the general public and receive a \$2 discount on admission. This discount and the parish advantage are only offered for tickets purchased before June 30. Tickets may be purchased at the Missouri History Museum box office or by phone at 1-877-282-8422. When ordering, please mention your parish name. You can also buy online at mohistory.org and use the code word: Parish

Christ our Life Conference: Tickets are now available for this conference coming to Des Moines in October. Keynote speakers include Cardinal Francis Arinze, Matthew Kelly and a host of other internationally known people of faith. Go to www.christourlifeiowa.com for tickets and more information. Flyers are also available at the side entrance of Church.

Vocations Corner for June 5/6 --

What kinds of people become priests, sisters or brothers? Are they uncommonly holy, unusually saint-like? No. They are people who make mistakes, people who aren't afraid to be human while in God's service. Are they people who can't face the competition and cruelty of the "real" world? No. They are people who believe that through ministry they can immerse themselves in the world and make positive changes. Are they people who

don't relate well with other people? No. They are people who love others - people who find real satisfaction chatting with a 93-year-old parishioner, holding the hand of a cancer patient, listening to the troubles of a street-wise teen. They are people with the courage to touch lives, hearts and souls in a high-tech, under-churched world. Are you that kind of person?