SAINT WENCESLAUS PARISH

Corpus Christi Sunday June 18, 2017

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Saturday Evening Mass 4PM - Sunday Mass 10AM Confession Available Before Every Mass

Contributions from June 10-11:

 Adult Envelopes
 \$1,090.00

 Collection Plate
 \$254.75

 Youth Envelopes
 \$1.50

 Trinity Dome Collection
 \$287.21

Mass Schedule:

Mon, June 19 – 8am

(Weekday) for:

Ruth Zlabek

Tue, June 20 – 6:30pm (Weekday) for: **Bernard Bolyen by Mark & Barbara Martin**

Wed, June 21 – 8am (St. Aloysius Gonzaga) for: **John & Norma Slama**

Thr, June 22 – 8am (St. J. Fisher & St. T. More) for: **John Fisher by Greg & Mary Fisher**

Fri, June 23 **No Mass, Priest Unity Days**

Sat, June 24 – 4pm (12th Sunday in Ord. Time) for: **Blessings on the Martin Family** & Their Relatives, Living & Deceased

Sun, June 25 – 10am (12th Sunday in Ord. Time) for: **Deceased Members of the Swatek Family by Florence Kilburg**

Upcoming Liturgical Roles:

Saturday, June 24th: 4pm

Lector: Roger Wall

Ushers: Art Wall & Derek Wall Servers: Any Available Servers

Sunday, June 25th: 10am

Lector: Chris Wolff

Ushers: Tom Boland & Chris Wolff
Servers: Group A: Isaac, Samuel, & Ben

Kramer, Nicholas Liedtke

Sunday, June 25th Rosary Leaders:

The Don & Toni Lenzendorf Family

Parish Announcements:

Coffee & Rolls

Join us after Sunday's 10am Mass for sweets and drinks in Msgr. Baer Hall.

Finance Council Meeting

Our parish Finance Council will meet this Monday, June 19th at 7pm in the rectory.

No Mass Friday

Due to our diocese's Priest Unity Day in La Crosse, there will be no daily Mass this Friday.

Msgr. Baer Hall Floor Waxing

This Wednesday, June 21st at 4pm the floor of our parish hall will be waxed. Volunteers (especially next fall's Confirmation students) are encouraged to come help, particularly with clearing the room.

Msgr. Baer Hall Spring Cleaning

This Saturday, June 24th at 9am the walls and windows of our parish hall will be cleaned. Once again, volunteer helpers are needed.

Priestly Ordinations

Our whole diocese is invited to St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse next Saturday, June 24th at 10:30am, for the Mass of priestly ordination for Deacons Aaron Becker, Peter Kieffer, and Juan Pedro Roblez Baltazar.

Father's Farewell Potluck

Next Sunday, June 25th starting around 11am, there will be a farewell potluck for Father Feltes in Msgr. Baer Hall. Everyone from St. Wenceslaus and Sacred Heart is warmly welcomed to attend.

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

On this Corpus Christi weekend, our parish is hosting a Church-approved, traveling exhibit all the way from South Dakota. Come by Msgr. Baer Hall after Mass today to explore wonders surrounding Christ's wondrous gift throughout the centuries.



June Hospitality Activities:

Coffee & Donuts (June 18th @ 11am) Groups #2 & 4 Hall Spring Cleaning (June 24th @ 9am) All Groups Farewell Potluck (June 25th @ 11am) All Groups

St. Mary's 2nd Apparition at Fatima

June 13, 1917

In Portugal, the thirteenth day of June is a great feast, the feast of St. Anthony of Lisbon (known to most Catholics as St. Anthony of Padua.) This famous preacher, miracle-worker, and patron of lost items was born in Lisbon and entered religious life. He resided first in Lisbon and then Coimbra, before transferring from his Portuguese religious order to join the new Order of Friars Minor (popularly known today as the Franciscans.) In Portugal, St. Anthony's feast was — and remains to this day - a great children's celebration, so the parents of young Lucia naturally thought that the festivities at the parish church in Fatima would distract her from her appointment in the pasture. However, undismayed by this tactic, Lucia, Francisco, and Lucia proceeded to the apparition site to keep their noon hour rendezvous. When they arrived they found a small crowd awaiting them.

The following is from St. Lucia's account of the Blessed Virgin Mary's second appearance at Fatima:

After having said the rosary with Jacinta & Francisco and other people who were present, we saw again the reflection of light nearing us, (we used to say it was lightning,) and following, Our Lady on the holm oak [tree] as in May.

"Please tell me, Madam, what it is that you want of me?"

"I want you to come here on the thirteenth of next month. I want you to continue saying the Rosary every day. And after each one of the mysteries, my children, I want you to pray in this way: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fire of hell. Take all souls to heaven, especially those who are most in need. I want you to learn to read and write, and later I will tell you what else I want of you."

"Will you take us to Heaven?"

"Yes, I shall take Jacinta and Francisco soon, but you will remain a little longer, since Jesus wishes you to make me known and loved on earth. He wishes also for you to establish devotion in the world to my Immaculate Heart."

"Must I remain in the world alone?"

"Not alone, my child, and you must not be sad. I will be with you always, and my Immaculate Heart will be your comfort and the way which will lead you to God."

The moment she said the last words, opening her hands, She transmitted to us, for the second time, the reflection of that intense light. In it we felt we were submerged in God. Jacinta and Francisco seemed to be in that part of the light which was rising to Heaven, and I in the part spreading over the earth. In front of the palm of Our Lady's right hand was a heart encircled with thorns which appeared to pierce it. We understood it was the Immaculate Heart of Mary offended by the sins of mankind, craving reparation.

The apparition then concluded as on the first occasion, with the Lady going off toward the east and disappearing in the "immensity of heaven."

O Precious & Wonderful Banquet!

By St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274 AD)

"Since it was the will of God's only-begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us forever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine.

"O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion.

"It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfillment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique & abiding consolation.

"Know that in this bread is the body of Christ which hung on the cross, and in this cup, the blood of Christ which flowed from his side. Take, therefore, and eat his body; take and drink his blood,—and you will become members of his body."

Despite the joy of those precious moments the sorrows of the children continued in the following weeks, though bolstered by the belief of very many at the field that day. The people in attendance knew that something unusual had occurred - they saw the "lightning," some perceived a certain dimming of the sun, and others saw a little gray cloud that came and went with the apparition - and they believed. However, the three seers' difficulties with their families did not subside, especially with their mothers, who became genuinely alarmed that the events were not only continuing but expanding. To this was added the painful caution of the parish priest that all these phenomena might be real but of demonic origin. Despite their troubles, the children eagerly anticipated seeing Our Lady again.

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