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2 JUNE, 2024

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

FROM FATHER CHUCK

A wonderful Mass.

The Memorial Day mass was one of the most uplifting masses we have ever celebrated at Saint Joseph's cemetery. The number of people attending the mass was one of the largest turnouts in recent years. A special thank you to the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus for their help in setting up the mass and participating in the ministries. A special thank you to Chris Franks for providing the music for the mass, his playing of Taps was an inspiration to all of us. I am very pleased with the cemetery collection, over \$800.00 was raised for the cemetery. We are planning on taking up a collection from all the parishes to help fund the cemetery.

Bible Study.

Bible study will begin this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the social hall. We will be studying the letters of Saint Paul. We have studied these letters before but the study will be a synopsis of each letter. The class will end by 7:45 and refreshments are always served.

Altar Servers

One of the most wonderful ministries in our church is to be an altar server. To be an altar server you have to be entering the fifth grade or older. The training for being an altar server is open to all people including adults who never had the opportunity to serve.

The training of altar servers will be different this year than in the past. The best way to train an altar server is to have them shadow, which means that the server being trained will be on the altar with the regular server and thus they can observe what the altar servers do.

If you have a child or you as an adult would like to become an altar server please call me at: 712-322-8889.

Fifty Four Years.

This Thursday June 6th will be my 54th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. I don't reflect often but since this is my last month before my retirement I am going to share a few thoughts about being a priest in today's world. First, it is very sad to see what has happened to the church in the past 54 years. My first years in the priesthood it was exciting because of the number of people attending mass on the weekends. The church were filled with families and especially the children. To see how we have lost this is tragic. I feel so often that we have so many people who have lost their faith and in the process have lost their moral compass. Second, the number of priests has declined drastically. When I first came to Saint Peters there were ten priest in Council Bluffs, today there are five active priests in Council Bluffs. I read recently that the number of priests world wide is less than half it was twenty years ago. Third, the church has gotten older. Many times people have observed that many of the organizations have very few young members and at Saint Peters I am very aware of this. Fourth, there is tremendous financial pressure on a parish if the parish is part of a school system. One of the great challenges of this parish is to raise over \$400,000.00 every year to meet our financial obligation to Saint Albert. The Diocesan Appeal has risen to over \$75,000.00 every year which has become a great challenge for us to meet this obligation, the past two years we have not meet our Diocesan Appeal goal. My last observation is that there are far more joys in the priest hood than there are heartaches, so pray a prayer for me as I end my active ministry.

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Readings for June 9, 2024
1st Reading: Genesis 3:9-15
2nd Reading: 2nd Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Catholic Daughters of the Americas®, Court St. Anthony #330-Next meeting is Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 5:30 pm at Pizza King. GIK is for Joshua Tree Male Shelter-visit website at www.cda330.org for a list of items.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue 6/4 8:00 am Thanks for the Sacrament of Matrimony & Travis & Taylor Bettcher
Wed 6/5 8:00 am Isabelle O'Grady
Thur 6/6 5:30 pm Leora Bemboom
Fri 6/7 8:00 am Deceased members of Altar Society
Sat 6/8 4:00 pm Daniel J Kirlin
Sun 6/9 8:00 am Rick Bunten
Sun 10:00 am Bill & Mary Ryan
Sun Noon Roger Wood

SATURDAY, 4PM June 8, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Ava & Ella Bussey, Nicholas Rodenburg
LECTORS: Amy Rallis, Richard Selken
EUCH MINISTER: Mike Sommer
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, Brody Pellett

SUNDAY, 8 AM, June 9, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Evan & Jack Veit. Caroline Reineke
LECTORS: Jean Coughlin, Joan Goeser
EUCH MINISTER: Patti Ford
USHERS: Dennis Coughlin, Russ Goeser, Andy Juranek, Gary Juranek

SUNDAY, 10 AM June 9, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Aiden Gaul, Ben Rosenberger, Leighton Finnegan
LECTORS: Nathaniel & John Ross Biederman
EUCH MINISTER: Joan Von-Tersch-Wege
USHERS: Bryan Carolus, Zachary & Jill Clevenger, Margine Henry

SUNDAY, NOON June 9, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Ben & Payton Johnson, Emma Thompson
LECTORS: Aubree Brandau, Mike Noon
EUCH MINISTER: Michael Koricic
USHERS: Trevor Yanovich, Chris Olson, Rob Peters, Emry Honkomp

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- Dang it..I really had my heart set on waking up rich and energetic today.
Others call it "YELLING" when I raise my voice. I call it "MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKING FOR THE SELECTIVE LISTENER."
Tip for husbands: Whatever you do, DO NOT tell your wife how your Mom used to do things. It will not end pretty. Follow me for more relationship tips.
When I was little, I didn't care what I wore. I just went along with what my Mom chose. When I look in old photo albums, I realize that she didn't care either.
After seeing a group of people in a pool huddled together under an umbrella to stay dry, I understand why Aliens don't visit us.
People from Iowa don't tell you when you miss your exit. We just wait until you pass it, then ask "Where you going?"
I haven't tried yoga but I have tried bending over to pick up my keys. I'm pretty sure I wouldn't like yoga.
Arguing with me is pointless. I knew I was wrong 10 minutes ago. I'm just having fun now.
Marriage tip: Your wife will NEVER start a fight while you're cleaning.
I'm not admitting I'm old, but I'm just saying that my dinner time and bed time are getting dangerously close to each other.
If you see a Midwesterner open their window leave them be. We are in the 10 day period where you can have your window open and not have the heat/ac running.
Enter password. Wrong, Wrong, Wrong, Reset password. New password can't be old password...Seriously
I feel like some of you should thank me for the stuff I don't put here.
Does anyone else stare at the dead body in a movie or TV scene to see if you can catch them breathing?
They say that love is more important than money, but have you ever tried to pay your bills with a hug?

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

One of the questions that I am often asked is how do you develop a good prayer life. To develop a good prayer life it takes perseverance more than anything. We need to just keep showing up. Some days you will feeling praying and some days you will not, but if you keep showing up you will develop a wonderful friendship with Jesus. My thought for the week is for all of us to pray for the gift of perseverance in our prayer life.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday, June 3-Committee Meetings
Wednesday, June 5-Bible Study 6:30pm in Hall
Thursday, June 6-Altar Society Meeting 6:00 pm in Hall
Monday-Thursday, June 10-13 VBS at St Albert 5:15pm-8:30pm.
Wednesday, June 12-Bible Study 6:30pm in Hall
Sunday, June 16-Altar Society's Father Day Brunch
Monday, June 19-Bible Study 6:30pm in Hall
Sunday, June 23-Father Chuck's Retirement Open House

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