

# Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

## ST. HEDWIG CHURCH

### PARISH PRAYER

June 17 thru June 21, 2009

Wednesday 7:00 PM Tim Dabrowski  
Saturday 5:00 PM Parish Family  
Sunday 10:00 AM Jimmy Horner

### IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

**Saturday, June 20, 5:00 PM Mass**

Mass Server: Anne Laskowski  
Lector: Martha Rex  
E. Ministers: Kathy Bigelow  
Paul Mrozinski  
Susan Kendall  
Greeters: Jeanne Opperman  
Pat Long

**Sunday, June 21, 10:00 AM Mass**

Mass Server: Jamie Middleton  
Lectors: Diane Middleton  
Justin Radlinski  
E. Ministers: George & Marsha Thomas  
Amanda Darland  
Courtney & David Wade  
Greeters: Jack Padget  
Megan Donaldson  
Paul & Angie Radlinski  
Shut-in Minister: Marsha Thomas

**Last Week's Collection.....\$3,927.50**

-30% Bay Area Catholic Schools  
Assessment . . . . 1,179.00  
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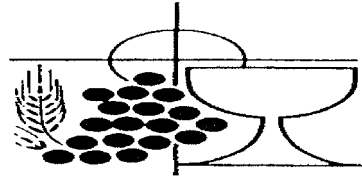
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### Liturgies for the Week

St. Mary's -Tue. - Fri. Mass 8:00 AM, Sat. 4:00 PM  
Sun. 8:30 AM & 11:00AM  
St. Hedwig -Wed. 7:00 PM, Sat. 5:00 PM & Sun. 10AM  
Holy Trinity -Sat. 4:30 PM, Sun. 8:30 & 10:30AM



**Stewardship Thought:** The focus of today's feast is the total self-giving of Jesus. The bishops' stewardship pastoral reminds us that "the glory and the boast of Christian stewards lie in mirroring, however poorly, the stewardship of Jesus Christ, who gave and still gives all He has and is, in order to be faithful to God's will and carry through to completion His redemptive stewardship of human beings and their world."

### Today's Readings

**The Body & Blood of Christ**

Exodus 24:3-8

Hebrews 9:11-15

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

### Next Week's Readings

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Job 38:1,8-11

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41

Special Prayers or Intentions:  
Rose Marie 684-1052

### This Week in the Parish

**Wed. June 17 – Mass 7:00 PM**

**Thu. June 18 – Meeting of Funeral Luncheon  
Committee 10:00 AM - Parish House**

**Fri. June 19 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Fr. Kevin's  
Ordination**

**Sat. June 20 – Mass 5:00 PM**

**Raffle drawing 6:00 PM**

*From Sr. Joann,* Next weekend I gather with other members of the Adrian Dominican Sisters, who are members of my Mission Group. We meet on 4-5 weekends a year in order to support one another and take care of community business. The meetings tend to be profitable and at the same time usually enjoyable. Most of the weekends I leave the meeting early so that I can be present for our 5:00 liturgy. Once a year instead leaving early and rushing back, I stay for the entire meeting. That is what I plan to do next Saturday and Sunday. After the Mission Group Gathering I am driving to my uncle's home in northern Ohio in order to celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. I am looking forward to connecting with community and family members.

We offer our heartfelt prayers and sympathy to the family of Florian Pawlak, who was buried from St. Hedwig's on Monday. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Congratulations to Fr. Kevin as he celebrates the 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of his ordination on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Thank you notes

Last week the parish received a check for the amount of \$265 as income from our participation in the Bishop's Charity Raffle. A special thanks to everyone who bought tickets and to Larry Dabrowski for selling the tickets after the weekend masses.

**Thank You** to Evelyn McGinnis for making new curtains for the garage windows.

**CSA** Currently, we have heard from 63% of our parish members with pledges totaling \$21,735. We are very thankful to them. Our parish assessment is \$26,684. Now we need to **hear** from the remaining members of our **parish family**. Please make your response as soon as possible. Follow-up calls will be made in the coming weeks to those parish members from whom we have not yet heard.

#### Mark your calendars

Our next Blood Drive will be held Thursday, July 16 from 1-7 PM in the Parish Center.

To find a Catholic parish near your holiday destination, call (410)-676-6000 or log onto [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

#### Faith Formation

If you are interested in learning more or signing up for next year's Faith Formation program, please call Phyllis @ 894-5363 or 893-0508. We would love to have every child in the community join us.

**BACS Fast Fact** . . . Drew Bauer, an All Saints senior, was recognized as "Mr. Bowling," the top honor in the state for all bowlers.

A Catholic school education remains a solid investment. Open enrollment continues for preschool thru grade 12 at Bay Area Catholic Schools. Call 894-8777 for more information. Tuition assistance is available.

Nominations are being accepted to fill positions on the Bay Area Catholic Schools Advisory Committee. If you are interested contact the BACS office at 894-8777 for a nomination form.

BACS 31<sup>st</sup> annual Golf Scramble: Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at the Bay City Country Club. Cost is \$150 which includes driving range, round of golf, cart, lunch, dinner and beverages on the course. For more information, call Sharon at 894-8777.

#### Help for Migrant Workers

Food, clothing and household items may be dropped off at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish at 1619 Broadway Street, Bay City. Call 894-0661 for drop off times. Monetary donations may be forwarded to Catholic Diocese of Saginaw, Office of Hispanic Ministry, 5800 Weiss Street, Saginaw 48603. Indicate "Migrant Ministry" on the check.

**Annual Strawberry Festival** Monday, June 15, 2009 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 360 S. River Rd., Bay City. Strawberries, ice cream, cupcakes, raffle, face painting and much more. Tickets are \$3.00 and takeouts are available. Sponsored by ARC of Bay County.

#### Cluster Corner

Holy Trinity - Parish office is closed on Fridays now through Labor Day.

St. Mary's - A bus trip has been reserved for a Detroit Tigers baseball game on Friday, August 14. For information or to make a reservation call Kay at 667-4894.

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## One Minute Meditations

### Love yourself

When Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself," he wanted us to love and care for each other. He also wants us to be good to ourselves and love ourselves in a healthy way. Loving yourself is not the same as being self-centered or self-indulgent. It means seeing your immense value as a child of God.

### Proud Catholics

In a recent poll of U.S. Catholics conducted by the Center of Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA), more than three out of four respondents say they are proud to be Catholic. More than eight in ten consider their Catholic faith to be important in their daily life. (See <http://cara.georgetown.edu> for more information.)

### The bright side

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things" (Philippians 4:8).



## Five ways you can make a difference to your parish

Amazing things happen in our Catholic parishes every day. It is in the arms of our parish that we experience God's love and share that love with friends and neighbors. Every parishioner is important to a parish. Consider these ideas to make a difference to yours:

**Take your rightful place.** As a baptized Catholic, you have the right to a seat at your parish table. You take it when you attend weekend Mass, seek peace from sacraments such as the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and participate in parish ministries.

**Boost the faith of fellow Catholics.** Even the most active Catholics sometimes falter in their faith. Look for

opportunities to share Gospel values through your actions and words and you will strengthen the faith of those around you.

**Pray for your parish.**

This is one of the most important contributions you can make. Join parish intentions to your own daily prayer intentions.

Pray for parish ministries. Offer prayers for your priests and other religious, and parish staff.

**Build it, serve it, or pay for it.** When there

is a need in the parish, don't wait for an invitation. The parish is completely dependent upon your support.

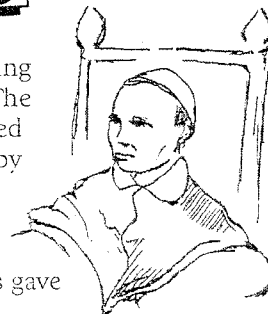
**Help it grow.** Don't be shy about inviting friends, coworkers, or neighbors to join you. Your parish might be the home they've been searching for.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

All Catholics – including the Pope – follow Jesus. The ministry of the Pope, called the "papacy," was begun by Jesus when he gave Peter "the keys of the kingdom of Heaven" (Matthew 16:19). By doing so, Jesus gave Peter a special role of

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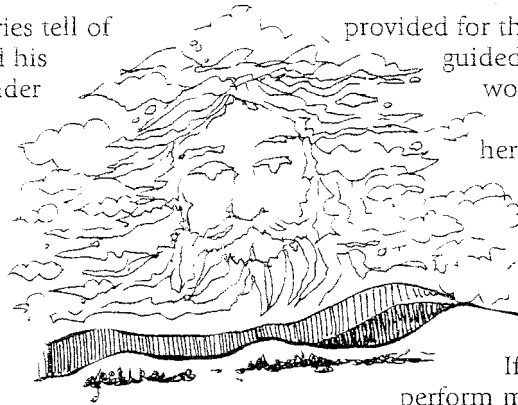


leadership in the new Church. The authority given to St. Peter is passed to his successors who also become head of the Church. The Pope brings unity to the entire community of Catholics and helps us continue Jesus' saving mission.

## Is God still around?

Many Old and New Testament stories tell of personal encounters between God and his people. As we read them, we may wonder why we don't see or hear him like they did. In fact, God walks with us today in the very same way he walked with the Israelites through the desert. It's God's people who have changed.

Times change; God doesn't. The Bible tells of countless times when God gave his people victory in otherwise hopeless circumstances,



provided for them when they had no resources, and guided them in their decisions. God is ready to work as powerfully for us.

Why the difference? All the Biblical heroes had one thing in common; they were ordinary people with no power of their own. The difference between us may be that they were more aware of and open to the presence of God in their lives. Through prayer and sacrifice, they were closely connected to God.

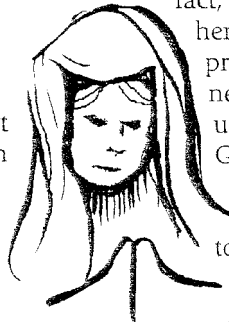
If we do the same, God is ready to perform miracles in our lives, too.

### from Scripture

Mark 5:21-43, Faith in action.

As the leader of the local synagogue, Jairus was probably pressured by the Pharisees to avoid or reject Jesus. It was a courageous act for him to publicly approach Jesus, bow before him, and beg for a cure for his daughter. Jairus' faith in Jesus was that strong.

On the way to Jairus' home, Jesus was delayed by a woman with a serious hemorrhage. According to Jewish law, her constant bleeding would have excluded her from most



social contact. She thought Jesus wouldn't want to touch her and secretly grabbed his cloak believing that any contact would cure her. In fact, she was cured, but Jesus told her that it was her faith that provided the cure. We should never allow fear of our unworthiness to keep us from God.

By the time Jesus finished with the woman, Jairus was told of his daughter's death. Jesus simply said, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" (Mark 5:36), and Jairus' great faith was rewarded. No matter how desperate your situation may appear, trust Jesus to help. Even death is under his control.

### Feasts & Celebrations

June 19 - Sacred Heart of Jesus. The image of Jesus with his heart exposed in unquenchable flame is a reminder of his intense and eternal love for us.

June 20 - Immaculate Heart of Mary. In response to a request by Our Lady of Fatima, Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to Mary's gentle and devout Immaculate Heart in 1942, and initiated this feast in 1945.

June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga (1591). St. Aloysius prayed vigorously and fasted from age 7. Upon joining the Society of Jesus, he was ordered to cut back in order to study and spend time with the other students. He died while nursing the sick.

June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist. The only saint whose birth and death we observe, St. John was Jesus' cousin. He baptized and prepared the people for Jesus' coming. He even baptized Jesus and was later executed for denouncing Herod's marriage to his sister-in-law.



### Q & A I vote pro-life. What else can I do to promote respect for life?

All Catholics are called to protect the dignity of life from conception to natural death. While voting for candidates who pledge to protect life is important, there are also options outside the voting booth.

**Assist pregnancy support centers.** Many centers offer counseling, material assistance, and even provide daycare. Find one in your area and volunteer your time, talents, or treasure in support.

**Speak up.** When you hear or read about a story in the news in which the value of life is demeaned, write a letter to the editor and to government leaders supporting life-affirming and

non-violent solutions.

**Consider becoming a foster parent.** Many local social service agencies are overwhelmed by the number of children whose families cannot care for them. Contact your local social services department to inquire about the necessary training and certifications you'll need to take in a child who needs shelter.

**Visit local nursing homes and offer residents companionship.** Many older people feel forgotten and would welcome the attention.



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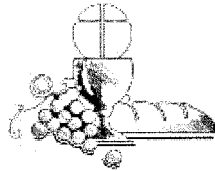
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