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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

19 JUNE 2022:
SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI
 ~ FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS ~
 (Year C (II); Psalter: Week 4)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Genesis 14: 18-20
 Resp. Psalm: 109 (110): 3-5, 1-4
 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 11: 23-26
 Gospel: Luke 9: 11-17

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 19 June	SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI ~ FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS ~ (p. 1105 – Year C)	Holy Mass for First Communicants Holy Mass for Parishioners	9.30 am <u>11.15 am</u>
Monday 20 June	Monday of Week 12 in Ordinary Time	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Tuesday 21 June	St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious Mass Intention: Agnes Murphy, RIP (Anniversary Recently)	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday 22 June	St. John Fisher, Bishop, & St. Thomas More, Martyrs	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Thursday 23 June	Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Friday 24 June	Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass Intention: In Honour of Our Lord's Most Sacred Heart	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Saturday 25 June	The Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Intention: In Honour of Our Lady's Immaculate Heart	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Sunday 26 June	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1013 – Year C) Retiring Collection: Peter's Pence	Holy Mass	<u>9.30 am ONLY</u>

Corpus Christi (The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ): Blessed and Given

At the dawn of salvation history, God revealed our future in figures. That's what's going on in today's First Reading: a priest-king comes from Jerusalem (see Psalm 76:3), offering bread and wine to celebrate the victory of God's beloved servant, Abram, over his foes.

By his offering, Melchizedek bestows God's blessings on Abram. He is showing us, too, how one day we will receive God's blessings and in turn "bless God"—how we will give thanks to Him for delivering us from our enemies, sin and death.

As Paul recalls in today's Second Reading, Jesus transformed the sign of bread and wine, making it a sign of His body and blood, through which God bestows upon us the blessings of His "new covenant."

Jesus is "the priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek," that God, in today's Psalm, swears will rule from Zion, the new Jerusalem (see Hebrews 6:20–7:3).

By the miracle of loaves and fishes, Jesus in today's Gospel, again prefigures the blessings of the Eucharist.

Notice that He takes the bread, blesses it, breaks it, and gives it to the Twelve. You find the precise order and words in the Last Supper (see Luke 22:19) and in His celebration of the Eucharist on the first Easter night (see Luke 24:30).

The Eucharist fulfils the offering of Melchizedek. It is the daily miracle of the heavenly high priesthood of Jesus.

It is a priesthood He conferred upon the Apostles in ordering them to feed the crowd, in filling exactly twelve baskets with leftover bread—in commanding them on the night He was handed over: "Do this in remembrance of Me." Through His priests He still feeds us in "the deserted place" of our earthly exile. And by this sign He pledges to us a glory yet to come. For as often as we share in His body and blood, we proclaim His victory over death, until He comes again to make His victory our own. (Scott Hahn)

GENERAL NEWS

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING DAY: SATURDAY 25 JUNE AT ST. MARY'S BEAULY – This Day is open to all current Altar Servers, in all of the parishes in the Deanery, AND any prospective future Servers are also welcome to find out about Serving! Drinks and snacks will be provided, but bring their own packed lunch. See the poster and timetable for details.

ANNUAL PLUSCARDEN PILGRIMAGE WITH MASS, AND FAMILY DAY, SUNDAY 26 JUNE – Refreshments available from 12 noon; family picnics welcome; Eucharistic Adoration / Confession from 1.00pm; Mass at 3.00pm; with Marian procession.

PARISH NEWS

TODAY'S LITURGY (CTS New Sunday Missal): Solemnity of Corpus Christi, Year C (pp. 1105 ff.)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 1105: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 541: The Creed

p. 575: Preface I of the Most Holy Eucharist

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

TODAY: FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS – a large number of children are making their First Holy Communion. In order to deal with the extra people, the 9.30am Mass is a "First Communicants' Mass", for candidates and family members. If at all possible, parishioners should try to attend the second Mass, to leave adequate seating for the Communicants' family and friends. Please note that the second Mass will commence **at 11.15 am** (and NOT 11.00 am).

TODAY: HAPPY FATHERS' DAY to all our Dads! May the Good Lord continue you in your important vocation as Fathers, and may the example of St. Joseph be an inspiration for all of you!

NEXT SUNDAY: RETURN TO ONE MASS – From Sunday 26 June onwards, we will return to ONE Sunday Mass, at our 'usual' time of 9.30am. This is done out of necessity; as you know, Father Domenico has now been appointed Parish Priest of St. Mary's Nairn, in addition to all of his present pastoral duties, and will thus be unable to offer a second Sunday Mass. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause. It is a timely reminder to pray for more Priests, and to promote vocations to the Priesthood among our young men. Thank you for your understanding and prayers, and for your continuing support of your parish.

NEXT SUNDAY: THE RETURN OF TEAS/COFFEES! – From Sunday 26 June, we will once again offer the opportunity to catch up with other parishioners after our 9.30am Mass, over a cuppa and a 'fine piece'. The Meeting Room will be available, and if it is decent weather, we will open up the patio doors, and have al fresco socialising! We will need folk to assist with preparing tea and coffee; If you are able to help us with a rota, please do let us know!

TODDLER GET-TOGETHER – has been organised for **Sunday 26th June, at 12 noon, at The Playful Garden, Brodie Castle**. Anyone who attended the toddler group pre-pandemic, or any new faces wanting to have an outing, are very welcome to come along. If you would like to join in, please contact Mairead on 07528682161, to give us an idea of numbers attending, and the ages of the children. Any adults with National Trust membership can get in free, and children under the age of free are automatically free. We plan on having a picnic lunch, but there is also an outdoor cafe on the site. Also, in the two years that have passed since the pandemic all the children are now school age and no longer attending toddler groups. Would there be any interest from parents of younger children in taking on the toddler group? Please inform Mairead. Thank you!

90 CLUB –DRAW NEXT WEEK (26 JUNE): You too could be a winner! Only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Ian Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Colin MacMillan, Angus Cumming, Godfrey Herman, Eileen Anne Millar

RIP: Mary Shippen, Christine Clifford

Anniversaries: Margaret Smith, Tom Waters, Christopher Sharp, Agnes Murphy