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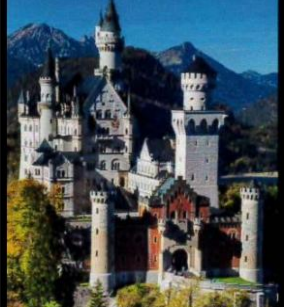


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June 7, 2026 Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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**Mass Schedule
June 2026**

Monday: 8am @
St Joachim

Tuesday: 8:15am @
St. James

Wednesday: 8:15am @
St. Joachim

Thursday: 8am @
St. James
Friday: 8am @
St. Joachim

Saturday 4pm
(1st & 3rd weekend @
St. James; 2nd & 4th
weekend @
St. Joachim)

Sunday: 8am @
St. James
10am @ St. Joachim

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 8: @ St. Joachim: Jeff Hayes

Tuesday, June 9: Betty Matthews

Wednesday, June 10: @ St. Joachim: Phyllis Boyer

Thursday, June 11: John Murphy

Friday, June 12: @ St. Joachim: Charles & Ann Pratt

Saturday June 13: @ St. Joachim: Parish Family

Sunday June 14:
8am: Diana Koenitz
10am @ St. Joachim: Jeff Kamper

Mass Intentions are \$10.
Please call the office or drop by to schedule them.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm
Prior to Saturday evening Mass or by appointment



June 14: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector:
Saturday 4pm:
Sunday 8am: Jeanne DeGonia

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday 4pm Sunday 8am
C: Donna Kennon
L: Glenda Farrow
R: Jim Politte

Servers

Saturday 4pm:
Sunday 8am: Ava West

Music:

Sat: 4:00pm. Chala Short
Sun: 8:00am Rebecca Richards
Sun: 10:00am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Daily Mass Lectors

Tuesday June 9: Catherine Dickey
Thursday June 11: Judy Wright
Tuesday June 16: Mary Campbell
Thursday June 18: Vicki Thurmond
Tuesday June 23: Joyce Politte
Thursday June 26: Rhonda Politte

**If you cannot be available for your scheduled day, please notify the parish office. Thank you!

Heavenly Dusters

Need a Volunteer 6/12
Laura Allen 6/19
Nancy Davis 6/26
Jeanne DeGonia 7/3

Altar Linens

Bobbie Heifner 6/8
Diane McGirl 6/15
Glenda Whitten 6/22
Bobbie Heifner 6/29

Money Counters

Becky & Rhonda 6/9
Jeanne & Rhonda 6/16
Pat & Tina 6/23
Mary Ann & Donna 6/30

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Envelopes:	3025.00
Loose:	291.00
Online Giving	210.00
Maintenance:	110.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	432.00
Votives:	10.00
Cemetery Upkeep	25.00
Cardinal Glennon	70.00
Catholic Communications	55.00
Peter's Pence	60.00



June 7, 2026

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

"Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."
1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. We are called to be fed and to feed others. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!



Retirement Reception

We would like to invite everyone to Dr. Paul Villmer's retirement reception on June 19, 2026 at St. James Church Parish Hall in Potosi, MO. The time is 5pm-8pm. Snacks and cake will be available. This will give the community a chance to thank Doc for his 42 years of dedication and service to our community here in Washington County.

Our parish extends our congratulations for your retirement and may God continue to bless you as you enter this new phase of your life.

June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Church dedicates the month of **June** to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**, inviting the faithful to reflect on the depth of Christ's love. This devotion centers on the Heart of Jesus as a symbol of His mercy, compassion, and unending desire to draw every soul to Himself.

June is chosen because the **Solemnity of the Sacred Heart**—celebrated on the Friday after Corpus Christi—almost always falls within this month. Over time, the entire month became a season for renewing trust in Christ's love.

The Sacred Heart reminds us that Jesus loves personally and sacrificially. His Heart, crowned with thorns and aflame with love, calls us to respond with faith, reparation, and deeper devotion.

Catholics honor the Sacred Heart in June through practices such as:

- *Praying the **Litany of the Sacred Heart**
- *Making an **Act of Consecration**
- *Attending **First Friday devotions**
- *Spending time in **Eucharistic adoration**



In a world marked by anxiety and division, the Sacred Heart stands as a refuge of peace. June invites us to return to the Heart of Christ—where love, mercy, and healing flow without measure.

Building Our Family Together

A church is not just a building; it is a family of believers, and every new face brings a unique blessing to our parish. As **St. James** continues to grow, we want every newcomer to feel valued and equipped to share their gifts. Whether you are looking for small groups, volunteer opportunities, or just a quiet place to pray, you belong here. To help us get to know you better, please take a moment to fill out a new parishioner form online at www.stjames-potosi.org or call the parish office at **573-438-4686**.

Magnifica Humanitas

Pope Leo XIV issued his first encyclical, Magnifica Humanitas on May 25, 2026. Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing the 10 most powerful quotes from this encyclical courtesy of Ascension Press.

2. The Church reminds us, with a firm yet humble voice, that true fulfilment is not achieved by eliminating weakness but through harmonious growth. It is found where freedom and responsibility are intertwined with mutual care and true solidarity, and where progress is measured by the dignity of each person and the good of all peoples (Magnifica Humanitas, 12).

Pope Leo XIV reminds us that true fulfillment is not found in technological "perfection" or in trying to eliminate every human limitation. From a Catholic perspective, real growth is about becoming more fully human before God.

Our weaknesses do not remove our dignity--they are part of our human condition that Christ comes to heal and redeem. True progress is not measured by power, control, or performance, but by how we love, how we serve others, and how faithfully we respect the dignity of every person created in the image of God.

https://ascensionpress.com/blogs/articles/10-most-powerful-quotes-from-pope-leo-xiv-s-first-encyclical-magnifica-humanitas?srsId=AfmBOoow5KIXT1kz8-Sj2-mHTgFx8QImAk1_TW_-2quCsNefOt63GC4C

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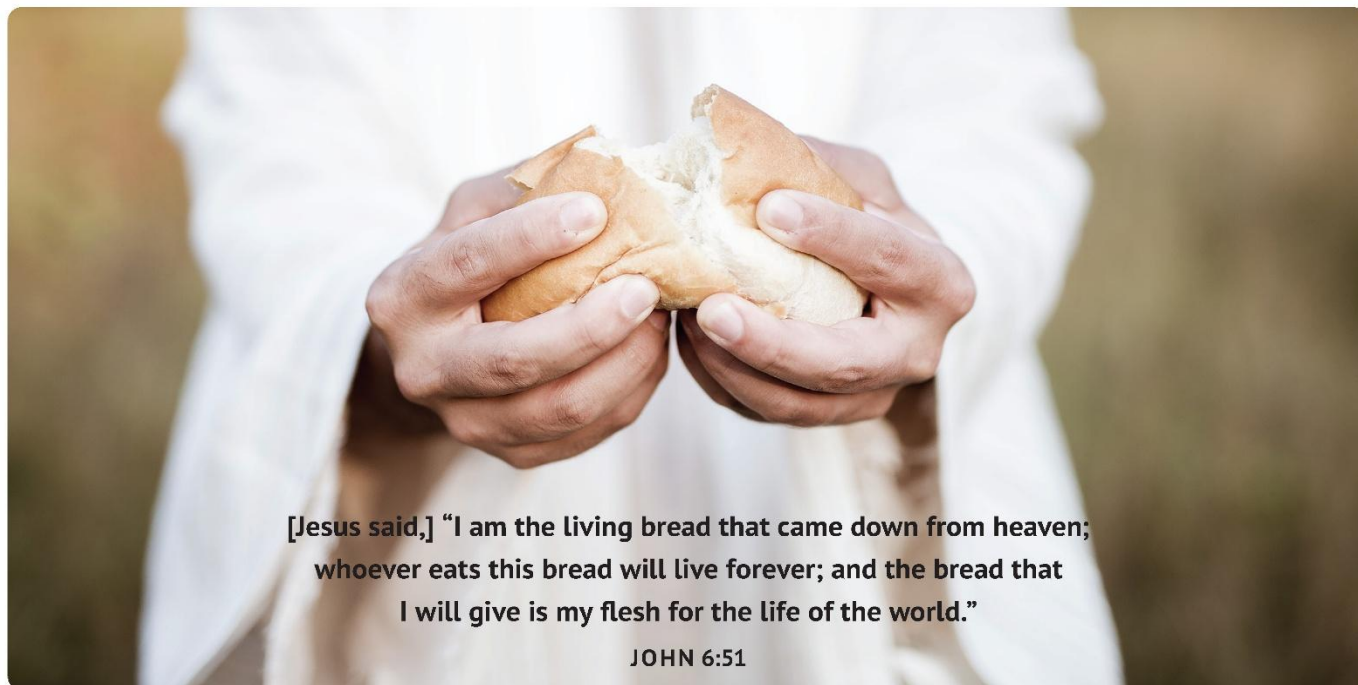
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[Jesus said,] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

JOHN 6:51

All You Can Eat

MIGUEL DULICK

The "Bread of Life Discourse" in the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John is an astonishing teaching. "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world" (John 6:51b). Creation was wonderful, the Incarnation was wonderful, but now Jesus takes the final step in God's coming ever closer to us human beings, as close as food, as intimate as eating Christ's body and drinking his blood. For us Catholics, it's called *transubstantiation*: the Host—something we hold in our hand—is so divine that we worship it!

The crowds listening to Jesus could not have imagined how you would "eat" (literally, "gnaw") Jesus' flesh or drink his blood, and certainly not a whole year before the Last Supper (not to mention, hundreds of years before St. Thomas Aquinas). When surveys showed that many of today's Catholics are just as confused and doubtful as the crowd at Capernaum, having lost faith or even interest in the Eucharist, the American bishops launched a search-and-rescue mission to recover "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church," published in 2021.

Paul bases the sacrament in our own experience. "The cup...that we bless" and "the bread that we break" create the ultimate reality: "we, though many, are one body"—of Christ! (See 1 Corinthians 10:16-17.) The priest says, "The Body of Christ," and we respond, "Amen!" ●



LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Reflect

What does my "Amen" mean when I receive the Eucharist?

THE COUNCIL'S CORNER

Our next meeting is August 11 @ 5:30pm. Our next Fifth Sunday brunch will be on August 30th.

***IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR ISSUES, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ERIC AUBUCHON @ 314-605-6268.**

St. James PSR NEWS

Enjoy your summer and please join us at the Parish Picnic on Sunday June 7!

From Dr. Melissa Cordia



Ladies Sodality

Our next meeting is Aug. 4. The hall pantry & cleaning day is rescheduled for Aug. 10. We would like to organize a garden committee to plant flowers in the containers around the church grounds. All parishioners are invited to come bless our church with your gardening skills.

Bobbie Heifner, President

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The St. James Food Pantry served 155 families (392 individuals) on yet another rainy distribution day, Saturday May 16th.

Thank You to the group of men & women who pack on the First Wednesday and to all those who came on Saturday to give the food away. We couldn't do it without you!

"Go to the poor: you will find God."
St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul collection:
*Canned meat, canned chili w/meat,
Boxed Cereal, powdered milk, breakfast items*

June 7 | A Story of Hope

Maria* was struggling to keep up with rent after unexpected medical bills drained her savings. She feared losing the apartment she shared with her young son. Vincentian volunteers stepped in to help cover a portion of her rent while also connecting her with additional resources. That support helped Maria regain stability and remain safely housed. Stories like Maria's happen every day thanks to donors and volunteers who believe in helping neighbors in need.

Visit www.svdpstl.org to learn how you can help.

*Name changed to protect privacy.



Parish Calendar

June 7: PARISH PICNIC 11AM-4:30PM

June 9: Knights of Columbus 6:30pm
Adoration & Benediction 9am-4:45pm

June 12: Clarity House Rosary & Mass 6pm

June 13: Men's Faith Sharing Group 7am

June 15: St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6pm
Rural Clinic here

June 18: OCIA Bible Study at St. Joachim
6:30pm Biblical Walk Through The Mass:
Everyone invited!

June 20: Food Pantry Distribution Day

June 27: Men's Faith Sharing Group 7am



Interested in Becoming Catholic or Learning more about the Catholic Faith? (OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

*OCIA will offer *Biblical Walk Through the Mass* with Dr. Edward Sri in the Incarnate Word Center on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. during the summer for our OCIA class and anyone else that wants to attend. Mark the dates on your calendar: June 4 and 18, July 9 and 23, August 6. Everyone is invited to participate.

*Formal OCIA classes will resume August 20. If interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith, call St. Joachim or St. James rectories or Vicki Thurmond (573-854-1257).



Sacred Heart of Jesus Icon

Did you know that June is the Month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and that June 12th is the Feast of the Sacred Heart? This feast celebrates Jesus' divine love, mercy, and his humanity!

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you!

The Knights of Columbus Council #115935 is sponsoring the Pilgrimage of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Icon. The Icon will be in the church beginning, Thursday, June 4th - Tuesday, June 9th. Families can enthrone the Sacred Heart of Jesus in their homes. Enthroning the Sacred Heart of Jesus means formally recognizing Jesus as King through an enthronement ceremony. During this ceremony, a family places an image of the Sacred Heart in a place of honor in their home, renews their commitment to be faithful disciples, and consecrates themselves to his Sacred Heart.

MONDAY June 8 Weekday 1 Kgs 17:1-6 Mt 5:1-12
TUESDAY June 9 Weekday 1 Kgs 17:7-16 Mt 5:13-16
WEDNESDAY June 10 Weekday 1 Kgs 18:20-39 Mt 5:17-19
THURSDAY June 11 St. Barnabas, Apostle Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 Mt 5:20-26
FRIDAY June 12 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Dt 7:6-11 1 Jn 4:7-16 Mt 11:25-30
SATURDAY June 13 Weekday 1 Kgs 19:19-21 Mt 5:33-37
SUNDAY June 14 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 19:2-6a Rom 5:6-11 Mt 9:36-10:8

Dear Padre

June 7, 2026

What is the significance of the Holy Eucharist in our lives as Christians?

The Mass should be understood as the celebration of our union—our communion—with Christ and his Church, which is the body of Christ. The Mass presumes participants have an existing personal relationship with Christ. We were united to Christ through baptism. We have received his Holy Spirit, empowering us to carry out Christ's threefold mission: the prophetic mission of announcing his message and denouncing sin; the priestly mission expressed in a life of prayer, self-sacrifice, and participation in the liturgy; and the kingly/servant mission expressed in service to God and neighbor.

For the Eucharist to be meaningful, we must first experience a personal encounter with Christ—one that leads to personal conversion and a decision to live as disciples in community. Indeed, the Eucharist both celebrates and deepens our communion with Christ. The Eucharist also deepens our communion with fellow believers. "The Eucharist's particular effectiveness in promoting communion is one of the reasons for the importance of Sunday Mass," wrote Pope St. John Paul II in On the Eucharist in Its Relationship to the Church (Ecclesia de Eucharistia), 41. Without this loving, sharing community, the Mass becomes empty. Whenever we attend Mass and receive holy Communion, we should ask ourselves: Are we really in communion with Jesus and the body of Christ, his Christian community? If not, then we should seek this broader communion in our lives.

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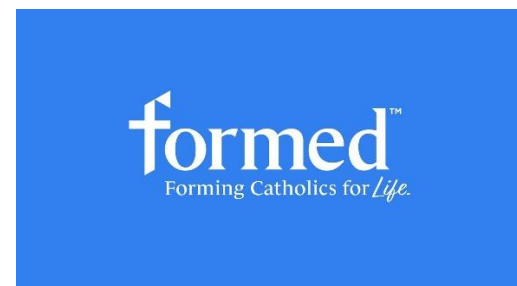
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The Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart

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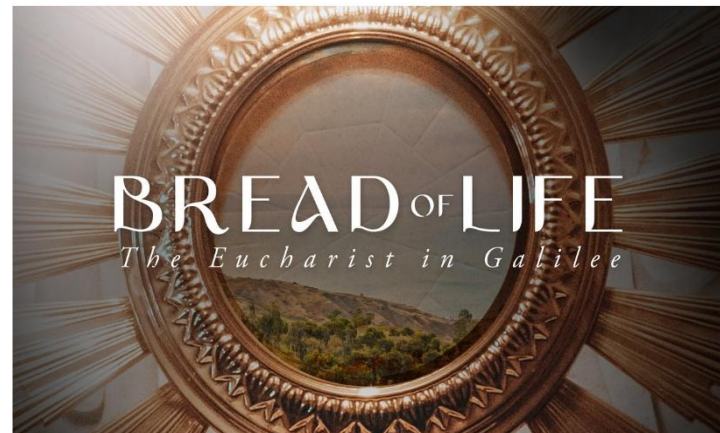
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Pope Leo XIV General Audience
June 3, 2026
Dear brothers and sisters,



In our series of catechesis on the Second Vatican Council, we continue our reflection on Sacrosanctum Concilium, by looking at the elements of the rite, the sign, and the symbol found in the sacred liturgy. The rite of the Christian liturgy is the ecclesial mediation through which the divine gift reaches us. In the liturgy, we are invited to participate — body, mind, and heart — and enter into a dimension inhabited by the Holy Spirit. In order to enter into this dimension, the liturgy is woven with signs and symbols that have a performative and transformative dimension. For example, kneeling is a sign of our worship of God while exchanging the sign of peace points to our ecclesial communion. Further, signs help us to recall the constitutive acts of the Sacraments as when we are sprinkled with holy water, we remember our commitment to Christ. As we prepare for the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, may each of us reawaken our openness to an encounter with God by rediscovering the signs and symbols of the sacred liturgy.

Sunday MATRIMONY MOMENTS WEEK #1 - Hope in God's Faithful Provision
Sunday, June 7, 2026
Sunday Scripture: "He fed you in the desert with manna, a food unknown to your fathers." (Deuteronomy 8:16a)
Couple Prayer: Lord Jesus, Bread of Life, in times of marital dryness or trial, nourish our love as You nourished Your people in the desert. Help us trust Your provision and draw closer to You and each other through the Eucharist. Amen.
Marriage Motivation Tip: When facing financial stress, health issues, or emotional distance, recall how God sustains you daily. Make a habit of thanking each other for small acts of care—they are manna for your marriage.
Couple Conversation Question: What "desert" moment have we faced together, and how did God provide for us in unexpected ways?
Find more ways to strengthen and energize your marriage at ArchSTL.org/Jubilant-Marriages



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