

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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*Lord make me an  
instrument of peace...*

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## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am  
Wednesday - 7:30 am

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class  
required for first time parents  
and inactive Catholics.  
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating  
marriage must contact Lilly at least  
6 months prior to wedding date.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 625-3131

[www/hfehays.org](http://www/hfehays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)

Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 ~ The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

*Corpus Christi*



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. June 6 8:00 am +Joseph & Clara Unrein  
Wed. May 26 7:30 am +Farron Leiker  
Sun. June 13 8:00 am L/D Matt & Clara Rohr family  
Wed. June 2 7:30 am L/D Eugene & Virjean Reeh family

**SERVERS**

Sunday, June 6 Valerie Dome & Makailyn Leiker  
Sunday, June 13 Braydon Binder & Alec Gerstner

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, June 6 Bea Suppes & Michelle Werth  
Sunday, June 13 Jenalyn Leiker & Deacon Steve

**LECTORS**

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun. June 6 Ken Richmeier Rich & Sherri Ruder  
Sun. June 13 Jeanette Pfannenstiel Tony & Patty Rohr

**GREETERS**

Sunday, June 6 John & Amy Moeder  
Sunday, June 13 John & Natalie Oborny

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, June 6**

Ernie Binder, John Moeder, Donovan Richmeier, Tony Staley

**Sunday, June 13**

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Wilbert Gross, Darold Younker

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, June 6 Ken & Peggy Richmeier  
Sunday, June 13 Mark & Dora Leiker  
Sunday, June 20 Ernie & Lilly Binder  
Sunday, June 27 Jason & Rose Carter

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes \$1,725.00  
Loose \$88.00  
**Total \$1,813.00**



**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Exodus 24: 3-8  
Hebrews 9: 11-15  
Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

Recently I heard comments from some people that they are going to miss watching Mass online. They enjoyed sitting in their easy chairs dressed in their comfortable sweats. They could watch Mass anytime they felt like it instead of having to be on time at church. Their desire for comfort and ease misses out on two fundamentals, even two foundational reasons for participating at Mass. We participate, not just attend Mass, because we are the Body of Christ. We are the community who gather to share the one bread and the one cup. Watching at home in front of the television can never be a substitute for gathering as Church. Secondly, in your home in front of the television or computer, you cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Therefore, on this feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ we celebrate who we are--the Church, and we celebrate what we eat and drink--Jesus' body and blood. So while Covid forced us because of safety issues to watch online, it is so good to gather again in person to be the Body of Christ.

Our first reading today from Exodus speaks of sacrifices and pouring of blood. Moses has laid out the requirements that God is calling his people to follow if they want to enter into a covenant with him. They agree to hold up their end of the covenant or pact. And then sealing the covenant, Moses takes blood and sprinkles it on both parties...on the altar which represents God and on the people. The Israelites believe life resided in blood. Sealing the covenant with blood meant that both God and his people were entering into this pact with their very life. In the second reading from Hebrews, we also hear about a liturgy in which Christ, the perfect high priest, once and for all offers himself to take away sin and bring us into communion with God. On Calvary, Christ the high priest par excellence of a new covenant and the perfect victim reconciles us to the Father. Finally in the Gospel of Mark, Jesus is preparing to celebrate the Passover with his disciples. Little do they know that Jesus is going to consecrate a new Passover with bread and wine. Jesus, by dying on the cross on Good Friday, will give himself in a new covenant and offers his disciples and us his very flesh and blood. In instituting the Eucharist, Jesus calls us to participate in his death and resurrection. Jesus invites us to become his flesh and blood for a hungry world.

In reflecting on the Eucharist St. Augustine said, "Believe what you see, see what you believe and become what you are: The Body of Christ." When we say "Amen", we

are saying "Yes! I believe this is the Body and Blood of Christ and that I will be the Body of Christ to others." I often feel that as Catholics there is a disconnect between receiving the Eucharist and doing something as a result of that reception. What St. Augustine is implying is that we are changed by receiving communion. Our lives are changed and we go out and live differently in the world. It is not a static reception of Jesus' body and blood, but an active engagement in transforming ourselves and the world. Too often I feel, we want to receive Jesus in communion and then keep him to ourselves. Jesus invites us to receive Eucharist and then become food for a hungry, starving world...a world searching for meaning and purpose. This Sunday let's celebrate who we are and what we must become for our families, our friends, and the world.

~ Deacon Steve

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**Church Council Election today. Please vote for two women. Thanks to all who agreed to be on the ballot.**

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**JUNE AFTER MASS SOCIAL:** Christian Mothers will be hosting a breakfast following Mass on Father's Day, June 20<sup>th</sup>. This will take the place of the first Sunday of the month social.

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**Heartland Parishes CORPUS  
CHRISTI Eucharistic Procession,  
Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m.**

From St. Joseph Church to  
Immaculate Heart of Mary.

We will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph Church followed by a procession to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish for Benediction. All the faithful are encouraged to join us!

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**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE**

*St. Francis of Assisi Numbers:*

Goal: \$3,500.00

Pledges: \$5,600.00

Number of Donors: 15

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St. Joseph's Food Pantry Distribution Days: Saturday's June 19<sup>th</sup> and July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday at the old Kennedy building. Thank you for your support!

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*From the Desk of Fr. Damian:*

**New Wedding Ritual:  
Greeting the Couple at the Door**

The 2015 Revised Wedding Ritual prefers that the couple be greeted at the door of the Church instead of the Bride being given away.

The way this looks in the ceremony is that the priest, accompanied by the ministers, goes to the doors of the church where the wedding party is assembled. He greets the party joyously, then the entrance procession begins. The ministers go first. Then the parents & grandparents of the groom and bride. Then the attendants, and finally the couple. After that, the wedding Mass continues as normal.

I have had the privilege of using this entrance at several weddings, and it has never failed to impress me.

By presenting themselves together at the doors of the church, the couple says "We are doing this together." Together we have chosen to forge a future together. For better or for worse, for richer or poorer, we will face this world together and, in our married life, try to build something greater than either of us can do by ourselves.

But we know we can't do this on our own. Left to our own devices, we fail. We need the grace of the Sacrament before we can begin this great endeavor. We need the prayers of our family, our friends and our parish so that the foundation of our married life can be strong.

So we come to the Church. Not as two individuals hoping that the other person will complete us, but together, asking God to bless us in the great work of marriage, which we are about to begin.

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**Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice:** Please call one of the Archangels listed below to volunteer or answer any questions you might have about the chapel. Bob Feauto (12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.), 628-1429 Lorraine Brungardt (6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) 625-3021 Yvonne Demuth (12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) 656-9543 Geri Rupp (6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) 639-5588

**5 HOURS OPEN: Sunday 10:00AM Saturday 9:00AM, 1:00PM & 5:00PM Friday 1:00AM**

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Sunflower Polka Club is hosting a two-day polka event. Featuring the most famous Julie Lee Band and Wes Windholz on Saturday, June 12, from 1 to 6pm. On Sunday, June 13, Julie Lee will play from 1 to 4pm, at St. Michael's Parish Hall, LaCrosse.

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**St. Joseph Cemetery Notice:** Due to the blessing of rain, we will need to mow the cemetery once again. We ask that you remove any items that are not attached to the monument by Monday, June 7th so that the St. Joseph Maintenance staff can proceed with the mowing. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter

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Matt Shorman, Adam, Special Intentions, Ramona Weigel, Carole Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.  
*Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

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**JUNE** – Indifference to Human Trafficking is not an option. Learn the devastating affects within our borders and throughout the world. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

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**A Family Perspective ....by Bud Ozar**

One gets the impression there was always a lot of sharing, discussion and learning during the many meals Jesus and the disciples ate together. How does this compare to the meals in your home? Today's gospel challenges us to make our meals more than physical functions and more a time for sharing.

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Teresa Tomeo, host of Catholic Connection, discusses social issues, media awareness, and interviews community leaders and newsmakers live. Teresa reports on news throughout the Catholic community and how we can make a difference. Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com), or on the free phone app at 8 AM on weekdays. To call-in 877-573-7825

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**HOST FAMILIES FOR TMP-MARIAN INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:**

TMP-M will be admitting quite a few international students next school year. If you or your family would like more information on become a host family for TMP-M International Students, please contact Amy Wasinger at [sawasinger@gmail.com](mailto:sawasinger@gmail.com) or 7856230287. THANK YOU!

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**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**  
Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

June/July: Office open Tues -Thurs 9-12 & 1-4  
June 30: Last day to turn in uniform donations

Holy Family Elementary has openings for the upcoming 21-22 school year for students entering grades Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st, and 4th. If you are interested or want to get more information, please contact Toni in the school office at 785-625-3131. We are happy to offer family tours and answer any questions you may have about our school!

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**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**  
Chad Meitner, Principal  
Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal  
625-6577

Check TMP-M web page for upcoming events. We wish everyone a blessed and safe summer!

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Let every knee bend before You.  
O greatness of my God,  
so supremely humbled in the Sacred Host.  
May every heart love You, every spirit adore you  
and every will be subject to You!  
...*St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

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**Mission Statement:**

*St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.*