

A reflection from the Pastor

Peace. Today's gospel is definitely good news for those who believe in Jesus. Jesus responded to those who questioned where he came from by showing his authority and power. The good news is just this: "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."

That is at the heart of what we believe as Catholic Christians. From my own experience, if you ask young children: "Who wants to die?" not many hands go up. But if you ask: "Who wants to live for ever?", every hand, right and left, goes sky high. Our faith teaches us that to be a follower of Jesus means to stay in communion with him. We believe that he is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist we receive. This is how we remain assured of His promise – to eat as he commanded us.

If you find yourself in a situation that prevents you from communion, make it a real aim to speak to me about getting back in communion. The Lord is calling you and he wants you to be with him forever. Jesus is saying, stop murmuring to yourselves, and return to Him.

Let us pray in this week that we might be imitators of this good news.

On an administrative note: each month I will prepare a financial statement for you to see where we are going in terms of our financial standing. This will be the most basic income and expenditure statement, so that we can keep track.

Have a blessed week.

- Fr. Ty

Readings for next Sunday

*Try to read over them and pray with them
at least once this week.*

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Proverbs 9:1-6
Second Reading Ephesians 5: 15-20
Gospel Reading John 6:51-58

Mass Schedule and Intentions

August 14 - August 20

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| Monday: | 7:00 p.m. | Beatrice Posada |
| Tuesday: | 8:00 a.m. | Pro Populo |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Special Intention |
| Wednesday | 8:00 a.m. | Veronica Torres |
| Thursday: | 8:00 a.m. | Tommie Matchett, Sr. |
| Friday: | 8:00 a.m. | Alma Brandl |
| Saturday: | 3:00 p.m. | Romero - Quinceñera |
| | 6:00 (vigil) | Diane and Tommy |
| Sunday: | 8:00 a.m. | Pro Populo |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Knights of Columbus |

ATTENTION: HOLY DAY

Tuesday August 15, 2006 is a Holy Day of obligation. This means that all Roman Catholics are obliged to attend Mass. The schedule at St. Patrick will be:

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| August 14 (vigil) | 7:00 p.m. |
| August 15 | 8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. |

Altar Servers



If you were unable to make the meeting Saturday, please pick up and read a copy of the notes in the server workroom. Thank you.

Community Reminder: New School Year

Just a reminder to you that BISD will begin the new school year August 16, 2006.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and paint the parish hall classrooms for upcoming classes.

Date: Monday, August 14 9:00 a.m. - ?

Possibly Tuesday same time.

Lunch will be provided for all who work.

Young and old – we can use all the help we can get!!!

Or just come out for moral support.

The Catholic Lighthouse correction

The correction is for the **Sts. Cyril and Methodius parish in Cistern**, their festival is **August 27**, beginning with Mass at 10 and fried-chicken and sausage dinner to follow.

Religious Education Program/Registration

The time is soon approaching to register the children for religious education classes. This education is so important to them and to the church – for they need to be formed well in the ways of the faith to face the world.

Groups will meet every other Wednesday evening @ 7:00 p.m.
1-6 grades and 7-12 grades

The dates for registration are:

August 23 and August 30 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Heritage Room.
And Tues – Friday at parish office.

Registration will be closed September 4, 2006.

The fee for classes is \$15 per child. Again, don't let the fee be a hindrance to your child's faith. Start saving now. If you need assistance with the fee, please let me know. Your child's education in the faith is my primary concern. The fee pays for books and supplies.

Students registering for sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist need to bring copies of their baptismal certificate (unless they were baptized at St. Patrick).

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors

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| Saturday, 6 P.M. | Jeanne Lange/Paulette Brandl |
| Sunday, 8 A.M. | Ted Cabral/Elida Cortina |
| 10 A.M. | Martha Matura/Lupe Olguin |

Ministers of the Precious Blood

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| Saturday, 6 P.M. | Tommy and Jeanette West |
| Sunday, 8 A.M. | Emilio and Veronica Ledezma |
| 10 A.M. | Deacon Fred and Patty Soto |

Gift Bearers

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| Saturday, 6 P.M. | Marie Boedeker, Lawrence/Pauline Kelly |
| Sunday, 8 A.M. | Pete/Elena Guerra |
| 10 A.M. | Danny/Frances Garcia |

Ushers

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| Saturday, 6 P.M. | J. Canales Sr., M. Lange, J. Canales, Jr., I. Martin |
| Sunday, 8 A.M. | L. Rivera, Jr., J. Cantu, S. Torres, A. Posada |
| 10 A.M. | D. Hybner, J. Troncoso, H. Longoria, M. Gonzales |

Altar Servers

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| Saturday, 6 P.M. | Gabriella & Madeline Canales, Olivia Garza |
| Sunday, 8 A.M. | Maurizio Ledezma, Jessica Gonzalez, Briana Avitia |
| 10 A.M. | N. Rameriz, D. Folmar, E. Rodriguez |

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED Turkey Dinner is September 24th



If you are interested in donating a prize to the upcoming Turkey Dinner raffle, you may do so by signing up on the board in the church. Prizes are needed to help make this year a successful one. Thank you.

Parish Collection Information

Last Sunday's Collection: \$2224.75

Knights of Columbus Lawn Maintenance Crew

Manuel Gonzalez, Jose Troncoso, Edward Garcia, Beto Cantu, Juan Sanchez

Please Note – Candles/Holy Water Bottles



These have been moved to the cabinet on the altar server side workroom, so that we might keep all candles together. I have also ordered Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Guadalupe in addition to St. Michael.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 5:15 - 5:45 P.M. *And by Private Appointment*

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Godparents should be practicing, churchgoing Catholics, who have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill.

New Parishioners

Welcome. Please stop by the parish office to register.

The bulletin is provided for the explicit purpose of communicating information weekly to the people of God in Bloomington, Texas concerning the pastoral mission of the parish. For more information or to have something included, please call the pastor.

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Quinceñeras

Young ladies approaching their fifteenth birthday, who are members of the parish, are attending religious education classes, and have been enrolled for three years, may contact the pastor six months in advance to arrange the celebration.