

June 7, 2026  
Corpus Christi Sunday



Mass Intentions

Saturday June. 6 - 5:00pm

◇ Mass for the People

Sunday June. 7 - 9:00am

† Helen & Stephen Sefcik

Monday June. 8 - 8:30am

† Helen Brannon

Tuesday June. 9 - 8:30am

† Margaret Townsend

Friday June. 12 - 8:30am

† Helen Brannon

Saturday June. 13 - 5:00pm

† Helen Dudlek

Sunday June. 14 - 9:00am

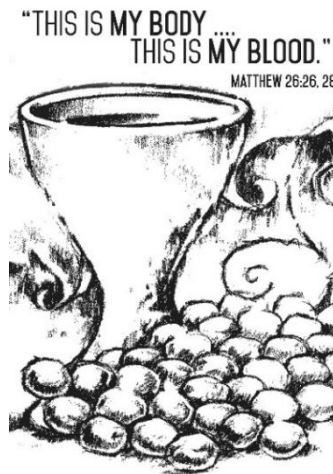
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Sanctuary Candle

The Living and Deceased  
Members of the  
Truskowski Family

From the Pastor

Today we celebrate the Body and Blood of Christ and remember the offering Christ gave to us when he said, "Take this and eat for this is my body," and later when Christ took the cup of wine and said, "Take this and drink for this is my blood." The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi, is a solemnity that celebrates the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Today's solemnity originated in the 13th century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. During Mass this weekend we are called to reflect on Jesus' gift of his very own body and blood. We are also challenged to go forward from our Eucharistic Liturgy to live as true disciples in the world we live in. As we believe in the transformation of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ, may we also allow the Holy Eucharist to transform us to be true Disciples of Christ.



Fr. Dave

**Thank You** for your generous support of last week's second collection for the Juneteenth Worship Service at the Mount Salem U.A.M.E. Church located at 305 4<sup>th</sup> Street here in Delaware City. The service will begin at 10am on June 21<sup>st</sup> and a community cookout will follow immediately after the service. There is no charge for the cookout.

**All are welcome to the additional Juneteenth Celebrations:**

- June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am – Continental Breakfast at the Delaware City Library followed with a presentation by Dr. Miles Albrook Stanly entitled "A Mongrel Liberty, A Mere Mock Freedom."
- June 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am – Commemorative Service at the African Union Church Cemetery located on the Michael N. Castle Trail.

**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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