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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

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“The Body broken, and the Blood poured out” becomes the greatest symbolic action of Catholic liturgy. “Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life” (CCC #1324). Therefore, in the Eucharist we break ourselves time and again for the sake of humanity with the same intensity of God’s love and self-giving.

The Old Testament records God’s constant invitation to all people to have a personal communion with Him. He does that because we are capable of having a relationship and communion with God. According to scripture, it is part of our creation in God’s image and likeness. We have been created by Him and for Him. We can be fully human only in communion with our loving and caring God. When we lose sight of God, we lose our humanity and allow every form of savagery to prevail in us.

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ that we celebrate this weekend, calls us to reflect on the cultural situation of our present world. Our personal communion with God has a tremendous impact on how we shape our world culture. Moses, in the Old Testament, realized the folly of human life without God and made sure that the people of Israel would renew the covenant with God, as often as possible. The covenant with God – the Passover Mystery – becomes an antidote for all liberal-

ism, secularism, romanticism, humanism and many other such ‘isms’ and keeps their focus on true humanity.

In the first reading of this weekend, Moses sprinkles the blood of the animal on the assembly that gathered at the foot of the mountain. This is a symbolic action. All those who have the blood of the animal are now connected with each other. They are now brothers and sisters and have become one family. They are the people of the covenant and, therefore, people of God.

What Moses did in the exodus was a prophetic foreshadowing of the blood sacrifice of the new covenant, ratified by the blood of Jesus Christ. This is the sacrifice of the Cross, a sacrifice of self-giving in pure love of each other. We not only participate and offer this sacrifice, but we also eat the body of Christ and drink the blood of Christ. We complete this sacrifice by assimilating it within us and becoming what we have sacrificed – the person of Christ.

When we receive the Eucharist, we come into a communion with Our God and reaffirm our acceptance of the new covenant, allowing ourselves gradually to be transformed into the image of Christ. The performance of the reception of the Eucharist requires faith in what it stands for. If we allow ourselves ‘to be broken and poured out’ in Christ for the Kingdom of God at the Eucharistic table, we may see the humanity of Christ transform ourselves and our world. –

PARISH LITURGIES

— SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST —

Monday June 03 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday, June 04 - St. Francis Caracciolo

8:30 am + Gerald McGraw

Wednesday, June 05 - St. Boniface

8:30 am + Francisco Macedo

Thursday, June 06 - St. Norbert

8:30 am + Jean Claude Duval

Friday, June 07 - Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30 am Int. Dial Family

9:00 am Adoration

—10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday, June 08 - The Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:00 - 4:30 Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Tom Kingry, + Giuseppe Novelli, + Elizabeth Boulton, + Rita McGill, + Sundeep Khosla, + Mary Valla, Int. Lacuesta Family

Sunday, June 09

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



The month of June is dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

Mark your calendars, because on the evening of Saturday June 22, 2024, our Social Committee will be hosting the first ever parish Summer Garden Party! We are finalizing the details and will share more information on this event in early June. Don't miss it! Block the date on your calendar now!

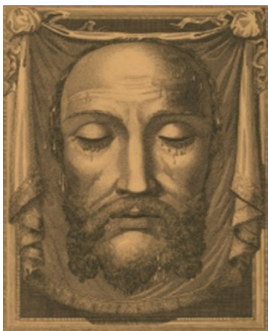
SAINT DOMINIC PARISH INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Our parish community is filled with fine folks from a variety of international backgrounds. Our Social Committee is planning to host an evening event to celebrate all of the cultural backgrounds that make our parish a very special community.

The actual event will take place early in 2025 (date to be confirmed). We are calling on members of our parish community to join in the planning for this special event. We are hosting a planning session on Wednesday May 15th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please join us.

Share your culture and be a part of our organizing team for International Night 2025!

MONTHLY HOLY FACE DEVOTION



Please join our St. Dominic's Conversatio Christo Choir at our monthly Holy Face Devotion Vespers – contemplative evening prayer including the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, and Gregorian Chant hymns on Sunday, June 2nd at 7:00 pm in the Church as we pray for reverence, reparation and a return to Christ.

MARIAN DAYS

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June through October. Format: 9:00 am—Holy Hour & Confessions; 10:30—Mass & Reflection on the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary; 11:30—Rosary Procession; 12:00 pm—Tea & Coffee available in the Parish Hall. You are welcome to bring your own lunch. The gift shop will be open and tours are available.



SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week in Memory of Anthony Chean

CWL NEWS

There will be CWL General Meeting on Monday, June 3rd at 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre. All women of the parish are invited to attend!

LISTENING TOGETHER: MEDITATION ON SYNODALITY

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is pleased to offer a summer book club to anyone who would like to explore the meditations of Father Timothy Radcliffe from the Synod gatherings in October 2023. This series of presentations helps us better understand the true meaning of synodality and the importance of discernment in this process. Offered over four sessions, the book club will gather virtually on Wednesday afternoons in July (3, 10, 17, 24) from 1:00 – 2:00 pm for prayer and discussion. The series is free of charge and all are welcome to participate! Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/aLzYvolC28BJ6aw36>

DID YOU KNOW...

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com. To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: bit.ly/DOHCCC

TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL

June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you to take the time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to on going reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four week learning opportunity through the VLCCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, please visit us at www.hamiltondioceslearns.com

FAITH AFTER GRADUATION

The Office of Youth Ministry has produced a resource for those graduating from grade 12. Please visit our webpage to access the brochure and the suggested resources to help you stay connected to the faith and your parish after graduating from your Catholic High School. tinyurl.com/dohymresources

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Parenting Tip #159 - As summer approaches and we plan for holidays, camps and childcare, remember to ensure that family time makes a strong appearance in your calendar. These years with our children are about forming a foundation both for their futures and for our adult relationships with them. Don't let too many scheduled activities remove the most important one – time spent together as a family. In addition, remember that praying and attending Mass together are great bonding moments as well. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office: 9058-528-7988 ext. 2250).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCCFF

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2024. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information, about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord: whoever eats of this bread will live forever."

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Marriage Tip #139 - Our Catholic faith tells us that the vocation of marriage has a two fold purpose: the good of the spouses, themselves, and the transmission of life. It can seem challenging for each spouse to help their husband/wife to be the best person they can be, but when we love, we want the best for the other. It isn't about criticizing and demanding change, but about helping our spouse to grow in faith and maturity and to become the best person they can be. It is not an easy task, but one that brings great reward to each spouse, child and all those connected to us in any way. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

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SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

Receiving Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. God nourishes us with the "Bread from Heaven" if we have ordained priests to celebrate the Liturgy. If you feel the inclination to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Directory of Vocation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, June 03	Rev. Drago Gacnik, S.D.B.
Tuesday, June 04	Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba
Wednesday, June 05	Barnabite Father (C.R.S.P.)
Thursday, June 06	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Friday, June 07	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – World Day of Prayer for Priests
Saturday, June 08	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 07 – Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

June 08 – Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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