

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: Let us acknowledge God's real presence among us today and offer our prayers for all those in need.

☺ For God's holy people, nourished by this holy Eucharist, as we go out into the world to share the Good News of God's love for all, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ For the hungry in every nation, including our own, for families and children without enough to eat, for the elderly alone and starving, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ For those in our community who are unable to join us at this celebration, and for the ministers of Communion who go to them with our prayers and the Eucharist from this table, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ For those who graduate this year, may they give glory to God through the loving use of their talents and skills, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ For all our fathers on this special day, and for our grandfathers and all who have fathered and guided us in very many ways, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ That those who have died will be nourished forever at the banquet feast of heaven, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

☺ That God hears the prayers of our basket, Dominick & Eva Betker, Anna, Harry, Bernie Zywicki & Barb Strassle, Ted, Dora & Terry Nolan, Bill Steward, the continued success of the Renovation projects and the needs of St. Joseph & St. Stephen Parishes, we pray;

▶ **Give us your Living Bread, O God.**

(Pause for intentions from the heart to be prayed.)

Presider: God of all bounty, you lavish your love on us at this table. Give us grateful hearts and the courage and strength to be eucharist for one another and the world around us, through Christ our Lord.

ALL: AMEN!

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 17-18, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS:

†Dominick & Eva Betker,
Anna, Harry, Bernie Zywicki
& Barb Strassle

†Ted, Dora & Terry Nolan
†Bill Steward



PENITENTIAL RITE:

Lord Jesus, you are the living bread that came down from heaven:

Lord have mercy;

.....Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the source of nourishment for your holy people:

Christ have mercy;

.....Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, yours is the way to everlasting life:

Lord have mercy;

.....Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: “Remember how for forty years now the Lord, your God, has directed all your journeying in the desert, so as to test you by affliction and find out whether or not it was your intention to keep his commandments. He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers, in order to show you that not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord. Do not forget the Lord, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery; who guided you through the vast and terrible desert with its saraph serpents and scorpions, its parched and waterless ground; who brought forth water for you from the flinty rock and fed you in the desert with manna, a food unknown to your fathers.”

The Word of the Lord.
THANKS BE TO GOD!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#47, Gather - Psalm 104
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters: The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

The Word of the Lord.
THANKS BE TO GOD!

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds: “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.” The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” Jesus said to them, “Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
PRAISE TO YOU LORD, JESUS CHRIST!

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death, and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.