



May 5, 2019 3rd Sunday of Easter

In my homily this past Sunday, I shared the heartbreaking experience of finding a broken portion of the

Eucharist on the floor right after Holy Communion at one of our masses on Easter Sunday. As I mentioned, I am very hopeful that it was just an accident, but I do hope you can understand how unsettling such an experience was for me, and should be for all of us should we ever have that happen to us. After all, we believe that after consecration, the bread and the wine cease to be bread and wine and are now the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, never to be changed back again. As a side note, that is why one of my biggest pet peeves is when people refer to the consecrated Eucharist as bread or wine. Words matter, so thanks for indulging me with this little reminder!

My real point for this article is to answer the question: "What do we do if we notice the Eucharist lying on the ground?" Thankfully, this is not something we encounter with any regularity, but since it happened in our church recently, this gives me an opportunity to address it. First of all, if you see a host or a portion of a host on the floor in the church, presume that it is consecrated. In most cases, we cannot know for sure, but we should always err on the side of caution. If one of the priests or deacons is present, please bring it to their attention as soon as you can. If you cannot do so immediately, please pick up the Host yourself. If you are concerned with potential germs, use a tissue or something like that so as to keep the host from further damage. Once I receive the Host, I will normally either consume it on the spot or I will take measures to ensure that the Host is taken care of reverently and properly.

You may be thinking of another question – "What if I accidentally drop the Body of Christ while receiving Him?" That happens with some regularity, so please do not panic. Usually, the Host is still in good condition and you could bend down and pick Him up and consume Him. If you are uncomfortable with that, you can hand the Host back to me or the other Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and we will give you a new Host, and then ensure that the dropped Host is consumed or taken care of properly.

One thing we should NEVER do is throw the Host in the trash or just leave Him lying on the ground unattended. Also never forget that even the tiniest visible portion of a Host is still Jesus fully present in His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Therefore, if you notice a particle on your hand, please consume it and DO NOT brush off your hands, lest Jesus fall to the ground and risk being trampled on or sucked up by a vacuum cleaner.

As St. Paul says, "all things work for the good for those who love God" (Rom 8:28), so we can use this unfortunate incident as a learning opportunity for what to do if it happens again and as a reminder to be ever more diligent in being as reverent and careful with Jesus who is fully present to us in the Eucharist each time we approach Him.

-Father Alford

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

Jane Hendrickson, parishioner
Allan Dahlkamp, parishioner
Robert Eifert, parishioner
Shirley Crawford, parishioner
Rene Runions, parishioner
Ray Roland, parishioner
Lynn F. Leach, parishioner
Kathy Smith, parishioner
Evelyn Conboy, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
JoAnn Barber, parishioner
Ken Cardoni, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
Susan Decatoire, aunt of Mike Spainhour
John Rentschler, son of Ginger Rentschler
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Julie Sinkus, daughter of Barb Sinkus
Jim Felts, husband of Dianne Felts
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Jean Seward, sister of Mary Jo Duesterhaus
Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
Joanna Laabs, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
Bob Etherton, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Mike Geist, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
Craig Martin, nephew of Debbie Decker
Carol Slaughter, friend of Virginia Rentschler
David Brogden, friend of Don & Roberta Vanover



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Saturday, May 4th

1:30 p Wolf/McCoy Wedding
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: for the parish)

Sunday, May 5th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Jim & Mary Kates†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Deacon Walker
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)

Monday, May 6th

9:00 a Counting team #1
5:00 p Confessions
5:30 p Mass (Int: Deceased Lucasey Family†)
7:00p Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 7th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:45 p Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 8th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Lorraine Blasko †)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
1:00 p Ladies Tea/Bunco
6:30 p PSR Closing Mass
7:00p Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 9th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: All Souls†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Friday May 10th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Mitch Borowiecki†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, May 11th

1:00 p Sew-n-Sews
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: For the Parish)
Confirmation practice after Mass

Sunday, May 12th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: All Mothers)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Deacon Roth
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: All Mothers)
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Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/2018-6/30/2019

	Last Week	Year-to-date
Collections (77)	\$ 4,868.00	\$232,280.07
Electronic Funds (15)	\$1,710.00	\$ 43,239.60
Bldg. Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,437.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (3)	\$ 185.00	\$ 6,120.00
Poor Fund	\$ 40.12	\$ 2,136.55
Children's Offerings(1)	\$ 1.00	\$ 45.11
Cath. Home Missions(36)	\$1,289.00	\$ 1,459.00
Rice bowl	\$ 248.35	\$ 482.31
Holy Land (1)	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,098.01
Seminarians (2)	\$ 40.00	\$ 2,380.00
Easter Offerings (6)	\$ 290.00	\$ 5,756.00
Number of contribution envelopes used:		121
Number of Electronic Contributions:		20

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, May 11th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, DeGroot, Egizio, Deacon Walker
Lectors: Day, Maynerich
Servers: Heiple, Myers, Trello
Hospitality: H & M Bruno, Foster

Sunday, May 12th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, R & L Eifert, Deacon Roth
Lectors: J & N Calvert
Servers: Delgado, Lauwerens, Zeidler
Hospitality: G & K Park, R & B Yong

Sunday, May 12th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Fjelstul, Kerley
Lectors: D & S Kuntzman
Servers: H & E Toliver
Minister of Care: Deacon Roth
Hospitality: Brewer Family
CLOW: A & B Toliver

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confessions Times

Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.
Saturday – 3:30-4:15 p.m.
Sunday – 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:45-10:15 a.m.

Volunteers for this week – May 6th – May 12th

Church Duster: Donna Spurlock
May Recycling volunteer: Jan Pietras
May Food volunteer: Mary Fox
Coffee & Donuts – Sun., May 12th:
Don & Roberta Vanover

SCRIPTURE READINGS – May 5th – May 12th

Sunday: ACTS 5:27-32,40b-41 RV 5:11-14
JN 21:1-19
Monday: ACTS 6:8-15 JN 6:22-29
Tuesday: ACTS 7:51-8:1A JN 6:30-35
Wednesday: ACTS 8:1B-8 JN 6:35-40
Thursday: ACTS 8:26-40 JN 6:44-51
Friday: ACTS 9:1-20 JN 6:52-59
Saturday: ACTS 9:31-42 JN 6:60-69
Sunday: ACTS 13:14, 43-52 RV 7:9, 14B-17
JN 10:27-30

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

May 5, 12, 19, 26 – 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
May 6 – 7:00 p.m. – Pastoral Council meeting
May 7, 21 – 6:45 p.m. – Women’s Bible Study
May 8 – 1:00 p.m. – Ladies Tea/Bunco
May 8 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR Closing Mass
May 11 – 1:00 p.m. – Sew-n-Sews
May 14, 28 – 10:00 p.m. – Women’s Bible Study
May 14 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
May 15– 6:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
May 15 – 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation
May 16 – 7:00 p.m. – Men’s Prayer Group
May 21 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus meeting
Appreciation Dinner

→PSR NEWS←

If you have not yet registered for **the 2019-2020 PSR classes**, please do so. We will have Wednesday evening classes only. By registering now, you will help us have a good start in figuring out next year’s class sizes. **Please help us to prepare by registering early!** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 217-498-9197 or ftomashavich@stjude.dio.org.

- Frances Tomashavich

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The youth going on this year’s Mission trip will be selling **raffle tickets after all Masses May 4th & 5th, and May 11th & 12th**. The tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Only 600 tickets will be sold.

The drawing will be Mother’s Day, May 12th. The prizes are a choice of \$650.00 cash, a \$650.00 shopping spree at Scheel’s, or a whole hog processed by Magro’s Gourmet Meats. If you would like to purchase tickets but are not available to purchase them after these masses, please contact Kay Foster at yakyakf@comcast.net or 217-494-2984.



Save the Date – ROAR VBS
July 21-25

Mark your calendars because we’re “Roaring” to have VBS this summer!

Children in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate and helpers 6th through high school are asked to volunteer.

VBS will be from 6-8:30 in the Parish Center but will begin Sunday night with a Family Kick-off Cookout Registration begins the first week of June, more information to come!

Please save newspaper, cardboard, and paper towel/toilet paper rolls so the VBS staff can begin transforming the Parish Center into a Zoofari!

You are invited to join the Ladies Bible Study Group! We meet the first & third Tuesdays of the month at 6:45 p.m., and the second & fourth Tuesdays of the month at 10:00 am.

In May the morning Bible Studies Group will finish the series on “Cultural Apologetics” – looking at hot button topics from a Catholic perspective. On Tuesday, May 14th, we will be talking about Sex and Sanctity .

The evening Bible Studies Group will continue a study on the Book of 1 Corinthians and seeing the ways which Scripture is applicable to our lives in today’s world.

So, come and join us, bring a friend!



Join women of faith as we come together to take time for ourselves and journey together

with Jesus. Talks, discussion, prayer, and worship music are just a few things you can expect on this one-day retreat. There is no cost, but a free will donation is appreciated. Join us on June 28th at Hagel's in Mt Sterling, IL from 6-9 to socialize with other women and meet those leading the retreat. Free appetizers are available as well as a cash bar, just come and go as you please! On June 29th, we will have the retreat at St Thomas Church Hall in Camp Point, IL starting at 8:30 and concluding with mass at 3:30. This is a Catholic based retreat, but all are welcome! To register, please contact Laura Evans at 217-316-1734 or levans@adams.net



Rice Bowls and Loving Arms Baby Bottles

THANK YOU to those who collected! If you still have your Baby Bottles and/or Rice



Bowls, now is the time to turn them in! Please bring them to the parish office or to church so we can send in money to these worthwhile organizations. Thank you for your generosity.



Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Our parish raised **\$1,459.00** to strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel spreads across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give!

Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions



Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all? A chance to talk and grow closer to that special someone who loves you, and whom you love. A special Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend away is June

21-23, 2019 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL, or August 9-11, 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wwwme.org/schedule.php> or call 314-649-7317.

St. Jude Ladies Tea/Bunco



The Ladies Tea/Bunco will be held on Wednesday, May 8th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the parish center. Come share fellowship, delicious refreshments and Bunco (or learn how to play). All women of the parish and community are invited to attend. **Bring a friend!**

ROCHESTER CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE



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Join fellow parishioners for fun and fellowship playing on St. Jude's softball team on Sunday afternoons this summer! All men, women, and high school students are invited. We would like to field both men's and co-ed teams, so tell your friends!

Sign up in the back of the church or contact Barry Houmes at 971-1631. **Adult players (over 18 years of age) must have attended a Protecting God's Children session.**



Attention: Knights of Columbus

Our Appreciation Dinner for those Knights & ALL Parishioners who assisted in our many projects will be

held at the Chesapeake Seafood Restaurant on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. There will be a cash bar from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm and dinner will follow at 6:00 pm with choices from their banquet menu. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in foyer of the Church before the deadline of May 17th.



All are welcome to join the **St. Jude's sew-n-sews** group!



Saturday, May 11th at 1:00 p.m. Bring a project, enjoy some snacks and good company! Hope to see you and bring a friend!