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SUNDAYS:

7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM,
12:00 NOON PRINCIPAL LITURGY

WEEKDAYS &

FIRST FRIDAYS:

7:30AM, 9:00AM, 12:00 NOON

SATURDAYS:

9:00AM, 5:30PM VIGIL

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:

BY APPOINTMENT.

PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER
OF THE PARISH STAFF
WELL IN ADVANCE.

SACRAMENT

OF RECONCILIATION:

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD
AT 5:00PM ON SATURDAYS
AND ANYTIME BY
APPOINTMENT.



MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST: JUNE 6, 2010

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Pope John Paul II reminded us that in commemorating the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, the Church “*does not only celebrate the Eucharist but solemnly bears it in procession, publicly proclaiming that the sacrifice of Christ is for the salvation of the whole world.*” We rejoice in this post-Easter expression of our Eucharistic affection in order to deepen our attachment to the unique and unending Event that transforms our lives. As the Sequence for Corpus Christi begs: “*Jesu, of your love befriend us, / You refresh us, you defend us. / Your eternal goodness send us/ In the land of life to see.*”

TODAY’S READINGS ...

First Reading — Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18-20).

Psalm — You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek (Psalm 110).

Second Reading — Paul gives his description of the institution of the Eucharist (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

Gospel — Jesus speaks to the crowd about the kingdom of God and then feeds them with five loaves and two fish (Luke 9:11b-17).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK ...

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 — 8:3 [7:36-50]


SATURDAY: VIGIL

5:30 Holy Souls

SUNDAY: CORPUS CHRISTI

7:30 Gordon Siper

9:00 Clifford Nellisen

10:30 James Galloway

12:00 **St. Monica Parishioners**

MONDAY: WEEKDAY

7:30 Ann Liston (living)

9:00 Annmarie and Jack Sullivan (living)

12:00 Peter Gill

TUESDAY: WEEKDAY

7:30 John O’Dea

9:00 Maria and Settimo Rincione

12:00 Winifred Mathie

WEDNESDAY: SAINT EPHREM

7:30

9:00 Melvin Santiago

12:00 Marjorie and Charles Barrett

THURSDAY: WEEKDAY

7:30

9:00 Joann Freer (living)

12:00 Winifred Pryor

FRIDAY: MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

7:30 Eulogio R. Yasana

9:00 Loretta Stephens

12:00 Kevin Scott

SATURDAY: IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

9:00 Juvy Perez Inciong

CHRIST FORETOLD ...

In Genesis, Melchizedek is described as a king who is also a priest. As this story is usually interpreted, Melchizedek’s action of bringing out bread and wine and blessing it with praise to the Creator is a prophetic action. Seen as a prefigurement of the action of Jesus, he foretells to Abram the One who is to come, the Messiah. The psalm echoes this theme in the time of David the King, who praises and thanks God and proclaims the preexistence of the Christ, who is given princely power from “the day of your birth, in holy splendor” (Psalm 110:3). God has promised this to David and his descendants forever, and God will never go back on this promise. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Corpus Christi (C)*Celebrating the Year of the Priest****Welcome to St. Monica's!***

*The music for today's Eucharist can be found
in our hymnal on the following pages:*

Entrance Hymn	403
<i>Gather Us In</i>	
<i>at noon: Tu es sacerdos in aeternum (D. Schaefer)\ sung by the choir</i>	
Penitential Rite	112
Gloria	160*
Responsorial Psalm	577
<i>You are a priest forever in the line of Melchizedek.</i>	
Gospel Acclamation	168
Offertory Hymn	449
<i>I Am the Bread of Life</i>	
<i>at noon: Hallelujah from The Mount of Olives (L. van Beethoven) sung by the choir</i>	
Sanctus	103*
Memorial Acclamation	104*
Great Amen	105*
The Lord's Prayer	120
Lamb Of God	188*
Communion Hymn	282
<i>Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All</i>	
<i>at noon: Alleluia (R. Thompson) sung by the choir</i>	
Recessional Hymn	309
<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You</i>	

****at noon, from the Mass for St. Monica***

STEWARDSHIP ...

Do not lay up for yourselves treasure on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart also be. — *Matthew 6:19-21*

Last Week's Collection: \$ 3,975.00

Last Year's Collection: \$ 3,841.00

MASS INTENTIONS ...

When faced with the mystery of death and sorrow of loss, Catholic people rightly turn to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as our greatest and most powerful prayer. This is especially true at the time that someone dies. Every Catholic should have the benefit of a Funeral Mass offered for the salvation of his or her soul. This should be done for each of us, without question. Afterwards, family and friends should arrange for other Masses to be offered for that person, as signs of friendship; expression of consolation; and, for the most important purpose, helping that person, if his or her soul went to purgatory, to more swiftly be released from there and welcomed into heaven.

Thanks to God's mercy as revealed in the Scriptures, faithful people trying to live their lives with Christ need not worry that they are going to hell, where souls will never see God. But, even if we are so fortunate as to be going to heaven, we still need to make up for the consequences of our sins.

Who of us with humility and common sense feels worthy to see the face of God right now if we should die suddenly? We know we are sinners and need to make up for those sins. Therefore, we want our family and community to pray for us at Mass when we die. And in the months and years that follow, we want them to offer Masses for our souls, so that if any stain continues or barrier exists, we may be swiftly cleansed and cross that divide into paradise through the merits of Christ's Sacrifice on the Cross, which is renewed for us at each Mass.

We have available dates for announced Masses for the remainder of this year. Please stop by the rectory.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

Both in life and in death, we belong to the Lord.

— *Romans 14*

Please remember St. Monica's Church in your will.

GOD'S PRESENCE ...

Realize above all that you are in God's presence . . . empty yourself completely and sit waiting, content with the grace of God, like a chick who tastes nothing and eats nothing but what its mother gives it. —*St. Romuald*

YEAR OF THE PRIESTS



... Pope Benedict XVI has declared June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010, to be the 'Year for Priests'

As parishioners of St. Monica's, we would like to take this opportunity to recognize the many blessings that priests have brought to us, our families and our parish through their dedicated service over the years. Please join us on today, **Sunday, June 6th 2010** after the **12NOON Mass as we honor and celebrate all priests.** A light reception will immediately follow in the lower church hall. All are welcome!

BUS TRIP ...



On **Thursday, June 17, 2010** we will have a Bus Trip to Atlantic City "Showboat Casino". The bus will leave promptly after the **9:00am Mass**, cost is \$22.00, casino bonus is \$30.00 (valid ID is required by Casino). Bus will return to St. Monica's approximately 9:00 pm. If interested call Frank at (212) 628-8714. On Memorial Day we honor the men and women who have died in defense of our country. Payment required with 48 hrs of making reservation.

FATHER'S DAY ...



Father's Day is Sunday, June 20th what better way for us to show those who are dear to us and have been such a special part of our lives just how much we love them.

Spiritual Bouquet Mass cards are available with intention offering envelopes. The envelopes can be placed in the offering box at the baptismal font and then they will be placed at St. Joseph's Altar.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH ...

CELEBRATION ...

"Our Lady of Perpetual Help Feast Day will be celebrated on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 411 East 68th Street and First Avenue, tel. (212) 288-8300.

Celebration starts with rosary at 4:55pm, followed by Mass at 5:15pm, Exposition, Novena Prayers, Candlelight Procession and Benediction."

MASS ...

A healing Mass and devotions to St. Dymphna, patron saint of mental health, will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 @ 6:30pm, at St. Patrick's Cathedral located Fifth Avenue and East 51 Street. Dymphna is a seventh century Irish saint who is patroness of those suffering from emotional and psychological difficulties as well as illnesses like Alzheimer's and autism.

The Burning of the Sanctuary Light

during the month of **June**

In loving memory of Murray Joseph Friedman requested by Adam Armetta

The Bread and Wine for the Celebration of the Eucharist

during the month of **June**

In Loving Memory of Peter Armetta requested by Adam Armetta



The monthly Sanctuary Light and the monthly Bread and Wine used for the Celebration of the Eucharist may be reserved for your special intentions in memory of a deceased loved one, in thanksgiving for a favor received, or for any other special need. The memorials will be noted in the bulletin each month. The monthly offering:

\$35.00 for the Sanctuary Light

\$35.00 for the Bread and Wine

Please call the rectory at (212) 288-6251 to make your reservation.

MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS ...

June 11 ...

Think of countless T-shirts and bumper stickers: "I (BIG RED HEART) a city/pet/candidate/whatever." The heart is truly the universal symbol of love. Catholic tradition pictures Jesus' heart as living token of redemptive love. The Gospels describe Jesus' heart as "meek and humble" (Matthew 11:29), "full of compassion" (Matthew 9:36), a "fountain of living water" (John 7:37-39), of "blood [Eucharist] and water [Baptism]" (John 19:34), sacraments of the church's birth, new Eve from new Adam's side. The Sacred Heart devotion blossomed in the seventeenth century, countering an overemphasis on spiritual unworthiness and an increasing secular contempt for religion with loving affection for Jesus and encouragement of frequent Communion. The devotion's "apostle" was the humble nun Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-90), who envisioned Jesus, pointing to his burning, wounded heart and lamenting the world's indifference: "Behold the Heart that has loved people so and is loved so little in return!" This cherished Catholic devotion reminds us that, no matter how sophisticated the theology in our heads, discipleship is also, perhaps more so, a matter of the heart.

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SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Weekdays after the Noon Mass

Saturdays after the 9:00am Mass

Holy Hour: First Friday of each month after the Noon Mass

Devotions: Miraculous Medal on Mondays after each Mass



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May 20, 2010
Year for Priests

Reverend Monsignor Thomas A. Modugno, Pastor
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Dear Monsignor Modugno,

Congratulations to you and the Parish of St. Monica for exceeding your goal for the *2010 Stewardship Appeal*. I am so grateful for your efforts.

Through the generosity exhibited by your parish community, the Archdiocese of New York is in a position to continue to strengthen its charitable, educational, and spiritual work. To this end, your leadership and support was crucial to the success of the *2010 Appeal*. Given the difficult economy, your parishioners' response is even more inspiring.

Please share my deepest gratitude with your parish community, and be assured that you have a special place in my prayers.

With renewed gratitude, may I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy M. Dolan".

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan
Archbishop of New York