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**MASSES**

Saturday 4:30 PM      Wednesday 8:00 AM (Not July)  
 Sunday 9:30 AM      Thursday 8:00 AM (Not July)

**WORD & COMMUNION SERVICE**

Tuesday 8:00 AM (Labor Day through Memorial Day)

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Contact Parish Office for appointment to register.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Celebrated 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend each month. Must be active, registered member of parish family. Contact Sandy DesJardins at Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrangements should be made by contacting Parish Office at least six months in advance. Must be active, registered member of parish family.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

Notify Parish Office of parishioners experiencing serious illness, injury, or hospitalization. Communal Anointing of the Sick is celebrated annually in the Fall.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Available 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month at 11:00 AM in the Sacristy at St. Gabriel Parish or call Parish Office for appointment.

**AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
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**WEATHER POLICY**

If Bay City Public Schools close due to inclement weather, daytime (8:00 AM-4:00 PM) parish activities are canceled. Cancellation of evening activities will be announced by 3:00 PM. Check our website, MyParish app, or Facebook page for up-to-date information.



## FROM FR. TOM'S DESK

### Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ)

Patricia Sanchez, [Celebration](#)

In his narrative of the loaves event, Luke also exhibits a profound faith. The evangelist has injected eucharistic language into his narrative, thus affirming that he viewed the feeding of the multitude as a prelude to Jesus' gift of himself as real food and real drink. The people who assembled the Lectionary probably chose the Genesis text because it mentions the bread and wine carried by the ideal priest-king Melchizedek. After being blessed, Abram offered a tenth of all he had. Many refer to this event as the basis for tithing in some churches today.

Through the gift of himself in bread and wine, Jesus continues to be the food that sustains us as well as the source of our communion with him and one another. Around the altar-table of the Eucharist, we remember his dying, we celebrate his life, and we enter into the mystery of God's salvific love. Other food is assimilated into the bodies of those who eat it and becomes a part of them, but those who are nourished by the Eucharist are assimilated into Jesus and thereby become a part of him.

We cannot take for granted so great a gift and so profound a union. But recall the Israelites in the desert who became weary of the manna and quail and started longing for the food they ate in captivity. Do we, too, ever grow weary of the gift we have come to receive so routinely? Do we just go through the motions at Mass?

Perhaps if we were to cultivate a hunger in our hearts and souls – a hunger that arises from need for communion, a hunger prompted by prayer, a hunger that can be satisfied only by Jesus himself – this hunger would drive us to long for our next sacred meal at which we will be fed with the bread of the Word and bread of Eucharist.

### Priest Forever (Genesis 14)

[Celebration](#)

Melchizedek stands out among the foreigners who appear in the Hebrew Scriptures for a number of reasons. His name means something like "the king of justice," and in contrast to the Hebrew tradition, he functioned as both a king and a priest. According to the account, at the time of Abraham, he ruled over Salem, commonly understood to be Jerusalem, the city that would become the capitol of Abraham's promised land. Finally, Melchizedek was mysterious. Not only did he appear unexpectedly and then vanish from the scriptural narrative, but there is no mention of his genealogy.

The Letter to the Hebrews interpreted Melchizedek as a prefigurement of Christ for many of the reasons mentioned above. The most important of them was that like him, Jesus was of a royal, not a priestly lineage. The priesthood they exercised came from their God-given power to bless rather than from accidents of birth.

### Paul's Account (1 Corinthians 11)

[Celebration](#)

Paul's account of Jesus' actions with the bread and wine is the oldest Last Supper narrative we have. The First Letter to the Corinthians probably predates the earliest Gospel by a decade or more. One of the unique features of Paul's account is his emphasis on memory. Although, unlike Matthew and Mark, Luke does quote Jesus as saying, "Do this in remembrance of me," Paul quotes Jesus as saying it twice. This remembrance echoes the instructions for the celebration of the Passover. In the Hebrew mindset, such a remembrance was not simply a memory or recollection, but it was a reliving or actualization

of the original event. When they remembered the Passover, they made themselves a part of it and cherished it in their collective memory. Thus, Jesus' command to "do this in remembrance of me" was a command to remain in communion with him.

### Eucharistic (Luke 9)

[Celebration](#)

This is Luke's rendition of the most popular story in the Christian Scriptures. Variations on this miraculous meal appear six times in the Gospels: twice in Matthew and Mark and once each in Luke and John. It was obviously important to the earliest Christian communities.

First of all, there is no doubt that they remembered this story as an account of the Eucharist. Every one of the accounts includes the solemn words about how Jesus took the food, blessed and broke, and gave it to those present. In contrast to the Last Supper narratives in Matthew, Mark, and Luke, the stories of the miraculous meal omit Jesus' words identifying himself with the bread and wine.

At the Last Supper, Jesus called the bread and wine his body and blood, saying that he was giving everything he was to and for the disciples. At the miraculous meal, he led them to do the same. Eucharist is Communion with Jesus in his person and his mission. As Paul says, it is the call to proclaim who Jesus is by the way we live. No matter how little we have to give, when we give it all, it is enough.

### Called to Feed Others

Gloria Couvion, [Celebration](#)

As we gather at the table of the Eucharist celebration, we take, look up, and consume the broken bread we are given. We are surrounded by our faith community. We are the body of Christ and are called to mission. We are called to participate and go forth, spread the word, and take care of one another. We are called to extend basic human dignity to all people. In that communal action, we bring to life the body and blood of Christ. We distribute those baskets of bread. We are real and we are present. What could be more tangible than that?

***"Feed me, Lord, that I may feed others."***

### Real Presence

Patricia Sanchez, [Celebration](#)

Granted, there are two aspects to this feast. On one hand, we are celebrating the sacramental Body and Blood that Jesus offers as food. Through the centuries, many have marked this day and expressed their gratitude for this great gift with elaborate liturgical processions, during which the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist is carried through the streets and pathways of our cities and villages. In receiving this gift, we are fed with the very life of Jesus Christ. But, the *other* aspect of this feast must be remembered and celebrated as well. In other words, we who eat the sacramental Body and Blood of Christ thereby become the living, breathing, visible, palpable Body of Christ in the world. When we live in the realization of who we are as the Body of Christ, our very lives become a "procession" that brings the Real Presence into every aspect of the human experience.

Today's feast invites us to acknowledge our oneness with Abram (first reading), with Paul (second reading), with the Twelve and the multitudes fed by Jesus (gospel), and with all the other members of the Body of Christ whose lives are necessarily intertwined with our own. Today's feast reminds us that our "yes" or our "Amen" to the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist must be echoed by a "yes" or "Amen" to the Body of Christ in each of its members. Members of Christ, we are also members of one another. Your children are my children – yes! Your brothers and sisters are my own – Amen!

**DAILY PRAYER:** *God, thank you for another day. Thank you for the blessings I understand and the ones I don't. Thank you for the miracles I see and the ones I don't. Let me be okay with this day no matter what it brings. Please continue to be my personal guide and show me the way.* Amen

## WEEK OF JUNE 23, 2019

### MONDAY

Is 49:1-6 Ps 139:1-3, 13-15 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80

### TUESDAY

Gn 13:2, 5-18 Ps 15:2-5 Mt 7:6, 12-14

### WEDNESDAY 8:00am - Mass

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Mt 7:15-20

### THURSDAY 8:00am - Mass

Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 Ps 106:1-5 Mt 7:21-29

### FRIDAY

Ez 34:11-16 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 Lk 15:3-7

### SATURDAY 4:30pm - Mass

Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-9 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19

### SUNDAY 9:30am - Mass (No Nursery)

1 Kgs 19:16, 19-21 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 Gal 5:1, 13-18 Lk 9:51-62



## CONGRATULATIONS!



Emerson Claire Horschig  
Child of Adam & Stephanie  
Baylor Somer O'Keefe  
Child of Jamie & Jan  
Madison Elizabeth Squires  
Child of Matthew & Jennifer

Jesus says, "Let the children come to me." Luke 18:15

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

We congratulate and pray for continued blessings upon our parish couples celebrating wedding anniversaries this month.

~~ Please see back page for listing ~~

## UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

JUNE 26 – Wednesday – 2:00-7:00pm – **Blood Drive** – East Campus

JUNE 30 – Sunday – 1:00-4:00pm – West Campus

**Father Tom's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood**

JULY 29-AUGUST 1 – Monday-Thursday – 9:00am-12:00noon

**Vacation Bible School** – East Campus

SEPTEMBER 8 – Sunday – 12:00-4:00pm – East Campus

**Parish Picnic**

### BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. GABRIEL – JUNE 26 – 2-7:00pm

Our blood drive is this Wednesday – your donation is needed to help save lives! Parishioners and community members are encouraged to donate. The donation process takes one hour from start to finish. Appointments are preferred; walk-ins are welcome too. Scheduling is easy – visit [versiti.org/michigan](http://versiti.org/michigan) (St. Gabriel Parish event) or call the Parish Office at 662-6861. If viewing electronically, [click here](#) to schedule.

### FALL RAFFLE

Raffle tickets have been distributed to school families. This weekend, they are available for pick-up by parishioners. Extra tickets are available at the Parish Office. Thank you Sally Czabala and Mary Ellyn Gushow for soliciting prizes (thank you donors!) and coordinating the raffle. Raffle proceeds will be used by the parish to support the school. The drawing will be held at the Parish Picnic on September 8.

**LOST & FOUND:** Various apparel (including leather jacket) was found at St. Anthony Church. Check the vestibule to claim, if yours.

## STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Target: \$10,962

Offering: \$8,643

Food Pantry: \$40

Priests Retirement: \$2,643

### Feast of Corpus Christi

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." Luke 9:17

In the story of the loaves and fishes, a very small amount shared is transformed into an overwhelming amount, due to a miracle of God. No gift that you have is too small or insignificant to share. God can bless all of the gifts that we share and make them wondrous.

### Children Good Deeds

... I planted punkins and squash for my Dad  
...folded washed clothes ...I helped clean up after dinner  
...cleaned room ...I played with my sister ...vacuum

## EDUCATION/FORMATION

**Family Talk Time** *Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families*, Sara McGinnis Lee

Where do you see the Body of Christ in the flesh today?

**Reflecting on the Word:** We hear today that all the people ate and were satisfied. At all-you-can-eat restaurants, it sometimes seems that no amount of food is enough. However, as Jesus fed people with his words, as well as with bread and fish, the people soon had their fill. Just like in the multiplication of the loaves and fish, we see in the Body of Christ that God satisfies. When we truly know and rest in God's love, we realize we will always thirst and hunger for that infinite grace. Nothing is enough but this: to reside in the Body and Blood of Christ.

**Living the Word:** Ask each family member to bring a favorite food to share at a picnic. Encourage them to notice how much fuller they feel when food is shared in love. When food is shared, we are fed in joy as well as in substance. As a result of the sharing of love and food we enjoy, we may feel full sooner. Invite your family to consider how this understanding can be incorporated into your daily meals.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Are your children registered for VBS? To receive a t-shirt, the sign-up deadline is Tuesday, June 25. *~~ See back page for details ~~*

## AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- **School Office:** Mr. Switalski (Principal) and Mrs. Chris will be in and out throughout the summer to check messages. Please...
  - Leave a message at 662-6431; or
  - Email Mr. Switalski at [cswitalski@auburnac.org](mailto:cswitalski@auburnac.org) or Mrs. Chris at [ckaczynski@auburnac.org](mailto:ckaczynski@auburnac.org)
- **2019-2020 School Year:** Have you considered all your options for your child(ren)'s Pre-K, Young 5 and K-5<sup>th</sup> grade education? AACs offers smaller class sizes with individualized attention, before and after-school care, organized sports starting in Preschool and, of course, the Catholic Christian values that are instilled daily. For more information, call the School Office or view our website at [www.auburnacschool.org](http://www.auburnacschool.org).
- Fall Raffle tickets were sent home in the end-of-year packets. Please return ticket stubs and money to the Parish Office, in the offertory basket, or when school resumes in August. The drawing will be held at the Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 8.
- "Like" us on Facebook - search for Auburn Area Catholic School





Bring your friends and neighbors!



Everyone is welcome! Register today!

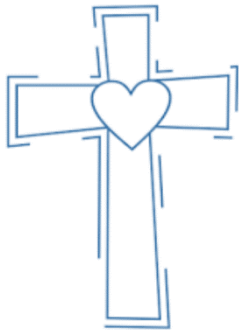
**Vacation Bible School ~ July 29-August 1**

“ROAR! Life is Wild 🐾 God is Good”

This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At ROAR, kids explore God’s goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Daily activities include music, Bible stories, KidVid Cinema, games, and a snack. Join us Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 12:00noon. Registration fee is \$12 per child/\$30 per family. Registration forms are available at both entrances. Everyone is welcome to come join in the fun! **Registration Deadline if you want a t-shirt: Tuesday, June 25**

**ROAR! REQUESTING VOLUNTEERS ~ MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH**

Your help is needed at Vacation Bible School on **July 29–August 1** (Monday through Thursday) from 9:00am to 12:00noon. It’s a great fun opportunity to get service hours! Volunteer forms are available at the school entrance. **Registration Deadline: Tuesday, June 25**



*Congratulations to our June anniversary couples!*

**60 years...**

John & Evelyn Schultz

**50 or more years...**

Robert & Patricia Bashaw  
Michael & Karen Dziurka  
Dale & Diane Hunt  
Jerome & Patricia Knieper

**20 or more years...**

Garrett & Jami Doty  
Brad & Lisa Eddy  
Michael & Christine Kaczynski  
David & Gretchen Kendziorski  
Henry & Lisa Warren

**40 or more years...**

Ralph & Connie Brisbois  
Keith & Kathy Charbonneau  
Joseph & Linda Czynzewski  
James & Brenda Leland  
Patrick & Anne O’Laughlin  
Harry & Susan Shinkel

**10 or more years...**


William & Jillian Grzegorzcyk  
Scott & Jill Harrison  
Jason & Brandi Lykins  
Matthew & Jennifer Squires  
Trevis & Kari Waibel  
John & Patricia Wojciechowski

**30 or more years...**

Ed & Delores Cieslinski  
Thomas & Joan Holtschlag  
William & Nancy Ignash  
Ronald & Teresa Jenkins  
Stephen & Barbara Kaczynski  
Joseph & Deboral Knochel  
Brian & Melody Raab  
Steven & Bethany Schoenherr  
James & Christine Sharp  
Daniel & Michele Wittbrodt

**4 years...**

Michael & Kelly Krzysik

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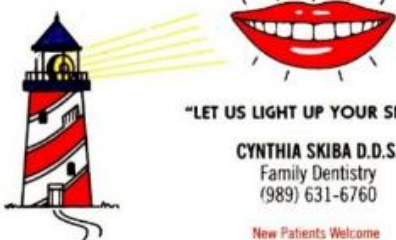
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