

Mass Intentions (June 10-16, 2023)

Sat. June 10/4:30 p.m.	Yvette Hanna Sarena	- Eli Levy & family
Sun. June 11/10:00 a.m.	Nick Baird Thomas Mary Nathan Salvatore Bertucci Henryk Siedlikowski Eileen Shanahan Giuseppe Venanzi & Joe Giancola	- Teresa Baird - Elisabetta Nardi - Cecile Bertucci - Kahawita family - Shanahan & Scott families - Angela Venanzi
Wed. June 14/10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird	
Thu. June 15/10:00 a.m.	Gino Alfonso	- Linda Alfonso
Solemnity - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
Fri. June 16/10:00 a.m.	Cristina & Vincenzo Danesi	- Rosa Danesi

The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year A)

“My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.”

First Reading (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16)

Remember the Lord led you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)

Through the cup and the one loaf we have communion with Christ.

Gospel (John 6:51-59)

If we eat Jesus' flesh and blood we will receive eternal life.

Reflection:

Today we focus on the Lord Jesus' continued presence with us, particularly through the proclamation of the Word and the celebration of Eucharist – “giving thanks” – especially as we receive the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

At this great feast of Corpus Christi we can reflect on the past, present and future riches of the sacrament and let our lives be filled with Christ's grace. We need to keep in the front of our minds the historical reality of the cross to remember how much Jesus suffered in his flesh of us. He left the Eucharist as a way of reminding us of the sacrifice He made. But in the Eucharist the sacrifice is made present for us today and becomes a call for us to share our life as Jesus did. He fed those who were hungry, He satisfied their spiritual needs with His words and then gave Himself to them, body and blood. Now He nourishes us with this bread from heaven.

May you continue to come to the Lord Jesus and feast on The Word and on His Body and Blood so that you might be nourished and strengthened for the rest of your journey back to the House of Our Abba-Father, Who happens to be GOD.



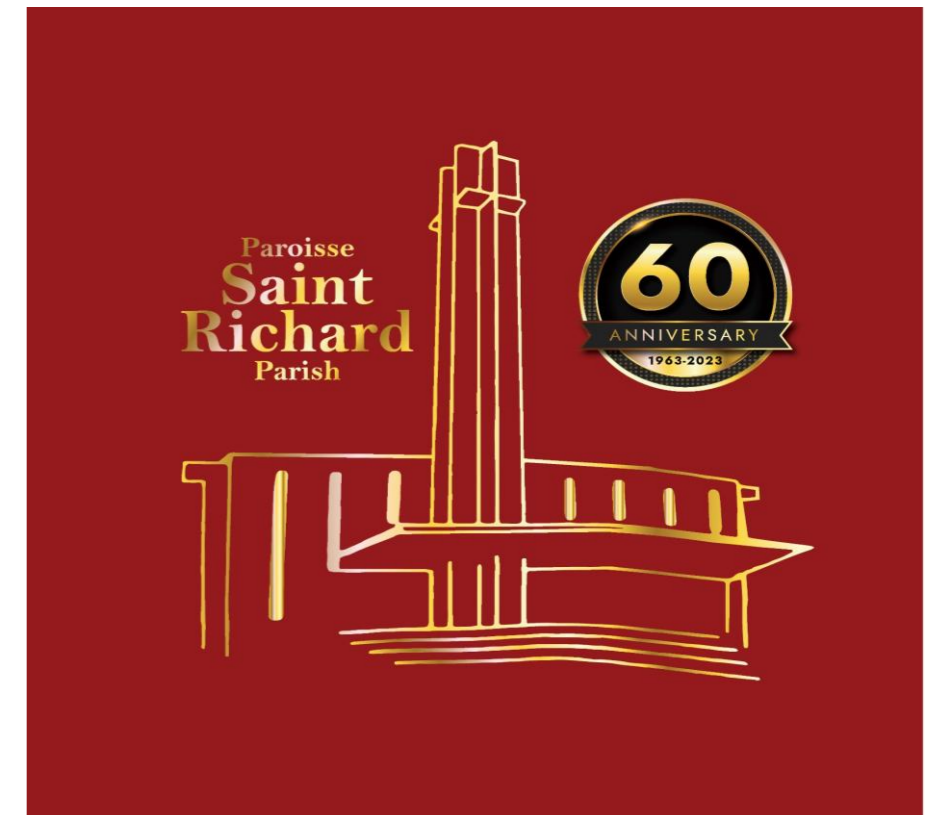
Illustration:

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi complements the liturgy of Holy Thursday when Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper. It arose in the Middle Ages as an expression of the faithful's devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. It was celebrated first as a local feast and then Pope Urban IV made it a universal feast in 1264. It became associated with processions through the towns and villages of Europe during which the monstrance which contained the sacred host was carried under a festive canopy and the crowds knelt as the Blessed Sacrament passed to receive the blessing. The task of composing the liturgy for the feast was given to the great Dominican theologian Thomas Aquinas. He created the well-known antiphon to accompany the singing of the Magnificat. This antiphon, which begins with the Latin words O sacrum convivium, brings out some of the riches of this wonderful sacrament of the Eucharist especially as it relates to the past, the present and the future: O sacred banquet / in which Christ is received, / the memory of his passion is renewed, / the mind is filled with grace / and the pledge of the future glory is bestowed.”



**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week
Giving Thanks to the Lord.**

**Thank you to all parishioners for your weekly contribution.
May collection was \$3778.50**



**The first mass in this building was celebrated
on June 13, 1963.**

**Today we celebrate the mass to launch the year
long events to mark this milestone.**

**Many activities are being planned throughout the year to
celebrate this momentous year which will include all
parishioners.**

**These events will recognize the contributions of the many
people and groups which were instrumental in the
development of our parish.**

**Parishioners/Volunteers who wish to participate in forming
the committee with ideas are requested to call the office
to be included in the team. We look forward to as many
parishioners taking active rolls to make the events
successful.**

**THIS IS YOUR PARISH. LET US KNOW HOW YOU WISH TO SEE
YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY GROW FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS...**

St. Richards Men's Association

As we are about to begin a yearlong celebration for the parish 60th Anniversary, St. Richards Men's Association will be hosting a meeting on Wednesday June 14 at 8pm in the parish hall.

We will discuss our roll in helping celebrate this grand anniversary. Please come prepared to present some of your ideas for events and fundraisers.

No need to RSVP. Just be there...