

Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts

2024: Our 156th Year as Morrow County's Catholic Community



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Masses

Sunday

Saturday: 4:30 pm (Sunday Vigil);

Sunday: 9:00 am

Weekdays

Tuesday: 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:45 am

First Saturday: 8:45 am

Holydays of Obligation

See bulletin.

Confession

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

First Saturday of every month,

9:15 am-3:15 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Thursday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Friday	9:30 am-1:30 pm

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**AUGUST 17/18, 2024
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Brian Sharp
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<i>pro populo</i>
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	+Peggy Oram followed by the Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Wednesday	8:45 a.m.	+Ron Thomas
Thursday	8:45 a.m.	Fr. Seth Keller
Friday	8:45 a.m.	+Jane Ann Dean

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

LECTORS

Saturday, August 17	Stephanie Zmuda
Sunday, August 18	Patrick Kelyt
Saturday, August 24	Julie Blankenship
Sunday, August 25	Kevin Tebbe

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday, August 18	A.J. Brehm
Sunday, August 25	Josh Goers

EME

Sunday, August 18	Phil Petitti
Sunday, August 25	Carole Yoder

SACRISTANS

Saturday, August 17	Stephanie Zmuda
Sunday, August 18	Mary Jean Nixon
Saturday, August 24	Julie Blankenship
Sunday, August 25	Carol Ferguson

USHERS

Saturday, August 17	Bill Porter
Sunday, August 18	Malcolm Warren
Saturday, August 24	Jack Christy
Sunday, August 25	Malcolm Warren

COUNTERS

Sunday, August 18	Julie Blankenship, Martha & Ron Meier
Sunday, August 25	Greg Goers, Donna & Eric Kill

LINENS

August	Pat Thomas
September	Stephanie Zmuda

FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ! In these weeks as we hear from the Bread of Life Discourse in John chapter 6 at Mass, we hear Jesus saying, "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." In recent decades since Vatican II, the Church has allowed us to drink the Precious Blood of Jesus at Mass as a greater sign and coherence to Jesus' words of eating his flesh and drinking his blood. However, the Church has always taught and practiced that the faithful can receive all of Jesus just under the species of bread or the species of wine because the body and blood of Jesus cannot be separated. When we receive Our Lord in the host alone, we are still receiving the Blood of Jesus as well. Likewise, those who might receive only under the species of wine (such as those who are gluten-intolerant) are still receiving the Body of Jesus. Therefore, it is not necessary to receive both. Naturally, we might desire to receive Jesus in Communion under the species of both bread and wine because there is a sense of eating and drinking his body and blood just as He said.

In recent months, parishioners have been asking if we can receive the Precious Blood at Mass. I have been considering it, but the way in which it is asked has been troubling me and even makes me hesitate to distribute the Precious Blood. Most, if not every time someone asks about it, they say, "When will you bring back the wine?" What we consume at Mass is not wine, but the Precious Blood of Jesus. Even though the Church might speak of the "species of wine," it only refers to it in that manner because the Precious Blood of Jesus is distributed under the elements of wine, meaning if you were to look at it in a microscope, you will still see everything as if it looks like wine. However, when someone calls the Precious Blood "wine," it seems they really do believe it to be wine rather than the Precious Blood of Jesus.

I am concerned that there is a lack of understanding of what we consume, and if that is the case, all the more reason why we should not distribute the Precious Blood. We should not partake if we do not understand or believe. In the same way, if someone does not believe that the host is the Body of Christ (again, it does include the Blood of Christ), and they think it is only bread, then they should not partake. At Communion, we say "Amen" to affirm our belief in the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This is why non-Catholics do not partake of the Eucharist, or even those Catholic children not yet at the age of reason. It is also why those who are in mortal sin do not partake. St. Paul said to the Corinthian community, "Anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29) If it were only a symbol, there would be no such consequence of partaking for either non-Catholics or those in mortal sin. The American novelist Flannery O'Connor said, "If it's only a symbol, to hell with it!" She was responding to a friend who said the Eucharist was a "pretty good symbol." As a side note, the Church teaches that we have an obligation to go to Mass every Sunday, but only an obligation to receive communion once a year at Easter. If you are in mortal sin, keep going to Mass; just don't receive until you've gone to confession (and go as soon as possible!) If you are in serious doubt about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, you do not have to receive, but keep going to Mass!

Another troubling comment that people make when asking for "the wine" is they say that churches in the Diocese of Toledo are distributing it. This falls dangerously close to violating the

OFFERTORY AUGUST 10/11, 2024

Collection	\$ 2,070.00
Online	\$ 621.67
Mail-in	\$ 491.00
Total	\$ 3,182.67

9th Commandment against coveting. We should not desire the Precious Blood just because "other churches are doing it." If there is a deep desire to receive the Precious Blood under the species of wine, I hope it is followed by a theological understanding and explanation of why it would be good to do so.

Finally, for those who may be gluten-intolerant, please know that we do have low-gluten hosts available. Please email the office to let us know if you would like to receive the low-gluten hosts, so that we have an idea of how many we will need for each weekend.

May God bless you all!
Fr. Shikina

PRAYER LIST: Please remember in your prayers the following who have been recommended to our charitable concern:

Anita Black, Ezekial Salid, Reese McHenry, Roger Yoder, Steve Baker, Patty Ortiz, Neidra Davis, Jack Popadak, David Huffman, Don Askew, Roy Ferguson, America Silva, Howard & Harriet Gompf, Jan Gibbs, Caroline Petitti, Pam Frysinger, Wes Ramsey, Patrick Drouhard, Hank & Janie Kowalewski, James & Lillian Joering, Marjorie Ambruster, Johanna Conti, Dalton Sherman, Betty Crum, Walter Olsen, Billy Ervin, Judy Manley, Stephen Karigithe, Sabina Busto, Trish Thomas, Robin Hudson, Barb Dickason, Dawn Barranco, Mary Jo Fetch, Christa Harvel, Linda Harvey, Donna Spreng, Kyle Conley, Dave & Ethel Evans, Sam Harding, Walt Bakle, Barb May Wilt, Rose Long, Marian Morgan, Mary Ellen Berg, Doyle Rogers, Kathy Toll.

SACRED HEARTS CATHOLIC FRIENDS

Sacred Hearts has a new Catholic Friends group on Facebook. Search for "Sacred Hearts Catholic Friends." Join an event or host an event. Pray, eat, play!"

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

There were 45 families who shopped at Kroger between May 1st and July 31st and earned \$204.66 in Kroger Rewards. Visit the Kroger website at www.krogercommunityrewards.com to sign up. The more we shop with Kroger, the more our church will earn!

Football CRAZR TICKETS are now available from our K of C members. They each have 3 tickets to sell or buy and are just \$20.00 each. It's like a football pool – \$2.00 per week. You can win \$400.00 and you can win more than one time on the same ticket. That ticket is good for 10 weeks! Get your tickets before they're sold out!

HOST GUILD:

A big THANK YOU to all the members of HOST Guild and members of our parish for making our Yard Sale such a success. In any way that you helped by opening and closing the garage after weekend Masses, donating items, helped setting up in the 90-degree heat, worked the days of the sale, cleaned up, donated food for our lunches or brought us Andrew's Pastries' cookies, we appreciate each and everyone one of you! We were so blessed to have between 10 and 12 helpers each day last week, including cleanup on Monday! Several men of the parish also helped us in various areas of the sale and we thank them for their muscle power! With a profit of over \$2,500, we will be purchasing a Mary vestment, burse and veil to be used on feast days for Mary. We will also be purchasing a new Cope and Humeral Veil set. Thanks again for everyone's help, we couldn't do it without you!



FIRST SATURDAY Please join us every first Saturday of the month for Mass and Exposition starting at 8:45 a.m. with open Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction at 3:15 p.m. Sign up for an hour on the bulletin board or just stop in to visit our Lord in quiet prayer.

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Jodi Schermerhorn, LPCC-S, is offering to our parish Roman Catholic and nondenominational Christian Counseling. She will offer faith-based professional counseling services to parishioners and as an outreach to our surrounding community. Jodi is licensed by the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board and combines standard clinical counseling practices with the beliefs, practices, and spirituality of our Church to provide a thorough and Christ-centered approach to healing. Areas of focus include children ages 3 up, Marriage Therapy, Anger, Anxiety, Problem Behavior, Body-focused repetitive behaviors, Conflict Resolution, Depression, Family Systems, Parent/Child Relationship, Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Contact Jodi directly to ask about insurance and scheduling: Email: Jodi@sopcc.org

BIBLE STUDY after Mass on Friday mornings in Foeller Hall. Everyone is welcome!



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