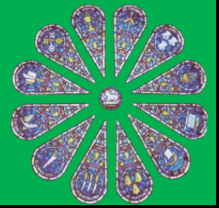




St. Vincent de Paul Parish

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 16th, 2023

Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Liturgy / Holy Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:00 am / 11:30 am

Tuesday: 5:30 pm *Adoration 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 5:30 pm

Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 8:00 am

Saturday: 8:00 am / 5:00 pm (Vigil)

* Rosary 30 minutes prior to each Mass

* Reconciliation every Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm

* Reconciliation 1st Saturday of the Month after morning Mass



*Jesus Christ, Parable of the Sower:
Hand Painted Byzantine Icon*

First Reading - Isaiah 55:10-11

The Word of the Lord shall achieve its purpose.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 65:10-14

A prayer of praise to God for his abundance.

Second Reading - Romans 8:18-23

Together with all of creation, we await God's redemption.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like seed that has been sown on good soil.

Living the Word This Week

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?

Consider contributing your time, treasure, or talent to a local agency that aids the poor, such as the Saint Vincent de Paul Society or Catholic Charities.

Next Mass at OLSD

Sunday, August 6th at 10:15 am



St. Vincent de Paul Parish School

Education for Your Child's Mind, Body, & Soul



127 Key Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003
(304) 242-5844

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9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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SAVE THE DATES



June 30

SVS Adopt a Student Program
Paper Applications Due to School Office

July 20

SVS Summer Pool Party!
Benwood Park from 5pm-9pm. Contact the school to RSVP

July 31

Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program (TAP and FACTS)
Phase 2 will close on July 31

August 11

SVS PSA Steak Fry
Sonneborn Shelter: 6pm-11pm. Purchase tix: www.svstickets.com

August 17

Welcome Home Night

SVS Steak Fry

Sponsored by the SVS Parent School Association (PSA)

August 11th, 2023 / Sonneborn Shelter

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm / Adults Only

Includes Steak, Potato, Salad, Desert, Beer and Pop/Water
Bring your own Place Settings, Utensils & Seasonings

Advance Sale Tickets Recommended

Cash/Check: \$25 / Person

Venmo [@svswarriors](https://www.venmo.com/svswarriors): \$26 / Person

Online at svstickets.com & card / Apple Pay: \$28 / Person

Call or Email for more information

(304) 242-5844 / psa@stvincentschool.org



St. Vincent

BINGO

is back!

BINGO- 6PM
DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM

Wednesday, June 14th

Wednesday, June 20th

Wednesday, July 12th

Wednesday, July 26th

Wednesday, August 9th

Wednesday, August 23rd

St. Vincent Parish Center

Parish Information

Liturgy and Minister Schedule

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 16th, 2023

Gospel Acclamation: The seed is the word of God, Christ is the Sower.
All who come to him will have life forever.

Greeters for July 15th & 16th

5:00 pm-Jeff Klosinski & John Bartsch / **9:00 am**-Cynthia Dimmey & Nancy Georges / **11:30 am**-Nancy Freeman & Lisa Armstrong

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Mass Intentions</u> | <u>Lectors</u> | <u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Saturday, July 15th <i>*Vigil</i> | 8:00 am *5:00 pm | + Harold Miller + John Powell (B) | Wally McMasters | Bread: Vickie Joseph Cup: Dave Soloninka & Tom McFadden |
| Sunday, July 16th | 9:00 am 11:30 am | + Chris Thomas + Nancy Shalvey | Mary K Bell Lori Buchanan | Bread: Barb Napple Cup: Lynn Hetzel & Derek Dimmey Bread: Judy Stadler Cup: Susie Newmeyer & Karen Bates |
| Tuesday, July 18th | 5:30 pm | + Jim Derrow | <u>ALTAR SERVERS (Weekend Masses)</u> Logan Buchannan, Charleigh Carr, Georgia Carr, Riley Chiazza, Claire Connley, Mallory Connley, Emma Dean, Ava Dominquez, Eleanor Hortet, Lydia Koval, Landon Kazemka, Billy Looney, Ivan Lopez-Prianti, Sarai Macias, McKenzie Looney, Luke Minor, Angelene Ricci, Austin Schwanker, Ava Thomas, Emma Thompson, Justin Wilson | |
| Wednesday, July 19th | 5:30 pm | + Nancy Riser | | |
| Thursday, July 20th | 8:00 am | + Harold Miller | | |
| Friday, July 21st | 8:00 am | + Harold Miller | | |

Greeters for July 22nd & 23rd

5:00 pm - Jeff Klosinski & John Bartsch / **9:00 am** - Matt & Susie Koval / **11:30 am**-Derek & Maggie Reed

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| Saturday, July 22nd <i>*Vigil</i> | 8:00 am *5:00 pm | + Harold Miller + Edward Chipkar | Dave Soloninka | Bread: Nancy LaBrosse Cup: Vickie Joseph & Tom McFadden |
| Sunday, July 23rd | 9:00 am 11:30 am | + Sharon Basham + Neil Smith | Dorothy Dudzik Heather Mazerowski | Bread: Mary K Bell Cup: Marilyn Delbrugge & Derek Dimmey Bread: Judy Stadler Cup: Karen Bates & (Minister Needed) |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M - JULY 17TH - Ex 1: 8-14. 22/ Ps 124: 1B-3. 4-6. 7-8/ Mt 10: 34 -- 11: 1

T - JULY 18TH - Ex 2: 1-15A/ Ps 69: 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/ Mt 11: 20-24

W - JULY 19TH - Ex 3: 1-6. 9-12/ Ps 103: 1B-2. 3-4. 6-7/ Mt 11: 25-27

T - JULY 20TH - Ex 3: 13-20/ Ps 105: 1 AND 5. 8-9. 24-25. 26-27/ Mt 11: 28-30

F - JULY 21ST - Ex 11: 10 -- 12: 14/ Ps 116: 12-13. 15 AND 16BC. 17-18/ Mt 12: 1-8

S - JULY 22ND - FEAST OF SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

Ex 12: 37-42/ Ps 136: 1 AND 23-24. 10-12. 13-15/ Jn 20: 1-2. 11-18

S - JULY 23RD - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 12: 13. 16-19/ Ps 86: 5-6. 9-10. 15-16 (5A)/ Rom 8: 26-27/ Mt 13: 24-43

*Lord, You desire that all people hear Your Word and see Your action in their lives.
Please continue to pour forth Your grace into my life so that I will continually grow rich in Your mercy.
I pray that my eyes and ears will be open to You more fully every day.
Jesus, I trust in You.*

Prayer & Worship

Gospel Reflection, Prayer List & Weekly Themes

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

Themes for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

The readings for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A tell of how our relationship with God helps us grow, which in turn allows our lives to bear fruit. The first reading explains that God's Word is like the rain, which falls on the earth and makes it fertile. The second reading reminds us that a new creation is going to emerge. And in the gospel Jesus tells the parable of the sower and explains that our hearts must be ready to receive the Word of God.

God's Word: The first reading highlights the power and effectiveness of God's word, comparing it to rain and snow that bring nourishment and produce fruitful results.

Spiritual Nourishment: The imagery of rain and snow in the passage symbolizes the spiritual nourishment and refreshment that come from engaging with God's word, highlighting the life-giving nature of Scripture.

Receptive Hearts: Jesus teaches about the different types of hearts or dispositions of people who hear the word of God, emphasizing the importance of having a receptive heart that receives and embraces the message.

Responses to God's Word: The parable illustrates various responses to the word of God, including unbelief, superficial faith, distractions, and genuine faith and fruitfulness.

Fruitfulness and Growth: The parable emphasizes the power of God's word, depicting the potential for growth and abundant fruitfulness in the lives of those who receive and apply it.

Condolences and Prayers



to the family of

John Eugene Przelenski

who was laid to rest on July 7th.

Condolences and Prayers



to the family of

Margaret "Margie" Carroll Mucheck

who was laid to rest on July 15th.

Condolences and Prayers



to the family of

Gottfried Laube

who will be laid to rest on July 20th.

Please Pray for:



Charles Ballard, Jim Baller, Barb Bennett, Patricia Bock, Marsha Boissy, Steven Bonenberger, Mary Kay Britt, Bill Childers, Theresa Comer, Gerald Cook, Holly Custer, Allison Dunlap, Ethan Eckman, Melissa Hipkiss, Joe Holly, Frederick Jaquay, Flavia Langan & Family, Ray Laudermilt, Marcia Laughlin, Dave Mallery, Brandt Mazerowski, Dale Naegel, Mike Perring, Alicia Prianti-DeGuzman, Jenna Russell, Paul Russell, Bobby Schinkovec, Gary Shaver, Julie Shiess, Addison Stephens, Joe Tankovits, Marlene Trischler, Glen Ullom, Lynn Uraco, John Wagner, John Walt, Ryan and Krystyn Wamsley, Fr. Joe Wilhelm, Ann & Charlie Wolfe, Dylan Wolfe, Jacob Wolfe, All Homebound, Sick and Shut-Ins

Parish Ministries

Religious Education, Councils & Committees, Announcements

THANK YOU FATHER JOSEPH!

This weekend, **July 15th** and **16th**, will be Father Joseph's last weekend with us. He has been appointed parochial vicar of St. Ann Parish in Shinnston, WV, St. James the Apostle Parish in Clarksburg, WV, and Sacred Heart Mission in Salem, WV.

Please join us after Mass for Cookies and Refreshments in honor of Father Joseph and to say thank you for all he has done for St. Vincent's during his time here.

*Father Joseph, although your time at St. Vincent's was brief,
your presence here has truly been a blessing for our Parish.
You will be missed!*

MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Gary Shaver - Our Maintenance Director here at St. Vincent's will be having shoulder surgery on July 14th. He will be out for at least 4 months. We are looking for volunteers to help with the grass cutting at SVDP and at Seven Dolors. If you are interested or if you know of someone, please have them contact the Parish Office. Thank You!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We are in need of volunteers to help with the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the **9:00 am Mass on Sundays**.

If you are interested please speak with **Derek Dimmey** or contact him via email at **ddimmey@stvincentschool.org**

NO MASS ON MONDAYS

As of Monday, July 17th, there will be no Daily Mass on Mondays.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS

We are still in need of a few more Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors for **5:00 pm Mass on Saturdays** and **11:30 am Mass on Sundays**.

Contact the Parish office if you are interested in serving on either of these ministries.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm.

Helpers are needed for Eucharistic Adoration, especially between the hours of **4:00-5:00 pm**. Please call **Joann Drnach** at **304-238-6534** to sign up.

COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

Altar Society Chairs: Jim Baller and Mary K Bell
Development Committee Chair: Libby Reasbeck
Pastoral Council Chair: Joann Drnach

Building & Property Chair: Bob Smith
Finance Council Chair: Larry Bandi
SVS School Advisory Board: Anne Ricci

Attendance for July 8th & 9th

5:00pm - 129 / 9:00am - 117 / 11:30am - 98

Total Attendance: - 344

Offertory for July 8th & 9th

SVDP: \$4,927 / OLSD: \$730 / WeShare: \$1,525.44

Total Collection - \$7,182.44

**Upcoming Second Collection, July 16th - Catholic Communication Campaign
and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

When writing checks for any collection, please make all checks payable to **St. Vincent's Church**.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL PARISH SUPPORT!



St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Wheeling

52%

Raised \$20,252 of \$38,655 with 76 gifts

Parish Outreach

Service Organizations

OLSD ALTAR SOCIETY

MISSA CANTATA (Traditional Latin Mass)

Our Lady of Seven Dolors Church, Triadelphia, WV.

Sunday, July 16th @ 4:00 pm

Dinner / Social will follow Mass.

Pizza and beverages / **\$3 per person.**

Consider bringing a dessert or cold sides to share.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Catholic Charities of Wheeling is in need of volunteers who can deliver meals to the homebound in the greater Wheeling area.

Meals are picked up at the Neighborhood Center around 10:00 a.m. and delivery is done within an hour or two. No need to enter homes, meals can be left at the door. Volunteers can work in pairs.

This is a great service to our community and the commitment level is up to you!

If interested, please contact **Tracey Dickerson**, Volunteer Manager, at **(304) 232-7157 ext. 2004** or email at **tdickerson@ccwva.org** for more information.

ST. JOHN'S BEREAVEMENT GATHERING

Grief from a Faith Perspective:

6:00 pm on the last Monday of each month
at St. John's Fellowship Hall in Benwood, WV.

Call St. John's parish at **304-232-6455**

Next gathering will be July 31st.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you would like to attend a meeting, call **Mary Lou Kent** at **(304) 242-1019**. The next meeting is **Tuesday, June 20th at 6:15 pm** in the Caveney Room.

(We are attending Mass at 5:30 pm and meeting after Mass.)

Did You Know?

All money that is collected in our poor boxes goes to help the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Bed Ministry

The St Vincent de Paul Society, is in need of usable beds, size queen and smaller. Also we need blankets and sheets. We are most in need of twin blankets and queen sheets. We are in great need of young people willing to help carry beds into homes. Thank-you,

Donate Riesbeck's Points

An easy way to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Society is when you shop at Riesbecks, consider donating your points to the St Vincent de Paul Society. We use the points to purchase hygiene and cleaning items for our neighbors in need. At the check out, put in the SVdP Society telephone number, **304-242-8868**.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Walking with Moms in Need is a process through which Catholic parishes and communities "walk in the shoes" of local pregnant and parenting women in need.

Everyone should know how to help moms in difficult circumstances.

While not trying to turn Catholic parishes into pregnancy centers, we can support local pregnancy centers where they exist, and we can also find and share other resources with pregnant and parenting women.

And where there are few local resources, we can create our own, based on the gifts of the parish community!

We hope you and your parish will join us in Walking with Moms in Need.

If you would like to learn more about Walking With Moms in Need, please contact **Kathy Barton**, Director of Social Ministry at **304-233-0880, Ext. 289** or **kbarton@dwc.org**.



NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival



PARISH YEAR
JUNE 11, 2023 - JULY 17, 2024

Parish Outreach

Community Events & Announcements

HOLY HOUR

To Celebrate the Year of the Holy Eucharist, Corpus Christi Parish will host an evening Holy Hour on **Monday, July 17th at 6:30 pm.**

The Holy Hour will be to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Please join us.

WANT TO LEARN A NEW CRAFT?

Come and learn how to create beautiful projects / Easy and portable / Take it with you anywhere.
English paper piecing (Sewing fabric around a paper piece) - 4 week class starting on July 20th.

You will have confidence the very first night.

Cost is **\$25**, per person and includes all supplies needed.

Young, old, men or women, all are welcome. Wonderful class as a mother / daughter night out.

For more information and to sign up please contact **Michele McFadden** at **304-280-5863**. Happy Stitching!

FOOD HANDLERS CLASS

The Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department will provide a Food Handlers Class at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, on **Monday, September 25th at 4:00 pm** in the Marist Centre / Parish Hall.

Volunteer Food Service Worker's Cards are issued at no cost to individuals working in volunteer settings.

These individuals receive no pay and the cards can not be used in a paid food service setting.

Volunteer cards are good for 1 year.

OHIO VALLEY TRADES AND LABOR ASSEMBLY DUNK TANK FOR CHARITY



UNDO'S OHIO VALLEY ITALIAN FESTIVAL
FRIDAY, JULY 28 - 5PM TO 9PM
SATURDAY, JULY 29 - NOON TO 9PM



FRIDAY, JULY 28

- **5:00PM:** JAKE MCGLUMPHY
WTRF CHANNEL 7 NEWS
CHARITY: EASTER SEALS
- **6:00PM:** JIM BLAZIER
WHEELING FIRE CHIEF
CHARITY: AUGUSTA LEVY LEARNING CENTER
- **7:00PM:** TOM HOWARD
OHIO COUNTY SHERIFF
CHARITY: SHOP W/ THE SHERIFF • COPS & KIDS PROJECT
- **8:00PM:** DOUG "GLENN" GIFFIN
IBEW BUSINESS MANAGER
CHARITY: SEEING HAND ASSOCIATION

SATURDAY, JULY 29

- **12:00PM:** FR. JEESON STEPHAN
PASTOR ST. VINCENT PARISH
CHARITY: ADOPT A STUDENT
ST. VINCENT SCHOOL
- **1:00PM:** JOHNNY O
WOMP FM 100.5 DJ
CHARITY: WHG HOSPITAL
SCHIFFLER CANCER CENTER
- **2:00PM:** KEVAN LAPOSTA
OSIRIS SHRINER
CHARITY: SHRINERS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
- **3:00PM:** CHAD THALMAN
VICE MAYOR OF WHEELING
CHARITY: YMCA
- **4:00PM:** RON SCOTT
CULTURAL DIVERSITY OUTREACH DIRECTOR
CHARITY: YWCA
- **5:00PM:** JESSE CAIN
WTOV CHANNEL 9 NEWS
CHARITY: LACY UP FOR KIDS/UNITED WAY
- **6:00PM:** JAMES ZUSACK
BELMONT CO. CHIEF DEPUTY
CHARITY: ROAD HOME ANIMAL PROJECT
- **7:00PM:** DAVE ROTRIGA
OWNER - MIKLAS MEAT MARKET
CHARITY: MIRACLE LEAGUE FIELD
- **8:00PM:** TIFFANY HOFFMAN
OHIO COUNTY ASSESSOR
CHARITY: UNDO'S ITALIAN FESTIVAL
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Parish Outreach

Community Events & Announcements

WHEELING SERRA CLUB ANNUAL BURSE DINNER

July 27, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the Great Hall of Wheeling Central Catholic High School

RSVP: Frank Carenbauer; flamewvu@aol.com, or **304-907-9013**

Dear Serrans and Friends of Serra,

Following our mission to foster and promote vocations to the Catholic priesthood and religious life, our club comes together each year for the Burse Dinner to raise money to support vital Diocesan vocation programs. Mark your calendar and make plans today to attend. The dinner is a wonderful opportunity to gather with many of the priests, sisters, brothers and seminarians of our diocese and thank them for the excellent work they do in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Why not invite a friend? This dinner is an excellent opportunity to introduce newcomers to our club and the important work we do supporting vocations.

Our speaker this year is Seminarian John Sopinski. John finished his 3rd year of theology studies from Mount Saint Mary's this past May, was ordained a deacon on May 27, and is currently in residence with Fr Martin Smay in Thomas, WV. Fr. Brian Crenwelge will also address the group.

This is our most important fundraiser of the year, and it supports vocations, the heart of Serra's mission. Our Past President, Chris Freeman and his wife Cindy are willing to match all donations for the Burse up to \$1,000. Let's make the most of their generosity! Please give what you can to support the continuing education of our seminarians. If possible, I hope you will also consider a donation to pay for the meals of our invited guests, the priest, sisters, brothers, and seminarians of our Diocese.

Your presence at this event is important. Please return the enclosed RSVP form as soon as possible. If you cannot attend, we would greatly appreciate your financial support so our club can make a generous contribution to support vocations.

Sincerely, Joe Pangilinan, Vice President – Vocations

NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

Calling all single Catholics! **August 25th - 27th, 2023** - Join 400+ singles coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 22nd National Conference for Single Catholics at St. John's Resort, in Plymouth, MI OR participate virtually and engage with others via the online socials and small group discussions.

This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles (of all ages). The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. (If joining us in-person, use the promo code **(PARISH23)** when you register to get \$50 off! Discount for the first 50 sign ups nationwide to use this code.) Visit **NationalCatholicSingles.com** for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call **512-766-5798**.)

SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

Emmaus Ministry and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are offering a day-long, spiritual retreat for grieving parents, on **Saturday, October 14th, 2023**. It will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, at 2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003.

Any grieving parent whose child of any age has died by any cause, no matter how long ago, is welcome to attend. The cost is **\$25 for an individual** and **\$40 for a couple**. The day will go from **9:30 AM to 7:30 PM**, and lunch and dinner will be provided. For more information and to register, please go to **www.emfgp.org** or call **(800) 919-9332**.

ONLINE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Know Jesus Through the Eucharist with ONLINE LEARNING opportunities from Catholic Distance University. Enhance your understanding of the source and summit of our faith through our Lifelong Learning Continuing Education program at CDU.

Courses include:

The Mass: History, Theology, and Spirituality – dives into the historical development, theological significance, and spiritual aspects of the Mass. Sign up here: **<https://www.pathlms.com/cdu/courses/38039>**

Eucharistic Devotions: – explores the history, theology, and significance of Eucharistic devotions outside the Mass. Sign up here: **<https://www.pathlms.com/cdu/courses/37998>**

Why Do We Need the Church? - This 3-week seminar will run from August 14 – September 4, 2023. Sign up for this course at: **<https://www.pathlms.com/cdu/courses/38066#>**

For more information about CDU go to **<https://cdu.edu>**

Question of the Week

What does the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist mean?

There is a lot of confusion among both Catholics and non-Catholics regarding the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Most of the confusion comes from our lack of knowledge regarding the ancient concept of remembering. When modern people talk about “remembering,” they usually mean that they have mentally called into the present something that happened in the past. There is another kind of remembering, however; and it is crucial for our understanding the Eucharist.

In the Gospel of Luke and the first letter to the Corinthians we hear Jesus instruct the Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist in “remembrance” of Him. *1) “Then [Jesus] took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me’” (Luke 22:19). “After [Jesus] had given thanks, [He] broke [the bread] and said, ‘This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me’” (1 Corinthians 11:24-25).*

The English language is so very limited. Often, we have only one word to convey multiple ideas from the Greek language used in the New Testament. These two passages above, are one example of that problem. The Greek word used in these three instances is “*αναμνησις*” (*anamnesis*). This is a different kind of remembering than we are familiar with. It is a very Biblical kind of remembering. The Jews in the Old Testament would have been familiar with this kind of remembering, especially for the celebration of their Feasts. Remember, the Last Supper took place in the context of a Passover celebration which employed this unique kind of remembering. Unlike the kind of remembering we are used to, *αναμνησις* invites us to let the present become part of the past. This is what the Jewish Feasts are all about. For example, when Jews celebrate the Feast of Passover, they don’t merely remember what happened thousands of years ago. Instead, they allow themselves to be drawn from the present moment into the past reality of the saving action of the Passover. This is a radical kind of remembering; it is experiential and real, not merely mental.

This is how we celebrate and experience the Eucharist. Jesus’ disciples would have understood His mandate as not merely remembering the sacrifice He was offering, but to participate in it frequently. In the words of Paul, “For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes” (1 Corinthians 11:26). In this way, Christ is truly and really present in the Eucharist, as we are drawn-back two thousand years into the Last Supper and Calvary events. When we say that Jesus Christ is truly present in the Eucharist, and that the Eucharist is His Body and Blood, we do not mean that the Eucharist should taste like flesh and blood. When we celebrate Mass we are not quietly hoping that the Eucharist becomes literal, human flesh and blood. Even if it did, it would be no more the real presence of Christ than when it still looks and tastes like bread and wine. In fact, Christ’s true Presence in the Eucharist is far truer and more miraculous than it being human flesh and blood, because the Eucharist is not intended to remind us that Jesus Christ was fully human, but rather, that He loves us more than we can ever imagine! Jesus’ True Presence in the Eucharist is grounded in our being drawn spiritually into the saving action of Christ on Calvary. Christ’s true Presence in the Eucharist is not a remembrance of flesh and blood, but of love, forgiveness, acceptance, and sacrificial service.

MARIST CENTRE / PARISH HALL RENTAL

Did you know that our Marist Centre / Parish hall is available to rent for Baby Showers, Wedding Showers, Birthday Parties, Family Reunions, Community Events and more?

For more information, pricing and rentals agreements, please contact Susie Newmeyer in the Parish Office at **304-242-0406**.



CCHS FOOTBALL DISCOUNT CARDS

CCHS Football Discount Cards are now available!

Great discounts are available and you will be supporting many of our local businesses!

Discount cards are still a bargain at only \$10 each!

See a player, coach, parent or contact the school to get yours now!

Supplies are limited and cards always sell out, so don't delay, get your today!

Parish Information

Weekly Calendar & Upcoming Events

SVDP - A LOOK AHEAD...

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| Sunday, July 16th | <i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> |
| Tuesday, July 18th | Stitching Group (McFadden), 5:00 - 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, July 19th | Small Group (Mazzzocca), 6:00 - 8:00 pm Small Group (McKeets), 6:00 - 8:00 pm |
| Thursday, July 20th. | Crafting Class (McFadden), 6:00 - 7:30 pm |
| Friday, July 21st. | Rosary (Mazzzocca), 4:00 - 5:00 pm |
| Sunday, July 23rd | <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> |

UPCOMING SVDP SOCIAL EVENTS!

ST. VINCENT'S 50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets are now available!
Tickets are \$5 each.

If we sell all 2,500 tickets, the winner has a chance to win \$6,250

Winner will be drawn on St. Vincent's Feast Day
September 27th, 2023

If you would like to help sell 50/50 Tickets, please see Jacki Laurine for a pack of 25 tickets.

THANK YOU!

September 17th, Tournament of Games!

October 1st, Quarter Auction

October 21st, Euchre Tournament

November 12th, Spaghetti Dinner

November 18th, Trivia Night (Holiday Edition!)

December 16th, Cookie Sale

December 31st, New Year's Eve Dinner / Dance

PARISH PICNIC

Thank

Our Parish Picnic will be held on

Sunday, September 10th

at the Sonneborn Shelter atop Wheeling Park!

We are currently seeking donations of the following items for our picnic:

Items for baskets for auction

Gift Cards

Pets Supplies

Scratch off Lottery tickets

Snacks

Women's items

Men's items

Boys items

Girls items

etc.



**DONATE
AUCTION
ITEMS**



Items for Kids Games

Candy

Toys

Games

etc.



We will be having a **Duck Pond, Ring Toss, Water Balloon Toss, and a Spin the Wheel Game**

If you would like to donate a basket to the picnic, please contact the parish office. Thank You!



SVDP PARISH FESTIVAL 2024

Mark your calendars! St. Vincent de Paul Parish is bringing back our **Parish Festival!**

Friday & Saturday, June 7-8, 2024

The next festival planning meeting will be held on **August 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm** in the Marist Center.

Please consider helping with the Parish Festival as a Planning Committee Member or Volunteer!

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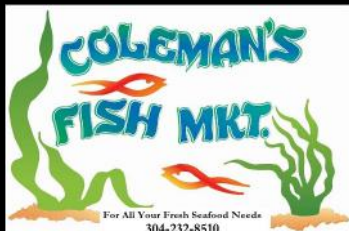
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