

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

June 19th, 2022

The First Reading tells us how Melchizedek, king of Salem (early name for Jerusalem), comes to greet Abraham. Melchizedek is also a priest. As such he brings an offering of bread and wine to Abraham, and pronounces a blessing over him. In Christian tradition that bread and wine were taken to prefigure the bread and wine of the Eucharist. St. Paul's account of the institution of the Eucharist is the earliest written account of the origin of the Eucharist (Second Reading). When we celebrate the Eucharist Christ is not merely present, but we re-enact the Death by which He saved us. The Eucharist not only looks to the past, but also looks forward to the fulfilment of the Kingdom of God. The eucharistic significance of the multiplication of the loaves is brought out by the use of liturgical language. St. Luke uses the same words here as at the Last Super and at Emmaus: "*Jesus took... blessed... broke... gave...*" In the Eucharist the Church continues the mission of Jesus to teach, to heal, and to nourish the people of God.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 19 th <i>Corpus Christi</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Macton)</i>	
Monday, June 20 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, June 21 st <i>St. Aloysius Gonzaga</i>	12 pm	<i>In thanksgiving</i>	By the Lehmanns
Wednesday, June 22 nd <i>Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More</i>	12 pm 4 pm	<i>Intentions of Luella O'Grady (100th BD)</i> <i>+ Margaret Karley (Linwood)</i>	By Bill & Judy Meyer By the Estate
Thursday, June 23 rd <i>Nativity of St. John Baptist</i>	8 am	<i>+ Daniel & Lucille Kelly</i>	By the Estate
Friday, June 24 th <i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	8 am	<i>+ Raymond Moser</i>	By Charles & Rose Moser
Saturday, June 25 th <i>Immaculate Heart of the BVM</i>	5 pm	<i>+ Rosemary Beaupré</i> <i>Intentions of Dolores Straus (85th BD)</i>	By Greg & Heidi Beaupré By the family
Sunday, June 26 th <i>13th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Macton)</i>	

Our Saint of the Week: St. Thomas More (1478-1535) – his belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the Church of Christ cost Thomas More his life. Beheaded on Tower Hill, London, on July 6, 1535, St. Thomas More steadfastly refused to approve King Henry VIII's divorce and remarriage and establishment of the Church of England. Described as "a man for all seasons," More was a literary scholar, eminent lawyer, gentleman, father of four children, and chancellor of England. An intensely spiritual man, he would not support the king's divorce from Catherine of Aragon in order to marry Anne Boleyn. Nor would he acknowledge Henry as supreme head of the Church in England, breaking with Rome, and denying the pope as head. Thomas More was committed to the Tower of London to await trial for treason: not swearing to the Act of Succession and the Oath of Supremacy. Upon conviction, Thomas More declared he had all the councils of Christendom and not just the council of one realm to support him in the decision of his conscience. Four hundred years later in 1935, Thomas More was

canonized a saint of God. Few saints are more relevant to our time. In the year 2000, in fact, Pope St. John Paul II named him patron of political leaders. The supreme diplomat and counselor, he did not compromise his own moral values in order to please the king, knowing that true allegiance to authority is not blind acceptance of everything that authority wants. King Henry himself realized this and tried desperately to win his chancellor to his side because he knew More was a man whose approval counted, a man whose personal integrity no one questioned. But when Thomas More resigned as chancellor, unable to approve the two matters that meant most to Henry, the king had to get rid of him. St. Thomas More pray for us!

ROSARY FOR THE FAMILY – Celebrate Father's Day in a special way! Families across Canada are invited to a live and virtual 'Rosary for the Family,' on Sunday June 19th, at 3pm EST, in preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome and in dioceses across the globe (June 22-26th). You can register for the Zoom event ([Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)) and participate from home, or you can join your fellow parishioners at St. Clement's church for a community Rosary.

BISHOP FARRELL LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE – Join us June 25th 2-5pm and June 26th 10am – 3pm. Located at 698 King St. West, on the beautiful grounds of the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Learn about The Saint John's Bible and our Library resources. Free books available!

WMF ROME – The World Meeting of Families is taking place this week in Rome, June 22-26. This event is an occasion to reinvigorate joy in the family as an image of God's infinite love. For more information and resources to engage your family, see <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/wmf-2021>.

NEW CATECHIST FORMATION PROGRAM – The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to offer a catechist formation program through Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation. This program is open to Pastor recommended candidates. Topics covered during our year together will include:

- The New Directory for Catechesis
- The relationship between evangelization and catechesis
- Sacramental preparation
- Culture and its impact on ministry
- Additional specialized formation for ministry with all stages of life.

For more information contact your Pastor or the Evangelization and Catechesis Office catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as a married, single, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988). Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Edward Henhoeffler, Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam, Comboni Missionaries (M.C.C.J.), Rev. William Foote, Rev. Michael Isabelle, & Rev. Luc Payette.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION – St. Clements: Operating \$1,380.00. Maintenance \$260.00. Thank you for your generosity!

