



Corpus Christi Newsletter



June 2009

The Feast of Corpus Christi is a very significant Feast which is celebrated in the Catholic Church throughout the world. Additionally it is especially significant for us of Corpus Christi Parish, as our parish and parish church are named Corpus Christi. Our church was dedicated on September 10, 1911. September 10, 2011, will be its 100th anniversary. The parish was established in 1961. Until then the area that is now Corpus Christi Parish was part of Assumption Parish, Truckee.

Corpus Christi (Latin) means The Body of Christ. It is one of names for the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist, also called The Blessed Sacrament and The Most Holy Sacrament. This sacrament was instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ at his Last Supper with his apostles on the evening (Holy Thursday) before his crucifixion on Good Friday. Describing this institution St. Matthew, in his Gospel, writes: "During the meal Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. 'Take this and eat it,' he said, 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them. 'All of you must drink from it,' he said, 'for this is my blood, the blood of the covenant, to be poured out in behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins.'" (Mt. 26:26 - 28)

"The Most Holy Eucharist is the most august sacrament, in which Christ the Lord himself is contained, offered and received, and by which the Church constantly lives and grows. The Eucharistic Sacrifice (Mass), the memorial of the death and resurrection of the Lord, in which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated over the centuries, is the summit and the source of all Christian worship and life; it signifies and effects the unity of the people of God and achieves the building up of the Body of Christ. The other sacraments and all the ecclesiastical works of the apostolate are closely related to the Holy Eucharist and are directed to it." (Code of Canon Law, can. 897)

June Feasts

- June 7 Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
- June 14 Feast of Corpus Christi
- June 19 Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

First Holy Communion At the 10:00 a.m. Mass at Corpus Christi Church, on Sunday, May 17, five children of our parish received our Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Communion for the first time. Congratulations to: Aidan Anderson, Riley Curtin, Quinn Earley, Carson Gracey, Connor Hipsley. May they continue to receive this Most Holy Sacrament regularly with ever greater understanding, reverence and devotion. Congratulations, too, to their parents, the primary formers of their Faith. Thanks to the Director and Staff of our Parish Religious Formation Program; they unselfishly devote themselves to helping the parents of our parish in the religious instruction of their children.

Fr. Richard Rolfs, who has come to serve in our parish each Summer for a number of years, will return on June 11 and be with us until August 17. Fr. Rolfs teaches history at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles. We are most grateful to him for coming and to his Jesuit Community for permitting him to come. Without his help we could not provide the July 1 to Labor Day "Mass in the Park" at Tahoma.

Corpus Christi Lot Repair/Maintenance

Work completed: lowering of water intake at south of rectory plus construction of 40 feet of concrete swale for better water capture and insertion into underground pipe leading to "Dry-Well"; new concrete curbing at top of north parking lot; construction of concrete verging at "Dry-Well." Joe Leininger did the skilled work and

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RESTORATION AND REPAIR - CHURCHES, RECTORY, HALL - UPDATE

Campaign Overhead:	(printing, merchant acct. fees) Cost:	\$4,604. ⁵³
Queen of the Snows Church:	Work completed Cost:	\$423,896. ⁶⁰
Corpus Christi Church:	Work completed to date Cost:	\$69,124. ⁷⁹
Parish Center:	Work completed to date Cost:	\$667. ⁷³
	Total Expenditures to Date:	\$498,293.⁶⁵
	Restoration & Repair Fund Income to Date:	\$531,421.²³



Remaining Repairs on Church, Rectory, Hall, to be done on a needs priority basis as parish finances permit.
Work in Prospect: repairs as needed; painting preparation; painting. In Progress: No work currently in progress.
Thanks to all who support the Restoration and Repair of our parish facilities.

Devotions

("So you could not stay awake with me for even an hour?" - Mt. 26:40):

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| Mon—Fri (8:00 am): | Daily Mass |
| 1st Sat (8:00 am): | First Saturday Mass & Rosary |
| Mon (5:15-6:15 pm): | Adoration of Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy |
| Thurs (5:00- 6:00 pm): | Exposition and Adoration of the Lord Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist. |

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity June 7

At Mass each Sunday, after listening to the Scripture readings and hearing the homily, we make our Profession of Faith, using the Creed formulated at the Council of Nicea (A.D. 325). In it we say:

"We believe in one God, the Father....."

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, ...

We believe in the Holy Spirit....."

That is, we state that we believe in One God and Three Persons in that One God. Mysterious? Yes, indeed it is. "For the doctrine of the Trinity is the inner, the innermost, life of God, His profoundest secret. He did not have to reveal it to us. He revealed it to us because He loves men and so wants not only to be served by them but truly known by them. It is the surest mark of love to be known. Let us come now to a consideration of the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity to see what light there is in it for us, being utterly confident that had there been no light for us, God would not have revealed it to us. ... The doctrine may be set out in four statements:

In one divine Nature, there are three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

The Father is not the Son, the Son is not the Holy Ghost, the Holy Ghost is not the Father: no one of the persons is either of the others.

The Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Ghost is God.

There are not three Gods but one God.

There is no question of arithmetic involved. We are not saying three persons in one person, or three natures in one nature; we are saying three persons in one nature. Nature answers the question *what* we are; person answers the question *who* we are. Every being has a nature; of every being we may properly ask What is it. But not every being is a person: only rational beings are persons. We could not properly ask of a stone or a potato or an oyster, Who is it." (*Theology and Sanity, F. J. Sheed*)

2nd Collection—June 28 Peter's Pence

Collection for the Holy Father

Next month our parish will take up the Peter's Pence Collection. This Collection allows the Holy Father to cast the light of Christ upon the world by providing emergency assistance to those who need it most around the globe.

Visit www.usccb.org/ppc for more information

 Please be Generous 

(*Corpus Christi Lot Repair/Maintenance—Continued from page 1*)

provided supervision; Greg Sikorski and Fr. O'Connor donated the labor.

Work to be done: trenching (i.e. digging - as with pick-axe, spade and shovel!) for new water line to church, at south west corner of north lot. Volunteers welcome! P.U.D. will install hook-up to main and meter. Our Corpus Christi Church water supply is on the same hook-up as the Episcopal church. Since that is now metered we must have our own supply line.

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus June 19

A special form of devotion to our Lord Jesus Christ, True God and True Man, is that directed to his Sacred Heart. This devotion focuses attention on the physical heart of Jesus Christ as a symbol of his threefold redemptive love: the love he has for us in and through his perfect human will; the love he has for us in and through the (theological) virtue of Charity infused into his human soul by God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit; the infinite love he has for us as Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is, of course, ultimately directed to the Person of Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity.

Pope Leo XIII called devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus the excellent form of religion; Pope Pius XI called it the synthesis of our whole religion and the norm of a more perfect life; Pope Pius XII said this devotion was the perfect expression of the Christian religion and of strict obligation for all the faithful.

Jesus loves us with a perfect human love and an infinite divine love. His willing acceptance of his Passion and his crucifixion for our redemption is the fullest expression of that love. His Sacred Heart, pierced by a soldier's lance and gushing forth blood and water, is the physical evidence and symbol of that love. Our devotion to his Sacred Heart is our response to his love. In our devotion we worship our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise, thank and honor him; we make reparation to him for the lack of positive response to his love, for the sinful outrages committed against him.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated each year on the Friday after the Feast of Corpus Christ; this year on June 19.

Pastoral Assistance for Victims of Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Sacramento provides pastoral care to persons who have suffered sexual abuse by members of the Catholic clergy and other Catholic Church workers. Please call toll-free at 866-777-9133 if you are seeking assistance in coping with this tragic situation.

The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Sacramento

We are pleased to introduce our new website, at: www.tcfSac.org. Upon visiting the site you will find resources to assist in participating in parish stewardship and development efforts. We hope this site will serve as a valuable resource to the Catholic Community of the Diocese of Sacramento.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Socorro Chavez
Geno Gastelum
Lou Jenkins
Peggy McKelvey
Jack Morris
Joseph Recchia

Margie Erman
Jim Glassmaker
Joe Lemus
Jim McKelvey
Nancy Newell
David Warner

Marge Faia
Catherine Hyde
Helen Mathis
Connie Morris
Marie Niemann

For Prayer Requests, please call the Parish Office at 583-4409