



**Corpus Christi
Catholic Church
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12, 2026
Month of the Most Precious Blood**

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Pastor, Rev. Father Francis Stevenson

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

8:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. No Mass on Tuesday this week.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 7:30 a.m. Ben Sciacca
9:00 a.m. Dr. Allison Metz & KC Harris
10:30 a.m. Anna Rankell †
Monday Tom & Tia Healy, James Mulally
Wednesday Ryan Kowalski
Thursday Steve Woods †
Friday James Mulally
Saturday 5:00 p.m. All Parishioners
Sunday 7:30 a.m. Joe and Elaine Sciacca
9:00 a.m. Dr. Allison Metz, KC Harris
10:30 a.m. Ken & Catherine Moy

For Prayer and Mass requests, please call the Parish Office at **530-583-4409** or bring it by the parish office. (Customary offering for a Mass request is \$10.⁰⁰)

FIRST SATURDAY Mass is scheduled for August 1st at 8:30 a.m. at Corpus Christi.

~**Summer Mass Schedule**~

Starting July 4 weekend (July 4 and 5) and through Labor Day Weekend, our summer Mass schedule will be: Saturday evenings -5:00 p.m. (stays the same), Sunday in Tahoe City-7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. In Tahoma at Marie Sluchak Park-9:00 a.m.

Weekend Lectors

5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Dan Collin	Dan Hailovian	Teresa McNamara
Anita Ormsby	9:00 a.m.	
	Dave and Katie Yacono	

~**Religious Education**~

Anyone wishing to sign their children up for religious education please call the Church Office and leave your name, phone #, child's name, age and grade they will be in next year. First thru 8th grade.



Today's readings, like last week's, ask us to meditate on Israel's response to God's Word—and our own. Why do some hear the word of the kingdom, yet fail to accept it as

a call to conversion and faith in Jesus? That question underlies today's Gospel especially.

Again, we see, as we did last week, that the kingdom's mysteries are unfolded to those who open their hearts, making of them a rich soil in which the Word can grow and bear fruit.

As we sing in today's Psalm, in Jesus, God's Word has visited our land to water the stony earth of our hearts with the living waters of the Spirit.

The first fruit of the Word is the Spirit of love and adoption poured into our hearts in Baptism, making us children of God, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle. In this, we are made a "new creation", the first fruits of a new heaven and a new earth.

Since the first humans rejected God's Word, creation has been enslaved to futility. But God's Word does not go forth only to return to Him void, as we hear in today's First Reading.

His Word awaits our response. We must show ourselves to be children of that Word. We must allow that Word to accomplish God's will in our lives. As Jesus warns today, we must take care lest the devil steals it away or lest it be choked by worldly concerns.

In the Eucharist, the Word gives Himself to us as bread to eat. He does so that we might be made fertile, yielding fruits of holiness. And we await the crowning of the year, the great harvest of the Lord's Day—when His Word will have achieved the end for which it was sent.

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~ **Finance Committee News** ~
Collection for July 4-5



Offertory	\$4639.00
Parish Building Maintenance Fund	\$3233.00

LECTORS, LECTORS, LECTORS – CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS - Lectors are needed for all weekend Mass times (Vigil and the Sunday Masses). As a lector you gain more knowledge with the readings for each weekend Mass. It is such a rewarding experience to prepare for and proclaim the word of the Lord. Please contact the parish office.



USCCB Respect Life –For more information on the July prayer guide please go to this website <https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-guides>

~Pray For The Sick~

Francine Fulton Roman Gamblin David Gonzalez Susan Greene Elizabeth Jimenez Bill Madigan
Judy McMunigal Mary Ellen Perkins Thomas Sabido Skip Shank Thaddeus Tellers StacyWesler Jerry Weidner

~Activity of the Week~

Hearing the word of God is one thing but living it is another. In the beginning of the week, together as a family select a Scripture passage and decide on a family project to carry out the message of the reading. <https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>

~Sunday Readings and Gospel~

Reading I : Isaiah 55:10-11 My word shall accomplish my will.

- The prophet Isaiah tells us that God’s word is effective.
- Just as the rain does not stop before it has fallen to water the earth, so God’s word achieves the end for which God sent it.
- The word of God is life-giving.

Reading II Romans 8:18-23 We bear our suffering in light of Christ.

- The reading from the Letter to the Romans speaks of the promised harvest of God’s word in people and in all creation.
- Human beings have not yet arrived at the fullness of their creation, becoming children of God.
- Paul stresses that at the end, all creation will arrive at its fullness and God’s word will have achieved the end for which God sent it.

Gospel : Matthew 13:1-23 A sower went out to sow.

- In the parable of the sower Jesus was talking about the Kingdom of God.
 - The seed is the word of God; the various kinds of soil represent different dispositions in the hearers. The growth is still growth of the Kingdom of God.
 - The Kingdom of God grows best in willing hearts. <https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>
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~Questions of the Week~

Theme: Discipleship—opening our hearts to Jesus’ word and acting upon it.

Question for Children: Who helps you to grow deeper in your faith?

Question for Youth: When the sower, in this week’s Gospel, sowed his seed, not all of it fell in “good soil.” What can you do in the coming week to make sure that you are open to God in your life? What is getting in the way of your being “good soil?”

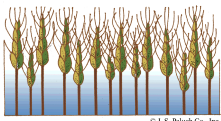
Question for Adults: Using the parable of Jesus in this reading, describe how faith has been planted in your life? How long did it take for that seed to land “on good soil?” https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com

The Word Shall Do My Will The word of God is caught up in metaphors and parables. The image of seed that falls on different kinds of ground helps us understand how to listen creatively.

Jesus, the Word, bears fruit in all of creation, but best in our lives and hearts. When you hear this parable of the sower and the seed, do you wonder which you are? Sometimes it seems that we are one, and sometimes another. Like all metaphors, this parable must be understood intuitively, “with the heart,” in order for it to work God’s healing grace in us.

Jesus is careful to say that we see with our eyes and hear with our ears, but we understand, not with our head, but with our heart. Copyright © 2007, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

Creation Awaits It is easy to get discouraged. It is easy to be distracted by difficulties and duties in our daily lives. It is



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possible for the word to be snatched away, even as we struggle to understand. Distractions of every kind prevent the word from being heard. But Isaiah and Paul underline the important point that the word of God is effective in all of creation, including us. Just as the rain waters the earth and will not return to the heavens until it does its intended work, the earth yields its rich harvest and rejoices. Our

sufferings, distractions, and wearying work will not prevent us from hearing the word of God and doing God’s work if we see with our eyes the beauty of creation, hear with our ears the music of the universe, and understand with our heart that God has made all of this to help us. God heals every ill, calls us back from distraction, protects us from evil, and gives us the grace to hear the word with joy.

It is God’s grace that prepares the ground for the seed, watering it, breaking up the clods, making even untilled ground fruitful. When we understand with our heart that this is God’s work in us, then even without understanding with our head, we can receive the word of God with the same joyful song of creation in bloom.

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<https://www.scd.org/bishops-office/diocesan-weekly-news>

