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SCHEDULES

Masses:

Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 9:00AM

Confession:

Sunday 8:00AM-8:45AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday 7:00PM-8:00PM

Religious Education:

Sunday 10:30AM-12:00PM

1st Sat. of Month:

- Mass at 8:30AM
- Rosary & Altar Society meeting

Weekly Bulletin

June 9 through June 16, 2007

Corpus Christi

This weekend at Saint Vincent's we resume the use of our communion rail for the reception of Holy Communion. Following the Second Vatican Council many Catholic parishes around the world abandoned the use of the communion rail, a fixture in nearly all Roman Catholic Churches prior to the great Ecumenical Council of the Twentieth Century. In fact, in many Catholic parishes the communion rail was simply removed in the years that followed the Council's close. This was not the case at St. Vincent's, and I believe we should all be grateful for this fact.

The decision to resume our use of the communion rail was approved by the Parish Council over a year ago. While there has obviously been a significant delay in the implementation of this decision, it is significant and in fact appropriate that we begin the use of the communion rail again on Corpus Christi Sunday, a Sunday dedicated to the truth that Jesus Christ is truly present in the Host we receive. It isn't a symbol or a memorial meal – It is God Himself! This belief in the "Real Presence" is one of the hallmarks of Catholicism.

The use of the communion rail is both devotional and catechetical. It is devotional in the sense that reception of Holy Communion on one's knees is a sign of deep reverence and devotion to the King of Kings, truly present in the Holy Eucharist. The use of the communion rail is also catechetical, that is, it is educational in matters of faith. The use of the communion rail reminds all of us that the reception of Holy Communion is not just one other thing we do at Mass. Rather, it must be a prayerful encounter between the worshiper and God. When the priest says "The Body of Christ" he means this literally. Reception of Holy Communion in a unique way hits this point home, a point many of us can become numb to as we receive our Lord week after week in Holy Communion.

It is the hope of the clergy serving at St. Vincent de Paul that the resumption of the communion rail's use may bring to all of us a deeper reverence and love for the Holy Eucharist.

St. Vincent de Paul Pray for us!

In Christ,

Father John Paul Erickson

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 6/9
People of the Parish

Sunday 6/10
People of the Parish

Saturday 6/16
People of the Parish

Sunday 6/17
People of the Parish

GOSPEL READING AT MASS

Saturday 6/9
Mark 12: 38-44

Sunday 6/10
Luke 9: 11b-17

Monday 6/11
Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday 6/12
Matthew 5: 13-16

Wednesday 6/13
Matthew 5: 17-19

Thursday 6/14
Matthew 5: 20-26

Friday 6/15
Luke 15: 3-7

Saturday Confession

Saturday Confession will be at the **Cathedral of Saint Paul** from 3:30PM-5:00PM

Lus ceeb toom

Vim tsis muaj tus teb xov tooj
hauv peb lub Tsev teev Ntuj
lawm, mas yog nej hu tuaj, tus
yuav teb xov tooj yog tus khiav
hauj lwm nyob pem lub niam
Tsev teev Ntuj (Cathedral). Tso
nej npe thiab xov tooj, Txiv Plig
mam li hu rov rau nej.

**St. Vincent de Paul,
Pray for us!**

Prayer Intention

Please continue to pray for the soul of Txiv Plig Bertrais, OMI and his family. May he be rewarded for all his faithful service to the Hmong Catholic Community.

Congratulations to all Saint Vincent de Paul graduates!

A hearty congratulations to all who are celebrating graduations in our community. May this time of transition be a time of blessing and grace for you all!

Reminder of Parish Potluck Second Saturday of the Month

Please remember that every second Saturday of the month we gather after the 5pm Mass for a Parish Potluck in Wellisch Hall. All are welcome to attend. The food is free but donations are gratefully accepted. Please, bring something to share!

HANCA convention coming up – sign up!!!

This year the Twin Cities Hmong Catholic community has the honor of hosting the HANCA convention. The convention will be held this year at beautiful Providence academy in Plymouth, Minnesota. The convention will run during the final week of June. It is very important that many St. Vincent de Paul parishioners attend this bi-annual convention. Please visit the HANCA website for details and to register for this historic event. Registration is also available in Wellisch Hall.