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TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS: Sundays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM High, 11:30 AM, 5:45 PM

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Rev. Vili Lehtoranta • Rev. Thomas Simpson • Rev. Anthony Brueggemann



July 7, 2024

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PENTECOST VII • SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS, BPPCC


¶ PENTECOST VII

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Precious Blood. The Second Collection is taken up for our Oblates. The Blessing of Religious Articles is available at the Communion Rail. You will find the “Little Church” in the vestibule, to receive your alms for poor priests. Vespers and Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

¶ SUMMER NOVENA

Bring your intentions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and St. Anthony of Padua during the Summer Novena. The Novena prayers are recited after every Mass on **Tuesdays**.

¶ ROSARY PROCESSION

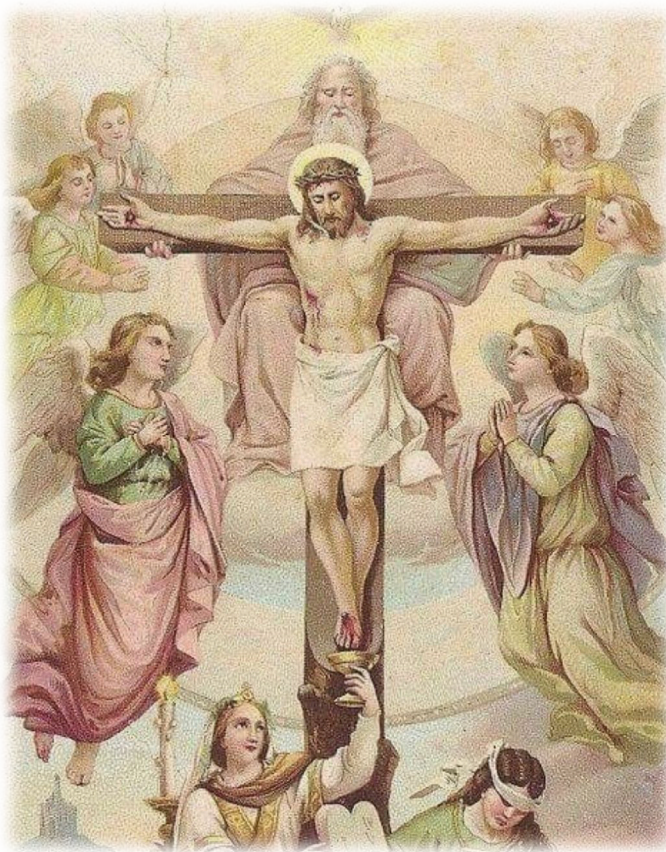
 Our third Fatima Rosary Procession for peace will take place on **Saturday** at **10:15 AM** in West Chester. High Mass precedes the Rosary Procession at 8:30 AM.

¶ YOUNG ADULT GET-TOGETHER

The 2024 YAG is this weekend. Please see yagincincy.org for the schedule for this event.

Collection Report

Sunday, June 30th.....\$7,690.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.



Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ in atonement for my sins, and in supplication for the holy souls in purgatory and for the needs of holy Church.

Indulgence of 500 days. Indulgence of 3 years, if this prayer is recited during the month of July.

¶ **THANK YOU** for leaving the back pews for families with small children, **on weekdays as well as Sundays.**

¶ NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Pentecost VIII. **There will be no Vespers.**

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Pentecost VIII, second collect of St. Bonaventure. Trinity Preface.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Fr. Jesús Becerra, David Weber, Mrs. Soeder, and all the intentions that have been recommended to us.

¶ LOOK AHEAD

Boys Camp: July 23-25. *Remember to sign your boys up on the sheet in the vestibule!*

The Transfiguration: Tuesday, August 6th

The Assumption (Holy Day): Thursday, August 15th

Parish Picnic: Sunday, September 15th



Ss. Cyril & Methodius, pray for us

**JULY DEVOTION: THE MOST
PRECIOUS BLOOD**



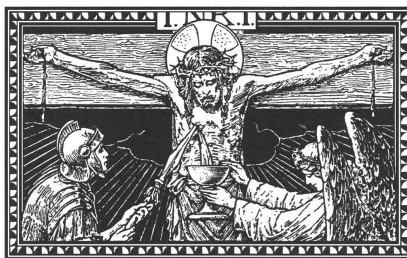
Holy Mother Church dedicates the month of July to the Precious Blood of Jesus, which was “shed for the many, for the remission of sins” (*Matthew 26:28*). Like the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the subject of Catholic devotion in June, the Precious Blood has long been venerated for its role in our redemption.

Many non-Catholics find Catholic devotion to the “body parts” of Jesus Christ to be a little odd. In addition to the Sacred Heart and the Precious Blood, there are devotions to the Five Wounds (in Christ’s hands, feet, and side), to the shoulder wound, where Christ carried the Cross and to the wounds caused by the crown of thorns, to name just a few.

Faced with Protestant discomfort with these devotions, many Catholics have abandoned or downplayed them. But we should not do that. These devotions provide a living witness to our belief in the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. Our Savior is not an abstraction, He is God-Made-Man. And as the Athanasian Creed tells us, in becoming man, Christ assumed humanity into the God-head.

It’s an awesome thought—our physical nature is united to God through the Person of Jesus Christ. When we venerate Christ’s Precious Blood or His Sacred Heart, the Five Wounds or the Holy Face, we aren’t making an idol out of Creation, we are worshipping the One True God Who so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son to save us from everlasting death!

Christ’s Precious Blood, like His Sacred Heart, is a symbol of His love for all mankind. In this prayer, we recall the shedding of His Blood and ask that He may guide our lives so that we may be worthy of Heaven.



Prayer to the Precious Blood

O Sacred Blood, that flowed so copiously seven times for my salvation, I love Thee, I praise Thee, I adore Thee with the deepest feeling of gratitude! The purest fountain from which Thou didst flow makes Thy memory so sweet. O Precious Blood, with trumpet tones Thou speakest to me of the love of my God and Redeemer. How I deplore my coldness and indifference towards Thee! Now, at last, I wish to return love for love, blood for blood, if necessary. As often as my pulse beats, it shall greet Thee, Thou sweet Guest of my soul, and shall return to the arteries warmed and purified by Thy love. As long as the blood courses through my veins, it shall flow only for love of Thee; it shall circulate only for Thy interests and it shall return cold and stand still only because I am about to love Thee in eternity. Oh, let this stream of Thy love flow through every heart and inebriate it with holy joy!

***Offering of the Blood and Water that
Flowed from the Sacred Side***

O Jesus, my dearest Savior, through Thee I offer to Thy Eternal Father, the Precious Blood and water which flowed from Thy wounded Heart on the tree of the Cross. Grant that this Blood and water may be efficaciously applied to us, and to all poor sinners. Cleanse, purify, and sanctify all men in virtue of Thy merits. Grant, O Jesus, that we may enter into Thy most loving Heart and remain there forever. Amen.

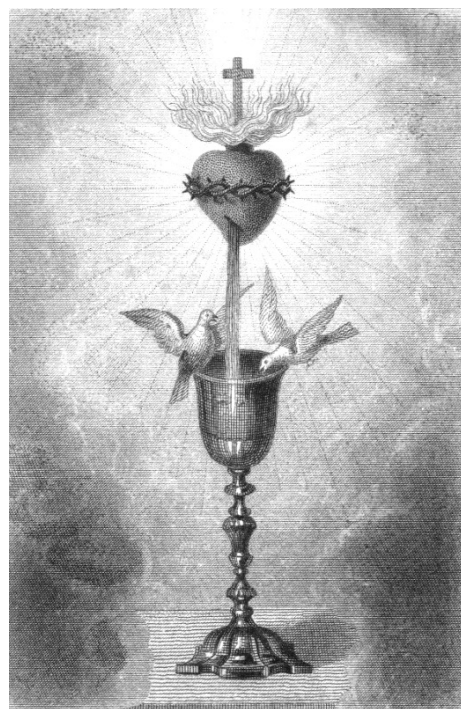
Eternal Father, accept the Precious Blood and water that flowed from the Wound of the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a sacrifice of reparation for the necessities of Holy Church and in atonement for the sins of men. Have mercy on us. Amen.

THE SAVING BLOOD

Thy ways are just, O God! Thy Seers
declare,
Nor spurns Thy Heart the contrite
sinner’s vow;
But lifelong guilt so stains my
conscience now
That Justice must be wronged if
Mercy spare.
To lift mine eyes to Thee I do not
dare;
Before Thy Seraph-girdled throne I
bow,
And cower at the lightnings of Thy
brow,
While demons whisper in my soul,
“Despair!”

Sate, then, Thy wrath! My crimes
have willed it so.
Heed not my burning tears, mine
agony.
Let Justice smite, nor Mercy stop the
blow.
In death I’ll still adore Thy stern
decree.
But will Thy bolts a trembling wretch
o’erthrow
Whom Christ’s Blood signs with
hallowed blazonry?

— John C. Reville, S.J.



The week of “Firsts” (First Wednesday, First Thursday, First Friday, and First Saturday) is now past, and we are gearing up for a very apostolic week with the annual YAG which begins this Friday. The YAG brings together quite a crowd of like-minded young Traditional Catholics from all over the country. This year, some are even coming from other countries. We are very careful not to accept those who belong to the SSPX, Novus Ordo, or those who do not accept the Thuc line clergy. Many might think this to be very uncharitable, unfair, and merely political. It is not. One purpose of the YAG is to foster good Catholic marriages. In order that a marriage be stable and peaceful is very important that spouses agree on matters of religion. Mixed marriages are generally frowned upon by the Church—although some of them work out, they are usually fraught with dangers to the faith of the children and are filled with many disagreements. This is, to most Catholics, very obvious. What is not obvious to many is the danger and hardship that will result from a union in which spouses do not agree on the questions that Traditional Catholics face today. This is why we only accept to the YAG young adults who are sedevacantist, accept the Thuc line clergy, and do not hold to the errors of the Feeneyites.

This Friday morning, Miss Regina Simpson will enter the Oblates of the Holy Face as a postulant. This will bring the number of sisters up to three. Our oblates are an immense blessing to our parish. Without them, much of what we do would only be done with very great difficulty. Besides their daily prayers for priests, they help with anything and everything that needs to be done. Right now, Sr. Eulalia runs the sacristy and Sr. Ulrica teaches in the school. They also do work on our website, help with work on the parish grounds, repair vestments and other linens needed for Mass, organize camps, take part in the Sodality of Charity, teach catechism, and visit the sick, among other apostolic works. As we get more oblates the goal would be to send them wherever there is a need. For instance, they would be very helpful in teaching catechism in the missions. Also, I know other priests who could use the help of oblates in their parishes. The Oblates of the Holy Face have no constitutions and so can easily adapt to the needs of any parish at any time. Many people have asked why we choose to have oblates rather than nuns. I will write something about this very soon.

The pond at the grotto was cleaned out this past week, thanks to the help of **Fr. Simpson**, Sr. Eulalia,

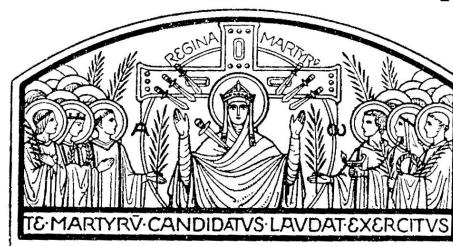
and Sr. Ulrica. Catching the goldfish was no problem for Father. The sisters put them in a container of water while the pond was drained, the muck disposed of, and then clean water put back. It sure is nice to have that looking nice again. I hope the goldfish are happy now, too!

Fr. Lehtoranta was kind enough to offer to say a public Mass today, even though he is on vacation. Father has been doing some writing for the first few days of his vacation, something which he doesn't normally have time to do during the rest of the year. He is going away to do some sightseeing this week. **Fr. Brueggemann** has been spending time with his family for his vacation. **Fr. McKenna** made it back safely from his vacation earlier in the week. I am very glad that they all seem to be enjoying themselves and are getting some well-deserved rest!

Fr. McKenna did a show about Archbp. Vigano on Catholic Family Podcast. There has been an awful lot of talk about Vigano now and many are wondering what to think. Father has some very interesting thoughts on the matter. Take a listen to his interview with Kevin Davis!

Don't forget to join us and the “YAGsters” this Saturday morning for the Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace!

– Bishop McGuire



Memorare to the Madonna of the Precious Blood

Remember, O Madonna of the Precious Blood, the shedding of the Blood of your Divine Son and the bitter tears you mingled with His Redeeming Blood.

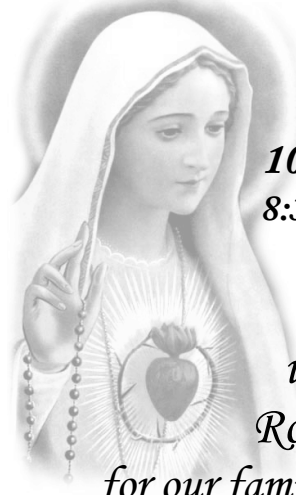
In the name of the Blood of the Victim of Expiation; in the name of the seven swords which pierced your heart, by which you became the Co-Redemptrix of the human race; have pity on us and upon all our miseries; have pity on sinners and on all innocent souls they seek to pervert; have pity on the poor, the sick and the afflicted; have pity on those who are now in their last agony, especially those who, except for thine intercession, would leave this world without being washed in the Blood of the Lamb.

It is by the Blood of your dying Son, and by the continuation of His Sacrifice on Catholic Altars, that we beg you not to reject our supplications. Amen.

✠ CALENDAR

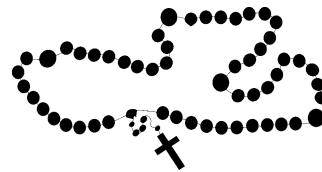
MON	7/8/24	ST. ELIZABETH, QUEEN OF PORTUGAL, W 8:00 AM Low Mass †Peter J. Gebel, Jr. – 3 rd Death Anniversary (<i>Willa</i>)
TUE	7/9/24	FERIAL DAY • OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE <i>Ss. JOHN FISHER, BP & THOMAS MORE, MM</i> <i>ST. MARIA GORETTI, V</i> SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES 7:00 AM Low Mass Holy Souls in honor of St. Anthony (<i>The Arlinghaus Family</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Gilliam Families – Consolation (<i>A.M.B.</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Steven Christensen & Benedict Appelhanz (<i>Keith & Mary Christensen</i>) (from 7/8)
WED	7/10/24	SEVEN HOLY BROTHERS, MM <i>Ss. RUFINA & SECUNDA, VVMM</i> 7:00 AM Low Mass The Holy Souls in Purgatory (<i>A.M.B.</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Sophia Hudson (<i>Maria McConnell</i>) 5:10 PM Low Mass Our Lady – Thanksgiving (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
THU	7/11/24	ST. PIUS I, PM 7:00 AM Low Mass Our Children, Godchildren, Grandchildren (<i>The Wilker Family</i>) 8:00 AM High Mass Purgatorial Society 11:25 AM Low Mass †Patricia Kolb (<i>St. Gertrude School</i>)
FRI	7/12/24	ST. JOHN GUALBERT, AB <i>Ss. NABOR & FELIX, MM • ST. VERONICA, W</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass †Helen Laub (<i>Jim Soli</i>) 11:00 AM Confessions 11:25 AM Low Mass Jane Brockman (<i>Doloris Ritze</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass John & Julie Brueggemann (<i>Regina Simpson</i>) 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction
SAT	7/13/24	ST. ANACLETUS, PM 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass My Godchildren (<i>Patsy McConnell</i>) 8:10 AM Salve 8:30 AM High Mass Special Intention (<i>Renee Arlinghaus</i>) 10:15 AM Fatima Rosary Procession
SUN	7/14/24	PENTECOST VIII • ST. BONAVENTURE, BPCD 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Salvatore A. Zuccaro (<i>Dave & MaryAnn Marko</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass Thanksgiving to St. Joseph (<i>Colin VanderPutten</i>) 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass Francis Puglielli (<i>Mom & Dad</i>) 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION FOR PEACE

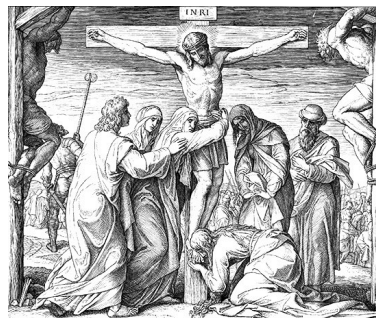


This Saturday, July 13
Bring your family
10:15 AM in West Chester
8:30 AM High Mass at church

Our Lady of Fatima
implores us to pray the
Rosary. Join us in praying
for our families, Church, & country.



THE GLORY OF THE PASSION OF JESUS



It seems strange to speak of glory in suffering, glory in shame and in ignominy, yet all these are present in an infinite degree in the Passion of Jesus. He suffered as no person ever before or since has suffered. Sufferings were His environment, His food and His drink. He suffered from all sorts of people and from various causes. His sufferings were prolonged and were exquisitely painful, yet there is glory in every detail. There is joy and consolation in every second of the Passion.

“God forbid that I should glory save in the Cross of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.”

SERVERS

FRI 7/12	5:45 PM LOW: Capetillos
SAT 7/13	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemanns 8:30 AM HIGH: D. Simpson, F. & P. Caggese
SUN 7/14	7:30 AM LOW: M. McConnell, Brueggemann 9:00 AM HIGH: MCS: M. & D. Simpson TH: N. Kolenich ACS: M. Kolenich, D. Hudson TBS: J. & I. Smith, B. Constantino, J. Hudson, M. Caggese, T. England 11:30 AM LOW: Capetillos 5:45 PM LOW: P. McClorey

