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(L=Living, †=Deceased)

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)		
Sat. June 21	5:00 PM	For †Anna Menefee [from Linda Menefee]
Sun. June 22	9:00 AM	For †Drew Kordenbrock [from Maxine Kordenbrock]
Mon. June 23	XXXXXX	NO PUBLIC MASS
Tue. June 24	8:00 AM	For Ruth Ann Smith (L) [from Sarah Gripshover]
Wed. June 25	8:00 AM	For Emery and JoAnn Mapes (L) [from Samantha Stange]
Thur. June 26	8:00 AM	For †Anthony Mittermeier [from Samantha Stange]
Fri. June 27	8:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish
SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL		
Sat. June 28	5:00 PM	For †Mary Jo Schmiade [from Elizabeth Caudill]
Sun. June 29	9:00 AM	For †John Jackson [from Jeanne Cooper]

BIRTHDAYS—June 1-Luca Cooper, June 5-Linda Beck, June 9-Heidi Mayleben, June 9-Wanda Bach, June 19-Genita Kiser, June 22-Lisa Cooper, June 27-Austin Schroder, June 29-Amanda Eten, June 22-Gordon Redmond.

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If anyone's birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda Fryman know.



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Saturdays – 5:00 PM	Sundays – 9:00 AM
Weekdays [Tue through Fri] – 8 AM	Holy Days– 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 22, 2025

DPAA—The new DPAA campaign has begun! Our parish’s goal for this year is \$13,400. As of May 31, we have received \$9,350 in donations and commitments. You should be receiving envelopes in the mail to make your pledge. There are also purple envelopes available near the collection box. Thank you for your contributions!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN-Please be sure to return your baby bottles ASAP. Thank you for your caring donations.

FESTIVAL NOTES-Our festival will be held on Sunday, September 21. Mark your calendars! The next meeting is Wed. June 25 at 6:30 PM. Thank you.

FROM THE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE—Dear parishioners: the parish festival is closer than you think. That’s why it’s time now to start asking for your help. After our first meeting we’ve decided to try some different things to make our festival more appealing. So we would like to start gathering donations right now. If you could donate a gift card - a bottle of wine or a gift basket for the silent auction it would greatly help. If we start now little by little we could have enough to fill our needs before festival time. (Gently used items accepted also). The Kiddie Land crew is hard at work already updating and adding new things. Also, there will be a sign up sheet soon for slots to be filled for workers. It’s a lot for each family - but we are small so we have to share the load - and it’s only once a year. Thank you for whatever you are able to do. If you have any questions about some of the jobs, just ask Linda Fryman or Lindsey Rawe.

PETER’S PENCE—Next week is the annual Peter’s Pence collection, which helps support the work of the Holy Father. Please give to support Pope Leo in his work of confirming the brethren and strengthening the Church universal.

JERRY EHLMAN FUNERAL—Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner Jerry Ehman, who passed away on Thursday. There will be a visitation on Tuesday evening at Chambers and Grubbs Funeral Home in Independence, and the funeral Mass will be Wednesday at 10 AM at Saint Cecilia Church. May he rest in peace.

LECTOR— June 22-Brad Cooper, June 29-Lisa Cooper

CLEANING – June-Genita and daughters

FROM THE PASTOR – THE PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART

June is the month devoted to the Sacred Heart of Our Lord. We will celebrate the solemnity of the Sacred Heart this coming Friday, but the whole month is dedicated to devotion towards that organ which beats with love for each one of us and was pierced for our eternal good. In revealing His desire for souls to draw close to Him, our Lord gave to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (the first promoter of this devotion) a number of promises for those who follow through with the demanded devotional actions. These promises are meant to be the fruits or benefits which derive from practicing this devotion. The Lord outlined to St. Margaret Mary these promises:

- (1) I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
- (2) I will establish peace in their homes.
- (3) I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
- (4) I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
- (5) I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
- (6) Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- (7) Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
- (8) Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
- (9) I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
- (10) I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- (11) Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
- (12) I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.



These promises are not a free ticket for our own pleasure, but are the fruits of our sanctification and union with Jesus Christ through His Sacred Heart. Next week, we shall see what it is Jesus asked us to do in practicing this devotion. For now, let us desire Christ as He desires us. Let us seek refuge in His Sacred Heart now so that we may rest there forever.

Fr. Jacob Straub