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Dear Friends!

I know this is long, but please read carefully everything that follows. I want to write a little bit about the situation here of the chalices at Mass.

As announced, until we can get more extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion we will not be able to have the chalices. We just simply do not have enough and some of those who serve are getting burned out and so not coming, or coming 15 minutes before Mass to check in as they are supposed to do, or finding replacements when they are gone, etc., and then we are left to scramble minutes before Mass starts to find people or even during Holy Mass itself having to stop everything and then wait for people to come up.

So, until further notice and until we have more volunteers for this most incredible ministry, we will be having communion only under one species.

"But," someone begins to passionately cry, "I NEED THE WINE!"

(Seriously, someone actually said that to me, verbatim.)

First of all, please do not refer to the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord as "the wine." After the consecration, although under the appearance of wine, it is properly called "The Precious Blood," and NOT "the wine."

It betrays a lack of faith and a lack of formation to use the wrong words/terminology. Before the consecration the substance inside the chalice is wine. After the consecration, the substance is *no longer wine* but the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus.

To call the substance "wine" after it is no longer wine but Jesus is not correct.

Secondly, and related to that note we cannot forget this infallible teaching of our Church:

"...though our Redeemer at the last supper instituted and administered this sacrament to the Apostles under two forms, as has already been said, yet it must be acknowledged that Christ, whole and entire, and a true sacrament are received under either form alone, and therefore, as regards its fruits, those who receive one species only are not deprived of any grace..." (The Council of Trent, Session XXI, Chapter 3).

Thus, in the meantime until we can get more eucharistic ministers, no one is being deprived of any grace. The whole and entire Jesus is present under both species, and under either form alone.

1) We SAVOR the Eucharist; we do not chew Him like a potato chip. Do not chew Him(!), but pray profoundly and pour out your heart in love to Him as you savor receiving Him, piously and slowly consuming Him.

2) We do not chew gum at or during church. If you have gum in your mouth neither myself nor any of the eucharistic ministers will give you Holy Communion. It is extremely disrespectful to chew gum in church, not to mention sacrilegious to have gum in your mouth when you receive God Himself.

3) When taking the Precious Blood, we do not gulp Him down. We take a very little amount because again the whole Jesus is present in every drop. We do not drink Him as we do ordinary drink. See before, when we were having the chalices, some were taking extremely large drinks from them. No more, you guys. That is not how a faithful Catholic receives the Most Precious Blood of Our Savior. No more treating Him like some frat-party drink.

I apologize for the sternness in all this, but the Eucharist is the most sacred and most wonderful Gift there is, because it is Jesus Himself. We simply cannot overdue it in terms of the respect, reverence, and love we have for the Eucharist.

Indeed, in this time, may we all be renewed in our love of, and hunger for, this greatest Sacrament in which is contained all sweetness and God Himself.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Simon

P.S. if you are interested in becoming an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion please call into the office and leave your name and number. We will get back to you with the date and time of the next training session.

P.P.S. for further reading or reference, cf. the same Council of Trent, mentioned above, in Session XIII, for example, where it says:

"The most Holy Eucharist has indeed this in common with the other sacraments, that it is a symbol of a sacred thing and a visible form of an invisible grace; but there is found in it this excellent and peculiar characteristic, that the other sacraments then first have the power of sanctifying when one uses them, while in the Eucharist there is the Author Himself of sanctity before it is used. For the Apostles had not yet received the Eucharist from the hands of the Lord, when He Himself told them that what He was giving them is His own body. This has always been the belief of the Church of God, that immediately after the consecration the true body and the true blood of our Lord, together with His soul and divinity exist under the form of bread and wine, the body under the form of bread and the blood under the form of wine <ex vi verborum;> but the same body also under the form of wine and the same blood under the form of bread and the soul under both, in virtue of that natural connection and concomitance whereby the parts of Christ the Lord, who hath now risen from the dead, to die no more, are mutually united; also the divinity on account of its admirable hypostatic union with His body and soul. Wherefore, it is very true that as much is contained under either form as under both. For Christ is whole and entire under the form of bread and under any part of that form; likewise the whole Christ is present under the form of wine and under all its parts."

Adult Bible Study

Every Wednesday mornings starting at 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. We are studying the book of Revelation. Everyone is welcome!

Adult Faith Formation

Every Wednesday evening starting at 6:00 p.m. located in the school building. Come and learn more about our Catholic faith. All are welcome!

Catholic Women's Bible Study

with play group for kids too!

Meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30 am. Call Keelin Cromar for more information at (240) 401-8236.

**Church Cleaning**

We are in need of volunteers to help clean the church. It is based on a rotating schedule and your crew will be scheduled to clean at least once a month. Men are encouraged to volunteer. We need some strong muscles to do the heavy lifting and climb ladders to get to places that can't be reached easily. If you are interested, please call the parish office at (575) 763-6947 and leave your name and phone number and the Church Cleaning Coordinator will contact you. This is an important ministry. Remember Jesus lives here.....

WE JUST WANT TO SAY... THANK YOU!

GOD is amazing!

Please give yourself a round of applause....

Without YOU we would not of been able to provide the meal to the elderly and needy. Thank you to all who donated food, those of you who helped in anyway. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to God and to our parish. This could of never happened without each and every one of you.

"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"

(2 Corinthians 9:12-15)

Let's not end this here! Let us go forth and be Disciples of Christ and continue to show compassion for one another. That's who He wants us to be. We should all go and show an act of charity, but never boast and proclaim what we have done, but keep it sacred within ourselves and God. Words can never express the gratitude for your time, talent and treasure. God bless you always.



Distribution will be held every 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month.

We are in need of volunteers to help!

If you are interested, please call Rosie Buchan at (575) 309-5040 so she can give you further information and to inform you of a time to meet to help prepare for our distribution, or call the parish office and leave your name and phone number so that we may contact you. Please be mindful that you must have attended the Sexual Abuse Awareness Training through the Archdiocese of Santa Fe to be able to volunteer.

Our next distribution will be January 23, 2015.

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

- Cereal,
- Cans of Soup,
- Canned Pasta Meals
- Canned Meat,
- Lunch Box Snacks,
- Empty Egg Cartons

We are also taking donation for New or Gently Used:

- Coats,
- Jackets,
- Sweaters,
- Stuffed Animals (toys)
- Or Blankets

Any help will be greatly appreciated. You can place items in the baskets in the back of the church or bring them into the parish office. Thank you and may God Bless you.

Tithes & Offerings

Not available at time of publication. They will be published upon completion.

Thank you.



SATURDAY January 9, 2016
5:30 P.M. For the people of the parish

SUNDAY January 10, 2016
8:30 A.M. † Sherry Casarez

10:30 A.M. † Antonio Reyes Ramirez

MONDAY January 11, 2016
5:30 P.M. † Marion Pasternacki

TUESDAY January 12, 2016
7:00 A.M. TBA

WED January 13, 2016
12:10 P.M. † Walt McDonough

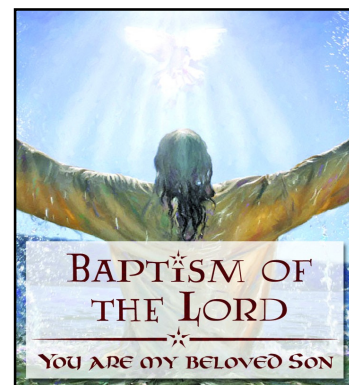
THURSDAY January 14, 2016
7:00 A.M. TBA

FRIDAY January 15, 2016
5:30 P.M. TBA

SATURDAY January 16, 2016
5:30 P.M. For the people of the parish

SUNDAY January 17, 2016
8:30 A.M. † Julien & † Irene Best

10:30 A.M. Fr. Simon Carian



MINISTERS – SATURDAY – January 16, 2016

SACRISTANS

5:30 P.M. Mike & Anna Nagro

USHERS

5:30 P.M. Same Loyal & Faithful Bunch

ALTAR SERVERS

5:30 P.M. Thomas Palla
Grant Palla
Joseph Vickers

LECTORS

5:30 P.M. Augustine Martinez
Keishla Cota

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:30 P.M. Stephen Haynes (Captain - R)
Anna Nagro - R
Fidel Madrid - L
Marta Madrid - L

MINISTERS – SUNDAY – January 17, 2016

SACRISTANS

8:30 A.M. Mary Shockley
Jesse Alvarez
10:30 A.M. Carlos & Dora Rivero

USHERS

8:30 A.M. Eddie's Angels
10:30 A.M. Same Loyal & Faithful Bunch

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 A.M. I – Francisco Rodriguez
Victoria Garcia
Jacob Gutierrez
Jacob Rowley
10:30 A.M. Francisco Rodriguez
Annie Gartner
Elijah Rodriguez

LECTORS

8:30 A.M. Mary Maulsby
Robert Timmons
10:30 A.M. Peter Penney
Dora Rivero

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

8:30 A.M. Lyn Carwile (Captain - R)
Christy Gutierrez - R
Mary Maulsby - L
Lila Lucero - L
10:30 A.M. Paul Ellis (Captain - R)
Suzanne Ellis - R
Mabel Encinias - L
Ruben Encinias - L

CHURCH CLEANING

January 16 – *Angie Spears, Christy Gutierrez, Amanda Tijerina, Grace Padilla

ALTAR LINENS

January – Jo Denise Burns

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Retirement Ranch	Rick Rowley
Clovis Healthcare	Nancy Gilestra
Sr. Resident Center	Teresa Weeks
Home Route One	Marcy Kos
Home Route Two	Teresa Weeks

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sacred Heart has a group of "Prayer Warriors" who will seek God's Intervention on your behalf. All it takes is a phone call to Jeanne Kriegshauser at (575) 762-9214 or Mary Shockley at (575) 763-0953, and they will set prayer in motion.



NEXT WEEKS GOSPEL READING

John 2:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.