The Blessed Sacrament frequently occurs in the New Testament. All three synoptic gospels record its institution (The Last Supper); St John omits the institution, (he devotes five chapters to the dialogue surrounding it i.e., 13 through 17), but speaks at length (Jn 6) of Our Lord's promise to give "the Bread of Life" without which man can have no true life, i.e., "Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and died. He who eats this bread will live forever." Besides the Gospels, St Paul records the institution, which he received from the Lord, with the stern warning not to receive this Bread unworthily. (I Cor. 11:27)

How odd! Amid the Bible's "cloud of witnesses" attesting to this Sacrament, of all Christians, only the Catholic Church teaches rightly. This is explained by scripture itself. In John 6, our Blessed Lord says twice, "No man can come to me, unless it be given him by my Father" (Jn 6:44 & 66) No argument for the Blessed Sacrament will convince unless grace accompany a humble hearing. (Fr Hardon writes in A Eucharistic Retreat (p.9), by the year 1600, there were over two hundred interpretations of those five words, *Hoc est enim corpus* meum. To this day, these words remain the source of divisions in the Christian world.)

In his reflections on the Last Supper (A Retreat with the Lord, p.149), Fr Hardon reminds us that the graces given by Christ through the Holy Eucharist are three-fold: The sacrifice -sacrament of the Mass; the communion-sacrament of holy Communion; and the presence-sacrament of his abiding Real Presence outside of Mass and Communion.

Sacrifice-sacrament: Christ's death on the cross merited the world's salvation. The moment he died, the Church was born, and through her the graces of Calvary are given mankind, "especially through the Sacrament of the Eucharist." Again, every time Mass is offered, a new infusion of grace pours out for humanity. What kind of graces? The graces we need to live sacrificially. Knowing this, Fr. Hardon encourages us to attend Mass as often as we can; participate in Mass as actively as we can, "especially by our daily lives of sacrifice"; and have Masses offered for our own and other's intentions, "as the single most powerful source of supernatural blessing available to the human family."

Communion-sacrifice: Usually, when we think of the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we think of Communion. This is correct, but we must not forget the Eucharist is already a sacrament as "the Mass" and remains a sacrament after Mass is offered and Communion is received. Fr Hardon says, "there is no more salutary amendment of life that a retreatant can make than resolve to assist at Mass and receive Our Lord in Holy Communion every day."

Presence-sacrament: What Christ did at the Last Supper, he continues to do at every Mass through the instrument of the priesthood he established. By the words of consecration, "the Body and Blood, together with the soul and divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really and substantially contained in the Sacrament of the most Holy Eucharist." (Council of Trent)

Again, the same identical Jesus, conceived at Nazareth, born in Bethlehem, crucified on Calvary, risen on Easter Sunday, ascended into heaven, "is now on earth in the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist." Do you hear me? Do you believe?

To end, belief in the Real Presence demands our adoration. In this, Fr Hardon directs we express our love for him; ask him for our needs; tell him our deepest needs; receive

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Monday at 12 noon.

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Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession

time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.) Saturday at 9:00 am.

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7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; & 10:30 am sung & a seasonal 12:30 pm low Mass.

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Sarasota "Lost & Found" now located in the office

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm Monday Mass at 7 am. 1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.





Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week DATE FEAST CLASS/COLOR

COMMEMORATION 2/W No commemoration of Sunday Sun 06-11 Ext Sol of Corpus Christi 3/W Ss Basilides et al. St John of San Facundo Mon 06-12 Tues 06-13 3/W St Anthony of Padua 3/W Wed 06-14 St Basil the Great 4/R Thu 06-15 St Vitus et Companions 1/W Fri 06-16 Sacred Heart of Jesus 3/W Sat 06-17 St Gregory Barbarigo Sun 06-18 2/W No commemoration of Sunday Ext Sol of the Sacred Heart Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota Sun 06-11 (7 am) Diana Carvallo+ rb family (8:30 am) Frank & Michele Williams rb M Meza (10:30) *Pro-populo* (12:30 pm) 1st Communicants Mon 06-12 (12 pm) Maureen Hallagan+ rb B Hallagan Tues 06-13 (7 am) Thanksgiving for Our Lady (not at CtK) rb N Romano (9 am) Joseph & Wilhelmina Mercier++ rb D&M Priest Wed 06-14 (7 am) Conversion of a soul (not at CtK) rb anonymous (9 am) Allison Lawton rb T Shehwen Thu 06-15 (7 am) Cecilia Vargas (not at CtK) rb C Plowman (9 am) Ralph Deitche+ rb B&M Kuziel Fri 06-16 (9 am) Fr Colin Fricke rb L Koehler (6:30 pm) Aaron & Sarah Pruitt rb M Pruitt Sat 06-17 (9 am) Antoine & Marguerite de Saizieu++ rb L de Saizieu Sun 06-18 (7 am) Poor Souls in Purgatory (not at CtK) rb L de Saizieu (8:30 am) Fr Vincent Huber rb JM Tholotowsky (10:30 am) Pro-populo (12:30 pm) No Mass Today's 10:30 am Music: Entr: O Sacrament Most Holy, #903; Asperges, #567; Mass II & Credo IV; Procession:(handout); Exit: Holy God We Praise Thy Name. This Week: [Fr Hathaway is away until 6/30; 7 am Mass intentions go with him]: Tuesday, Book Club (6:30-8 pm); Thursday, St Joseph Guild (6:30 pm); Friday, Holy Hour (5:30 pm), Mass (6:30 pm); Saturday, Youth Group (10 am). Last Sunday's Collection: cash \$5,400.00; on-line \$5,530.00; CFA \$2,790.00. **Total souls: 498:** 7 am-54; 8:30 am-152; 10:30 am-191; 12:30 pm-101. *Ocala* (297) Please pray for: Bill & Barbara Wis, Shehwen family, Debora Came, Gretl Hauensteind (6/11); Deanna Gallock, Rozofsky family (6/4); Meadows family, Kathleen Gaughan, Roberta Speer (5/21): Pickwoad family, & Eileen McClain (5/14).

Prayer of Padre Pio after Communion Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do

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not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You. *Stay with me, Lord*, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I

may not fall so often.

Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life, and without you, I am without meaning and hope.

2023 CFA status at CtK as of June 2, 2023: \$123,000.00 assessed by the diocese;

\$59,281.00 pledged (48.20% of goal); from 34.12% of 211 households; \$34,391.80

Stay with me Lord, for You are my light, and without You, I am in darkness.

Stay with me Lord, to show me Your will.

Stay with me, *Lord*, for I desire to love You ever more, and always be in Your Company.

Stay with me, Lord, so that I hear Your Voice and follow You.

Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You. *Stay with me, Lord*, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a dwelling of Your Love.

passes; death, judgment, eternity approaches. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way and for that, I need You. It is getting late and death approaches, I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile!

Stay with me, Lord, for it is getting late and the day is ending, and life

Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers. I need You. Let me recognize You as Your disciples did in the breaking of the bread, so that the Eucharistic Communion be the Light which disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart.

Stay with me, Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to You, if not by communion, at least by grace and love. *Stay with me, Jesus*, I do not ask for divine consolation, because I do

not merit it, but the gift of Your Presence, oh yes, I ask this of You! *Stay with me*, *Lord*, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You and ask for no other reward but to love You more and more.