

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 'B'- AUGUST 18TH 2024 MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD, AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK.



We hear the concluding verse of last week's Gospel repeated in today's reading: Jesus himself is the bread sent by God; Jesus' flesh is the bread that is given for the life of the world.

Among the stumbling blocks for those who heard but did not understand Jesus is the teaching that the bread that Jesus will give is his own flesh.

In response to the people who quarreled over his words, Jesus teaches with even greater emphasis that salvation comes to those who eat his Body and Blood. Jesus doesn't seem to answer the question posed about how salvation will come about, perhaps because this reality can only be understood after his death and Resurrection. Instead, Jesus teaches about the life that he will give to the world.

To many ears, Jesus' words are jarring and difficult to hear. Many who heard Jesus could not accept what he said. Many today continue to struggle to accept these words. But they are important words because they reveal our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are made truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's body for the life of the world.

XX DOMINGO ORDINARIO 'B' MI CARNE ES VERDADERA COMIDA Y MI SANGRE ES VERDADERA BEBIDA.

En la lectura de hoy escuchamos el versículo final del Evangelio de la semana pasada: Jesús mismo es el pan enviado por Dios; la carne de Jesús es el pan que se da para la vida del mundo.

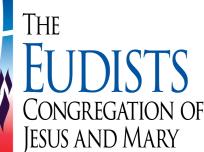
Entre los obstáculos para quienes escucharon a Jesús pero no lo entendieron está la enseñanza de que el pan que Jesús dará es su propia carne. En respuesta a las personas que discutían sobre sus palabras, Jesús enseña con mayor énfasis que la salvación viene a quienes comen su Cuerpo y su Sangre. Jesús no parece responder a la pregunta planteada sobre cómo llegará la salvación, tal vez porque esta realidad solo se puede entender después de su muerte y resurrección. En cambio, Jesús enseña sobre la vida que dará al mundo.

Para muchos oídos, las palabras de Jesús son discordantes y difíciles de escuchar. Muchos de los que escucharon a Jesús no pudieron aceptar lo que dijo. Muchos hoy continúan luchando por aceptar estas palabras. Pero son palabras importantes porque revelan nuestra conexión íntima con Jesús.

Este es el misterio que está en el corazón de nuestra teología eucarística. En los elementos del pan y del vino se hacen verdaderamente presentes el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús. Cuando participamos del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo, Jesús mismo viene a habitar en nosotros. Esta comunión con el Señor nos hace un solo cuerpo, nos trae la vida eterna y nos envía a ser el cuerpo de Cristo para la vida del mundo.

MISSION APPEAL BY FR. GERARD LECOMTE, EUDIST MISSIONARY.





About the Eudist Family. During his lifetime, St. John Eudes' missionary activity had three major areas of focus.

• For priests, he provided formation, education, and the spiritual support which is crucial for their role in God's plan of salvation.

• For prostitutes and others on the margins of society, he gave them a home and bound their wounds, like the Good Shepherd with his lost sheep.

• For the laity, he preached the dignity of their baptism and their responsibility to be the hands and feet of God, to continue the Incarnation.

These are the "family values" which continue to inspire those who continue his work. To paraphrase St. Paul, John Eudes planted seeds, which others watered through the institutions he founded, and God gave the growth. Today, the family tree continues to bear fruit:

• The *Congregation of Jesus and Mary* (CJM), also known as The Eudists, continues the effort to form and care for priests and other leaders within the Church. St. John Eudes called this the mission of "teaching the teachers, shepherding the shepherds, and enlightening those who are the light of the world." Continuing his efforts as a missionary preacher, Eudist priests and brothers "audaciously seek to open up new avenues for evangelization," through television, radio, and new media.

• The *Religious of the Good Shepherd* (RGS) continue outreach to women in difficult situations, providing them with a deeply needed place of refuge and healing while they seek a new life. St. Mary Euphrasia drastically expanded the reach of this mission which now operates in over 70 countries worldwide. A true heiress of St. John Eudes, St. Mary Euphrasia exhorted her sisters: "We must go after the lost sheep with no other rest than the cross, no other consolation than work, and no other thirst than for justice."

• In every seminary and House of Refuge founded by St. John Eudes, he also established a *Confraternity of the Holy Heart of Jesus and Mary* for the laity, now known as the Eudist Associates. The mission he gave them was twofold: First, "To glorify the divine Hearts of Jesus and Mary... working to make them live and reign in their own heart through diligent imitation of their virtues." Second, "To work for the salvation of souls... by practicing, according to their abilities, works of charity and mercy and by attaining numerous graces through prayer for the clergy and other apostolic laborers." For more information about the Eudists please visit www.eudistsusa.org

SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English, Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month at 1:00 pm in the Church. 4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday: 10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

MASS INTENTIONS

August. 17th—25th2024

Sat. Aug. 17th 4:30 Vigil : + Bill Roberts Sun. Aug. 18th 9:00: - People of the Parish 11:00: + Peter Conroy

Wed. Aug. 21st 12:00: Health of John Thomas Thu. Aug. 22nd 12:00 + Peter Coakley Fri. Aug. 23rd 12:00: + Virginia Castillo

Sat.Vigil Aug.24th 4:30: Health of Art Taylor 7:00 pm Misa en Cachagua (37200 Nason Rd. # 9: + Maurilio y + Rosa Salinas Ramirez; + Rosario, y + Ofelia Solano Gonzalez; + Ema Solano, +Adam y +Fabiola. Sun. Aug. 25th 9:00 - Helen & Angelo Russo (40th Wedding Anniv) 11:15 + Emilio Julian-Magana

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 10th & 11th: \$2,552.89

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Jhonnatan Flórez Carmona

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Gail Quinnan Assistant to the Pastor (Volunteer) olmc@ourladycarmelvalley.org

Rebecca Bayless

Bookkeeper accounting@ourladycarmelvalley.org

Music Ministry

4:30 pm Sat. Mass: 9:00 am Sun. Mass: 11:15 am Sun. Mass Parish Choir

Kim Hartford Stefania Ortiz

Angelica Lozano Custodian

PARISH VOLUNTEER **MINISTRIES**

Pastoral Council

Dede Woodhead (chair), Alondra Klemek (vice chair), • Jeff Hawkins (secretary), Daryl Lyon, Sean Devine, Trini Resendiz

Finance Council

Alex Gray (chair), Jim Rice (secretary), A.B. Introcaso, • Jack McAleer, Ed Ouinnan

Faith Formation

- First Communion: Michele Higa (1st year) Susan • Franks (2nd year) Jennifer Bodner Supply teacher:
- Confirmation: Alondra Klemek (1st year). •
- RCIA / Adult Faith Formation: Derwin Borling •

Bereavement Ministry: Manna Ministry: Human Trafficking Parish Hall & Events: Social Media: Website: Lectors: **Ministers of the Eucharist: Coffee Hospitality Ministry:** Sacristans: **Ushers:**

Trudy Dowd Janice Hawkins Brendan Cook Berni Aliotti Lorraine Yglesias John Finn Dede Woodhead Lorraine Ring **Rosemary Ellis** Richard Ring John & Sherie Dodsworth.-Vicky Young



On June 2, 1835, Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto saw the light of earth at Riesi, Province of Treviso, in Venice; on August 20, 1914, he saw the light of heaven; and on May 29, 1954, he who had become the two hundred fifty-ninth pope was canonized SAINT PIUS X.

Two of the most outstanding accomplishments of this saintly Pope were the inauguration of the liturgical renewal and the restoration of frequent communion from childhood. He also waged an unwavering war against the heresy and evils of Modernism, gave great impetus to

biblical studies, and brought about the codification of Canon Law. His overriding concern was "to renew all things in Christ."

Above all, his holiness shone forth conspicuously. From Saint Pius X we learn again that "the folly of the Cross", simplicity of life, and humility of heart are still the highest wisdom and the indispensable conditions of a perfect Christian life, for they are the very source of all apostolic fruitfulness.

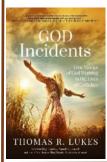
His last will and testament bears the striking sentence: "I was born poor, I have lived in poverty, and I wish to die poor." I-Breviary

SAVE THE DATE

Sat Aug. 24 & Sun. Aug 25. **Ministry Appeal,** Fr. Gerarld Lecomte. From the Eudists (Congregation of Jesus and Mary). For more information please visit www.eudistsusa.org

Sun. Sep. 8th <u>Ministry Fair.</u> After all the weekend Masses. Sign Up to be part of our Ministries. We need your help!

Catechetical Sunday Sep. 15th. Blessing of the Catechists at the 9:00 am Mass. Beginning of Sunday School.



God Incidents IV—More True Stories of God Working in the Lives of Catholics is coming.

OLMC parishioner and author, Thomas Lukes, is seeking "storytellers" for his fourth book in the series. If you have a story that you are willing to share for publication in his next book, you can contact him at <u>ShareGodIncidents@gmail.com</u>. He will interview you and then write your story for your review. All money raised after expenses will help to support Religious Formation programs in the diocese. To date, more than \$16,000 has been raised.