

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 & Communion.

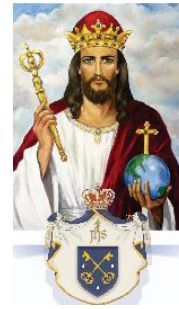
Sacrifice-sacrament: Christ's death on the cross merited the world's salvation. The moment he died, the Church was born, and through her the graces of Calvary are given mankind, "especially through the Sacrament of the Eucharist." Again, every time Mass is offered, a new infusion of grace pours out for 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-sacrament: 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 from him his counsels; nor forget to ask him for miracles. All we need is faith



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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

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.

Sacramental Emergency: 941-400-5415

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

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

Items on the "Blessing Table" in the hall are blessed after the last Sunday Mass.

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

"Lost & Found" is in the vestibule; if not there, check with the office.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm

Monday Mass at 7 am.

1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

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Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 06-02	Ex. Sol. of Corpus Christi	2/W	No commemoration
Mon 06-03	Feria (2 nd Sunday after Pentecost)	4/G	
Tues 06-04	St Francis Caracciolo	3/W	
Wed 06-05	St Boniface	3/R	
Thu 06-06	St Norbert	3/W	
Fri 06-07	Sacred Heart of Jesus	1/W	
Sat 06-08	Saturday of Our Lady	4/W	
Sun 06-09	Ex. Sol. of the Sacred Heart	1/W	No commemoration



Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 06-02	(7 am) Jean McAllister (8:30 am) Charles Augustus Marshall (10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (12:30 pm) No Mass until Fall	rb M McAllister rb Beggy family
Mon 06-03	(12 pm) Funderburk family	rb Wendel family
Tues 06-04	(7 am) Culhane Cole (9 am) William W Strong+	rb anonymous rb Marchands
Wed 06-05	(7 am) Fr Christopher Hathaway, FssP (9 am) Ralph Johnson+	rb J Johnson rb S Hemeryck
Thu 06-06	(7 am) Conversion of a loved one (9 am) Kathy	rb anonymous rb Thu Le
Fri 06-07	(9 am) Kurt Rybarczyk+ (6:30 pm) Fr Vincent Huber	rb Gedmin family rb M/M T Flamminio
Sat 06-08	(9 am) Charles J Lima+	rb M/M T Flamminio
Sun 06-09	(7 am) Thomas Swierski+ (8:30 am) Alex Schuetter+ (10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (12:30 pm) No Mass until Fall	rb K&M Weber rb B Schuetter

Today's 10:30 am Mass: Entr: O Sacrament Most Holy, #903; Asperges, #567; Mass VIII & Credo IV, #710; Procession hymns provided; Exit: Holy God We Praise Thy Name, #881.

Congratulations to our First Holy Communicants! Please know, today's reception, following the procession, is for them & their families alone.

This week, Monday, St Therese Guild (1 pm), Vespers (4:30 pm); Tuesday, Holy Face devotions (10:15 am); Thursday, Vespers (4:30 pm), **Adoration** (5-8 pm), Confessions (5:30-6:30 pm); First Friday, staff meeting (3:30 pm), Vespers (4:30 pm), Holy Hour (5:30 pm, say "Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart," for the indulgence), Mass (6:30 pm), Young Adults (7 pm), Saturday, server practice (10 am), Vespers (4:30 pm).

Last Sunday's Collection: cash \$6,178.30; on-line \$1,338.00; CFA \$7,445.83.
Total souls: 493; 7 am-70; 8:30 am-156; 10:30 am-183; 12:30 pm-84. **Ocala-332.**

Please pray for: Megan Roberts (6/02); Jean McAllister, McNamara family, Angelo Manganello, Marcus Dixon (5/26); Meza family, Kaitlyn Beggy (5/19); Glenn & Emily Anstead, Logan Husmann (5/12); & Rick Connick (5/5).

2024 CFA status at CtK as of May 25, 2024: \$113,000.00 assessed by the diocese; \$61,332.27 pledged (54.28% of goal); from 31.34% of 217 households; \$45,796.42 paid. (from dioceseofvenice.org) **Thank you for your support!**

Prayer of Padre Pio after Communion

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do 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.

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, so that I hear Your Voice and follow You.

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

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.

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

With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly throughout all eternity, dear Jesus, **Amen!**