

# St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 14, 2020

*The bread that we break,  
is it not a participation  
in the body of Christ?*

*Because the loaf  
of bread is one,  
we, though many,  
are one body,  
for we all partake  
of the one loaf.*

1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17



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## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 AM	Sixto Ramirez, †
	9:00 AM	Alberto and Palemón Huerta, †
	11:00 AM	Ildefonso Lorca, †
	1:00 PM	Amalia Lassalle-Garcia, †
	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
<b>Monday</b>	8:00 AM	Success of Men's backpack Retreat 2020
	6:00 PM	Rosendo Balucanag, †
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM	Rosendo Balucanag, †
	6:00 PM	Adelaida Roxas, †
<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 AM	Leticia Legaspi, †
	6:00 PM	Juan Flores Bentancourt, †
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00 AM	Arvie De Vera, birthday
	6:00 PM	Florentina Paulme, †
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM	Elise Grimes, for her intentions
	6:00 PM	Dec. Dominican Friars, Parents, friends and benefactors
	6:00 PM	Juan Antonio Zambrano, †
		Maria de los Angeles Clari, †
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM	Femi G. Alapag, birthday
	5:00 PM	Gloria Naval, healing

**(Important: These Masses will be celebrated in the private chapel of St. Dominic's Priory. All the written intentions will be honored. Thank you for your understanding.)**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7;  
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16;  
Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24;  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16;  
Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34;  
Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;  
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33



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Siena Alarcon

Class Of 2020

Good morning to Mrs. Diaz, Fr. Roberto, teachers, my fellow eighth grade graduates, and everyone here and watching at home. First off I would like to give a huge thank you to all the staff. Without your support and your help my classmates and I would have never made it this far. Some of us have been here nine years and others just five or even two years. No matter the amount of time you have spent here at St. Dominic's you feel supported and inspired to do your best and strive for only the best you can do. In my time at St. Dominic I have experienced many different teachers and different learning environments but each has pushed me more and more to do my best and to try my absolute hardest. These past years at this school are unforgettable, so many good memories have been made here.

One of the things I love most about this class is that we are more like a family. If we were all going through a bad time our class would come together and we would make each other feel so much better. Nothing can mess with our class or get in the way and we are very protective of each other. Throughout all of these years and the thousands of memories I have, one memory stands out, and that was the last day we were actually in school. Although none of us knew we would never go back to school as students, it was a very happy and sad day. We were so happy about getting out of school not knowing in a few short weeks we would want to go back so badly. But as everyone packed up and the day was coming to an end I remember I gave a hug to everyone or an elbow bump. From that day until now we have only grown in our abilities to be flexible and adapt to our new set of circumstances. I am so proud of this class in pulling through these very difficult times. It is not easy to miss all of our end of the year activities that we were looking forward to.

To our teachers, I can imagine it's not easy assigning us work and having us not do it or turn it in on time. I know it is frustrating enough in school but with at home learning you can't tell us in person. You guys have also had a new set of frustrations given to you with these unexpected circumstances. I just want to say a huge thank you to all our teachers without we would have never gotten to this point.

Also thank you to our parents. Without you guys none of us would be here or even want to continue with our school work. But you guys have encouraged all of us to continue on and never give up, and gave each of us the opportunity to go to this amazing school, and have the chance to experience this beautiful journey with each other.

I only wish the best for all my fellow graduates moving forward in our academic journeys into high school. It is a big change I think all of us are ready and well prepared for, thanks to all our time at St. Dominic's. I will miss you all so much. Words can't describe how much I love this class and don't want to go off to high school and start the next chapter without all of you. One more huge Thank you to everyone who is here. May God be with us as we move on from St. Dominic's and always guide us in the right path. I will miss you all so much thank you for the best nine years of my life, Class of 2020.

## A Message from Fr. Roberto

### Jesus in the Eucharist

On this feast of *Corpus Christi* (Latin for “the Body of Christ”), we celebrate what we Christians have always understood from the New Testament until now: that the Eucharist is not just a symbol but is actually the Body and Blood of Christ. As the Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church says: **“In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist ‘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...it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present’” (#1374).** Below are some quotes which show just some of the overwhelming evidence that this belief has been consistently held by Christians for 2,000 years. I have underlined the phrases that are most pertinent:

- **St. Ignatius of Antioch (died 107 AD):**  
In speaking against false teachers, he says: “They abstain from the Eucharist and from prayer, because they do not confess that the Eucharist is the Flesh of our Savior Jesus Christ...” (Letter to the Smyrnaeans, 6, 2)  
“I desire the Bread of God, which is the Flesh of Jesus Christ...and for drink I desire His Blood, which is love incorruptible.” (Letter to the Romans 7, 3)
- **St. Justin Martyr c. 150 AD**  
“We call this food Eucharist; and no one else is permitted to partake of it, except one who believes our teaching to be true...For not as common bread nor common drink do we receive these; but since Jesus Christ our Savior was made incarnate by the word of God and had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so too, as we have been taught, the food which has been made into the Eucharist by the Eucharistic prayer set down by Him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nourished, is both the Flesh and the Blood of that incarnated Jesus.” (First Apology, 66, 20)
- **St. Irenaeus c. 195 AD**  
“He [Jesus] has declared the cup, a part of creation, to be His own Blood, from which He causes our blood to flow; and the bread, a part of creation, He has established as His own Body, from which He gives increase to our bodies.” (Against Heresies 5, 2, 2)
- **St. Hilary of Poitiers, 315-367 AD**  
“For [Jesus] Himself says: ‘My Flesh is truly Food, and My Blood is truly Drink. He that eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood will remain in Me and I in him.’ As to the reality of His Flesh and Blood, there is no room left for doubt, because now, both by the declaration of the Lord Himself and by our own faith, it is truly the Flesh and it is truly Blood. And these Elements bring it about, when taken and consumed, that we are in Christ and Christ is in us” (*The Trinity*, 8, 14).
- **St. Cyril of Jerusalem c. 350 AD**  
“Do not, therefore, regard the bread and wine as simply that; for they are, according to the Master’s declaration, the Body and Blood of Christ. Even though the senses suggest to you the other, let faith make you firm. Do not judge in this matter by taste, but be fully assured by the faith, not doubting that you have been deemed worthy of the Body and Blood of Christ.” (Catechetical Lectures, 22, 6)
- **Martin Luther 1483-1546**  
Even Martin Luther, the first Protestant who left the Catholic Church and began the Reformation, took with him his Catholic belief in the Eucharist as he writes in the following quote from one of his early catechisms of his Lutheran Church: “What is the sacrament of the altar? It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and drink, instituted by Christ Himself” (The Small Catechism, 1529).



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\*\*\* NEW CHURCH UPDATE \*\*\*

The church is open for private prayer from Monday thru Friday, at the following times:

- 9:00 am to 10:00 am
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**There will be NO Benediction or other organized/communal prayer.**

Please come prepared with face masks. You will not be allowed in church without a face mask.

**Also, the restrooms WILL NOT be available.** They will remain closed.

Mass Intentions for JULY are now available

Dear St. Dominic's Parishioners, we are still accepting your Mass intentions. If you would like to reserve a Mass intention, please drop by the parish office. We have placed a plastic holder with Mass intention envelopes to the left of the office door. Simply take an envelope, fill in the information, place the envelope with a donation into the mailbox to the right of the door. (Please remember to include your phone number on the envelope).

However, we are finding that some people are taking home the Mass envelopes and bringing them back at a later date, but when they do, they may no longer be available because someone else has come and asked for that date, and since it was not entered into the Mass Book, it was available for that person. So, to avoid all this confusion, please do not take them home.

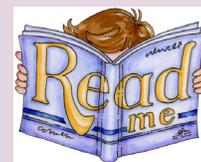
Also, you may only have one Mass intention per person. If you put two envelopes in the box, you will only receive one Mass intention. This is only fair to those who follow the rules.

With the office being closed, we know it is difficult, but we are doing our best to accommodate all our parishioners.

**Fr. Cassian's Book Club**

This month we will read and discuss the book "*The Nowhere City*", a novel by Alison Lurie.

We hope we could meet at the Guadalupe Room on **Saturday, June 27, 2020 at 10:00 am.**



## Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

### Jesús en la Eucaristía

En esta fiesta de *Corpus Christi* (en latín, "el Cuerpo de Cristo"), celebramos lo que nosotros los cristianos siempre hemos entendido desde el Nuevo Testamento hasta ahora: que la Eucaristía no es solo un símbolo, sino que es en realidad el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Como dice el Catecismo Católico de la Iglesia Católica: **"En el santísimo sacramento de la Eucaristía 'el cuerpo y la Sangre, junto con el alma y la divinidad, de nuestro Señor Jesucristo y, por lo tanto, Cristo entero está verdadera, real y substancialmente presente...es una presencia sustancial por la cual Cristo, Dios y hombre, se hace totalmente presente'"**(Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica # 1374). A continuación se presentan algunas citas que muestran sólo algunas de las pruebas extensas de que los cristianos consistentemente hemos creído esto durante 2.000 años. He subrayado las frases que son más pertinentes:

- **San Ignacio de Antioquía (murió en 107 d.C.)**  
San Ignacio denuncia a los herejes "que no confiesan que la Eucaristía es la carne de Jesucristo nuestro Salvador, carne que sufrió por nuestros pecados y que en su amorosa bondad el Padre resucitó" (*Carta a los Esmirneos 6, 2*).
- **"El pan de Dios quiero, que es la carne de Jesucristo...su sangre quiero por bebida, que es amor incorruptible"** (*Carta a los Romanos 7, 3*).
- **San Justino Mártir c. 150 d.C.**  
"A nadie es lícito participar de la Eucaristía si no cree que son verdad las cosas que enseñamos... porque no tomamos estos alimentos como si fueran un pan común o una bebida ordinaria sino que el alimento sobre el que fue recitada plegaria eucarística que contiene las palabras de Jesús, es precisamente la carne y la sangre de aquel mismo Jesús..." (*Primera Apología 66, 20*).
- **San Ireneo de Lyon c. 195 d.C.**  
"... aseguró el Señor [Jesús] que el cáliz... es su sangre derramada...y el pan...es su cuerpo" (*Contra las Herejías 5, 2, 2*).
- **San Hilario de Poitiers, 315-367 d.C.**  
"[Jesús] mismo dice: 'Mi carne es verdadera comida, y mi sangre es verdadera bebida. El que come mi carne y bebe mi Sangre permanece en mí y yo en él.' En cuanto a la realidad de su carne y sangre, no hay margen para hacer lugar a dudas, porque ahora, tanto por la declaración del Señor mismo, y por nuestra propia fe, es verdaderamente la carne y es verdaderamente sangre. Y estos elementos lo llevan a cabo, cuando se toma y se consume, que somos en Cristo y Cristo está en nosotros" (*La Trinidad, 8, 14*).
- **San Cirilo de Jerusalén c. 350 d.C.**  
"No, por lo tanto, considera el pan y el vino como simplemente eso; porque ellos son, de acuerdo con la declaración del Maestro, el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. A pesar de que los sentidos sugieren otra cosa, deja que la fe te haga firme. No juzgas esta materia por el gusto, pero quédate completamente seguro por la fe, no dudando de que hayas sido considerado digno del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo"(*Conferencias Catequistas, 22, 6*)
- **Martín Lutero 1483-1546**  
Incluso Martín Lutero, el primer protestante que abandonó la Iglesia católica y comenzó la Reforma, llevó consigo su creencia católica en la Eucaristía como escribe en la siguiente cita tomada de uno de sus primeros catecismos de la Iglesia Luterana: **"¿Cuál es el sacramento del el altar? Es el verdadero cuerpo y sangre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, bajo el pan y el vino, para nosotros los cristianos a comer y beber, instituido por Cristo mismo"** (*El Pequeño Catecismo, 1529*).



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