

JUNE 06, 2010

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

In a world tormented by many forms of hunger, the Eucharist is the ultimate answer because it is Christ's self-giving to us. Only in him do our hearts find the perfect fulfillment of our yearning for acceptance, appreciation, forgiveness, and love. The Eucharist is the "**perfect gift**" because, in it, Jesus Christ gives himself totally to us. But it is also a "**challenging gift**" because it demands of us that we ourselves become a "total gift" to our brothers and sisters. Only those who are prepared to work for the good of their neighbor receive the Eucharist with the proper disposition. If the awareness of our weakness frightens us, we should not despair, for the Eucharist is also an "**empowering gift**" since it gives us the strength that we need to carry out what it demands. Let us make the Eucharistic celebration a memorable event in our personal life and in the life of our community.



When the disciples came to Jesus with the request to dismiss the people to go find food, Jesus challenged them with the question: ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

That question should haunt us today.

More than enough food is grown to feed everyone on this planet. ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

More than 60,000 people will die of hunger on this feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Two-thirds of them will be children. ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

Nearly one in five people worldwide is chronically malnourished - too hungry to lead a productive, active life. ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

One-third of the world's children are significantly underweight for their age. ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

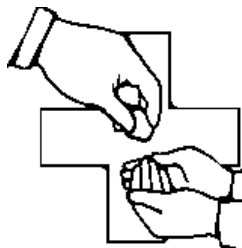
The amount of money the world spends on weapons in one minute could feed 2,000 malnourished children for a year. ***Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?***

Jesus is our living bread. It is his obvious intention that we be well fed. The Eucharist, a great gift from the same God that sent the manna in the desert, should strengthen the determination of both the hungry and the satisfied to do what it takes to eliminate hunger.

[Gerald Darring, "Perspective of Justice"; online]



A priest was travelling from Germany to Israel to study modern Hebrew. During a stopover in Lebanon he struck up a conversation with a young Muslim student at breakfast. The student began to question the priest on Catholic teaching on the Eucharist. Freshly minted from theology and armed with the earliest and latest scholastic distinctions, the priest thought he was responding to the student's concerns about Catholic belief in the Real Presence. None of the priest's



responses seemed to address the student's deepest concerns, until finally the priest asked the young man, "What is your most basic problem with what Catholics believe about the Eucharist?" The student thought for a moment and answered,

"Well, if Catholics really believed they were receiving the body and blood of Christ together on Sunday, would they treat each other the way they do?"

Not a bad thought for the feast of Corpus Christi !





***Congratulations to the following children
who are receiving
their First Holy Communion today.
May God bless each of them and their families on this
joyous day!***

AGANA, Elaine Marie	BOLOSO, Bernard James
CASTELLANO, Nikko John	CASTELLANO, Sophie Ann
FOZ-DAIT, Joanna Valerie	FOZ-ELAMPARO, Mary Grace Anne
GUIA-FOZ, Raphael Edmund	GUMAL, David Bryan
LIBAO, Julianne	MORONG, Julian-Martin
PANADO, Naomi-Grace	PAVICO, Marcus David
REOLO, Christian Allan	ROXAS, Ralph Harold
TAN, Allen G.P.	TORRICO, Cliff John
TORRICO, Judith Poala	VERA, Michael Brandon

***We hope and pray that they will continue to spiritually hunger for
Jesus and come to Communion often.***



To their parents... we ask that you set the example
and bring these little ones to Communion very often so
that their First Communion does not become their Last
Communion until Confirmation.

To their teachers... who have so diligently and
faithfully prepared these children, we extend our
grateful thanks!

For those of us who have lost...

our health,
our peace of mind,
our housing,
our financial security,
a loved one,
our dreams,
our talents,
our initial zeal,
our sobriety,
our faith,
our self-respect,
our perspective,
our innocence,
our independence,
peace within our families,
civil peace,
our trust in others,
our virtue,
our home,



***Let us pray. All loving God, You have given us St. Anthony, the patron of the lost,
as an intercessor of those who are in need of your mercy. Listen to his voice, as he
calls out to You on our behalf, and grant those things which will help us grow in
Your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**JOIN US for the TRIDUUM of MASSES and FEAST DAY CELEBRATION OF
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA here at the FCMM.**

Schedule is as follows:

Thursday, June 10 - 7:00 p.m.

Main Celebrant & Homilist - Rev. Fr. David Flood, ofm

Friday, June 11- 7:00 p.m.

Main Celebrant & Homilist - Rev. Fr. Georges Morin, ofm

Saturday, June 12 - 7:00 p.m.

Main Celebrant - Rev. Fr. Armand Galay, mofr

Homilist - Rev. Fr. Clarence Laplante, ofm

Sunday, June 13- 11:30 a.m.

Main Celebrant & Homilist - Rev. Fr. Gilles Bourdeau, ofm



The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **AS THANKSGIVING** offered by **REY and LINDA BALLARES**.

STEWARDSHIP – *“They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.”* - Luke 9:17

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when we share what we have - even if it doesn't seem like that much - miracles can happen. God blesses the gifts we offer and makes them wondrous.



Your Offerings for the week ending May 30, 2010 totaled **\$ 1,712. 00**

Thank you for your continuing generosity!
God bless you always!!!



- ❖ To the *new arrivals* from the Philippines;
- ❖ To the *visitors* from other places;
- ❖ To those who have *been away and are back*;



We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of:

LYN RIVERA MALACAS, CARLO TADEO, ARON BENEDICT TUBON, RUDY BAUTISTA, ROSA VELASQUEZ & FAMILY, LETTY VALLE, SR. ANNABELLE ROÑA, RUBEN & ELVIE SALVADOR, LUCILLE MANIGAO, MEL VILLANUEVA, JOHN & LORIE PALISOC, MR. & MRS. DELFIN PAVICO, VIDAFLOR REQUILMAN, MATTHEW RUBIO, ROSELILY CELEBRADOS .



- ❖ Your prayers are humbly requested for all the *sick and suffering* members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, WILFREDO QUIRAPAS, ALFREDO

PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, ANTONIO FOZ, NORA ZABALA, JULIO MACARAIG, BEATA SANGALANG, FRUCTUOSA VELASQUEZ, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, EMELITA GASPAY, ANGELITA ZARAGOSA, FELIMON AMIAN SR., GERRIELYN ANN MASAYA, DAWN DELA PAZ, PABLITO DE CASTRO, MARIA MINDA MIÑON, RODOLFO REQUILMAN, FELICITAS GARCIA, C.G.A., JESS ALCAIDE, VERONICA DE LAS ALAS, DALMACIO AQUINO SR., ANNIE FORGET, JULIE PARADO, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, MARIE FAUBERT. May God bring them healing and peace.

❖ Please join in lifting up to the Lord the *special intentions of*: THE ESTOQUE FAMILY. May the Lord grant them their heart's desires.

❖ Remember also all of our *deceased relatives and friends*, especially FR. JAMES DAVID FITZPATRICK, BARTOLOME & MARGARITA TRANSFIGURACION, CONSOLACION BACOSA, SALVACION ABAD MACQUIANA, OSCAR ZARASPE, MELECIO, SR., TORIBIA, OLIVA, TORIBIO ROÑA, SR. FLORIDA MANZANO, ROMULO TOLENTINO, BEN PESTILOS SR., ARMANDO TOLENTINO SR., NEMESIO AMARILLO, URBANA TABORADA, BERNARDINA UBALDO, MARIO AQUINO, AMELIA ALCANTARA, ANGELITO ARALAR, EMILIA FOZ, NELIA VELASCO, RICARDO PERIODICA SR., RAMON RUIZ, PESCASIO DIWA SR., ENRIQUE HUANDO RAMOS, BONIFACIO & EMILIANA FABICO, ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Stop by or call the FCMM Office (514 387 – 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.

Praise to the Lord JESUS



Present in the Eucharist