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T H E S O L E M N I T Y O F THE SACRED HEART *of* JESUS

Although devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus existed from the very beginning of the Church—ever since His Heart was pierced with a lance—it owes its great modern revival to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. One day as she was in prayer before the tabernacle Our Divine Lord appeared to her. He showed her His Heart on a throne of flames, crowned with thorns, and surmounted by a cross, and thus addressed her: “Behold this heart, that has loved men so much, and which has spared itself in nothing and has even gone so far as to consume itself, thereby to show its love. But in return the greater part of men only show Me ingratitude, by the irreverence, tepidity, sacrilege

and contempt of which they make Me the object, in this Sacrament of love, and that which I feel most acutely is that they are hearts consecrated to Me.” Jesus then expressed the wish that the first Friday after the Octave of Corpus Christi should be dedicated as a special Feast in honour of His Sacred Heart and on that day all who loved Him should endeavour by their love and affection to make amends for the insults offered Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

Thus was established the Feast of the Sacred Heart, occurring this year on June 24th. Thus, too, was June dedicated to the Sacred Heart. From this followed the practice of receiving Holy Communion in

reparation to the Sacred Heart, not merely on the Friday of the Feast, but on every first Friday, for nine consecutive first Fridays.

For as you will have already realised, devotion to the Sacred Heart is naturally directed to the Blessed Sacrament where Jesus is present, body, soul and divinity and heart. Reparation to the Sacred Heart means reparation to Jesus and reparation to Jesus means for us Catholics, who are privileged with His presence, reparation to the Blessed Sacrament.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
have mercy on us.

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, 5:30 p.m.

Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,

11:00 a.m.

Rosters

Readers

8:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Holy Mass and Adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Mass in Latin

First Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass

Second and last Sunday of the month,

11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Rosters

Church Cleaning Group 1: L. Hale,

D. Portelli, L. Toman, W. Krasinski,

J. Galea, A. Quinlan, B. Francis,

L. Franco

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Sisters,

Rosette Chidiac

10:00 a.m. Joseph Ojiba,

Rosza Kazmer, Ingrid Bifulco

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Antonio Bifulco, Ann Blesson, Vincenzo Colosimo, Marcus El-Khoury, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea, Evangeline Grabato, John Graham, Thomas Hayek, Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Therese Khalil, Kay King, Ruth La Rosa, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos, Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, Therese Smeal, Ricardo Tognini, Lorraine Vella, Sam Wardan.



*Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
by the grace of your Holy Spirit
cure the weaknesses of your servants,
and mercifully restore them to full health.
St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.*

IN MEMORIAM

Susan Abdallah, Teresa Akkary, Semaan Alwan, Victor Azzopardi, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, John Dover, Maria Gambin, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Simon Haddad, Tony Haynes, Kelvin Huitt, Joe Joseph, May Joseph, Clair Karaki, Daoud Karaki, Paul Kassis, Nouhad Houry, Salvatore LaMacchia, Jacob Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Marie McDonald, Betty McGrath, Nancy McIntyre, Magdalena Mendoza, Haydee Nursoo, Laura Pestano, Peter Pidgeon, Rolando Piniero, Peter Robertson, Charlie Saliba, Joseph Saliba, Julian Saliba, Anna Saunig, Emmanuel Tabone, George Tadros, Peter Doan Van Tran, Joseph Vella, Graham Wales, Phyllis Webb, William Yott, Dib Zaiter, Jane Zammit.



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday Evenings

As we begin this Year of the Blessed Sacrament, give some of your time in adoration of Our Lord each Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church as we pray before Our Lord, truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Sacrament.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The new sets of planned giving envelopes for the new financial year (from July) are now available by the doors of the churches for collection.

Thank you to all those who are a part of this programme for your generosity and your constant care and support of the parish. Your regular donations to the second collection through these envelopes or by direct debit are a tremendous support in helping the parish to meet its costs and to help us to continue to build on our good works.

If you would like to support the parish and to be a part of the planned giving programme, please speak with Fr. Andrew as we would be very grateful to you for your care and support.

First Confession and First Holy Communion Enrolments Close Today

Enrolments close today for the Sacrament of Penance (first Confession) and the Sacrament of the Eucharist (first Holy Communion). Enrolments are open to those in year 3 and above who have been Baptised in the Catholic Church. Enrolment forms are available from Fr. Andrew after Mass and must be completed and returned today.

*Thank
you*

We owe our thanks to all those who, over the past two weeks, volunteered to help with the Trinity Sunday BBQ and the Corpus Christi celebrations.

For the Trinity Sunday BBQ, we thank all those who helped to organise the day as well as those who helped on the day and those who brought something along to share with others. To John Portelli for organising the BBQ; to Joe Chidiac and Andrew Takchi for cooking; to Mary Georges, Jim Newell, Doris Portelli, Spiro Portelli, Claudette Takchi and Paulette Zaiter for serving; to Sr. Suzanne for the prawn crackers, Richard Elzain for the sausages and hamburgers, Brett and Christine Stevenson for samosas, and Quyen Nguyen and Phat Ky Hot Bread, Merrylands for generously donating the bread rolls. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the Holy Trinity and one of our parish patrons.

For the Corpus Christi celebrations we thank all those who helped in many ways. To John Portelli and Claudette Takchi for arranging the flowers and decorations for the churches and for MacKillop Hall to make a beautiful and fitting place for Our Lord. To those who assisted and served at the procession: Elvis, Alvin, Jeevan, John, Kristy, Patrick, Paul, and Joshua Zaiter. To John Portelli for arranging the music and to Maryanne Takchi and Chloe Zaiter for singing. Thank you, also, to all those who joined us in the procession of the Blessed Sacrament and in Adoration of Our Lord throughout the day at MacKillop Hall and at Holy Family Church.



It's that time of the year again when we hold our annual volunteer drive!

With last week's Solemnity of Pentecost and the birth of the Church, we are reminded of our duty of service to almighty God in the Church. By volunteering in the parish, we recognise our duty to God and to the Church.

The skills, the talents, the resources we have are all a gift from God. By using those skills, talents and resources in the service of the Church we give back to God in thanksgiving what He has given to us.

We are looking for men and women, boys and girls, to join us in the life of the parish as volunteers.

Maybe you would like to volunteer to read at Mass, or to serve at the altar, or to help clean the churches, or to teach as a catechist in the public schools in the parish, or to help with children's liturgy. In which ever of these ways you would like to volunteer, the parish will continue to grow because of your service.

By the doors of the churches you will find volunteer drive forms. Just complete one of these forms and leave it in the box.

If you are unsure about any of these ways of volunteering and you want to know more about them, or if you are unsure about training, we will be happy to speak with you and to help you. The most important thing is to get involved and to participate in the life of the parish.

VOLUNTEER!

Eucharistic Miracle of

STICH, WEST GERMANY

**IT HAPPENED
ON A SUMMER NIGHT
IN A TOWN
IN BAVARIA,
WEST GERMANY
IN 1970.**

**ACTUALLY,
IT HAPPENED TWICE.**

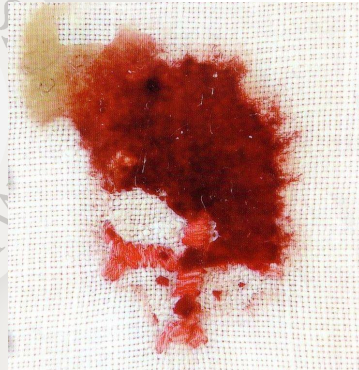
The Parish Priest serving the town of Stich was sick. He couldn't offer Mass for the people, so a visiting Swiss Priest assisted him and offered Mass at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 1970.

But something unusual happened after the Consecration. The priest noticed a red spot on the corporal next to the chalice, a spot that grew to the size of a coin.

At the elevation of the chalice, another spot appeared in the place where the chalice had stood. The priest ensured that the chalice was not leaking, and after Mass, he examined the corporal and the cloths underneath it. No cause could be found for the appearance of the spots.

The stained cloths were sent to the Polyclinical Institute of the University of Zurich for analysis. The examiners, who had been told nothing of the origin of the stains, concluded that the stains were caused by human blood, and according to the letter written to the priests informing them of the results:

...the director of the clinical laboratory said that in his considered judgment the blood was most certainly that of a man in agony.



The corporal showing the Blood and the sign of the Cross



The location of the town of Stich in Germany

Five weeks later, at 8:00 in the evening on Tuesday, July 14, the Swiss Priest was to celebrate another Mass in Stich. He carefully examined the altar stone, the altar cloths, the corporal and the chalice prior to Mass and made sure they were completely clean and undamaged. Shortly after the Consecration, the red spots appeared again on the corporal. The Priest invited the congregation to inspect the stains after Mass, and they later testified to what they saw. The sacristan and various members of the congregation provided sworn testimony about what they had seen on the cloths. According to all the testimony, one stain was the size of the priest's large Host and the other stains were the size of the Hosts given to the congregation. A cross was clearly visible in the red stains.

The cloths were again sent for analysis, this time to the District Hospital of Cercee, and again, the



The church in Stich where the two miracles took place in 1970

scientists concluded that they were caused by human blood.

The 1960's and 1970's were a time of tremendous upheaval in the world, and in Germany, the "Iron Curtain" had divided the country in two since the end of World War II. At such times it is easy to sideline the faith and allow the events of the world to take priority in our minds.

***"For my flesh
is true food
and my blood
is true drink"***

(John 6:55)

But on two nights, in an insignificant town in a place far from the newspaper headlines, Our Lord sent a miraculous reminder that—no matter how tumultuous the world becomes—He is the centre of everything and His Presence is real.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

IN HONOUR *of* THE SACRED HEART

6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

CONFESSIONS



6:30 p.m.

HOLY ROSARY



7:00 p.m.

HOLY MASS



7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ADORATION *of the* BLESSED SACRAMENT

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH



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a license to drive a mini bus?

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Mass each Sunday by joining the
Parish Bus roster.

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have a spare seat?

Call the Parish Office on **0497 190 444**
and kindly assist one of our parishioners
in need.



Sunday, June 26, 2022

PETER'S PENCE



*"A small amount, if given with love, never ends,
but becomes a source of life and happiness."*

Franciscus



MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOLY FATHER

Offerings are designated for the Pope's apostolic and charitable ministry

Your donation can be given
in the box by the doors of the church
marked as "Peter's Pence"

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

The Readings

Introit (Ps. 46:2)

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

First Reading

The First Book of the Kings (19:16, 19-21)

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R. cf. v. 5)

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize. R.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. R.

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. R.

Second Reading

The Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (5:1, 13-18)

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you

go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you..

Gospel Acclamation (I Sm. 3:9; Jn. 6:68)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening;
you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (9:51-62)

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Communio (Cf. Ps. 102:1)

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

"There is nothing so great as the Eucharist.

If God had something more precious,

He would have given it to us."

—St. John Vianney