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THE MONTH of THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of CHRIST

There is a moment that is particularly upsetting in the film "The Passion of the Christ" when Claudia, the wife of Pontius Pilate, who was deeply troubled by dreams of Christ's innocence, silently brings fresh linens to the Blessed Virgin Mary, who has just seen her Son scourged to the brink of death by the impious and drunken legionaries charged with carrying out His punishment. A look passes between the noblewoman in her elegant clothes and the future Queen of Heaven, whose garments are woven of coarse, earth-toned cloth. The intensity of their gaze at last breaks, and Mary turns at once to the task not of cleansing the blood-soaked stones of the square, but of retrieving from them as much as possible of the infinitely precious blood that poured out of her Son's sacred veins, the very Blood of God spilled so carelessly onto the earth.

It is the long tradition of the Church, which traditionally celebrates the July 1 as the Feast of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, that Christ was entirely drained of His blood during His torture, crucifixion, and death, drinking the

It is written,

"You shall be holy, for I am holy."

And if you invoke as Father him
who judges each one impartially
according to his deeds,
conduct yourselves with fear
throughout the time of your exile.
You know that you were
ransomed from the futile ways
inherited from your fathers,
not with perishable things such
as silver or gold, but with
the precious blood of Christ,
like that of a lamb
without blemish or spot.

(I Peter 1:16-19)

chalice of suffering "to the dregs" by shedding every last drop of His most Precious Blood.

St. Thomas Aquinas famously said that just one drop of Christ's blood would have been enough to save the whole world, but instead Our Lord spared nothing in His suffering to show us that "God so loved the world..." (John 1).

One of the best means of participating in the graces of the Precious Blood is to offer it to God our Father. St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi once said: "Every time a creature offers up the Blood by which he was redeemed, he offers a gift of infinite worth." God revealed the practice of making this offering to her when He complained that so little effort is made in this world to disarm His Divine justice against sinners. Acting upon this warning, she daily offered the Precious Blood fifty times for the living and the dead. Because of her devotion God showed her on different occasions the many souls who had been converted or delivered from Purgatory.

Let us honour the most Precious Blood of Christ which we receive in Holy Communion, for when we receive the sacred Host we receive not only His Body but also His most Precious Blood, Soul, and Divinity. And always pray: "Eternal Father, I offer you the most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, in satisfaction for my sins, in supplication for the holy souls in Purgatory and for the needs of Holy Church".

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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 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 2: N. Chidiac, P. Zaiter, M. Taumalolo

Readers

Vigil Rebecca Hanson, Gerry Pinto, Racquel La Rosa

10:00 a.m. Hind Dagher-Hadchiti,

Sisters, Jasmine Miranda

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.

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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, Wajiha Alwan, Lorenza Attwill, Victor Azzopardi, Basil Benjamin, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vince Cahill, 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 Khoury, Salvatore LaMacchia, Jacob Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Marie McDonald, 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, Dib Zaiter.

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

First Thursday Holy Mass in Latin

This Thursday, being the first Thursday of the month, Holy Mass in Latin will be said at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m.

The first Thursday of the month is traditionally offered as an act of reparation to the wounds of Our Lord and in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. It is also offered as day to pray for Priests in honour of Our Lord Jesus Christ, High and Eternal Priest.

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.

Join us and pray in reparation for all the sins committed against 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.



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

With the recent 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.



Online Donations in Support of the Parish

Online donations can be made through the Holy Cross Parish website (holycrossgranville.org.au) using our BPoint facility.

For those who are part of the parish's planned giving programme, your contributions can be made through the website. Just select "Planned Giving" in the dropdown box and include your envelope number.



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Donations can also be made for the Sacraments (such as for Baptism, first Holy Communion and Confirmation), as well as general donations in support of the works of the parish.

As well as this, if you happen to see something that you would like to buy in one of our piety shops, you can easily make payment online using our website. Just select "Piety Store Purchase" in the dropdown box to make payment by debit card or credit card.

Thank you to all those who regularly support the parish by your contributions. Whether through the planned giving programme and your envelopes or through the second collection. Your regular support of the parish is greatly appreciated and is of tremendous assistance to the parish un undertaking our works.

May almighty God bless you and your families for your kindness and generosity and for your support of the Church and of the parish.



Have you thought about how you can serve the parish? Volunteering in the Church is a sacrifice. But our life as Catholics is a life of sacrifice because we choose to take up the Holy Cross of Christ and to follow Him.

Volunteer work is a sign of our gratitude for the love that we have received from God. Unpaid service has much to do with God's grace. We live in a culture which calculates the cost of everything and sees everything in terms of rights which ultimately constrain us and undermine the goodness of time and service given without any expectation of reward.

By our commitment to volunteer, we freely pass on what we ourselves have received.

Without volunteers, then, no parish can be built up. Our progress and worth constantly depend on people who do more than what is strictly their duty.

Faith in action is love, and love in action is service.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Each of us is created in the image and likeness of God. That means that each of us is called to participate in the life of God—in the life of God the Creator, in the life of God the Redeemer, and in the life of God the Sanctifier. Each of us, by virtue of our Baptism, is called to serve because Our Lord served. This is what He asked of us when He washed the feet of the Apostles at the Last Supper: "I have come not to be served but to serve" (*Mk*. 10:45).

In our parish we have so many men and women, young and old, who give time and service week after week to contribute to the Church, to participate in the Church, and to build up the Church. Why not join them?

There are many ways you can help. And we need your help. Volunteer to serve at the altar, to read at Mass, to help with the children's liturgy, to teach as a catechist, or to help clean the church.

Everything we have comes from God and must be returned to Him.

JOIN US AND JOIN IN THE LIFE OF THE PARISH



VOLUNTEER DRIVE



Are you a skilled driver who has a license to drive a mini bus?

Help our Senior Parishioners attend Mass each Sunday by joining the Parish Bus roster.

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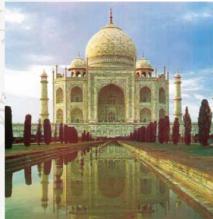


Euchariotic Miracle of

CHIRATTAKONAM, INDIA

This Eucharistic miracle was verified recently, on May 5, 2001 in Trivandrum, India. In the Host there appeared the likeness of a man similar to that of Christ crowned with thorns. His Beatitude Cyril Mar Baselice, Archbishop of the diocese of Trivandrum, wrote regarding this prodigy: "For us believers what we have seen is something that we have always believed... If our Lord is speaking to us by giving us this sign, it certainly needs a response from us". The monstrance containing the miraculous Host is to this day kept in the church.

The Rev. Fr. Johnson Karnoor, the Parish Priest of the church where the Eucharistic miracle took place, recounts in his deposition: "On April 28, 2001, in the parish church of St. Mary of Chirattakonam, we began the Novena to St. Jude Thaddeus as we did every year. At 8:49 a.m., I exposed the Most Holy Sacrament in the monstrance for public adoration. After a few moments I saw what appeared to be three dots in the Holy Eucharist. I then stopped praying and began to look at the monstrance, also inviting the faithful to admire the three dots. I then asked the faithful to remain in prayer and reposed the monstrance in the tabernacle. On April 30th,







I celebrated the Holy Mass and on the following day I left for Trivandrum. On Saturday morning, the 5th of May 2001, I opened the church for the usual liturgical celebrations. I vested for Mass and went to open the tabernacle to see what had happened to the Eucharist in the monstrance. I immediately noticed in the Host, a figure, to the likeness of a human face. I was deeply moved and asked the faithful to kneel and begin praying. I thought I alone could see the face so I asked the altar server what he noticed in the monstrance. He answered: 'I see the figure of a man.' We began adoration and as the minutes went by, the image









His Beatitude Cyril Mar Baselice, Archbishop of the diocese of Trivandrum

more and more clear. During Adoration, we have the practice of reading a passage from Holy Scriptures. The reading of the day was one from chapter 20 in the Gospel of John, which narrates the story of when Jesus appeared to St. Thomas and asked him to look at the wounds. I was only able to say a few words in my homily, and, having to leave for the nearby parish of Kokkodu to celebrate Mass, I immediately summoned a photographer to take pictures of the Holy Eucharist with the human face on it. After two hours all the photos were developed; with the passing of the time the face in every photo became more and more clear."



RELIC OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The 12th century Basilica of the Holy Blood in Bruges, Belgium holds a phial said to contain a cloth with the blood of Christ, brought to the city by Thierry of Alsace after the 12th century Second Crusade.



It is said that the cloth was that used by Joseph of Arimathea to soak up the blood of Christ after he washed His body for burial.

Whether the phial is genuine or not the fact remains that we behold the Precious Blood of Christ at every Mass. Daily on every altar in every Catholic church around the world a miracle takes place when, by the power of the Holy Spirit and at the hands of the priest, the wine and water in the chalice becomes truly the Blood of Christ Himself.

O most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, Heal the wounds in the most Sacred Heart of Jesus

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Precious Blood
of Christ

602 St. Peter can formulate the apostolic faith in the divine plan of salvation in this way: "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers.. with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was made manifest at the end of the times for your sake." Man's sins, following on original sin, are punishable by death. By sending his own Son in the form of a slave, in the form of a fallen humanity, on account of sin, God "made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

610 Jesus gave the supreme expression of his free offering of himself at the meal shared with the twelve Apostles "on the night he was betrayed". On the eve of his Passion, while still free, Jesus transformed this Last Supper with the apostles into the memorial of his voluntary offering to the Father for the salvation of men: "This is my body which is given for you." "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

CATHOLIC SAY

The Story of a Young man who saved the Blessed Sacrament from ISIS and became a Priest

Martin Baani was just 24 years old when he risked his life as a seminarian to rescue the Blessed Sacrament from the imminent invasion of Islamic State terrorists in his hometown.

On August 6, 2014, Baani received a call from a friend who warned that a nearby village had fallen into the hands of ISIS, and that his hometown of Karamlesh would be next. Baani promptly headed to the San Addai church and took the Blessed Sacrament, to prevent the jihadists from desecrating it. That day, he fled in a car along with his Parish Priest and three other priests. "I was the last one to leave Karamlesh, with the Blessed Sacrament in my hands," he told Aid to the Church in Need.

Despite threats from ISIS, Baani chose to stay in Iraq instead of fleeing. He continued his studies in Erbil, the capital of Iraqi Kurdistan. In September 2016, Baani was ordained a priest along with six other men.

A few months before his ordination, Baani said: "Every day I go to the refugee camps to accompany the families. We are Christian refugees. ISIS wants to eliminate Christianity from Iraq but I have decided to stay. I love Jesus and I don't want our history to disappear."



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The Readings

Introit (Cf. Ps. 47:10-11)

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading The Prophet Isaiah (66:10-14)

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. v. 1)

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! R.

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. R.

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. R.

Come and hear, all who fear God.

I will tell what he did for my soul.

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. R.

Second Reading The Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (6:14-18)

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation (Col. 3:15-16)

Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (10:1-12, 17-20)

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

Communio (Ps. 33:9)

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

