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The Mass Explained: By Cormac Burke

The purposes of the Mass

Presentation of the gifts: We have ended the liturgy of the word. Now we start the eucharistic liturgy in which the main actions of the Mass take place. The eucharistic liturgy is made up of three main parts: the presentation of the gifts, the eucharistic prayer or Canon (with the consecration), and the communion. In the presentation of the gifts (or the offertory) the priest (and we with him) offers the hosts some small particles of unleavened bread and small quantity of wine. What he offers is really very little. We could say that it has practically no value. But, *it should represent us*. If you want to learn to take proper part in the Holy Mass, it is important that you learn to offer yourself and to offer all that is yours in this moment of the Mass.³ Take your work, your studies, your needs, your struggle, and even your weaknesses. Take all of that and put it on the paten beside the hosts, those small pieces of bread. Put it on the chalice with the wine.

Jesus Christ is going to come to this altar within a few minutes. There are many ways in which he could have chosen to come. But he has wished to come by marvelously turning the bread and the wine into his own body and blood. He has wished to come by means of transubstantiation, by which something that we offer him, something that is ours, is changed into his body and blood, while of the bread and wine only the appearances remain. The bread and the wine are our gifts, our offering to God. They will be your gift and your offering if you make them yours, if you put yourself there, on the paten with the bread, in the chalice with the wine. If you let yourself get distracted at the moment when the priest is offering the gifts, then the bread and the wine will be other people's gifts, something that other people offer to God. But they won't be your gifts, because you have not offered them, you have not offered yourself with them. Now do you see how important it is not to get distracted at the moment of the offertory?

ST. PAUL NEWS:

St. Anne Altar Society, Angelus, will hold its meeting at 7:00pm on September 7 instead of September 1 because of the Labor Day holiday. The agenda will include discussion about the annual bingo and the election of officers for the 2026 year.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School would also love any donations of beef, pork, fresh vegetables, and fruit from gardens. Your donations are much appreciated. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH NEWS:


The CCD program is still seeking a few more working flat-screen TVs for use in the classrooms. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Jessica Halbleib @ 785-672-7643.

Bible Study: The first session of *Foundations of Faith's journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church* will be on **Tuesday, August 26, at 9:30** in the rectory. The following sessions will be on Tuesdays.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Teresa will be in the office Tuesday (8:30am – 2pm), Wednesday (8:30am – 5pm) Thursday (8:30am – 2pm).

The bulletin will be done on Thursday, so PLEASE have all announcements in by Thursday at 12NOON. There may be an exception from time to time, but I will try to stick with these hours. If you ever have a question outside of parish office hours, feel free to call me on my cell phone. Thank you!

Parish Prayer Line: Mary Lou VanEaton is taking over the prayer line for Deacon Dennis. Please contact her with your name and number if you would like to be included, and also contact her if you need prayers. (785-672-6009)



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$4,449.00 \$ Angelus: \$832.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat 23 – 5pm Mass + Loretta Schoenfeld
 Sun 24 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + The Family of Bud & Bonnie Lager
 10:30am Mass – Parishioners
 Mon 25 – NO Mass
 Tues 26 – 8:30am Mass + Laura Goetz
 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
 Wed 27 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Lester Bieker
 Thur 28 – 8:30am Mass + Ron Kuhlman
 Fri 29 – 7am Mass + Pat Moeder
 Sat 30 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
 Sun 31 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Bernard Hueslman
 10:30am Mass + Mildred Kuhlman

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday Aug 30 TH 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Aug 31 ST 10:30 am	Servers	Bryn H., Peyton K. & Shayden S.
	Lector	Bob Kuhlman		Lector	Madeline Kuhlman
	Gifts	Jerry & Darlene Chaput		Gifts	Chris & Jessica Halbleib
	Hospitality	David & Dana Charles		Hospitality	Matt & Michelle Selzer

Sunday, Aug 31 ST 8 am	Servers	Nick Robben
	Lectors	Doug Robben & Ron Lager
	Gifts	Steve & Laura Fellhoelter
	Ushers	Lee, Jim, Jason & Steve Fellhoelter