

## Corpus Christi Sunday

This weekend we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

We hear about the covenant that was entered into between God and the people of Israel. Moses was the representative of both God and the people. Consequently, he speaks to the people on behalf of the Lord, then he presents to the Lord the response of the people. When the people proclaimed that they would abide by the terms of the covenant, Moses took the blood of the bulls that had been sacrificed and splashed half of it on the altar and half on the people. Moses explained to his people God's covenant.

In the Gospel we hear Jesus say, "This is my blood of the covenant." Of course, He is speaking of the *new* covenant, but one that is closely associated with the covenant explained by Moses. Jesus knew that if He was going to inaugurate a *new* covenant, there would have to be the shedding of blood. However, rather than shedding the blood of animals, our Lord shed His own Blood. This is key to note, since the Jewish people believed that the blood of the animals and the sprinkling of the ashes of the animal after it had been offered as a holocaust, would cleanse one's flesh.

We confirm and seal our covenant with God every time we receive the Body and Blood of Christ. We have been celebrating the Eucharist as part of our worship since the original Feast of the Last Supper. "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*'" present. This is why we hear the formula that Christ is present in the Eucharistic species in his *body, blood, soul, and divinity*.

What Jesus says, and what we do at Mass are very important. The Lord says, "Take it; this is my body." The word "take" implies that this is not something that is forced upon us. Without food and drink we will perish; the key to the Eucharist is that without Jesus, we will also perish. This is something that when we take it, we need to take it into our innermost being.

## **Saint Christopher Catholic Church**

**160 Holt Spur Drive**

**Jamestown, Tennessee 38556**

**Reverend Father Michael Sweeney, Pastor**



**June 2, 2018**

**Feast of Corpus Christi**

**Masses: Saturday Vigil: 6:30 P.M. (CST)**

**Holy Days (Vigil): 6:00 P.M. (CST)**

**Confessions: After Mass (1st Saturday of month or as needed)**

**Spanish Communion Service: Sundays 8:00 A.M.(CST)**

**Father Michael Sweeney: Rectory 865-882-9838**

**Emergency: 865-216-6453**



**Liturgical Ministers for Next Week  
June 9, 2018**

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**Readers:** R. Germann / M. Criswell / S. Mahon  
**Altar Servers:** F. Schuch / A. Stucker  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Vaughn / D. Hailey  
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**June Sacristan:** ..... April Hatfield  
**Hospitality:** ..... Linda Savastano  
**KoC Round Table Coordinator:** ..... George Savastano  
**Mass Intentions:** ..... Sarah Mahon  
**Webmaster:** ..... Stormy Allen  
**Web-Page:** ..... [www.saintchristopherjamestown.com](http://www.saintchristopherjamestown.com)  
..... [www.facebook.com/saintchristopherjamestown](http://www.facebook.com/saintchristopherjamestown)  
**Bulletin:** ..... Mary Germann  
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**INTENTIONS**



Together, let us pray for the needs of our brothers and sisters. Remember the sick, home-bound, caregivers and recovering of our parish and all those on the St. Christopher prayer list (available to view in the narthex) in your daily prayers: Juan Herrera; Zachary Chamness, grandson of George & Linda Savastano; Cissy and Vickie, daughters of Joyce Vaughn; Pete Yahner, brother of Sarah Mahon; Don Briggs; Mary Henise; Joyce Mulligan; Bruce Bigard, brother of Allen Bigard; Teddie Stevenson; Leo Duchon; Mike Emmons; Terry McDonald; Mike & MaryLee Baldalament; Philip Adkins, relative of the Brayton family; and for those of us who suffer in silence. Also, pray for our military personnel, especially those serving in harm's way. For these and all other unspoken needs; we pray to the Lord.

**ATTENDANCE & DONATIONS**

**May 26, 2018**

Parish: \$ 285  
Building Fund: \$ 160

Sat. Night Service / Bilingual Service: 40 / 11

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**June 2, 2018**

For **all graduates** that they may find success in their chosen field.  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ladies:** Don't forget to mark your calendar for the upcoming retreat, June 16<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. RSVP: Sharon Brayton or Bernadette Rindler.

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**Levi Cole, Don and Joanne Briggs' grandson**, makes his First Holy Communion tonight. The family invites everyone to a little party with ice cream and cake in St. Christopher Hall after mass.  
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The original 15-year term loan that St. Christopher took out in 2008 was for \$ 90,000. As of 3/31/2018 the loan balance is \$ 16,894.88, which is approximately \$ 26,000 ahead of schedule. The final payment is due October 2023.

According to Jim Romer the factors that have made this possible are: **1)** God, **2)** the parishioners over the years have kept funds flowing into the building fund enabling us to pay \$800 per month (an extra \$43 per month) to more quickly reduce the principal balance and **3)** the fact that interest rates fell below 5.94% for most of the period.

***Liturgical Ministers for Future Week(s)***

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**June 16<sup>th</sup>** **Readers:** W. Allen / B. Rindler / P. Dalton  
**Altar Servers:** A. Fackler / TBA  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Mahon / S. Mahon