FR. JARETT'S CATHOLIC Q & A



A Protestant friend of mine told me that the Catholic teaching on the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist wasn't actually taught until the middle ages, is that correct?

No, that is not correct. The word transubstantiation, which describes the change of bread and wine into Christ's body and blood, was not coined as a descriptive word of what takes place at Mass until the 11th century, but the belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ has been consistent since the earliest centuries of Christianity. The original disciples believed in the Real Presence in a literal since and the disciples of the disciples did as well.

This doctrine has remained consistent throughout Christian history, or at least until the Protestant Reformation in the 16th century. As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – *Corpus Christi Sunday*, let's take a look at precisely what the Fathers of the Church had to say on this topic.

The words of St. Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians are pointless if the Eucharist is merely a figurative symbol of Christ's body and blood. "Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:26-29)

St. Ignatius of Antioch was a disciple of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist and the third bishop of the important Christian city of Antioch. This is what he said about those who didn't believe in the Eucharist. "Take note of those who hold heterodox opinions on the grace of Jesus Christ which has come to us, and see how contrary their opinions are to the mind of God... They abstain from the Eucharist and from prayer, because they do not confess that the Eucharist is the flesh of our Savior Jesus Christ, Flesh which suffered for our sins and which the Father, in His goodness, raised up again." (Letter to the Smyrnaeans 6,2; Jurgens)

"I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the Bread of God, which is the Flesh of Jesus Christ, who was the seed of David; and for drink I desire His Blood, which is love incorruptible." (Letter to the Romans 7,3; Jurgens)

St. Justin Martyr was born around the death of St. John the last living Apostle. In his famous *Apology* to the Roman Emperor, he writes: "We call this food Eucharist; and no one is permitted to partake of it, except one who believes our teaching to be true...For not as common bread nor common drink do we receive these; but since Jesus Christ our Savior was made incarnate by the word of God and had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so too, as we have been taught, the food which has been made into the Eucharist by the Eucharistic prayer set down by Him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nourished, is both the Flesh and the Blood of that incarnated Jesus." (First Apology 66,20; Jurgens)

Lastly St. Cyril of Jerusalem in the 4th century spoke about the Eucharist in these words: "He himself, therefore, having declared and said of the Bread, 'This is my Body,' who will dare any longer to doubt? And when He Himself has affirmed and said, 'This is my Blood,' who can ever hesitate and say it is not His Blood? Do not, therefore, regard the bread and wine as simply that, for they are, according to the Master's declaration, the Body and Blood of Christ. Even though the senses suggest to you the other, let faith make you firm. Do not judge in this matter by taste, but be fully assured by faith, not doubting that you have been deemed worthy of the Body and Blood of Christ." (Catechetical Lectures: 22: 1,6; Jurgens)

I could go on with more quotes from the Fathers of the early Church, but I must draw to a close. It is evident that the doctrine of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist is clear in the writings of the earliest Christian disciples and not just something that popped up in the Middle Ages.

The Real Presence is a mystery, it is difficult to understand and even more difficult to believe, because we as human beings must deny what our senses tell us. Jesus knew that it would be difficult, but he didn't back down. This is evident by the fact that this is the only teaching of Jesus Christ that caused his own followers to leave Him and go back to their former way of life. Let us reaffirm our belief in the Real Presence and pray for greater faith in the wondrous gift. A great prayer to pray during the moment of consecration at mass are these words from Thomas the Apostle "Lord I believe...Help my unbelief."

Have questions, clarifications, or concerns. Email them to Fr. Jarett at father.konrade@eaglecom.net

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tithing: Your Gift to God Fiscal Year: July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Collection for the week of June 11 \$ 12,396 Weekly Collection to meet Fiscal Budget: \$ 14,719 Fiscal Year Budgeted: \$765,372 Collected Year to Date: \$722,584

MONEY COUNTERS

June 18 Bill & Tiffany Weber
June 25 Scott & Terri Braun
July 2 Tim & Tina Zimmerman
July 9 Frank & Maureen Mindrup

Readings for Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time Monday, June 19 (St. Romuald)

2 Cor 6:1-10 / Mt 5:38-42 **Tuesday, June 20**

2 Cor 8:1-9 / Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 21 (St. Aloysius Gonzaga)

2 Cor 9:6-11 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, June 22 (St. Paulinus of Nola) (SS. John Fisher and Thomas More)

2 Cor 11:1-11 / Mt 6:7-15

Friday, June 23

(The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)

Dt 7:6-11 / 1 Jn 4:7-16 / Mt 11:25-30

Saturday, June 24

(The Nativity of John the Baptist)

Is 49:1-6 / Acts 13:22-26 / Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday, June 25

Jer 20:10-13 / Rom 5:12-15 / Mt 10:26-33

Summer Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8am to noon – 1 to 4pm Friday: 8am to noon

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat. June 17 5:00 p.m. + Wilfred & Fidelia Rome Sun June 18 9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Aloysius & Betty Schmidt

Family

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Wed. June 21 7:00 a.m.+ John Mindrup Fri. June 23 7:00 a.m.+ Chardell Parke Sat. June 24 5:00 p.m.+ Verlin Stramel Sun. June 25 9:30 a.m.+ Albert Braun

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Please check out our Website at http://stn-church.com/.







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Register for Free Catholic Videos, Movie, eBooks, MP3's <u>www.formed.org</u> – Parish Code: JZ3DPK



The Sympathy of the St. Nicholas Parish is extended to the family of Marvin Klaus.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ "Corpus Christi"

Join us on Sunday, June 18, at 12:30pm, at St. Nicholas of Myra Church as we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi with the annual processional of the Blessed

Sacrament. Help us to celebrate this Solemnity as we go forth in prayer and song giving public witness of our faith to the devotion of the Blessed Sacrament.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord" John 6:57

Fr. Justin Palmer will be celebrating Mass on Saturday, June 24, at 5pm, at St. Nicholas of Myra Church.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR June 24 & 25 Saturday, 5:00 P.M. Mass **EMHC** Lectors Hospitality Celina Beilman Marcia Dinkel #1 Scott Brown Gloria Mlinek #2 Deacon Vanessa Schumacher Sacristan Andy Beck **Altar Servers** Zane Swartzman Rebecca Brady Katie Dinkel Bryan Brady Abigail Filak **Gift Bearers** Mary Mellick Jalynn Weilert John Allen Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass **EMHC** Lectors Hospitality Joel Dreiling Rick Rajewski #1 Bernie Werth Jamie Dreher #2 Deacon Geralyn Allen Sacristan Tasha Werth Paula Flesher **Altar Servers** Linda Glassman Riley Dreher Joe Glassman Bradyn Dreher **Gift Bearers** Mary Zimmer Nolan Allen + **Brett Dreher** Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass **EMHC Hospitality** Lectors Melissa Schoepf Eileen Anderson #1 Richard Gottschalk Deacon Jorge Vazquez #2 Javne Inlow Sacristan Kelli Kirmer Altar Servers Neil Klaus Janet Kohl Elizabeth Bowles **Gift Bearers David Wasinger** Avin Inlow Deborah **Bob Wasinger** Annie Wasinger Schmidtberger

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Backpack for Kids

First Call for Help is sponsoring Backpack for Kids. The box has been placed in the gathering space for donations you may wish to make.



Just a reminder to please return your Catholic Charities baby bottles when you come to Mass next weekend,

June 24-25. Volunteers and containers will be available to receive them. Thank you for supporting our work with those who need our services the most. Your financial

assistance helps us make a difference in the area community!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

When we remember and mourn our losses, we free our souls to move beyond the pain. Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and remember, mourn, and be set free.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats
Healing the pain of abortion
one weekend at a time.
Next retreat: June 23-25
1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)
rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org
Confidential

COFFEE & CONVERSATION – June 25, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Hosted by the Liturgy Committee. Come join us.





PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

5th annual Movie Night Under the Stars!

What: "The Young Messiah" (Rated PG-13)

When: Saturday, June 24
Where: IHM North Parking Lot
Time: 9pm

Cost: A Food Pantry Item – Cereal & Fruits requested for June

Before He was a Savior, He was a child

The Bible says little about Jesus as a young boy. This film, presents a picture of what his life might have looked like at the age of 7. Great picture of Joseph as a dad, Mary's struggles with what she knew about Jesus and the cultural climate of the day.

When was the last time you loaded up your car with a date, family or best friends and pulled into the drive-in theatre for a night full of fun and a great movie? You can re-live those memories as your IHM Evangelization Team hosts its 5th annual Drive-in movie! Bring your date, your family, your best friends or just bring yourself! We invite you to come alive with

our parish family!

Fill a cooler with your favorite beverage (no alcohol allowed), bring lawn chairs, blankets and pillows to enjoy the show under the stars! In case of inclement weather, please find updates on our IHM Facebook page.

"Cursillo in Christianity is an encounter with self, Christ, and others. It is a method to develop, live and share spirituality in any area of human life where Christians want to dedicate their lives to God. If you are interested in a means of personal growth in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, and encouraging one another in proclaiming the best news of the best reality that God in Christ loves us, please prayerfully consider attending. The next weekend event: Women's weekend July 27-30, 2017. Location: Victoria, Kansas, Spiritual Life Center. For more information contact Patricia Dusin at 785-302-1220, or patriciad@ruraltel.net."



Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the hours of 2 to 3am, on Mondays; and 4 to 5am, on Sundays. If interested please contact Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Needing a ride to Mass on the weekend? Call Parish office during the week 628-1446. A member from the Health Ministry Committee

will be contacted and will make the arrangements with you.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS - If you or a family member have religious material such as statues, holy water bottles, rosaries, prayer books, and palms that you want to get rid of, but just can't throw



them away, bring them to the St. Joseph Parish Service Center and we will either offer them to people who would like them or dispose of them in a respectful manner.

Thinking about religious life? We have tools for your spiritual journey! The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18-40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Monastic Experience at their monastery in Clyde, MO June 24-28. It's a chance to experience contemplative monastic life and learn about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend and details be found can www.benedictinesisters.org. To register: contact Sr. Maria Victoria at 660-944-2221 ex. 127 or email: vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

On Vacation, need to find out weekend Mass times for the area you are in? Call: 1-800-MASS-TIME or visit on the web: www.masstimes.org.



SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS



SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarship applications are now available through the parish office. Marymount Memorial Educational Trust Scholarship (new

and renewal application available). Eligibility requirements include being an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina; must attend a Catholic college as fulltime student. Monsignor Clement Kruse Scholarship Fund: applicant must be an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. Deadline for both scholarships is July 1.

With the wonderful success of last year's Diocesan Men's Conference, a Sixth Annual Men's Conference: "Men on a Mission" will be held again this year on Saturday, Aug. 12, at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays. All men are invited. Bring your sons who are in high school, and college. Our goal is to strengthen Catholic men in their faith and thereby strengthen our Catholic families and parishes. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so registered early. To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.

18th Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference: Journey with Steve Ray at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference Aug. 4-6, as he uses his vast knowledge of the Holy Land to bring us closer to Christ. Find his influential book, Crossing the Tiber, along with other amazing Catholic materials in our hall with over 75 vendors. Save up to \$30 on early bird registration by June 16. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email guestions to midwconf@cox.net.

June ALERT - Ending slavery is everyone's work. FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR SLAVERY FOOTPRINT and the multiple ways in which people are enslaved today. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITIES 12th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER will be held on Sunday, July 23, from 5 to 7:30pm, at the Salina Country Club. Anonymous donors have offered a Matching-Gift Donation Challenge of \$100,000, so every dollar donated will be doubled. If you would like to attend this complimentary dinner event, please RSVP at www.ccnks.org or contact Jeanie Warner at 785-825-0208 ext. 215 or jwarner@ccnks.org — seating is limited. Handicapped and valet parking will be available.

FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS



TOTUS TUUS Heartland Parishes Catholic Summer Camp on July 9 - 14, at Kennedy Middle School. Join us!! You'll experience God the Father's love for His children through thrilling dramas, high energy song and games,

fellowship and Mass. Plus you will meet new friends and cool games. Information available in the gathering space or call the parish office at 628-1446.

Day Camp: Monday – Friday, 9am to 3pm

Students completed 1st -5th grades, May 2017 **Evening Session:** Sunday – Thursday,
7:30 to 9:40pm

Students completed 6th – 12th grades, May 2017

THE DAYS AHEAD

June 20 Healing After Loss - Gathering 7pm, Center for Life Experiences, 2900 Hall

June 21 Single and Beyond Food and Fellowship, Thirsty's Grill & Pub, 2704 N. Vine St., 6pm

June 24 Men of Myra, 7:30am

-- Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 4:30pm

June 25 Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 9am

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Family Elementary Summer Hours:

May 29 - June 2 - Office Closed June & July - Office Open 9am noon & 1 - 4pm, Tues-Thurs July 3 - 7 - Office Closed



- -- Holy Family Elementary currently has openings this coming school year 2017-2018 in grades PB (afternoon Preschool), Kindergarten, 3rd, 5th and 6th. If interested, please contact the school at 785-625-3131 for more information!
- -- Holy Family Elementary is in need of substitute teachers! If you are interested in being added to our substitute list, please stop by the school office with a copy of your sub license & credentials. Stop by or call 785-625-3131 if you have questions! Thank you!
- -- Don't forget to recycle your aluminum cans in our trailer in the north parking lot! Be sure to collect your Boxtops over the summer our numbers ran very low this school year and we are wanting to make a comeback! We also collect pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald houses of America! Thank you for helping the school out in these ways!
- -- For more information go to www.hfehays.org

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Thomas More Prep-Marian (TMP-M), a Christian community in the Catholic tradition, challenges its students to spiritual growth, academic excellence, and leadership formation.

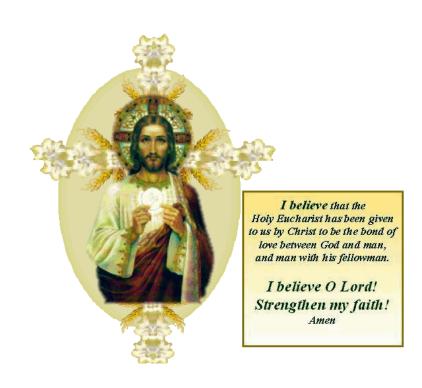
TMP-Marian Summer hours:

8am to 3pm, beginning May 30 through Aug. 4

Monarch Summer Camps – Come and join the TMP-M athletic department this summer! A variety of camps are available to the youth, grades 1-12, 2017-2018 school year. To find a complete listing of camps, visit https://tmp-m.org/2017camps/, located under the Athletics tab on the TMP-M website. Come and join the fun!!

Enrollment Opportunities for Grades 7-12 785-625-6577

-- To access up to date information for activities and events, please visit the webpage at www.tmp-m.org/calendar/





ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA CHURCH 2017 NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL

The new members will take their position on Pastoral Council Effective July 1, 2017.



CORY MUNSCH

My name is Cory Munsch. My wife Pam and I have been members of St. Nick's since 1985. I have served on numerous committees throughout the years. Currently I am involved in Marked Men for Christ, Men of Myra and the Stewardship Commission. I am a Cantor, Proclaimer of the Word and an Eucharistic Minister.

I am the owner of ServiceMaster of Hays and have been in business for 25 years. Pam & I have 3 sons, Leighton (30) he's married to Olivia and they have a son Wynder. They live in Franklin, TN. Leighton was a Captain in the US Army and is currently servicing in the Reserves. Josh (26) lives in San Francisco. Landon (21) will graduate this December from KU with

a degree in journalism.

St. Nick's is our Catholic HOME! I feel it is important to be involved in the direction I would like to see the church go. What better way to have a voice in those decisions – then to be a member of St. Nick's Pastoral Council where I can serve both my parish and God.

SARAH CAIN

Hi my name is Sarah Cain. About four years ago I became a member of St. Nicholas parish. It has been life altering for my family in so many great ways. My husband Mark and I have been married for 11 years. We have two wonderful children. Leah is 9 and Andrew is 7. I joined the RCIA team shortly after becoming a member. I have been blessed with the opportunity to grow my knowledge of Catholicism through these meetings and also pass on what I have learned to those wanting to become Catholic. Sometimes on Sunday I am an Eucharistic Minister, and together with my family we have had the honor of taking up the gifts. I have helped



Ladies Guild on a couple different occasions. I love to help in anyway that I can. I look forward to watching St. Nicks grow and would love to be a part of the Pastoral Council. Thank you!



MELISSA DENNING

My name is Melissa Denning. I have lived in Hays the past 5 years and joined St Nicholas of Myra parish about 3 years ago. I am an Account Representative at Insurance Planning, Inc. I am engaged to Michael Dick and we will be getting married in August. We both are active in the parish with hospitality, being money counters and taking up gifts. I am excited to be a part of the Parish Council. Thank you.