

# Maneline

ST. MARK Catholic Community

## Celebrating the Bread from Heaven, the Bread of Eternal Life

By Mary Fisk

**O**n Sunday, June 11, the Church celebrated the Solemnity of the *Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*, also known as *Corpus Christi*. This Solemnity celebrates the central belief of the Church for 2,000 years: Jesus Christ is Really, Truly, Substantially Present in the EUCHARIST under the appearance of the bread and wine. This Presence occurs through the process of Transubstantiation—when the priest uses the Lord’s own words at the Last Supper: “This is My Body,” “This is the chalice of My Blood,” and “Do this in remembrance of Me.”

### Why Do Catholics Believe in the Real Presence?

The short answer is because Jesus Christ Himself told us to do so. There is a pre-story, however. In the whole Bible—Old Testament and New Testament—we have the 4,000-year-old story of God revealing His love for us. For 2,000 years before the Incarnation, God began to prepare His People to understand the intimate relationship to which He was calling them repeatedly. He made the Covenant with Abraham and promised that He would give him a great nation and offspring that would be a blessing to the world. Some 700 years later, God heard the cries of His people in slavery in Egypt and called Moses and Aaron to be His instruments to bring His People to freedom and right worship.

When they left Egypt, they knew God was with them: they were guided by His literal Presence in the form of a Cloud by day and a Pillar of Fire by night. When the people hungered, God provided them with manna, the *bread from Heaven* to sustain them in the wilderness. After God gave Moses the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai and established the Covenant

with the People, He instructed them on proper worship (Exodus 35-40). He told them to construct a fitting dwelling place for Him in their midst—that he might *literally* dwell—“tabernacle”—with them. When this Tabernacle had been constructed, and the Ark of the Covenant placed within its sanctuary, the Cloud entered the Tabernacle and settled upon the Ark. God lived among His People *literally*, and they had *no doubt* of His literal Presence. What significant objects were placed in the precious Ark? The Word of God in the tablets of stone from Mount Sinai, some preserved manna as the evidence of God’s care for His People, and the rod of Aaron to signify the institutional priesthood.

### Scriptural Sources for the Real Presence

In the New Testament, the Church draws directly upon the Gospels and Letters in articulating this central belief. The Gospels of Mark (Mark 14: 22-24) and Luke (22:19-20) report the words of Jesus Christ at the Last Supper when He instituted the EUCHARIST.

John’s Gospel provides the greatest insights (Chapter 6) into the EUCHARIST. Shortly after the multiplication of the loaves and fish to feed the 5,000, Jesus told those who sought Him not to labor for food that perishes but for food that endures to eternal life. He said, “*I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall not thirst. . . .*” The people resisted this message, but the Lord was adamant: “*Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. . . . Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent Me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on Me will have life because of me. This is the bread*

*that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.*” At the Last Supper (John 15), facing His approaching death, Jesus repeatedly instructs his Apostles to “abide” in him, using the analogy of a vine and branches. How were they to abide in Him? We have only to look back at John 6 for the way to abide and endure.

St. Paul further articulated this fundamental truth in 1 Corinthians 10:16-17: “The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?” In 1 Corinthians 11:28-29, he goes further: “For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself.” *If the EUCHARIST were only a symbol, why would those participating unworthily—in the state of mortal sin—eat and drink to their own judgment?*

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Today, God literally dwells among His People by means of His Real Presence in the Tabernacle in every Church, and we have His Presence on the Altar at every Mass following the Consecration. What is in the Tabernacle today? Not tablets of stone, not preserved manna, but the Word of God in the EUCHARIST, the true Bread from Heaven, brought to us at every Mass via the institutional Priesthood formed at the Last Supper. God lives among His People in a way only prefigured in Exodus—now in the True Presence of Jesus Christ. No human construction could ever bring eternal life; only the Crucified and Risen Body of the Son of the Living God could accomplish this. *This is His Gift to us; this is what has grounded and sustained the Church throughout the centuries, and this is what will do so into the future.* Not a memory but a Reality.

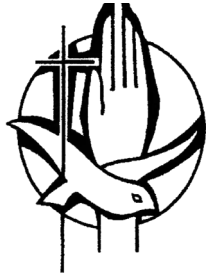
## Sacrament of CONFIRMATION Celebrated in May

Parish Youth received the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION in May, completing their Adult Initiation in the Faith. As Baptized members of the Church, they share with us in all of God's blessings. As Confirmed Adults in the Church, they witness with us in God's love for all God's people. "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faith, and enkindle in them the fire of your love!"

### Confirmandi

Jennifer Adamson, Ava Angelicchio, Abigail Anstett, John Baird, Mackenzie Barbato, Dominic Best, Francesca Bjornstad, Sophie Bliss, Colin Boyd, Anouk Bum, Jeffrey Burkhammer, Andrew Culiper, Aldo de Leon, Sarah deVore, Sarah Downey, Jack Dreiman, William Dwyer, Sophia Ely, William Farrer, Blake Fitzgerald

Dylan Gaspard, Andrea Gatu, Sonia Gatu, Elena Gecan, Brady Gibson, Grace Gonzalez, Mason Grantz, Declan Hathaway, Matthew Hathaway, Noelle Hayeck, Gianna Herd, Hayden Hodges, Jack Hodson, Caitlin Holtaway, Martin Koo, Gabriel Landau-Smith, Jaxen Larsen, Carlo Leiva



Davis Mabilirizi, Molly Martin, Stella Mastroianni, Kayleigh McCarthy, Megan McCleish, Caitlin McCluer, Meaghan McLaughlin, Keira Mendis, Leo Miller, Maxwell Muller, Ethan O'Connor, Andrea Oh, Giulia O'Reilly, Andrew Peterson, Sarah Piescik

Lucy Rienzi, Priya Robbins, Isabella Robles, John Romeo, Alessandro Rozo, Andrew Serrell, William Sharma, Christina Spear, Nicholas St. Clair, Thomas Sullivan, Ian Taylor, Matthew Taylor, Nicholas Terronez, Andrew Thomas, Tala Tohmeh, Max Tom

Sophia Upchurch, Benjamin Vu, Clara Wach, Grace Washko, Grace Whittington, Liam Wilcox, Jackson Wooten, Olivia Worek, John Wright

## CONFIRMATION Spirit Teams

Spirit Teams play a pivotal role in the preparation of Parish Youth to receive the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION.

Spirit Teams are small communities of 8th Graders, made up of a mix of Catholic School and Religious Education students, to provide the Candidates with opportunities for living out their faith as disciples in fellowship. The Spirit Team leaders are parents who plan service, spiritual, and social experiences for these students over the course of the school year.

Members of the current team are Susie Adamson, Michelle Anstett, Tracy Baird, Alex Farrer, Jolie Gaspard, Arada Grantz, Michelle Herd, Tara Holtaway, Jennifer Martin, Jenny McCarthy, Leslie McCleish, Amy Miller, Megan Wilcox, Will Worek, and Cathy Wright.

## Parish Shares in Celebration of First EUCHARIST at May Masses

Children of *ST. MARK* received their First Communion at weekend Masses in May with their families. We join with them in appreciating the great joy and graces of this special day in their lives. They have advanced in the Rites of Initiation, and they are now able to share in the great Gift of Jesus in this Sacrament. We affirm with them the Catholic belief that Jesus is truly present and wishes to unite them to Himself in this glorious Sacrament. This IS His Body, this IS His Blood!

Eli Alexandrow, Eliana Alvarez, Annabelle Baker, Pennington Beary, Isabela Beasley, Felicia Berdy, Caden Blair, James Bokan, Anne Bui, Sophie Bui

Henry Chen, Emma Ciziunas, Sadie Collins, Thomas Cremins, Alessandro DeSimone, Francesco DeSimone, Olivia Djouadi, Emma Downs, Brooke Edwards, Madeleine Ely, Annabelle Farrimond, Andrew Fennell, Emilie Fitzgibbon, Lucio Friedman

Gia Geiger, Ryan Geiger, Aris George, Ford Ghareeb, Malina Gmerek, Federico Gonzalez, Benjamin Goudreau, Selviona Grover, Peter

Gruters, Elaina Gureff, David Hanlon, Alexander Hathaway, Patrick Hill, Joaquin Hincapie, Jacqueline Hooker

Lina Jaklis, Dylan Johnson, Shane Kalbaugh, Arthur Kane, Brandon Karney, Charles Kelly, Emily Kennedy, Catherine Klein, Andrew Koch, Tomas Lagos, J Nicolas Lazaro, Mary Little, Valentina Lopez

Henry Major, Auburn Mathias, Milla Matos, Violette Matos, Adaline Mazur, Lillian McCabe, Hailee McKie, Joseph Mellen, Harrison Meyers, Oliver



Michaelangelo, Thomas Michaelangelo, Dillon O'Brien, Zara O'Neill, Charles Orem, Carlos Pastor, Jr., Henry Peters, Sophia Potter, Clara Puckett, Madeleine Rosenbaum, Luke Royal

Tomas Sanchez, Emory Santos, Maeve Schippert, Christian Sedlacek, Ella Sinning, James Smeraglinolo, Alexandra Smullen, Katerina Staikos, Jackson Swelstad, Gabriel Taliercio, Archibald Trudel, Hudson Velarde, Louisa Wach, Dylan Weyman, Seamus Wilcox, Liam Wilson

# Youth Ministry Plans Summer Activities

The Youth Ministry has a busy summer schedule that offers a range of activities the youth of the Parish.

■ **The High School WorkCamp** will be June 17–23 at Frederick County Middle School in Winchester.

■ **The Middle School WorkCamp** will be July 5–8. Registration closes mid-June.

■ **The Steubenville Conference** will be July 14–16 at the Franciscan

University of Steubenville in Ohio.

■ **The Vacation Bible School** will be July 17–21.

■ **The Kings Dominion Day** will be July 26, and the *Splashdown* will be July 21.

Volunteers are essential to the success of each of these programs. Specific needs include the following:

■ Volunteers to help make 160 lunches for the High School WorkCamp on

Saturday, June 17, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish kitchen. All of the supplies will be available.

■ Middle School and High School Youth are needed to assist Vacation Bible School leaders with small group activities and games.

For more information, please contact Kevin Flores, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, at [kflores@st-mark.org](mailto:kflores@st-mark.org).



## VBS

### Vacation Bible School *Set for July*



■ Volunteering for Vacation Bible School (VBS): VBS (“Stellar”) will be held July 17-21 this year, with setup and training for volunteers on the afternoon of July 16. We need many adults, as well as helpers who are in 6th grade and older. To volunteer, visit <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=5c0fff9-f328-4252-aeed-45db691a5129>. Call Sarah at 703-938-1948 for more information.

■ Participating in Vacation Bible School: If you would like to register a participant (Preschool—5th grade: Preschoolers must be potty trained and have completed a year of school). Visit <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=fbba0aef-c1af-463f-abb4-9cd7efa82bac>. The cost is \$60 per participant. Only 60 spots are available—don’t delay!



# Being Christ into the Workplace: One Christian's Journey

By Bill Dalgetty

When people first hear the expression “being Christ in the workplace”, they tend to think there is no way they can be Christ and certainly not in their workplace. But that is exactly what God is calling us to do. God’s plan for His creation is to dwell in us, His human creatures, through his Son, Jesus Christ, so that we, with the power of the Holy Spirit, can bring His presence to the people and circumstances of our lives.

## Personal Conversion

For many years, I was not aware of this call on my life by Jesus. I attended Church every Sunday and loved my wife and family, but I was more preoccupied with my career than I was in understanding my Catholic faith and building a relationship with Jesus. I was a young attorney in my mid-30s for Mobil Oil Corporation. I thought I was on an upward track, and my career started to dominate my life. Everything else—my wife, my children, my relationship with God—started to take second place. This priority opened the door to disorder and sin that began to take me down a road away from God and my family.

A friend invited my wife to a Week of Renewal in the Holy Spirit. It went for five nights, starting on a Sunday and ending on a Thursday. She asked me to join her, but I declined, saying that I had a briefcase full of work. Each night when she came home, I noticed how happy she was, and she again invited me to the next night, which I again declined. On Wednesday evening when she walked in the door, she was absolutely radiant and said something that astounded me. She said, “You know, I believe I could forgive almost anything of anyone.” I thought to myself, “Wow! I’ve got to see what’s going on here,” and I decided to join her the final evening.

The final evening included a talk and a healing Mass. The priest asked us to kneel down, close our eyes, and imagine that we were all alone with Jesus. He then said, “Give to Jesus whatever need you might have—a physical healing, a sin in your life, the healing of a relationship, whatever it might be—and ask Jesus to take it.”

I dutifully knelt down, and I imagined that I was on a country gravel road south

of Kansas City, Missouri, on the way to my wife’s grandmother’s farm. Jesus was standing in front of me. I said, “Lord, you know what is going on in my life—the disorder, the sin—would you take it from me?” I felt the proverbial weight being lifted from my shoulders. A vision of my sin passed in front of me. He was really taking it away. I can describe the farm house, where the mail box was located, and where Jesus and I were standing. It was like a vivid dream from which we wake and remember every detail.

Back at the Church, the priest went on with the rest of the Mass. I was sitting there feeling elated about what had just happened, but then as the evening progressed, I started to wonder whether what I experienced really happened or whether I just imagined it.

At the end of the Mass, prayer teams were stationed around the Church. I decided to go to one of the teams and ask for prayer, just a little insurance that what happened really happened. A priest and a couple of women prayed over me and anointed my forehead with oil. I thanked them and as I started to walk away, the priest took hold of my arm and said, “You don’t believe.” “Oh, you believe in God, but you are not sure He has healed you of your problem. If you will just accept His love and forgiveness, good things will start happening in your life.”

If I was moved by the prior experience, I was absolutely overwhelmed by this one, for here was a man I had never met, and he was speaking to the innermost desires of my heart. How could he know?

The next morning, I awoke with a tremendous sense of peace. I was in awe at meeting Jesus in such personal way the night before, and I was overwhelmed that when I started to doubt that it happened, God spoke to me through one of his priests to assure me that it was true. Soon thereafter, I went through the full five-evening program and was prayed with to be filled with the Holy Spirit that I received in my BAPTISM.

All my priorities began to change. God gave me a desire to seek forgiveness from anyone I might have offended and to read Scripture. He renewed my love for my wife and family. He gave me a new love for my Church. Finally, he gave me

a desire to bring His renewed presence in me to all aspects of my life, including my work life.

## Sharing My Testimony: Pete

I was on fire for the Lord and wanted to share my experience with others. I was careful not to wear my Christianity on my sleeve, but I did seek out a few colleagues with whom I had established relationships. One was Pete. I shared my full witness with him. He was quite positive in his reaction.

Several weeks later, I was at a company reception. I wore a dove in my lapel. One of our senior executives asked “What’s the “bird?” Being nervous, I fumbled for a response and said, “To some people it means peace, to others, the Holy Spirit.” “What’s it mean to you?” he asked. I kind of squeaked out, “Holy Spirit.” He said, “Oh,” and walked away. I thought to myself, “Boy, you really botched that conversation.”

A week later I saw Pete, who worked closely with this person. He said, “Hey, I had dinner with Murray the other night, and I told him about your experience of meeting Jesus on the country road.” I said, “You did what?” He said, “He was asking why you were wearing that bird in your lapel, so I told him everything you had shared with me and how it impacted your life.” I was amazed! Because of Pete’s relationship with this person, he was able to share my testimony in a way that I would have never been able to do myself. You never know what God is going to do with your witness.

Over the years, I have tried to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit as to when to share about the Lord, or offer to pray with someone. I am sure there were more opportunities missed than taken, but whenever I have offered to pray with someone, no one has ever turned me down.

## Talking and Praying with Ann

On one occasion, my secretary came into my office one day and said, “You have to talk with Ann. She is going to have an abortion.” I said I would be happy to talk with Ann, but that it was a conversation that I could not initiate. About an hour later, Ann came by my office and asked if she could speak with me. She was 19 years old. She had gotten pregnant, the

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prospective father refused to take any responsibility, she had no family in the area, and she did not believe she was capable of caring for the baby. I shared how the little baby within her had little arms and little legs, and was a real person to whom God had already given a soul. We talked; she cried. I prayed with her that God would give her wisdom, courage, and strength as to what she should do. I never told her what I thought she should do; I left that up to God.

A few weeks later, she came by to let me know that she was going to have the baby. Several months later, she brought in her new baby boy for all of us to see. Sixteen years later, I was at my retirement reception, and Ann came by to wish me well. She thanked me for that conversation we had. She said, “My son would not be here today if it were not for that conversation.”

### Our Work Matters to God

Our work is important to God. Work is part of His design for creation. St. John Paul the Great says, “The eloquence of the life of Jesus Christ is unequivocal: He belongs to the working world, He has appreciation and respect for human work, He looks with love upon human work and the different forms it takes.”

### One Christian writer observes:

- Of Jesus’ 132 public appearances, 122 were in the marketplace.
- Of the 52 parables Jesus told, 45 had a workplace context
- Jesus called 12 workplace individuals, not clergy, to build.

Lester DeKoster in his book, *Work: The Meaning of Your Life*, describes work as “the form in which we make ourselves useful to others and thus to God.” He says, “The fabric of civilization, like all fabrics, is made up of countless tiny threads—each thread, the work of someone.”

### Being Stewards of Creation

God calls us to be good stewards of all that He gives us—our relationships, our work, our abilities, and our possessions.

In my last assignment with Mobil, I served as General Manager of Environment, Health, and Safety. Shortly after starting, I learned that I was to give a presentation to our Executive Committee and Board of Directors on the general state of the company’s environmental, health, and safety performance.

In reviewing past reports to the Board, I noticed that there had been no

comparison of our company’s performance in this area to our competitors’ performance. We tracked competitive data relative to our financial performance in about every way in which it could be measured. Why weren’t we doing the same in environment, health, and safety? I asked our staff to gather information on our competitors’ performance. It turned out that we were in seventh place out of the then eight major international oil companies with respect to employee safety and lost time accidents.

When people learned that we were going to report these competitive findings to the Board, we started to get pushback. This gave me pause, but my responsibility was to support the company’s operations in improving its performance. I was sure that if the Executive Committee members knew the truth, they would want to act on it.

We gave our report first to the Executive Committee and then to the Board. The Chairman looked around the table to the various Executive Vice Presidents and simply said, “What I want to happen is for us to change our performance in this area.”

Mobil began giving a renewed priority to the company’s environmental, health, and safety performance in its operations in more than 100 countries. We began reporting on our environmental and safety performance on a quarterly basis. We set targets for that performance. We established a management system that detailed specific requirements for every job having an impact on environment and safety. When I retired three years later, Mobil had moved from seventh to second place in employee safety performance among the major oil companies.

God does care about how we do our jobs, just like in the Parable of the Talents. He expects us to produce results. Reducing accidents avoids injuries, and saves lives and the associated costs that accompany accidents. I felt like my actions were in line with what God wanted me to do in carrying out my responsibilities, and His Spirit and Presence gave me the courage and wisdom to move forward. Although the name of Jesus was never mentioned, truth and integrity were being brought into the company’s business processes. The Kingdom of God was being furthered through the stewardship of its most important asset—its employees—by adopting processes that resulted in the reduction of accidents, the savings of lives, and the conservation of resources.

### The Testing of Priorities

The reordering of my priorities was sorely tested in my mid-40s. Mobil had moved the headquarters for its U.S. marketing and refining operations to Virginia. After living here for about five years, I was offered a job that would have required us to move back to New York. It was a great job for my career.

We had three teenage daughters and a two-year-old son at the time. The daughters were all doing well in school, were involved in a Christian outreach to high schoolers called Young Life, and had great peers for friends. I agonized over the decision for three days, pleading with God to reveal His will to me. After lots of prayer and talking with my wife, colleagues, and Christian friends, I decided that I should decline the offer.

My decision did have a negative impact on my career. A year later, I was asked to take a position that I had held previously to make room for someone more promotable. People who used to work for me were promoted around me.

I would like to say that I handled all of this with a peaceful heart, but I did not. I had to die to myself, my career, and my ambition. It took time. But when I look back, I am absolutely certain that it was God’s will for me to decline that promotion. Those teenage daughters and son all finished their education. They went on to marry wonderful Christian spouses and raise Christian families themselves, and they have given us 13 grandchildren to love and encourage.

The workplace is full of people whose lives may never intersect with the Church, but they intersect with us. Every day we have opportunities to be the Father’s present-day incarnation by reflecting his love, integrity, and service to the people and circumstances we encounter in our lives. **God is calling us to be His presence and to bring His presence into our workplaces, exercising faith, integrity, and excellence.**

*Editor’s note:* Bill Dalgetty has other stories that can be found in a book that he authored 10 years ago, entitled *Hope for the Workplace—Christ in You*. It contains as many as 50 stories of different people being Christ in the workplace. It can be found on Amazon, or at <http://www.dpztechnology.com/index.php/zacchaeus-publications>.

## ST. MARK Welcomes Fr. Ignatius Chung

By Mary Fisk



**S**T. MARK's Parochial Vicar, Fr. Ignatius Chung, was born in the Northwest Region of Cameroon to a large and loving family of nine. He grew up surrounded by his parents, brothers and sisters, and extended family members. As the fourth born and first boy of nine children, he learned the importance of sharing, forgiving, and helping. He described the family custom of coming together for dinner around a common pot from which everyone would take food. Whatever little issues might have arisen among the children during the day, everyone put them aside as they shared their meal together and later joined for the Rosary together with their parents.

Growing up, he credits his religious development to his family. His mother, in particular, although not educated, knew the importance of education and encouraged him to study and grow in the Faith. Another positive influence was the Pastor of the local Church. He had the lone car in the entire village, and he came to the home mission and drove the children to Mass and talked to them about the priesthood. Father Ignatius recounts how he and his sibling, who is presently a Mill-Hill Seminarian, dutifully served Mass every Sunday, waiting hopefully for the day that they will become priests.

Fr. Ignatius was ordained on April 5, 2018, in the Diocese of Kumbo, in the Ecclesiastical Province of Bamenda, in the Northwest Region of Cameroon. The Diocese was established by Pope St. John Paul II in 1982; Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception is honored as the Patroness of the Diocese. Bishop George Nkuo is the second residential Bishop of the Diocese of Kumbo.

Following his ordination, he was appointed Parochial Vicar at *CHRIST THE KING* Parish Nkambe, Chaplain to St. Rita's College Nkambe, an Instructor at the Maryvale Catechetical Institute in the Diocese, Manager of Primary Schools, and Deanery Youth Chaplain. In 2020, he was appointed Pastor at *ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE* Parish Misaje, from where he was

transferred to *ST. MARK* in Vienna to evangelize and study.

As we learned when his predecessor Fr. Mbinkar was in residence at *ST. MARK*, Cameroon is a bilingual country with two official languages, English and French. The people of the English area of Cameroon have suffered terribly for years, first during the colonial period and later after its independence in 1960-61. What is effectively a civil crisis erupted in December 2016 and deteriorated in 2019.

Fr. Ignatius described the tireless efforts by the Bishop and priests and others to help the people in all of the ways needed, spiritually, morally, psychologically, and financially as relentless. The priests of the Diocese have known what it means to bear witness at very bloody moments in the lives of their people. Due to the severe destruction, many are internally displaced, many are orphans, many are not able to go to school; even the few who can go to school do not have the means. These are the reasons why occasionally Father Ignatius goes on Mission Appeals to different Dioceses in the United States in order to raise funds to send back to his Bishop to help sponsor children in school, provide food for some, and shelter for many. Fr. Chung lost a beloved sister, Melvine Ndum, because she could not reach the hospital in time due to the curfew, and an aunt, Prudential Fingeh, who was brutally shot. Father exhorted us to pray for his country for peace to be restored.

Despite the numerous challenges, the Church in Cameroon is growing, as is evident in the number of young people who are very active in youth activities, the number of vocations, and an active participation in Diocesan events.

Father Ignatius's pastoral experience and love for orthodoxy in matters of the Church has ignited in him a special desire to pursue a PhD in Systematic Theology/Catechetics, even though for now he may most likely begin

with a master's degree at Christendom College. He is hoping things work out smoothly for him. In the interim, he is a full-time Parochial Vicar at *ST. MARK* and the priest in charge of the Cameroon Catholic Community that meets at *ST. MARK* every first Sunday of the month. Fr. Chung mentioned to us that after talking with Fr. Pat closely, he hopes to revive these three apostolates: the Marian Group, the Vocation group, and the Pro-Life group. He has been visiting many groups in the Parish and encouraging them. We pray that his dreams will come true.

## Project Rachel

**E**very human life is sacred—every woman, every man, and every child born and unborn. Project Rachel offers healing to women who have experienced abortion. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or visit: [familylife@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:familylife@arlingtondiocese.org).



## June Feasts, Solemnities, and Saints

Feasts are festivals of a teaching, event, or saint of universal importance (underlined). Solemnities are the highest rank of celebration in the Church (in capital letters). Memorials are particular celebrations of the saints (obligatory in regular type) (optional in italics).

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| 1 St. Justin   | 17 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary                 |
| 2 <i>Sts. Marcellinus and Peter</i>                        | 19 <i>St. Romuald</i>  |
| 3 <i>Sts. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>       | 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Priest and Patron Saint of Young Students |
| 4 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY                                    | 22 <u>St. Thomas More</u>  |
| 5 St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr                          | 24 THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST                            |
| 6 <i>St. Norbert</i>                                       | 27 <i>St. Cyril of Alexandria</i> , Doctor of the Church           |
| 9 <i>St. Ephrem</i>  | 28 St. Irenaeus, Bishop  |
| 11 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) | 29 STS. PETER AND PAUL   |
| 13 St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor                 | 30 <i>The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</i>               |
| 16 THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS                          |  |

## M&Ms

- At the After Mass Coffee in the Cassidy Activities Center on Wednesday, May 3, Fr. Ignatius was the guest speaker who presented us with a lively and informative talk on growing up Catholic in his native African country of Cameroon. He discussed his journey to the Priesthood, as well as his aspirations as a Priest to evangelize in this country as well as back home in Cameroon. On a more somber note, he spoke of the dangers of modern day Cameroon.
- The M&Ms and invited guests boarded a chartered bus to Washington, D.C., to tour the Library of Congress and the Capitol on Tuesday, May 9. They enjoyed lunch at the Capitol Café.
- May 14: The traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima was hosted at the home of Patricia Antich. A small group of M&Ms gathered to pray the Rosary for our Holy Catholic Church, for America, and for the world. Local volunteers from the Catholic organization, Tradition, Family, Property, (parent organization of America Needs Fatima) brought the statue to the home. For more information, contact Joyce Kerrigan: [joycenk22@gmail.com](mailto:joycenk22@gmail.com) or 703-262-0148.
- May 17: The Pot Luck Lunch featured guest speaker Anna Marie Mason, who talked about the work of The Ignatian Volunteer Corps.
- The After Mass Coffee will be held on June 7.



## Closed-Captioned Masses on June 4 and July 2

There will be a Closed-captioned Mass Service on Sunday, June 4, and Sunday, July 2, at 11:00 a.m. Any tablet—including Android, iPhone, iPad, and Kindle—can be used to access the captioning service. The Mass is designed for the hearing impaired and deaf but is open to all to receive the Sunday Mass homily, the Prayers of the Faithful, and the announcements via closed captions (CART) during Mass. Instructions to prepare for Closed Captioned Mass:

- While at home, look in your app store of your tablet for Stenograph CaseViewNet (iCVNet) and download. It is free. When in Church, in your settings for wifi, look for “Amicus Reporting”, and tap connect. You should not need a password.
- Open up the iCVNetapp (downloaded earlier at home) and hit Amicus Reporting DeskTop and connect. If it doesn't open, type in the password: DonnaLinton.

Contact Donna at [CARTsttheresa@aol.com](mailto:CARTsttheresa@aol.com) for more information.

## Milestones

### BAPTISM

*ST. MARK welcomes the following new Parishioners to our Parish family:*

George Thomas Coppé  
Alex Vincent Enriquez  
Malcom Thomas Kenney  
Alexander Daniel Koch

### DEATHS

*The following Parishioners entered into eternal life:*

Kerry Byrnes  
Alice DeLaVergne  
Jeff Kushan  
Paula LaMagra  
Patricia Manley  
Barbara Miller  
Jim Paul  
Eric Peterson

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*“Share everything  
with Mary,  
even the cross  
—as Jesus did.”*

—St. Teresa of Calcutta

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### **June 2023**

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| 3 Middle School Workcamp Registration opens, closed June 16  | 13 Prayer Shawl meeting 1:00 p.m.  |
| 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 1:00 p.m.<br>Evening Prayer and Benediction 5:00 p.m.                                     | 14 Christians in Commerce 7:00 a.m.<br>CYC Youth Community 7:30 p.m.   |
| 6 College MOMS Meeting 7:00 p.m.   | 17 Diocesan Workcamp Week  |
| 7 Christians in Commerce 7:00 a.m.<br>Forty Hours Devotion opens 10:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.<br>CYC Youth Community 7:30 p.m.          | 18 Christ House Food Collection and Delivery<br>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 1:00 p.m.<br>Evening Prayer and Benediction 5:00 p.m. |
| 8 Forty Hours Devotion 10:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.   | 21 Christians in Commerce 7:00 a.m.<br>CYC Youth Community 7:30 p.m.   |
| 9 Forty Hours Devotion 10:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.   | 25 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 1:00 p.m.<br>Evening Prayer and Benediction 5:00 p.m.  |
| 10 Forty Hours Devotion 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.<br>Benediction<br>Diocesan Family Festival 4:00 p.m.                                | 28 College Night 7:00 p.m.   |
| 11 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 1:00 p.m.<br>Evening Prayer and Benediction 5:00 p.m.<br>Youth and Family Mass 6:00 p.m. |  |