

The Body & Blood of Jesus Christ
June 7, 2015

Salesian Perspective

Today the Church celebrates the fulfillment of God's great desire to be one with his people –to establish an everlasting covenant with us – a covenant which guarantees our forgiveness and reconciliation.

Jesus' body is broken and his blood poured out for us on the Cross. Jesus' willingness to sacrifice himself so that we can be reconciled to God and to one another completes his Father's loving plan – a new covenant is made permanent.

Today's Gospel account reminds us that Jesus gave us a continuing memorial of his loving sacrifice – a way for us today to share in his saving death and resurrection. Each time we come together to celebrate Eucharist, we break bread and share a cup that signifies the Body of Jesus broken and his Blood poured out for us.

The Blood of Christ reminds us of an earlier covenant between God and his people. Like Israel of old, Jesus' Blood forms us into a new people of God – the Church. During each Eucharist we proclaim, as they did, "All that God has said, we will do."

As we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus, we enter into a deeper communion with Jesus and with one another. We become the Body of Christ present in our world. Like Jesus, we must become willing to do our Father's will, opening ourselves to accepting a share of the sufferings that may entail.

We are never alone in our efforts, because sharing in Eucharist makes us a covenant community. Our oneness in Eucharist must lead us to oneness in daily living.

Today's feast is a strong reminder of the realities of our Christian life:

- Our God desires to be intimately one with us and the Eucharist is the place where that happens most clearly. As we eat Jesus' Body and drink his Blood, he becomes one with us and we with him.
- Our sharing in Eucharist also draws us into deeper communion with all the members of the Church. We become more fully the Body of Christ.
- As the Body of Christ in our world, we continue the mission of Jesus to announce the good news of God's love to all our brothers and sisters, especially those who need to hear that God loves them.

As we give thanks today for the great gift of the Body and Blood of Jesus in Eucharist, let us re-dedicate ourselves to living out our oneness in Jesus as we go about the daily tasks of living this week.

Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS, is the Executive Director of the De Sales Spirituality Center.

Do everything for God, uniting yourself to him in word and deed.

- St. Francis de Sales

~ Mass Schedule ~



Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 am

Music for the Liturgy 9:00 am

Processional: # 530 Table of Plenty - vs. 1 & 3

Gloria: (Mass of Creation)

Psalm Response: #257 Psalm 116 - Our Blessing Cup
OR "I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord." (chant)

Alleluia: (Celtic Mass)

Offertory: # 521 Look Beyond

499 One Bread, One Body

505 Let Us Break Bread Together

Recessional: # 419 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus - vs. 1 & 3



Join us Wednesday **June 17** at Our Lady of the Seas at **7:00 pm** for a **concert featuring vocalist/guitarist Kim Kalman.**

"YOU RAISE ME UP" will accept donations that will benefit the church.

Kim will be performing material from her Christian CDs. Visit www.kimkalman.com for more information. PLEASE SUPPORT US BY YOUR PARTICIPATION.



Pot Luck Dinner

Pot luck dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, June 10th in our Social Hall. Bring your favorite dish at 6:00 pm. See you there.



HICF BENEFIT BBQ

WHEN: Tuesday, June 9th

TIME: 5:00 pm

COST: \$20.00 per plate

WHERE: Parking lot between Hatteras Harbor Marina & Village Marina (*In case of bad weather, the event will be held at the Hatteras Civic Center*)



Cooked by Dinky's Staff who donates 100% of the proceeds to the Hatteras Island Cancer Foundation. Join us for great food and a great cause!!!

Menu: BBQ Pork, Fried Turkey, BBQ Chicken, Bake Beans, Slaw, Potato Salad, Green Bean Casserole, Macaroni Salad, Rolls, Tea, Soft Drinks and Homemade Desserts.

Neighbors helping neighbors... An All-Volunteer, Non-Profit 501C(3) Organization



Summer Fund Raiser

Our Church Family has a unique opportunity to pay down our \$465,000 mortgage. A family has generously offered to match our second collection from Memorial weekend through Labor Day weekend, up to a total of \$75,000. Here's how it works: We have individual or group sponsors for each weekend. The sponsors will match the amount in the second collections for their weekend. Our Donor Family will also match that collection. Example... second collection totals \$500, the weekend sponsor or sponsors will donate \$500 and our Donor Family will also donate \$500 ~ \$500 becomes \$1500. All money collected during this period will be used to reduce the mortgage, however 5% will be retained and put in an emergency mortgage reserve fund.

Our Stewardship 5/31/2015 Weekend

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$1,452.00	\$112.00	\$169.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 1804.00		
Attendance	296	28	18
Principal Balance as of 4/30/2015 ~	\$465,019.42		



When a parishioner or family member is in the hospital or homebound. Fr Fred would appreciate the opportunity to visit and offer his services. Also if you would like a Eucharistic Minister to visit you at home during an illness or when unable to attend Mass, please call Fr. Fred 252-995- 6613 or Anita 252-995-7892.

DONATING MADE EASY ON OUR WEBSITE!!!



Our Lady of the Seas website now has the ability to accept on-line donations. It is a secure easy way to make your donation and is available 24-hours a day for your convenience www.ourladyoftheseas.org

PAVERS FOR THE WALKWAY

The church is working on a new batch of pavers for our walkway. If you are interested in purchasing a paver, for your convenience the form is located hanging on the wall at ALL the exits of our church. Or, on the church website, click on the FORMS button on the left, download, fill it in and mail it with your check.



<http://www.ourladyoftheseas.org>

Explaining the Catholic Faith

This Sunday and next Sunday we will continue with the program of **Explaining the Catholic Faith**. It will take place at the rectory following the 9 am Mass. There will be a CD presentation followed by a discussion. **All are welcomed** even if you did not participate in the last 5 episodes.

Our Local Food Pantry



IF YOU HAVE UNOPENED, NON-PERISHABLE FOOD that you haven't used during your stay, please donate it to the Food Pantry. You can use our 24-hour drop-box on the porch of the Social Hall anytime. If you prefer to buy food for the pantry, "standard" sizes rather than bulk items are preferred..

Checks may be made out to United Methodist Men, PO Box 1591 Buxton, NC 27920.

Thank you for your generosity!

A Lovely Memento...

"The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas"

Our parish's beautiful limited-edition fine art prints that you see on the cover of this bulletin make lovely remembrances of your wedding, anniversary celebration, child's baptism, or vacation. "The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas" is signed and numbered by the artist - Linda Browning. Each print comes sleeved, backed, and ready to frame in a 12"x16" mat. Price: \$39.50. Proceeds go towards our debt reduction. Thank you!



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SYNOD PRAYER CARD

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, we turn to you with confidence.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make our families, also, places of communion and cenacles of prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel, and little domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth may our families never more experience violence, isolation, and division: may anyone who was wounded or scandalized rapidly experience consolation and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the upcoming Synod of Bishops re-awaken in all an awareness of the sacred character and inviolability of the family, its beauty in the project of God. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, hear and answer our prayer. Amen.



The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ is the most precious gift that God has given to each one of us. God feeds us, nourishes us and gives us the grace that transforms us to live the holy life he has called each of us to live. Allow

God to give you grace in abundance and transform your marriage relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends are Jul 31-Aug 2, 2015 in Chapel Hill, NC and Nov 6-8, 2015 in Atlantic Beach, NC . Early sign up is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

The Holy Spirit is the “Breath Mint of The Church”