



ST.  
**FRANCIS XAVIER**  
CATHOLIC PARISH

June 22nd, 2025

*In Thee, O Lord, have I put my  
hope. Let me never be confounded.*  
- St. Francis Xavier, S.J.

## **CORPUS CHRISTI ~ SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

### The Mystery of the Time After Pentecost

As to the faithful soul, whose life is but a compendium of the life of the Church: her progress during the period which is opened to her after the Pentecostal feasts should be in keeping with the progress of our common mother, the Church. The soul should live and act in imitation of Jesus, who has united Himself with her by the mysteries she has gone through; she should be governed by the Holy Spirit, whom she has received. The sublime episodes peculiar to this second portion of the year will give the soul an increase of light and life. She will put unity into these rays, which, though scattered in various directions, emanate from one common center; and, advancing from brightness to brightness, the soul will aspire to being consummated in Him whom she now knows so well, and whom death will enable her to possess as her own. Should it not be the will of God, however, to take her as yet to Himself, the soul will begin a fresh year, and live over again those mysteries which she has already enjoyed in the early portion of previous liturgical cycles, after which she will find herself once more in the season that is under the direction of the Holy Ghost, till at last her God will summon her from this world, on the day and at the hour which He has appointed from all eternity.

Between the Church, then, and the soul, during the time intervening from the descent of the divine Paraclete to the consummation, there is this difference: that the Church goes through it but once, whereas the Christian soul repeats it each year. With this exception the analogy is perfect. It is our duty, therefore, to thank God for thus providing for our weakness by means of the sacred liturgy, whereby He successively renews within us those helps which enable us to attain the glorious end of our creation.

*Commentary from The Liturgical Year by Dom Prosper Guéranger, O.S.B. (1805-1875).*

## Blessed and Given : Reflection on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

At the dawn of salvation history, God revealed our future in figures. That's what's going on in today's First Reading: a priest-king comes from Jerusalem (see Psalm 76:3), offering bread and wine to celebrate the victory of God's beloved servant, Abram, over his foes.

By his offering, Melchizedek bestows God's blessings on Abram. He is showing us, too, how one day we will receive God's blessings and in turn "bless God"—how we will give thanks to Him for delivering us from our enemies, sin and death.

As Paul recalls in today's Epistle, Jesus transformed the sign of bread and wine, making it a sign of His body and blood, through which God bestows upon us the blessings of His "new covenant."

Jesus is "the priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek," that God, in today's Psalm, swears will rule from Zion, the new Jerusalem (see Hebrews 6:20–7:3).

By the miracle of loaves and fishes, Jesus in today's Gospel, again prefigures the blessings of the Eucharist.

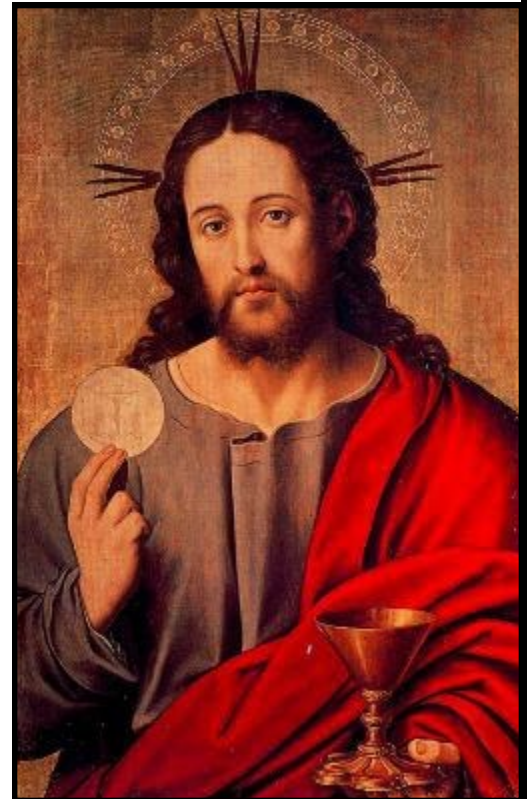
Notice that He takes the bread, blesses it, breaks it, and gives it to the Twelve. You find the precise order and words in the Last Supper (see Luke 22:19) and in His celebration of the Eucharist on the first Easter night (see Luke 24:30).

The Eucharist fulfills the offering of Melchizedek. It is the daily miracle of the heavenly high priesthood of Jesus.

It is a priesthood He conferred upon the Apostles in ordering them to feed the crowd, in filling exactly twelve baskets with leftover bread—in commanding them on the night He was handed over: "Do this in remembrance of Me."

Through His priests He still feeds us in "the deserted place" of our earthly exile.

And by this sign He pledges to us a glory yet to come. For as often as we share in His body and blood, we proclaim His victory over death, until He comes again to make His victory our own.



*Dr. Scott Hahn*

The parish staff knows of the following who are ill, in retired living accommodations, etc. **If you are aware of others, please let Father or the parish office know:** Bella Mally, Gerald R. Smith, Jane Soars, Eleanor Finley, Susan Fisher, Gerri Allen, Kathy McCarthy, Ken Keyes,, Mildred Crawford, and the residents of Franklin Hills Care Center and Cherrywood Place.

Prayers for the infirm and homebound are a work of mercy.

### WEEKEND SCHEDULE

#### Saturday

3pm – Confessions (**St. Francis Xavier**)

4pm – Vigil Mass (**St. Francis Xavier**)

#### Sunday

7:30am – Holy Mass,  
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

9:00am – Holy Mass (**St. Patrick**)

11:00am – Holy Mass,  
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Daily Mass is celebrated in the Convent at  
St. Patrick's, Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Please contact the parish office by email to  
arrange a baptism, marriage, or funeral,  
or to request a certificate.

To request the offering of the Holy Mass for  
your intention, please email the office or leave  
your intention in the Sunday collection basket.

St. Francis Xavier can be found online at  
**sfxspokane.org** or at  
**facebook.com/sfxspokane**

Our Mailing Address is:  
P.O. Box 7179, Spokane, WA, 99207

### SFX DIRECTORY

**Office Telephone:** (509) 487-6363

**Sacramental Emergencies:** (509) 866-6098

**Father Semple:** pastor@sfxspokane.org

**Office Email:** office@sfxspokane.org

**Office Hours.**

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

9AM-12PM

### THIS WEEK AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

#### MONDAY, JUNE 23RD

5:30pm Mass *Georgia Schrempf*

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 24TH

8:00AM Mass *Diocese of Spokane Priests (Wisdom)*

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH

4:30pm Confessions

5:30pm Mass *Fr Gaines*

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH

8:00am Mass *Rosanne Colistro for the Repose of her soul*

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH

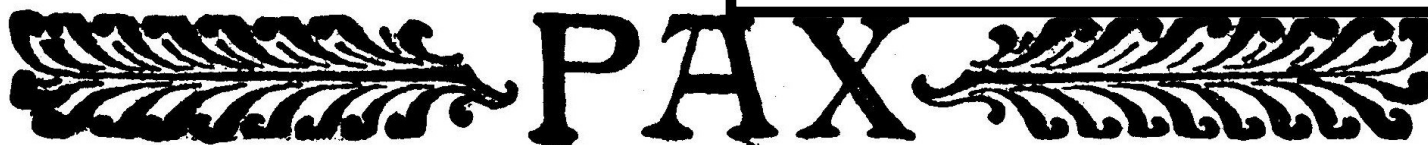
3:00pm Confessions

4:00pm Mass *Pro Populo*

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH

7:30 am, Mass *Pro Populo*

11:00 am, Mass *Pro Populo*



## Seven Sisters Apostolate

The parish is looking for volunteers who would be interested in participating in the "Seven Sisters Apostolate." This Apostolate seeks to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed every day for the intention of the parish priest.

The Apostolate is for women, and involves a commitment of praying in the church one day a week. If you are interested, please contact Patty Parra at **(509) 362-8646**

## Women of St Francis Xavier

In an effort to cultivate more community at St Francis Xavier, the women of the parish have formed the group: the "Women of St X".

All women - retired, widowed, single and married - are invited to join.

### Activities and volunteer possibilities include:

- Contributing to food prep for after mass socials during the warm months
  - Organizing parish picnics + potlucks
- Organizing + providing food for catechesis nights for children and adults
  - Formation of Bible studies + small groups
  - Corporal works of mercy for the sick and elderly
  - Other misc. needs of the parish

If you are interested in taking an active role in creating a vibrant parish community, please email **women.of.st.x@gmail.com**.



**Give Online!!**  
**Just Scan the QR Code**  
**Above**



## Pipe Organ fundraiser Adopt a Rank

**Available now at our church website**  
**sfxspokane.org, or in person by**  
**appointment!!!**

We still have Ranks in our Organ left to adopt each giving its own color and voice to the ensemble.

Under our Organ Fundraiser page you will find descriptions and recordings of all the Ranks in the Organ awaiting adoption.



## St. Anthelm, Bishop June 26th

St. Anthelm, rightfully regarded as the greatest ecclesiastic of his age, was born about 1107 in Savoy to a noble family, who educated him for the Church. After ordination he was made provost and secretary of the province of Geneva and increased the income of his diocese by astute management. Up to that time, he was a high-minded young priest, hospitable and generous, but, as his background might suggest, primarily interested in the things of the world.

However, Anthelm's outlook changed drastically as a result of a chance visit to the Carthusian monastery at Portes. So at the age of thirty he resigned his ecclesiastical benefice, left the world, and donned the habit of St. Bruno. Two years later (1139), he became Prior of the motherhouse of his Order, the Grande Chartreuse, which soon began to flourish under his direction. He increased the number and the fervor of those in the community, repaired its buildings, and brought the other monasteries into relation with it. In the process he also became the first Master General of the Order.

In 1152, Anthelm retired Portes, looking forward to a life of solitude. But God had other plans for him. He was appointed Prior of Portes and succeeded in reforming that monastery as well. Two years later he returned to the Grande Chartreuse but still was denied solitude. In 1159, a schism occurred in the Church between the supporters of the canonically elected Pope, Alexander III, and a rival put forward by the powerful Emperor Frederick Barbarossa. St. Anthelm supported the true Pope by a strong and vociferous campaign that resulted in the Pope's triumph and in the appointment of Anthelm as Bishop of Belley.

Prevailed upon to accept the Episcopacy, St. Anthelm applied himself to it in characteristic fashion, showing himself to be a brilliant administrator, dedicated reformer, and fearless battler for truth. He did not even hesitate to reprove the Pope when in 1175 the latter lifted the excommunication that the Saint had imposed on Count Hubert of Marienne for glaring misdeeds. Shortly afterwards, the Pope commissioned St. Anthelm to go to England and try to reconcile king Henry II and St. Thomas Becket; but he was prevented from going by his death, which took place on June 26, 1177.

**PRAYER:** God, You made Your Bishop St. Anthelm an outstanding minister of Your Church by his prayer and pastoral zeal. Through his prayers grant that Your faithful flock may always find pastors after Your heart and salutary pastures. **Amen.**



**Sacred Heart Parish in Spokane would like you to share our joy as we celebrate the 25th Anniversary Mass of our pastor, Fr. Victor Blazovich, on Sunday, June 22nd, at 10 am.**

**Since Fr. Vic served as pastor of your parish during his ministry, we want to let you know of this happy event and invite you to join us if you can.**

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church, E. 219 Rockwood Blvd., Spokane, WA  
99202. (509) 747-5810.**

# WHO DO YOU TRUST?

Sponsors seen here are good people looking to business with good people like you! They offset the cost of the bulletin to the parish, work and live by the "Golden Rule" Mt 7:12

Who do you trust? Are they shown here? We are always looking for good people looking to serve good people like you! Call: 509-818-0350



**Air Conditioning  
Gas Conversions  
Plumbing/Heating  
Furnaces & Boilers**  
**509-489-3860**

**Larry Andrews - President  
Catholic Owned  
& Operated**

[www.andrewsmechanical.com](http://www.andrewsmechanical.com)



*Ministry First,  
Ministry Always.*

(509) 467-5496

## + HOLY CROSS FUNERAL AND CEMETERY SERVICES

Meeting All Funeral Needs of the Faithful:

- Knowledgeable & Caring Staff
- Catholic Tradition • Cremation Services
- Ground/Crypt/Niche Burials
- Advanced Planning • Private Family Estates



Holy Cross • St. Joseph • Queen of Peace

[holycrossofspokane.org](http://holycrossofspokane.org) • 7200 N. Wall, Spokane, WA 99208



Roofing & Construction

**509-489-3552**

[HRCSPokane.com](http://HRCSPokane.com)



**ACORN  
ELECTRIC**

**509-808-1925**



**3620 N NEVADA STREET**

**THE 509 GARAGE**

**PH (509) 598-8244**

**MAINTENANCE \* DIAGNOSIS \* BRAKES \* EMISSIONS  
ENGINES \* TRANSMISSIONS \* HIGH PERFORMANCE**

**Mikes Mobile  
Computer Repair**



**Havemikexfixit.com**

**Networking**

**Security Cameras**

**Computer Use Lessons**

**Custom Computer Builds**

**(509) 999-0014**



Need something  
fixed?

Call today!

**509-993-6550**

[myspokanehandyman.com](http://myspokanehandyman.com)  
@gmail.com

License: MYSPOSH765B5



Call now for Home, Auto and Life  
Insurance.

Thank yourself later.

**Bastian & Deziree Blumig**  
509.879.3892



## Who do you trust?

Sponsors seen here are good people looking to business with good people like you! They offset the cost of the bulletin to the parish, and have been vetted to live by the "Golden Rule" Mt 7:12

Who do you trust?

**Call: 509-818-0350**

Leaking pipe repairs  
Gas line installations  
Clogged pipe repairs  
Water line installations  
Sump pump installations  
Garbage disposal repairs  
Water softener installations  
Plumbing camera inspections  
Tankless water heater installations



**(509) 385-5593**

EMERGENCY SERVICE AVAILABLE  
MON - FRI 7 AM - 5 PM  
1802 E TRENT AVE  
SUITE A  
SPOKANE, WA

**Exterior  
Painting**



Mention for 10% Off Quote

**509-655-7047**

**ST. JOSEPH'S  
FLOORING**  
**509-466-6433**

IF YOU HAVE TOO  
MUCH TO DO, WITH  
GOD'S HELP YOU  
WILL FIND THE TIME  
TO DO IT ALL.

SAINT  
PETER CANISIUS



License # BEAPPEAS12NW

**B E APPEL**

enterprises

Bruce Appel - General Contractor

**Home Remodeling  
Specialist**

**509-319-0582**

[bruceappel.com](http://bruceappel.com)

St. Thomas More Parishioner

**CHATTAROY CABINET CO**

Real Wood Cabinets at Below Box Store Prices!

804 W. Rosewood Spokane Wa

Cabinetry - Installation - Contracting  
Value, Integrity, & Exceptional Service

509-951-2840

[CHATTAROYCABINETCO.COM](http://CHATTAROYCABINETCO.COM)



**Furnace,  
Electrical,  
and  
AC Repair**

**509.537.3022**

**Military & Senior Discounts  
Financing Available**

