

From Father Kirby...

June 19, 2022

Happy Feast of Corpus Christi, Team Grace! Today we celebrate the enduring presence of the Lord Jesus among us in the Most Blessed Sacrament. How blessed we are to have the Lord among us truly present in the Eucharist! On this feast day, we ask God for the graces of adoration and thanksgiving for such a tremendous gift!

Happy Father's Day to all our fathers! We thank you for your love and selfless service to your families! We're happy to offer a blessing to all our fathers at our Masses this weekend.

This Sunday, our country begins a three-year National Eucharistic Revival. The Revival is sponsored by the US Bishops, who are addressing the widespread disbelief in the Real Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. More information on the National Eucharistic Revival can be [found here](#). On the website of the Revival, there is an opportunity to sign-up for weekly updates.

Before all our Masses this weekend, we will show a brief video from our Bishop on the National Eucharistic Revival.

Some things happening around the parish:

Please note that our parish Bible Study, High School Formation program, and Middle School Formation program have all concluded for the year. They will resume in the early Fall.

This coming Friday, June 24, our parish will participate in the [Worldwide Annual Global Rosary Relay](#). This is a prayer outreach in which the entire world will pray the Rosary for priests and holiness in the Church. Our assigned time is 3:00 PM (ET). *All are welcome to come to the church for the Rosary*, which will be prayed in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

This coming Saturday morning, June 25, at 8:30 AM, the parish will hold its monthly Prayer Outreach at the local abortion facility. The facility is located at 3220 Latrobe Drive, Charlotte, NC. There are free pro-life stickers in the narthex for all parishioners. In addition to being a gift, they are also a reminder to come and join your parish family in prayer this Saturday morning. *All are welcome!*

Some other future events I'd like to highlight:

Next weekend, June 25-26, we'll have our monthly Adoration sign-ups. Please consider giving one hour of prayer to the Lord Jesus.

Next Sunday, June 26, at 12:15 PM, we'll have our Fellowship Sunday. All are welcome to come for doughnuts and conversation with your fellow parishioners.

Please note our new [calendar for the program year 2022/2023](#) is now posted on our parish website. The calendar describes all of our events and programs for the coming year. It is posted as a resource to you, so that you'll know what - and when - we'll be doing things this year.

As is our custom here at Our Lady of Grace, our parish campus will be closed the week after July 4, from July 4-7. This serves as vacation time and/or planning and preparation time for our parish staff. All public events are suspended. There will be no public Masses or Confessions on these days.

I'm happy to announce that next summer, June 2023, I'll be hosting a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome. Here's an [invitatory video](#). And here's [the link](#) to the website with more information.

Be sure to read and review our revised and updated [Security/Safety Protocols for Parishioners](#) and [Church/Holy Communion Pandemic Protocols](#).

More updates next week! Oremus pro invicem (let's pray for one another)!

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