

Ramblings - Fr. Brankin

The third beautiful Feast we missed this Spring was the Feast of Corpus Christi—the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. But that's ok—we can speak about that Feast today.

I don't think any other religion has a similar belief—that a priest can take a piece of ordinary wheat bread, and a cup of pure unadulterated grape wine—say the words of Consecration: “This is my Body”—“This is my Blood”, and transform that bread and that wine into the actual Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

The substances of bread and wine are changed into the Substance of the Body and Blood of Our Lord. This is called fittingly “Transubstantiation”. And it is a word hallowed by its use at the Great Council of Trent.

Make no mistake about it—the modernists have been trying to muddy that word for a long time. I heard a million times in our modernist seminary—that we can't use the word “transubstantiation” anymore because modern people cannot understand the notion of substance. So we need to find another word. That's what they told us.

What they really were trying to do was to deny our Catholic belief that bread and wine actually become God and then pretend that they had not changed the belief.

From about 1965 on—we had no Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the seminary. The Monstrance was put away in the safe—not to be seen for almost 10 more years. There was No adoration. No genuflection. No incense. They told us to stand at the Eucharistic prayer—that that was more respectful than kneeling.

It was probably about 1974 that one particularly holy priest in the seminary put a ciborium with consecrated hosts on it—on the altar for our evening prayers one night. And it dawned on me. I had not seen anything like that—call it mini-adoration—in almost ten years. It was beautiful. I thought to myself—My goodness what we have lost—our sense and our belief—that Communion is Jesus and Jesus is Communion.

I still don't remember when we went from kneeling for Holy Communion to standing—it just sort of happened—and we ended up with the production line that I still don't like—

And that does not foster devotion to Our Lord in Holy Communion.

Another college seminary story—we were going up for Communion in the line and the priest who was giving out communion in our line—dropped a host—and said to the seminarian “Pick it up—its yours.”

Did he or anyone else in charge of the seminary think that that seminarians belief in Jesus Real Presence and his love for Our Lord in Holy Communion was enhanced by “Pick it up its yours” ?

What a struggle during that time—and this time—to maintain our belief that after the Consecration—there is neither bread nor wine upon the altar—but the Son of God. The change in substance is not imaginary or symbolic or allegorical. That change actually happens and that is why the priest genuflects—and why we ring bells and chimes.

I have often been asked “How come we only get the bread at St. Odilo's and we don't get the wine.” And my response is always the same. “Because it is not bread. It is not wine.” It is Our Lord.

How many of us were taught that when the priest holds up the Host and then the chalice—we should say: “My Lord and my God.” And we should still say that—to reinforce our belief in the reality of transubstantiation—to steel ourselves at every Mass against the wiles and crafts of the modernists—that that is Jesus—whole and entire—born of the Virgin—who died on the Cross and rose from the dead—that's Him!

As well we need to understand that when we receive only the Host in Holy Communion—we receive all of Jesus—whole and entire—not just half of Communion—not just his flesh—but we receive Jesus Our Lord—Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity.

It is so beautiful to see our people still genuflecting when they pass by the tabernacle. What a tribute to their faith that they know that He is present even when there is no Mass. And actually that is why we have adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament because in adoration of Holy Communion we intensify our appreciation of Jesus Real Presence and sharpen our appetite for the next Mass.

And if the truth be told—all of this is about grace, because without grace we cannot go to heaven. And Holy Communion as adored—as received—is the single greatest source of Grace that we can have.

Because it is Jesus transforming us internally into His real Image. And He transforms us by His Presence in our souls which we call grace. As Saint Paul says “it is not I who live—it is Christ who lives in me.”

And our adoration and our reception of Holy Communion first changes us—and then—through us—changes the world.

Oh and how this world needs to be changed—but not by politicians—they only make it worse. This world can only be changed by more people receiving Our Lord Jesus in Holy Communion.

Where people do not satisfy themselves with the Body and Blood of Christ—they satisfy themselves with the bodies and blood of others—with drugs and alcohol and pornography—by the countless bodies of dead soldiers and countless aborted babies.

Oh yes, we will have our Body and Blood one way or another.

When people do not make Communion with God they will make communion with demons and death..

But where the Body of Christ is received and revered—there is peace and harmony in individual lives—as well as in families and between nations.

Imagine—if everyone in this world were Catholic—and I am talking about everyone—the Muslims, the Jews, the Protestants, the atheists—imagine if everyone were Catholic—(and if we Catholics were serious about what we have)—and if we were all receiving the Body of Christ daily—or weekly or even monthly—and whispering to Jesus after communion and asking for an increase in love and virtue and wisdom and peace—in our home—and in our world—would that not be the very things we were looking for on behalf of our spouses and children and neighbors and nations?

Who could raise his hand to his brother—or shout at his father or betray his spouse—if he were on his knees before Our Lord in Holy Communion? It would be more than impossible—it would be unthinkable.

And that is reason for Holy Communion—God’s will is that we become what we eat—the Body of Christ in this world—to share with Jesus the task of saving this world.

The UN can’t save this world. Politicians can’t save this world. Money cannot save this world. All the gun bans in the world can’t save this world. The pope cannot save the world. The only thing that will save us and the world is the Body and Blood of Christ—sacrificed for us on the cross and offered to us as our nourishment.

We will begin to have adoration again in the little chapel on Thursdays—all day, and everyone is welcome to come and talk to Jesus in this very special way—we need to pour out our hearts to Him—tell Him all we need—and then listen for His answer—and in all that prayer we grow in anticipation of receiving Him in Holy Communion the next Mass.

The chapel will be open for adoration from 6 until 6. And we hope it will continue to grow and expand into more days. Please, everyone is welcome.

The following names were included in the Father’s Day Novena:

John Caithamer
Raymond Borellie
Frank Sprovieri Sr.

Suburban Catholic Singles Group
For singles in their 40’s and 50’s July Events

Saturday, 7/16, 6pm, join us for **German Fest at Sacred Heart Parish**, located at 114 Elizabeth St., Lombard. Cost is your dinner. **Please RSVP by 7/13**. (Events are subject to change.) You can contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com
Find us on Facebook – Suburban Catholic Singles

Blessed Mother Teresa Exhibit of Love and Mercy

July 14-21 at St. Bride - 7811 S. Coles Avenue-Chicago
Schedule subject to change! Check our website
for latest updates: WWW.ST-BRIDE.ORG

A First class relic and an Exhibition of the life and work of Mother Teresa of Calcutta’s life will be present at St. Bride.



ST. ODILO SCHOOL

Catholic Faith — Academic Excellence — Family Partnership

Considering Catholic School for your children? St. Odilo is currently still accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. Transferring schools is never easy, no matter what the circumstance. At St. Odilo School we try to ease that transition with strong leadership, a compassionate faculty and Catholic family environment.

WHY SAINT ODILO SCHOOL?

- Test scores consistently above the national average
- Before and after school child care
- 90% of St. Odilo graduates attend Catholic high schools
- Average class size of 22 students
- Students attend daily Mass
- Strong parental involvement
- Financial scholarships available
- Full or half-day Pre-K for 4 year olds
- Full or half-day Kindergarten
- SuperKids program
- Computer Lab
- Library
- Physical Education
- Music
- Math and Reading Resource Centers

Please call 708-484-0755 for a tour or registration information. Or, visit our website www.saintodilo.org/school

¿Está considerando escuela católica para su(s) hijo/a/s? San Odilo actualmente está aceptando aplicaciones para el año escolar 2016-2017. La transferencia de escuelas nunca es fácil, no importa la circunstancia. En la escuela San Odilo tratamos de facilitar la transición con un liderazgo fuerte, maestros compasivos y un ambiente familiar Católico.

¿POR QUE LA ESCUELA SAN ODILO?

- Calificaciones consistentemente por encima del promedio nacional
- Cuidado de estudiantes antes y después de horas escolares
- 90% de los graduados de San Odilo asisten a escuelas secundarias católicas
- Promedio de 22 estudiantes por aula
- Estudiantes asisten diariamente a Misa
- Fuerte participación de padres
- Becas financieras disponible
- Pre Kinder de medio y día completo para niños de 4 años de edad
- Kinder de medio y día completo
- Programa de SuperKids
- Laboratorio de Computación
- Biblioteca
- Educación Física
- Música
- Centro de Recursos de Matemáticas y Lectura

Por favor llame al 708-484-0755 para un recorrido de la escuela o información de inscripción. O, visite nuestro sitio web www.saintodilo.org/school



CATECHISM REGISTRATIONS!!!

For students 2nd through 12th grade
(and young adults)

Sundays July 10th, 17th,
24th, and 31st

COME TO OUR CCD ORIENTATION
MEETING IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING
11AM Mass and 12:30PM MASS
In the School Hall

There will be a \$50 late fee applied for those
who register after August 7th.

Requirements: A \$75 nonrefundable
deposit and certificates of any Sacraments
already received. Also, you must be an active
member of our parish.

Cost: \$175 for one student, \$60 for each
additional sibling. There will also be a \$40
fee for each student that will be receiving
their First Communion. For students receiv-
ing their Confirmation there will be a \$45 fee
per student. For students receiving both
Communion and Confirmation (6th grade
and up) the fee will be \$55.

If you need to order a certificate from a
Parish please do so as soon as possible.
Certificates are required at time of
registration.

¡¡¡REGISTRACIONES DE CATECISMO!!!

*Para estudiantes de grados 2 al 12
(y jóvenes adultos)*

Los domingos 10, 17,
24, y 31 de julio

VENGAN A NUESTRA REUNION DE
ORIENTACIÓN INMEDIATAMENTE
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS
11AM Y LA MISA DE LAS 12:30PM
En el sótano de la escuela

Habrá un cargo adicional de \$50 para aquellos
que se inscriban después del 7 de agosto.

Requisitos: Un depósito no-rembolsable de
\$75 y los certificados de los Sacramentos
ya recibidos. Además, usted debe ser un
miembro activo de nuestra parroquia.

Costo: \$175 por un estudiante, \$60 por cada
hermano adicional. Habrá una cuota de \$40
por estudiante que recibirá su Primera
Comunión. Para los estudiantes que necesiten
la Confirmación la cuota será de \$45 por
estudiante. Para los niños que reciben tanto
la Comunión y la Confirmación (de 6to
grado en adelante) la cuota será de \$55.

Si usted necesita contactar a una parroquia
para ordenar un certificado, por favor
ordénelo tan pronto como sea posible. Se
van a requerir certificados en el momento
de la inscripción.

SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Please remember the sick - Regina Szatkowski, Josephine Sprovieri, Ernest Karamas, Charlie Turek, George Kasper, Alice Kowalski, Henry Kereluk, Sr. Johanna Trisoliere, Ramon Marentes, Richard Wenc, William Stepanek, Karen Lewis, Joseph Kirchoff, our Veterans, Barbara Defina, Ralph Cannataro, Mike Kadrowicz, Eddie Shishkoff, Baby Carmody, Frances Rapacz, Maurice Ford, Milly Kosinar, Shirley Klein, Anita Sanchez, Karen Halter, L. R. Hammond, Patricia Niwa, Barbara Mance, Deborah Ferguson, Francisco Solis, Jeanette Sprovieri, Hubert Ruiz, Mike Reato, Joseph Cannella Jr., Robert Bujnowski, Patricia Dewk, Danny Gale, Joan Brunner, Pat Fitzgerald, Patricia Stalzer, Norma Kmet, Mary Mascitti, Frank Niwa, Tuley Ruzicka, Jim Wisniewski, Narda Zendlock, Donna Oborski, Paul Burke, Elizabeth Andrejek, Ashley Hess, Jean Bonin, Isabelle Rodriguez, Richard Geary, Charlotte Moore.

REST IN PEACE

Please remember all those God has called to Himself from our parish family Jesse Catañera.

WEDDING BANNS

III-Miguel Cervantes & Laura Canaveral

III-Jesus Avila & Irma Garcia

II-Norbert Herrera & Marlene Roman

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

June 26, 2016 \$8,102.36
Last Year \$8,613.08

Thank you!
Fr. Brankin

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY...

6:30-Legion of Mary (PrR)
7PM-Knights of Columbus (PH)

WEDNESDAY...

6:30-Arts & Crafts (SR)

THURSDAY...

7PM-Armory of Christ (CB)
7PM-Bible Study (PR)

FRIDAY...

6:30-Pequeño Rebaño (CB)
7PM-Faith Formation (PR)

Group Contact Information
Armory of Christ-708-681-6879
Guadalupanos-708-484-2161 **Legion of Mary** -708-623-9280
Knights of Columbus-708-204-3761
Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima -708-484-1204
Little Flowers-469-487-9506 or limpauline6@gmail.com
ESL-708-287-7347 **Spreed**-708-287-7347
Ushers-708-788-8136

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 4-WEEKDAY

6:30AM & 8:10 AM-The People of St. Odilo Parish

TUESDAY, JULY 5 -SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA, PRIEST; SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

6:30AM-Rose Gorman (Family)

8AM-Joe Stockhausen (Family)

-Karen Lewandowski (Petrauskas Family)

-Lillian Kuzak (Shirley Fokolowski)

-Holy Souls in Purgatory (Cyril Finnegan)

-Theresa Zambone (Mary D'Agostino)

-Health of Tuley Ruzicka

3PM-Divine Mercy

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6-SAINT MARIA GORETTI, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

6:30AM-Intentions of Barbara Thill (Thill Family)

8AM-Martin E. Burke (Joan Stockhausen)

THURSDAY, JULY 7-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-John & Anna Bohill (Son, Joe Bohill)

8AM-Aurelia Valdivia & Monica Aceves

(Hernandez/Gutierrez Family)

-Adriana Abad (Aida Abad)

-Joe Stockhausen (Marian Lafin)

-Luigi Sambugaro (Frank Mejia and Family)

FRIDAY, JULY 8-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-Intentions of Jacob Family

8AM-Joseph Klekovich (Family)

2PM Quinceañera-Marlene Govea & Cristina Govea

SATURDAY, JULY 9-SAINT AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG, PRIEST, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

8AM-Peter D'Agostino (Mary, Frank, & Kay D'Agostino)

12PM-Wedding of Miguel Cervantes & Laura Canaveral

2PM-Dulceañera-Cindy Carreno & Michelle Carreno

4PM-Thanksgiving (Theresa Gruber)

5PM-Wedding of Jesus Avila & Irma Garcia

SUNDAY, JULY 10-FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7AM-Intentions of Carla & Conner Knapp (Carmella Celio)

8AM-Carmella Filomeno (Family)

9:30AM-Intentions of Lorraine Morrall

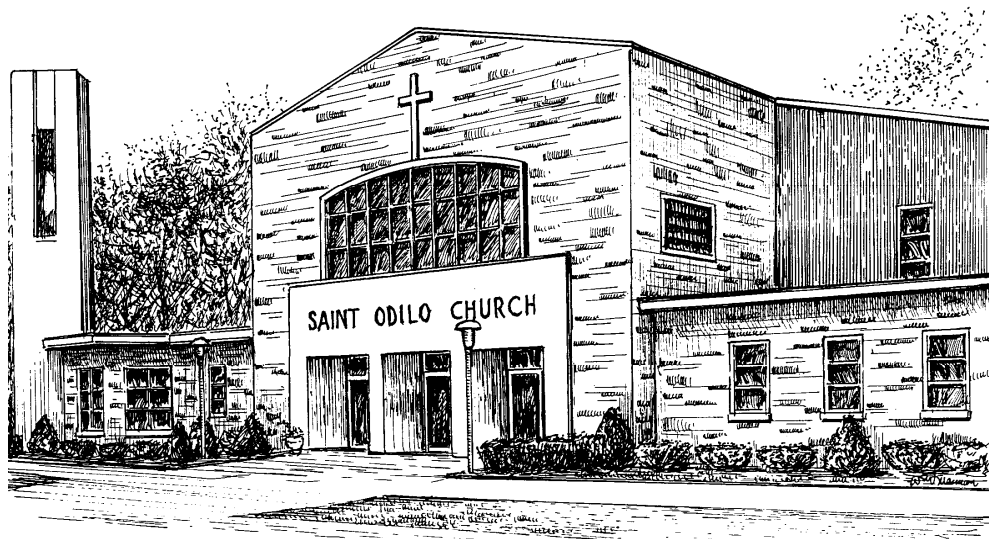
11AM-Olympia Muñoz (Margarita Granados)

12:30PM-Maria Quini de Medina (Medina-Quini Family)

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

July 9 & 10	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Servers
4PM	E. Hron J. Stockhausen		N. Rodriguez A. Rivera
7AM (Esp.)	R. Cruz M. Marin, R. Marin	O. Pereda	A. Gamboa J. Garcia
8AM	N. Kmet B. Ouska S. Sandoval		A. Espinoza A. Canaveral Gemma Gleeson
9:30AM			W. Ahern, M. Morrall E. Gonzalez, M. Gonzalez
11AM	A. Canaveral R. Lorenz, , D. Oborski		D. Sanchez M. Estevez
12:30PM (Esp.)	E. Coronado, M. Garcia E. Marquez, A. Mendez A. Salgado	M. Miranda L. Centero	J. Diaz J. Diaz

Servers for Week of July 4-July 9: A. Ronco, R. Ronco



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 3, 2016

" *The Shrine* "

St. Odilo Parish

National Shrine of the Poor Souls

St. Odilo Church is the only parish in the United States dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. It was founded and sanctioned as the Shrine of the Poor Souls by His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, in 1928, with a special indulgence of 200 days granted upon each visit to the shrine.

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Rev. Robert Coleman

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Mr. William Donegan

School Secretary:

Ms. Laura Canaveral

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Mr. Paul Rau

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Mrs. Beth Ritzenthaler

Secretary:

Mrs. Gail Kunce

Marketing/Advancement:

Mrs. Ruby Martinez

Mass Schedule:

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 and 8AM

Saturday: 8:00AM, 4PM

Sunday: 7AM (Sp.), 8:00 (Eng.), 9:30 (Latin) & 11AM (Eng.) & 12:30PM (Sp.)

Holy Days: 6:30PM (Eng.) the previous evening; 6:30, 8:10AM, 12:00 Noon and 6:30PM (Sp.)

Church is open: Weekdays from 6AM - 6PM

Confessions: Saturday 11:15AM - 12Noon & by appointment.

Rectory Office hours: Monday thru Friday: 9AM -9PM

Saturday 9AM-6PM Sunday 9AM-3PM

All Sacraments and ceremonies are available in Italian, Latin, Spanish & of course English.

Baptisms: Every Saturday at 10:30AM & Sunday at 1:30PM. Parents are required to register for baptism with a priest. Parents should be registered parishioners. Please call to make an appointment.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance with a parish priest. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

Visits to the Sick: Please inform the rectory for hospital or homebound visits.

Quinceaneras: Cotillion Masses are available for our girls who have been confirmed-please call.