
The Catholic Community of St. John the Evangelist

1061 S. Ellington Parkway, Lewisburg, TN 37091

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 7, 2026 • Week 48

Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord. — Deuteronomy 8:3b

Trust in Jesus

Today's feast celebrates another central mystery of our faith—the mystery of the Eucharist. Like the mystery of the Trinity, the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist can never be fully understood, but can only be believed. Just as the Israelites in the desert were invited to put their trust in God's word to them, we are invited to trust wholly in the word of Jesus. In today's Gospel Jesus promises to give us a share in his very own flesh and blood, and a share in eternal life besides. We are called to take him at his word and open our hearts to receive true nourishment and life from our participation in the Eucharist.

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Traditions of Our Faith

The celebration of Father's Day had its origin in 1910 in the United States of America. Although the practice began in 1910, it was not until 1972 that an official day was established to celebrate fathers. Gradually this date of the second Sunday of June has expanded to the rest of the world with some exceptions. In Italy, for example, the feast of the father is celebrated on March 19, the day of St. Joseph.

During the Industrial Revolution of the nineteenth century, Joseph, husband of Mary, received his first official feast day. The Church, concerned about fathers entering the factories, proposed this holy man as an example of what fathers should be in the lives of their sons and daughters: examples of faith, tenderness, and work. Even in our time, the Rite of Baptism of Children insists that the father, together with the mother, should be the greatest teachers of their children. Like Joseph, the father must care for and protect his family, teach children to work and be honest for the good of the family and society.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday, June 7 — 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM (Spanish)

Monday, June 8 — 8:30 AM

Wednesday, June 10 — 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

Thursday, June 11 — 8:30 AM

Friday, June 12 — 8:30 AM

Saturday, June 13 — 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Sunday, June 14 — 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM (Spanish)

Announcements

Parish Events & Notices

Totus Tuus VBS — Totus Tuus VBS will be coming to St. John on June 21–26. This is a free program for all children of the parish. Registration in the parish hall. Please help us make this a

success by volunteering for day or evening programs, bringing meals for our missionaries, and/or providing additional items needed.

Parish Yard Sale — THIS Saturday, June 13, 7:00 AM–1:00 PM. 10'x10' space \$15; with 8' table \$20 (while supplies last). See Mother's Guild at end of Mass to register.

Baby Bottle Campaign — Please return filled bottles next Sunday, June 14. Online donations at givebutter.com/babybottle2026.

Maintenance Fund — There will be a second collection next weekend for the Maintenance Fund.

Welcome New Parishioners — Please fill out a registration form in the hall or vestibule. You can also register online.

Ushers & Greeters — Please consider filling a ministry needed in our parish. Contact the office if you can help.

Mass Intentions — Forms in the vestibule and hall. Put in the collection basket.

Online Giving — Use the parish QR code to make your donation online.

Today's Readings

First Reading — Never forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert (Deuteronomy 8:2–3, 14b–16a).

Psalms — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Corinthians 10:16–17).

Gospel — Jesus said to the crowds, "I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51–58).

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1–10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3–4; Mt 5:38–42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1–9; Ps 146:2, 5–9a; Mt 5:43–48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6–11; Ps 112:1bc–4, 9; Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1–11; Ps 111:1b–4, 7–8; Mt 6:7–15

Friday: Dt 7:6–11; Ps 103:1–4, 6–8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7–16; Mt 11:25–30

Saturday: Is 49:1–6; Ps 139:1–3, 13–15; Acts 13:22–26; Lk 1:57–66, 80

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10–13; Ps 69:8–10, 14, 17, 33–35; Rom 5:12–15; Mt 10:26–33

Reflecting on the Word

When the parable of the Good Shepherd is presented to the three- or four-year-old child, the catechist ends with the question: I wonder who these sheep are that the Good Shepherd loves so much. By about age five, the child comes to recognize that the sheep represent humanity. At that point, the catechist explains to the child that the Good Shepherd wanted to be with his sheep—humanity—always, and so he invites us to gather around the altar and makes himself present in the bread and the wine. I have done this with many children over many years, and I have heard many children ask me if, in eating the bread, we can become like the Good Shepherd. In keeping with the discipline of the method, I leave the child with, "I wonder about that," allowing them to ponder and pray through that profound question.

Today's readings tell us that the answer is a resounding yes. We are called into covenant so that we can be broken as bread for those around us. Older children ponder what it means to become like the Good Shepherd and how that would have to be manifest in our daily lives. They come to understand that with the sustenance that the Good Shepherd gives us, we go into the world to become the world's sustenance and healing.

— Excerpted from *Living the Word*

Mission Statement

We, the members of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church, recognize and respect our diverse and multicultural character. By the grace of God, we will nurture our spiritual community through prayer, service, and example to become one family in Christ.

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Sacramental Preparation

Baptism — contact pastor

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Reconciliation & Eucharist

Confirmation — 2-year program in Faith Formation

Marriage — begins 6 months prior to anticipated date

Faith Formation

10:15 AM Sundays, August — May

Adoration

8:00 AM, 1st Saturday of the month

7:00 PM, 1st & 3rd Friday (Spanish)

Sacramental Reconciliation

30 minutes before Masses