



# Society of African Missions

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## Mass Schedule

### Sundays

8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12 noon

### Weekdays & Holy Days

8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:45 am

### Christmas & New Year's Day

8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12:00 noon

### Confessions

Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

### Bereavement & Visit to the Sick

Contact Fr. Dermot Roache  
201-567-0450 Ext. 212

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### Rosary

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am  
Followed by Mass, Adoration  
and Benediction at 5:30 pm

### The Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux

2nd Sundays after 12 pm Mass

### Bible Reflection Group

Thursdays: 7:30 pm in the hall

### Perpetual Mass Association

Office open Monday-Friday  
from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

### S.M.A. Vocation Office

Fr. Julien Esse, SMA  
551-449-4357

## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### Masses for the week of June 14 — June 20, 2020

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
<b>Sun.-Sat.</b>	<b>8:00</b>	<b>Liv &amp; Dec Benefactors of the SMA</b>	
Sun. June 14	10:00	Fr Daniel Lynch. SMA+	Juliahna Park
	12:00	Ester Jose Lara+ Boy Lara+	Linda Rubio
Mon. June 15	9:30	Lynn Rogers (Liv.)	Vinny, Maryann & Friends
	11:45	Deceased Members of The Desrochers Family	
Tue. June 16	9:30	Deceased Members of The Paradis Family	
	11:45	Manuel Llaguno Sr+	Minene Pacia
Wed. June 17	9:30	Rev. Raymond C Plourde+	
	11:45	Virgil & Laura Costa+	Victoria Costa
Thurs. June 18	9:30	Michael Desrochers+	
	11:45	Lani Labay (Liv.) Birthday	Family
Fri. June 19	9:30	Mary & Joseph Abitante+	
	11:45	Carmela & Theresa Ambulo (Liv.)	Rosanne Ambulo
Sat. June 20	9:30	Alejandro Ramirez de Arellano	Friend
	11:45	Elsie Koch+	Koch Family

## Today's Readings:

**First Reading** Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16

*Remember the Lord led you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert.*

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

*Through the cup and the one loaf we have communion with Christ.*

**Gospel** John 6:51-58

*If we eat Jesus' flesh and blood we will receive eternal life.*

## ***“My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.”***

### ***“Illustration***

*The Solemnity of Corpus Christi complements the liturgy of Holy Thursday when Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper. It arose in the Middle Ages as an expression of the faithful’s devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. It was celebrated first as a local feast and then Pope Urban IV made it a universal feast in 1264. It became associated with processions through the towns and villages of Europe during which the monstrance which contained the sacred host was carried under a festive canopy and the crowds knelt as the Blessed Sacrament passed to receive the blessing.*

*The task of composing the liturgy for the feast was given to the great Dominican theologian Thomas Aquinas. He created the well-known antiphon to accompany the singing of the Magnificat. This antiphon, which begins with the Latin words *O sacrum convivium*, brings out some of the riches of this wonderful sacrament of the Eucharist especially as it relates to the past, the present and the future: “O sacred banquet / in which Christ is received, / the memory of his passion is renewed, / the mind is filled with grace / and the pledge of future glory is bestowed.”*

### ***Gospel Teaching***

*We see these three aspects of past, present and future in our scriptures as they speak of the Eucharist. We are reminded in Deuteronomy how Israel in the past escaped from the slavery of Egypt and celebrated this freedom at the Passover meal. But God continued to feed them with manna as they made their hungry way through the desert to the promised land. And then later Jesus himself at Passover celebrated a meal with his disciples at which he gave them his body and blood, which looked forward to his sacrifice on the cross. At each Mass the past is remembered and Jesus’ death is recalled.*

*But at the Eucharist Jesus’ body and blood are really present now under the appearances of bread and wine. It is the crucified and risen Christ who is received in this sacred meal. In the Gospel Jesus emphasises the reality of this present food, “For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.” We receive life from Jesus, the life he shares with his Father. This food is a present reality; it feeds us now.*

*And, thirdly, the Eucharist looks to the future and points forward to that final banquet which we will share in heaven. A pledge of future glory is bestowed at every Mass: “Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.” We may proclaim after the consecration: “When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.” Then we are invited to the supper of the Lamb.”*

The Living Word

**NOTE:** In accordance with the Archdiocese of Newark Directives for Re-Opening Churches, June 10, 2020, Saint Anthony’s chapel (SMA Fathers) will remain open everyday from **11am-1pm for private prayer.**

**Starting Monday, June 15, 2020 SMA will offer a daily 11:45am Mass to the faithful.**

This is in accord with phases 2 and 3 of the Directives. This particular schedule will remain until further notice. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

**Please note that all other mass intentions continue to be honored in private.**

Masks or face coverings must be worn and all visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Please note as well that until further notice, the restrooms will be closed.

We warmly welcome you home!