

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINT LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH



“I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”

John 6:51

JUNE 11, 2023 • The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA - ST. LUCY CHURCH
38 NORTH AUSTIN BOULEVARD, OAK PARK

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 5:00 pm; and Sunday at 9:00 am

ST. GILES CHURCH
1045 COLUMBIAN AVENUE, OAK PARK

DAILY MASSES: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 am;

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30 am; Saturday at 8:00 am (Confession following Mass, 8:30 to 9:00 am)

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Fr. Carl's Corner



My mistake! ... Our first courtyard concert is on Friday, June 16. However, the concert will not feature the songs of Frank Sinatra and the "Rat Pack" (that is scheduled for another date). The concert on this Friday will feature an Oak Park-based band playing rock and roll music from the 1960's through 2000. The group was founded in 2019 by Tom Carraher, who sings lead vocals and is a long-time Ascension parishioner, and our own Jay Harris on bass and guitar. Other band members include Sarah Konsky, also from Ascension who plays keyboard and sings,

Christina DeCillo from Ascension and Gary Soumar, both on guitar, and Jim Pittacora from St. Giles on the drums. Come hear the music of "The Island of Misfit Toys!" Their sets will include songs from Fleetwood Mac, Tom Petty, Janis Joplin, the Rolling Stones and everything in between.

So, mark your calendars for Friday, June 16, at 7:00 pm in our courtyard! Bring a chair, something to nibble on and a beverage to drink for a wonderful evening close to home. A free will offering will be taken up for the musicians.

This weekend, we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus. The Eucharist is so central to who we are as Catholics. When we come together each week, we acknowledge the fact that Jesus gave us his Body and Blood to sustain and nourish us as we continue to carry out his mission.

Today we recall that, as Catholics, we believe the Eucharist is more than a symbol. Divine authority in scripture tells us that Jesus is really, truly and substantially present in the Eucharist. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life." (John 6:54)

When the priest, acting in Christ, consecrates the bread and the wine, we believe that Jesus becomes truly present. We come each week to share in this amazing mystery and be strengthened by the promise of Jesus to remain with us always, till the end of time." (Matthew 28:20)

I am happy that this year on this Solemnity we can hear and fulfill the Lord's command to "take and eat, take and drink."

If you wonder, why should I make the effort to come to Mass when many have forsaken this opportunity to share in community and in Eucharist? If others ask you, why should they rethink coming to church when they made it through the pandemic and did okay without it? Here's why: the one who offers the Bread of Life, eternal life, sustains us with this spiritual food and drink that we may be God's gift to others.

Let's keep all students and their teachers in prayer. As the school year has ended, may they have a safe and restful summer break.

God bless us all! Have a great week ahead.

With you a Christian. For you a priest.

Fr. Carl

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Spiritual Life & Worship

We Pray For . . .

Those who are hospitalized or homebound, including: Steven Acevedo, Patrick Ahearn, Coletta Ali, Jane Baker, Jori Baker, Phyllis Baker, Marissa Becker, Kyle Becnel, Joe Bigliotti, Danita Bowie, Herbert Breidenbach, Melissa Brumund, Phil Calabrese, Tiffany Church, Patrick Cibula, Ray Cimms, Patricia Crotty, Lucille Dalbis, Bill DeBiase, Andrea Dickson, Wanda Farmer, Mike Fenske, Katherine Fisher, Tom and Carol Frank, Mary Ellen Frank, Jim Gallagher, Earl Gallermo, Michael Gallo, Grace Gryzlo Goodmanson, Jennifer Hanna, Maggie Astacio Hedges, Deacon John Henricks, Bill Holmes, Frank Huss, Ginny Jones, Phillip Jones, Patrick King, Marie Koko, Pat Koko, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Kathleen Kroker, Kimberly Lester, Dennis LeValley, Gabriela Machado, Jim Madden, Virginia Madden, Deacon Lorry Madonia, Mary Mamolella, Patricia McDonald, Anne Muldihill, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Amelia Patterson, John Poplett, Bob Quane, Patricia Reardon, Tom Rezek, Lillian Ricci, Dennis Rusin, Maureen Sansone, Mary and Paul Schleitwiler, Barbara Schulz, Colleen Rowley Schramm, Carole Sheehan, Sr. Carol Spiegel, Nina Stanley, Sarah Such, Joann Taylor, LaNedra Vaughn, Shirley Venerable, Meg Welch, Nancy Wesclitz.

(Names will be periodically removed from this listing in the bulletin and also from the list of recurring intercessions spoken at weekend Masses. Others have received a Prayer Shawl representing the prayers for healing by the Parish community. Please contact the parish office to include someone on this prayer list or to request inclusion in the weekend Mass intercessions, or to request a Prayer Shawl.)

And for those of our family members and parishioners who have died, especially Mary Rita Bresnahan, mother of Tim Bresnahan, and Fred Preuss, spouse of Tiffany Kinser Preuss.

Our Baptism Preparation Team is looking for new members

Do you love babies? Do you enjoy meeting new people? Then this is the ministry for you! The Baptism Preparation Team is looking for individuals and couples to help prepare first-time parents for their child's Baptism. The preparation classes are held once a month on either a Monday or Tuesday evening and take place in the prayer space behind the altar. Training and support will be provided. For more information, please contact Sharon at the Parish Center at 708-383-3430 Ext. 420.



ST. GILES CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, June 12

6:30 — † The Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday, June 13

Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30 — † Michael Charles Maroon

† Tom Guare

† Marilyn Hammer

Wednesday, June 14

6:30 — † The Deceased of the Hedges Family

† Helga Humes

† Dr. Robert Hammer

† Lina Royal

8:30 — All Parishioners and Benefactors

Thursday, June 15

8:30 — † The Deceased of the Daley and Archibald Family

† Patricia and Harold Huebner

Friday, June 16

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:30 — † Sr. Adele Bennett, RSM

† Daniel and Rosemary Whiston

† Annette Miley

Saturday, June 17

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 — † Louis and Elizabeth Toth

*4:30 — † Dr. Harold and Carol Bonus

† The Garippo, Sciaraffa, and Pinto Families

† Frank Senese, Jr.

Sunday, June 18

The Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 — † All Parishioners and Benefactors

10:30 — † Mary Jane Majer

† Michael Curran

† Jainamma Esthappan

**This Mass will be live-streamed from the St. Giles website, stgilesparish.org.*

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA-ST. LUCY CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 17

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 — † Mary Esposito

by Evie Stockinger

Sunday, June 18

The Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

9:00 — † Frederick G. Uhlmann

by Pat and Tom Nelson

† Lauremise Davilmar

by The Vincent Family

† Paulette Bredy Dutel

by The Vincent Family

Just a reminder that the last regularly scheduled 5:00 pm Saturday evening Mass at St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church is on June 24. Come hear the Praise Choir as they end for the season! Saturday evening Masses will continue at St. Giles Church at 4:30 pm.

The Wednesday 8:30 am School Mass at St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church is on hiatus for the summer.

WEDDING BANNS

I Margaret Carey and Louis Cairo

II Ashley Beaudoin and Andre Barsanti

Lifelong Formation

Mission, Vision, and Name Survey

The team for the new Oak Park initiative that will unify Religious Education for our children, offer opportunities to people of all ages, and reach out to people in the parishes as well as people who are searching has been working diligently and prayerfully. Multiple people from five worshipping communities were asked to participate.

Bringing together all the feedback from the previous Survey, Townhall, Vision Day, emails, and conversations, a group of volunteers crafted the Mission Statement and Vision Statement.

Your feedback is needed. The survey will close on Sunday, June 18.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WRRZ7T9>

You may also scan the QR code here. Paper copies are available in the back of the churches.



WE'RE MOVING!

THE OAK PARK CATHOLIC PARISHES 5PM MASS

**THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER, THE 5PM OAK PARK CATHOLIC
PARISHES MASS WILL TAKE PLACE AT ST. GILES CATHOLIC
CHURCH, LOCATED AT 1025 COLUMBIAN AVE.**

Masses geared toward young adult community members will take place the 4th Sunday of each Month, with hospitality and community building activities after mass:

**Sunday, June 25th
Sunday, July 23rd
Sunday, August 27th**

Parish Life



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**PRIESTS' HEALTH
& RETIREMENT**



Second Collection This Weekend!

Our Promise to Our Priests

Please support the health and well-being of our priests by making a generous gift to the Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA collection for the benefit of their healthcare and retirement needs.

Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA
1400 South Wolf Road
Building 3, Floor 2
Hillside, IL 60162

prmaa.org



Praying the Rosary on Zoom Fridays at 7:00 pm

Join Deacon Kevin and Marci Morgan on Zoom to pray the Rosary on Friday evenings.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/>
Meeting ID: 865 8895 7490
Passcode: 634955

Our Parish Weekly Stewardship For Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

	6/4/2023	
	Total	YTD
Envelopes	\$ 15,010.00	\$804,506.15
Loose	\$ 2,156.01	
Electronic*	\$ 10,609.50	\$ 550,695.76
Total Giving	\$ 27,775.51	\$1,355,201.91
*5/30/23-6/5/23		

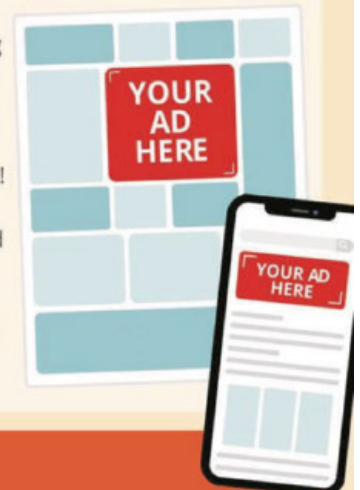
The end of our fiscal year is just a few weeks away. Currently, we anticipate a deficit in the Sunday Offertory of \$75,075. If you have been waiting to donate or sign up for GiveCentral, now is the time to do it! Help us narrow the gap. Your support is appreciated and critical to maintain and operate all that we do. If you need assistance with GiveCentral, contact Sharon at the Parish Center, 708-383-3430 Ext. 420. We could not be here without you!

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St. Edmund Church Construction Update

June 7, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Fr. Rex and Fr. Carl have asked me to assist them by providing a progress report on the storm damage to St. Edmund Church. Last week, a group of us which included the pastors from both Oak Park parishes, our director of operations, two leaders from St. Edmund's parishioner community and myself, met with the Chief of Parish and School Operations from the Chicago Archdiocese. The meeting was constructive as it provided us with greater insight on the plans to repair the church while allowing us the opportunity to express our concerns and needs. We are grateful for his time and commitment to helping our parish.

Here is what we learned:

- The Archdiocese of Chicago has retained an architectural and engineering firm to conduct a complete assessment of the church. Once the assessment is finalized, construction documents for the necessary repairs will be prepared and should be completed by the end of June.
- Archdiocesan policy requires us to request multiple bids from contractors. We anticipate the bidding process to extend through the week of July 24. A three-week process will follow which includes analyzing bids, selecting a contractor and signing the contract. We anticipate this phase to be completed the week of August 14.
- Based on the preliminary information we have available today and the fact that we do not yet have construction drawings, we can only offer an estimate as to a completion date. Construction is estimated to last 12 weeks resulting in a targeted completion date of the week of October 30. Please note that timelines are subject to change based on unforeseen circumstances.
- We have received approval to form a small oversight committee comprised of leadership and several parishioners who will be meeting with the archdiocese during the construction process. More information on the formation of this group will be shared next week.

As your director of development, in addition to working with the oversight committee, I will be assisting by providing frequent communication on this important project. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Fr. Rex or Fr. Carl directly with any questions or concerns. On behalf of our pastors and the entire staff, we thank you for your patience and commitment to our parish.

With gratitude,

Maria Allori
Director of Development



The IMAGINE Campaign

*Imagine all the people
Livin' life in peace.*

June is Gun Violence Awareness Month and local congregations will be displaying orange banners with the words "**Imagine** a world without gun violence." The Catholic Parishes of Oak Park are joining in this effort to blanket Oak Park and River Forest with this life-affirming message. The image will also be displayed on yard signs.

The campaign was inspired by the timeless song, "Imagine," written by John Lennon, himself a victim of gun violence. The banners have an orange background, the color hunters wear when they don't want to get shot. The Waging Peace team at First United Church designed the image.

Our children are forced to **imagine** an active shooter and practice the actions they would take. Let's change the narrative and **imagine** a world without gun violence, taking actions to make that a reality. We can do this. There are many gun violence prevention groups to join and important legislation to support.

A local vendor is providing the banners and yard signs at a deep discount because he so believes in the cause. If you are interested in purchasing a banner or yard sign, scan the QR code to reach an order form. The banners come in various sizes and prices; the yard signs only cost \$14. Any questions, email Celine Woznica at celinewoznica@gmail.com

*You may say I'm a dreamer
But I'm not the only one.*



Parish Life

The Senior Corner



Our next grand event for our St. Catherine-St. Lucy-St. Giles Seniors will be our annual **Senior Indoor Picnic**, scheduled for **Tuesday, June 20**, at 12:00 pm in McDonough Hall on the St. Giles campus. In addition to tasty hot dogs and trimmings, we will engage in fun activities (bingo, etc.) All attendees are encouraged to help bring along something to share. Please call **Ann Sullivan at 708-345-3374** to register and to see what types of items may be needed. We hope to see you there, everyone is invited for loads of fun.

Wednesday Night Bible Study
7:00 pm in the St. Giles Campus
Parish Center Living Room
at 1025 Columbian Avenue,
and over Zoom



All are welcome - It is **NOT** necessary or required to attend each week... Come when you can!!

Join us for a new series of meetings on the **Acts of the Apostles!** We'll be sending out study guides, including bible verses/chapters that will be referenced as well as questions to ponder and discuss together.

Contact **Alex Ryan**, alexryan@stgilesparish.org for more information!

FOOD COLLECTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

St. Giles Church weekly collection continues. Please bring your donations of canned or shelf-stable food and paper products to the St. Giles shrine in the gathering space at the church or to the covered bins located at the back door on the north side of the Parish Center.

The next **FOOD FIRST** collection at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church will be on **July 2**. Please bring your donations of canned or shelf-stable food and paper products with you to the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. Donations are brought to the altar during the Offertory.

Thank you for your generosity to these collections, and thank you to the stewards for their work in delivering these items to our local pantries.



Refurbishment of the Pipe Organ – St Giles Campus (part 2)

The cost of a new pipe organ for the Church would be close to \$1.5 million dollars. That cost is far beyond our means. The cost to remove the organ from the Second Church of Christ Scientist and refurbish it for the St. Giles worship space is \$661,080. The Archdiocesan Office of Facilities and Construction requires an additional 10% be added to the total cost for any unforeseen contingencies. If the 10% contingency funds are unused, the funds will be returned to the parish.

The proposal includes removal of the organ, cleaning and refurbishing all pipes, design and placement, a new blower, winding, new encloser, and slider windchests. The existing console shell and pedalboard will be rebuilt completely. The goal is to have the organ installed by Spring 2024. Berghaus will salvage the organ pipes at St. Giles that can be used in the rebuilding of the Austin Organ.

Berghaus Organ builders will begin to remove the organ pipes from Second Church of Christ Scientist in Chicago this coming week. It will take approximately 2-3 weeks to remove the pipes and pack each pipe individually to be sent to the Berghaus Pipe Organ Builders site in Bellwood.

Total Cost (including 10% Contingency)	\$727,188.00
Current Organ Fund Balance	\$330,220.96
Family Donation	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
Funds On Deposit at Archdiocese	\$480,220.96
Remaining Funds to Raise	\$246,967.04

Over the last decade, we thank those who made sacrifices with their regular donations to the Pipe Organ Project. We would not be able to move forward without their support. Others have expressed the desire to donate to the project once a decision was made. Now that the decision has been made, please consider making a special donation to the Pipe Organ Project. Contact either Fr. Carl or Sharon Bresnahan at the parish office (708) 383-3430. If you have any questions regarding the Pipe Organ refurbishment please reach out to Sue Kaszynski at skaszynski@stgilesparish.org or Matt Brophy at mbrophy@stgilesparish.org or call 708.383.3430 ext. 102.

Matt Brophy, Director of Operations

The Emergency Overnight Shelter is Now Year-Round!

St. Catherine of Siena - St. Lucy Church
38 N. Austin Boulevard in Oak Park



**VOLUNTEERS ARE A KEY PART OF OPERATING OUR
EMERGENCY OVERNIGHT SHELTER
FOR INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.**

The opportunities for this shelter are:

- > **Site Captain**
Site captains recruit and manage a team of volunteers from their congregation to fill volunteer needs and/or meals for a night of shelter operation.
- > **Evening Shelter Host** (6:30 pm–10:00 pm)
Volunteers help get set-up for the evening, greet the shelter guests as they arrive help them to set up their sleeping area, host dinner, and interact with clients until lights out.
- > **Overnight Attendant** (10:00 pm–5:00 am)
Volunteers support staff in ensuring a safe experience for the shelter guests.
- > **Breakfast Host** (5:00 am–7:00 am)
Volunteers serve a light breakfast, help shelter guests exit and assist with light clean-up.
- > **Meal Provider** (To be delivered at 7:00 pm)
Volunteers donate and deliver a hot dinner meal, and/or a continental breakfast and/or a sack to-go lunches for 15 people.

To sign up, please scan the QR code to access the interactive calendar. Additional job descriptions and volunteer requirements can be found on the calendar.

For additional information, contact Cherrell Jackson at cjackson@housingforward.org

We are excited to announce the Annette Henneberry Scholarship Recipient: Grace Moran!

The recipient of the 2023 St. Catherine –St. Lucy and St. Giles CCW Annette Henneberry Scholarship is Grace Moran. This scholarship was established in memory of Annette, a dedicated wife, mother, parishioner, CCW president and friend, who lost her battle with cancer in 2003. Every year one scholarship, worth \$4000, is awarded to an eighth-grade girl who is continuing her education at a Catholic high school.

Girls from St. Giles School and the St. Giles Religious Education program participated, each of them submitting a list of their service activities, a teacher evaluation, and an essay about a person in their life who embodies the spirit of a Christian and how that has influenced them.

The girls wrote about family members – mothers, grandmothers and even a grandfather -- who have positively influenced or affected their lives. While all of the entries were outstanding, the scholarship review committee found one essay to be exceptional – the essay written by Grace Moran.

Congratulations, Grace, on being the 2023 recipient of the CCW Annette Henneberry Scholarship.

Grace's application and essay was reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and she was selected from a group of very qualified applicants. We wish Grace a wonderful high school experience and are proud to be able to offer the Henneberry Scholarship to her as she begins her high school journey!

Upcoming CCW Leadership Team!

Many thanks to Marlene Panebianco, Kari Harris and Hope Jaeger, as they begin the roles of Co-Presidents and Vice President for the 2023-2024 year. Each one brings many gifts of commitment to our faith and are all remarkable examples of leadership and service. St. Catherine–St. Lucy and St. Giles is fortunate to have Marlene, Kari and Faith taking the lead for our parish Council of Catholic Women.

Many thanks for the Women's Courtyard Gathering!

Tuesday, May 23 couldn't have been a more perfect evening weather-wise, as well as in its gathering of wonderful women celebrating faith and friendship (as well as food and festivities)!

We are grateful to all of you who were able to attend. And a very special thank you to our planning group, led by Sue Canepa and Andrea Grote. Additional thanks to Ellen Griffin, Yasmin Cavanaugh, Mary Joss, Dorothy Flynn, Beth Chlumecky and Larry Wardzala, for their assistance with decorations, set-up, bringing food and beverages and making the event an absolutely beautiful setting.



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Faith & Fellowship



Summer Plans

Faith and Fellowship goes into hiatus during the summer months; we don't have our regular weekly meetings, but we do try to have some special events to bring us all together. One we're thinking of is a cookout – an annual tradition, and Partners are already asking about it! It's still in the brainstorming stage, and we'd love to have you be with us to plan and run it. Lots of details need to be figured out, lots of hands are needed to carry it out, and lots of new workers are wanted for this project. You can jump in by emailing faith_fellowship@hotmail.com or calling 708-383-9276.



Intercultural Immigrant Ministry: Planning to Host Another Migrant Family

The Catholic Parishes of Oak Park (St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish and Ascension and St. Edmund Parish) are submitting a request for funding to Catholic Charities to partially support a second migrant family for at least six months. Catholic Charities will act as case management, ensuring that the family is complying with all legal migrant requirements and applying for any benefits to which they are entitled. They will also accompany the parish team, identifying families who will be good fits for the program, training the mentors, helping to secure an apartment, and maintaining regular communication with the parish team.

Volunteers are needed to accompany the family during their first few months in activities such as shopping, using public transportation, assisting with communication, and becoming comfortable with a new area and language. Ability to speak Spanish is ideal but not required. Finding and moving needed furniture and household items will also require volunteer assistance. Children will need to be enrolled in school and accompanied. Ongoing fundraising will be needed to support the family.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of this, please contact either Celine Woznica, celinewoznica@gmail.com, or Margie Rudnik, margaretrudnik@gmail.com.

To make donations, please write a check to St. Giles Parish and note that it is for the St. Giles Refugee Fund. Thank you for your generous heart!



Parish Center Office Hours for the Summer

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, June 19, in observance of the Juneteenth National Independence Day.

Summer hours will now begin on Fridays. The Parish Office will close at 1:00 pm on Fridays beginning Friday, June 16 through Friday, August 11.

A happy, fun-filled summer to all!

But wait! There's more!

Want to know **ALL** the latest parish news? Sign up for the **weekly parish e-news** via our broadcast email program, **flocknote**! To sign up, just scan the QR Code here, or go to this URL in your browser:

<https://stgilesparish.flocknote.com/ENews>, and the information you need will be right in your inbox!



Food For Thought

The Lifelong Journey

"Just as the Living Father sent me, and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. ...whoever eats this bread will live forever."
(John 6:57-58)

"Get ready for the journey."
This could well be our call;
We start the celebration,
and take our walk with Paul:
The Body and the Blood of Christ.

In those years in the desert,
Moses had invited
the people to discover
God's love; be clear-sighted,
as God gives us life through Jesus.

John speaks theologic'ly,
as we begin our trod,
so that we experience
the mystic word of God,
and union with our Jesus Christ.

The move from superficial
to more challenging depths,
is the process Jesus used
in leadership precepts
with disciples from then 'til now.

In John 6 Jesus' message
speaks of how graces flood:
*"Whoever will eat my flesh,
and also drink my blood,
will dwell in me and I in him."*

Just what was Jesus saying?
We eat to sustain life;
It becomes a part of us,
and will dismiss the strife.
Jesus wanted that connection.

With those words he invites us
into the most profound
possible relationship,
mutuality crowned:
what we call Holy Communion.

In Jesus' invitation
to disciples male, femme,
he wants to be taken in
to become one with them,
and share his life with the Father.

We're invited to venture
beyond apogean,
for our communion with God:
to bring and be communion
to all the world—a lifetime trip.

Tom Lynch. tgl7714@gmail.com

Sources: NCR, M. McGlone, 6/11/23;
1 Corinthians 10:16-17;
John 6:51-58.



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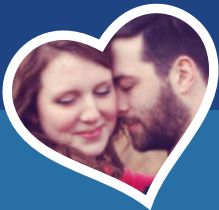
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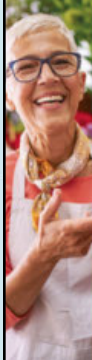
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