

St. Veronica

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

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**WELCOME TO THE
CATHOLIC FAITH
COMMUNITY OF
ST. VERONICA PARISH!**

If you are visiting St. Veronica from another parish or if you are new to the area, we are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.

We welcome you to become a member of our parish family. Please visit the information kiosk in the church hallway or visit our website at www.saintveronica.org

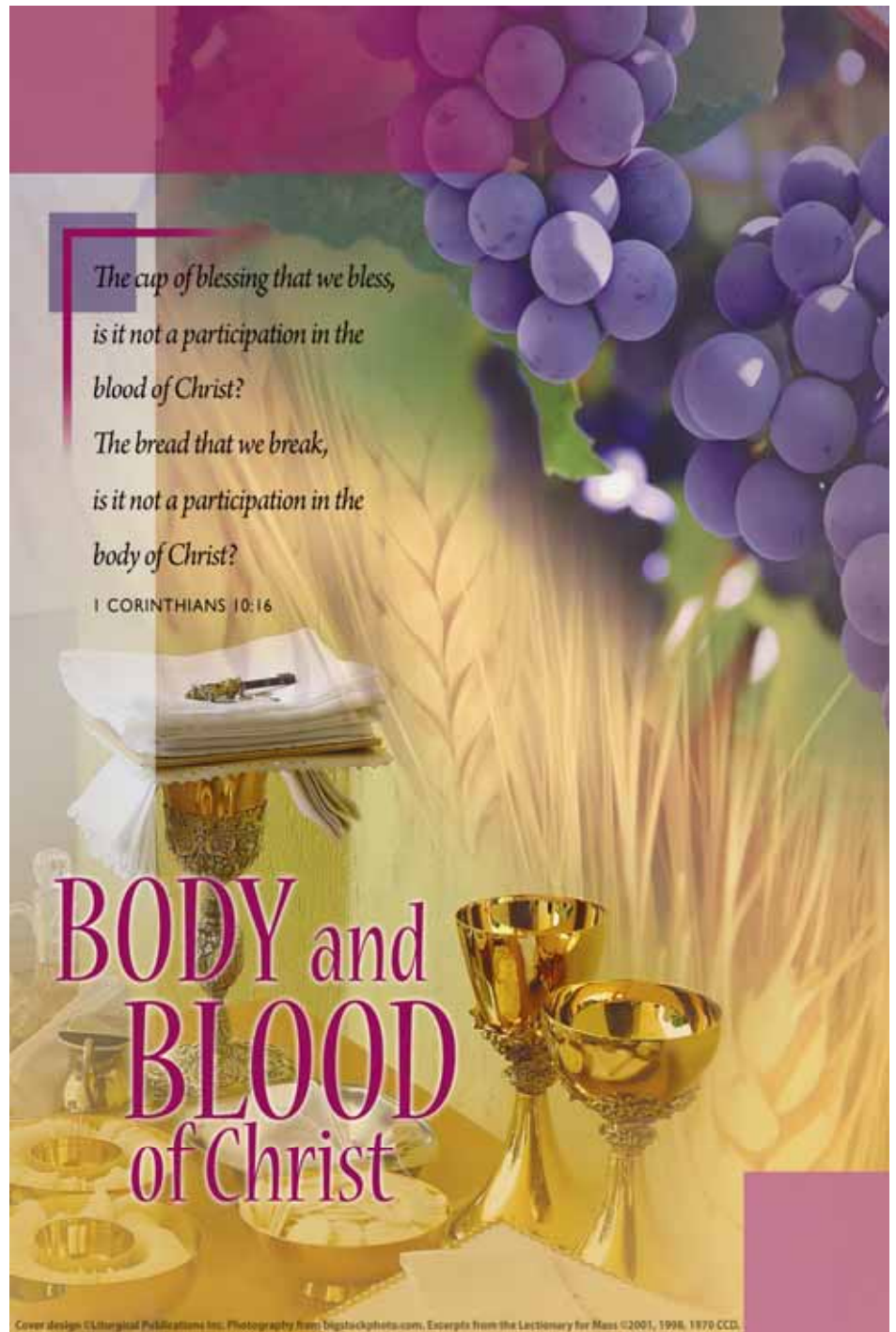
Sacraments

Baptisms: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month. Contact the parish office to pick up registration materials. Parents are required to attend one Baptismal preparation class.

Marriage: We celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage for only our registered parish members. Please phone the parish office one year in advance to schedule a meeting with the priest, before you book other arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick/Pastoral Visits: We are always willing to stop by your home or hospital. Please notify us when you or a family member is in need of a visit. The hospitals do not notify us. Anointing of the Sick will occur after every weekend Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Reconciliation: 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 3:30 pm before the 4:30 pm Mass and every 3rd Thursday following the 8:15 am Mass.





A Message from Father Mark

There will soon be a new guy in town! *Deacon Mark Brandl* was ordained May 3 as a transitional deacon for the Archdiocese. He will be interning with us this summer as he transitions towards priesthood. Mark will write an article about himself so I won't steal his thunder. His duties will include assisting at Mass by serving me at the altar, proclaiming the Gospel and being available for pastoral duties that may come up. It is a blessing for our parish to host a transitional deacon, because he brings new insights and we can help him grow into being a good parish priest. Please warmly welcome Deacon Mark to our community.

The greatest gift that Jesus left for us as a lasting memorial is His Body and Blood. As we read in John's gospel, Jesus is the Living Bread that has come down from heaven and whoever eats this bread will live forever. Jesus leaves not only a way to remember Him but also a physical connection. The Eucharist is action: remembering, sharing, eating, and then going forth and doing for others what Jesus did for us. Through this action we physically connect with him. When we gather around the altar to celebrate the Eucharist, we are not simply remembering what took place 2000 years ago, but rather we are connected with the Last Supper. Jesus is present to us at every Mass as He was present to His disciple the night before He died. This concept is mind boggling but true.

The connection between Eucharist and service comes from the image of Jesus washing the feet of His disciples. He says, "You may not understand NOW what I have just done for you, but you will come to realize it." Every time we receive the Eucharist, we continue to grow in our vocation of ministry to others. If Eucharist is an awesome gift that gives life, wouldn't you want others to have life? We need to invite others to share this gift of life thereby sharing in the mission of the disciples. After Jesus had ascended, a man robed in white appeared and said, "Men of Galilee, why are you staring up into the sky?" In other words, just don't stand there start moving! That is the same charge given to us. Invite others to share this wonderful gift that brings wholeness and everlasting life. Every conversation or interaction is an opportunity to bring Jesus to the other person. Preach the Gospel at all times and if necessary, use words.

The Town Hall meetings after each Mass last weekend were well attended. This is our parish and we need to stay informed about what is happening. If there are projects, programs or other issues that you want to comment upon or need more information, please contact the parish via phone, email, fax, or letter so that we can continue to address the issues important to you.

The government economic stimulus checks are now being sent out. They can be a welcome source of "extra" money for your families. However, would you consider using a portion of that check as a charitable gift to the parish? Maybe you were unable to donate to the parish this past year due to rising costs. This might be an opportunity to say Thank you to God by giving a percentage of the check to the church. Please prayerfully consider this as an option. Thank you. *Blessings, Fr Mark*



Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

This weekend, we rejoice in Christ's presence in the Eucharist on the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.** (*Corpus Christi*, to those of us 50 and over!)

To celebrate, following the 10:30 Mass **this Sunday**, we will have a Eucharistic procession followed by benediction.

At the end of the 10:30 Mass, we shall leave the church via the Whitnall Ave. doors. We shall walk to the parking lot entrance, through the parking lot, north on Austin and back east on Norwich to church. At that time, benediction will be held in church. In case of rain, the procession and benediction will take place in church.

As a group, we take Christ out into our neighborhood; we follow Him, present in the Eucharist; we ask for His special blessing to be upon all of us. We show that we are part of a Catholic, Christian community that brings God's presence to others.

Please join us on Sunday, May 25, to celebrate Christ in this wonderful way. Adoration and benediction will not be held after the 8:30 Mass this weekend.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. 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. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." - Jn 6:56-58

Question of the Week

Theme: Jesus is the Living Bread that Came Down from Heaven.

Question for Children: *Why is it important to receive Communion?*

Question for Youth: *How does receiving Communion help me throughout the week?*

Question for Adults: *How can I be "nourishment" or a listening ear this week for someone who needs help.*



St. Veronica Pancake Breakfast

Join us on May 25 in Johnson Hall for our Pancake Breakfast. Featuring *all you care to eat pancakes, sausage, eggs, muffins and beverages.* Serving time will be from 9 am – 12 pm. Also our Thrift Shop will be open. Stop by to see what deals you can find.

This will be our last Pancake Breakfast until September 28.

Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day. Have a safe and relaxing holiday weekend.



Human Concerns

St. Vincent de Paul-Rummage Sale June 14 9 am to 6 pm

Start saving your gently used items now. You may drop off your items on Saturday June 14 between 7 am-9 am at St. Veronica. Rummage sale to be held outside (weather permitting) or in Johnson Hall. For questions please call Vickie Dominski, 483-4372

Dedication of Lwanga Healing Garden Saturday, June 7 from 6-8 pm.

St. Martin de Porres 3114 N. 2nd Street

Join us for a prayer service at 6 pm to honor and recognize those who have been impacted by sexual abuse and assault. Planting and Reception to follow. Lwanga Healing Garden was created to serve as a place for healing, prayer and meditation. For more information, please call 758-2232.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

St. Paul parish has begun a special ministry to those in need of healing. Members of St. Veronica are invited to participate. Crafters share their talents of knitting and crocheting to make prayer shawls. The crafter begins each shawl with prayers for the recipient. Intentions are continued throughout the creation of the shawl. The goal is simply to remind those suffering that they are not alone in their difficult time. No need to come to the parish, crafting is done at home. If you are interested in becoming part of this ministry, please call St. Paul parish 482-3510 and leave a message for Linda Krowsky or Sue Madunich.

Free Clinic

The Open Door Free Clinic for the uninsured and underinsured will be open on: Wednesday May 28, June 4, 11, 18 and 25. The clinic is located inside Unity Lutheran Church, 1025 E. Oklahoma. Sign in time is 5:30 pm and the provider will see patients at approximately 6 pm.

Prayer Network

In April, there were more than 136 requests for our prayers called in to our Prayer Network or written in our parish Book of Intercessions. Intentions included: Birth of a healthy baby - Employment - Family guidance - Family healing - Financial problems -

Good medical tests results - Healing from accidents, illness, surgery, depression - Peace - Peace after death of loved one - Safe travel - Sale of house - Special intentions - Spiritual guidance - Success in job - Thanksgiving. Please remember all prayer requests in your prayers. Become a part of Pope Benedict XVI's prayer group. The general intention recommended by the Holy Father for MAY is: (Human Dignity) That Christians may use literature, art, and mass media to create a culture which defends and promotes the values of the human person. The mission intention is: (Mary's guidance) That the Virgin Mary, Star of evangelization and Queen of the Apostles, may still guide missionaries with maternal affection, just as she accompanied the Apostles in the early stages of the Church. <http://apostleshipofprayer.org> "Set aside time to pray for an end to abortion and to receive strength from the Lord. Our 'great campaign in support of life' will require all the resources God has given us. It will take time. It will take much prayer, fasting, and sacrifice. Pray for the protection of human life and invite others to do so." Homily of Cardinal Justin F. Rigali, Chairman, USCCB Committee for Pro-Life Activities, National Vigil for Life Opening Mass, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 21, 2008. www.usccb.org/prolife

TIME	CAPTAIN	PHONE
7-12 pm	Jeanette Kuechenmeister	481-6224
12 pm-3 pm	Lucille Devine	529-8570
3-5 pm	Cecilia Bonczkowski	744-9406
5-7 pm	Helen Rewolinski	744-4139

Intentions left on a Captain's answering machine will be taken care of



St. V's Pantry-Food of the Month

From time to time, the question is asked: "What food do you need in the food pantry?" The specific food item requested for the month of JUNE is **canned mixed fruit**. Donations may be dropped off in the Ushers room or brought to the parish office. Thank you.

Recycled Bags for Food Pantry

We could use your recyclable grocery-size plastic and paper bags. Please bring them to the parish office or leave them next to the "feed the hungry" stand in Church. Again, thank you.



Memorial Day Prayer

Dear God, on this day we remember the sacrifices made for us by those who were willing to give their lives to ensure that our own would be spent in freedom.

Let us never forget to pray, not only for the dead, but also for those still living and working in the cause of freedom around the world.

As we celebrate and enjoy this time, give comfort and grace to those men and women who have sacrificed so much for our sake.

St. Martin, St. George and St. Joan of Arc: pray for the protection of our soldiers in their efforts, and bring them home safely at the end of their duties wherever that home may be. Amen (Ipi2008)

Alanon Family Groups are fellowship gatherings of relatives and friends of alcoholics. These gatherings are confidential and provide an opportunity for those gathered to share their experiences, offer support to each other, as well as, encouragement and hope. One such group has just started meeting at Nativity of the Lord Parish. For more information, please contact the Alanon office, 257-2415 or one of the following members *Suzanne B. 570-9906/Mary B. 570-9407*

2 Alanon Meeting, Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Nativity of the Lord Christian Formation Center, 3658 E. Plankinton Ave, Cudahy



The days are slowly warming and the students are now realizing that summer is approaching. We have many fun activities planned for the end of the school year. We just had our last Home & School parent meeting. Besides talking about our plans for next year—which include limiting our amount of fundraisers to five (Mr. Z’s, Gold C and Entertainment Books, Refunds/Rebates, March Madness, and our Dinner/Dance/Auction night) we also entertained the kids with a magician. He was amazing and it was a nice way to end this school year.

Our students have many different field trips that they will be going on in the near future. Our 8th graders will be going to Body World as a culmination of their human body unit in science. Our student council will be planting flowers at Summerfest. Our cadets will be rewarded with a field trip to Country Springs Water Park, and our 2nd/8th grade students will spend a spiritual day with Fr. Tom at Holy Hill. We are also looking forward to our all-school zoo trip and our end of the year school picnic.
Mary Stallmann, Principal



Why is Corpus Christi Sunday now called the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ?

Corpus Christi (Body of Christ) as the feast honoring the Eucharistic presence of Christ in the elements of bread and wine became a universal church celebration in 1264, under Pope Urban IV. At the time, so few people felt worthy to receive the Eucharist that in 1215, the Fourth Lateran Council stipulated that people had to receive communion at least once a year.

This came to be known as the Easter duty, since one was obliged to receive communion yearly sometime between the First Sunday of Lent and Trinity Sunday, the Sunday after Pentecost, a period of over ninety days. At that time, and up to the time of Vatican II (1962-1965), Catholics only shared the host at communion. The cup was reserved exclusively for the priest.

Vatican II liturgical reforms stressed recapturing the richness and fullness of sacramental symbols, moving away from the diminishment of symbols that had sometimes been prevalent. The cup was reinstated for all, enriching the fullness of the sacramental presence of Christ in the elements of both consecrated bread and wine. So a feast known simply as the Body of Christ is now enriched by renaming it the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. When receiving communion, we are now strongly encouraged to share both in the host and the cup.



Sing a new song to the Lord!

It’s almost June and with the new season comes a new musical group at St. Veronica. Young people, ages 14-21, are invited to participate in the Summer Youth Choir. Beginning Sunday, June 1, and for each of the five Sundays of June, this group will meet at 9:45 a.m. to rehearse and will sing for the 10:30 Mass. No audition is required and singers of all levels of experience are welcome! Interested? Have questions? Please contact Kate Sponholz, katesponholz@saintveronica.org or call 482-2920. **Instrumentalists are also welcome!** Again, please contact Kate so she can have appropriate music and stands ready for you!

Lectionary Link

Today is the feast of *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ* or Corpus Christi. Originally, this feast was celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday. The Catholic church moved it to the following Sunday. This feast celebrates the institution of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday. It reminds us of the doctrine that the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus, not just mere symbolism. Through reception of the Eucharist, we are sustained to live out our Baptismal call.

Adult: In what way will you become bread for others this week?

Child: How does receiving Communion make you stronger?

Readings for the Week of May 25

- Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
- Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Mk 10:46-52
- Friday: Dt 7:6-11/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30
- Saturday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56
- Next Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32/Rom 3:21-25, 28/Mt 7:21-27



SUMMER FESTIVAL - JULY 17, 18, 19, 20

Are you interested in volunteering for this year’s Summer Festival? Amy Jaap, the volunteer chairperson, will be in the baptistery area with a sign up sheet after each Mass every weekend until the festival. More information regarding Summer Festival will be mailed to your homes soon. Also, please visit our website for more details at www.saintveronica.org. This is a great opportunity to share your time and talent, meet fellow parishioners and have fun too!

Mark Your Calendars

Trip to Drury Lane for World Famous Buffet and the Musical “Mame” on Sunday, October 26. *The musical set in the roaring twenties revolves around the antics of Mame Dennis, a fun-loving, wealthy eccentric with a flare for life and a razor sharp wit* Cost per person is \$72. Call Monica, 744-1697 to make your reservation.

~Mass Intentions~

Sunday, May 25 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:30 am † Conrad Kania (D. & G. Paprocki)
 † Thomas Galbraith (R. Sikorski Family)
 † Robert Vogt (G. Grant Family)
 † Henry Budnik (Schwartz Family)

10:30 am For Our Parishioners

Monday, May 26 Philip Neri/Memorial Day

8:15 am Communion Service

Tuesday, May 27

8:15 am
 6:30 pm † Betty Huberty (Family)

Wednesday, May 28

8:15 am † Arnold and Alice Stroinski (L. Zager)

Thursday, May 29

8:15 am

Friday, May 30 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:15 am

Saturday, May 31

4:30 pm † Florian & Clare Gilewski (Family)
 † Patricia Russart (Family)
 † Alyce Budnik (Family)

Sunday, June 1 9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am For Our Parishioners
 10:30 am † Laurie Eversman (D. Burr)
 † Patricia Pechauer (M. Kaluzny)
 † Rudolph Manriquez (D. Manriquez)
 † Frank Brooks (Family)

Parish Meetings and Events

Sunday, May 25

9 am Pancake Breakfast Johnson Hall

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27

5 pm Stewardship Hospitality
 5:15 pm Sunday Scripture Reflection POMR
 7:30 pm AA Seton

Wednesday, May 28

11 am AA Seton
 2:30 pm Market Day Assisi
 6:45 pm St. Luke's Eucharist

Thursday, May 29

7 pm Festival Committee Johnson Hall

Sunday, June 1

7 pm M.A.L.E.S. POMR
 7 pm Women's Bible Study Assisi

Parish Financial Stewardship for the Week of 5/11

Offertory	\$ 796.04
Stewardship	20,967.62
Feed & Shelter the Poor	1,127.00
Fr. Mark's Wish List	<u>2,285.26</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$25,175.92</i>

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Christian Formation

Sharing Faith with Your Child

Looking to weave your faith into your family life? Ideas come from [52 Simple Ways to Talk with Your Kids about Faith](#) by Jim Campbell. This week we consider **Dealing with Doubt and Distrust**. The story of Adam and Eve in the Garden is a story of trust – trust in God. As humans, we rely upon ourselves first following our temptation to believe that we don't need God. We have all witnessed what happens in the world when people no longer trust each other and God. Our children will undoubtedly experience doubt, disappointment and anxiety. When your child expresses these concerns, take the time to pray with him/her. Let your child know that they can pray for themselves and for others. God knows what is in our hearts and because God loves us, there is nothing to fear.

First Eucharist Donation Thank You

The money collected at the First Eucharist liturgies was divided between St. Veronica and Hunger Task Force. Hunger Task force sent a letter of gratitude for our gift of \$451.48. The money will be used to offer expand the summer meals program from mid-June through the end of August, and to add a third meal in the most distressed neighborhoods of our city. We want to congratulate the communicants and their families for their generosity.

Catholic Kids Corner

Elementary Religious Education

Will your child attend a public school beginning next September? St. Paul/St. Veronica collaborative elementary Religious Education wants to invite you to register your child grades K5 – 6 for Religious Education. Children will attend class at their own parish with joint activities throughout the year. Sessions at St. Veronica will be held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, 9am – 11:30am (includes 10:30 Mass).

Registration materials will be mailed the first week of June. If your child has not previously attended, please contact 481-0777/karenbushman@saintveronica.org to be put on the mailing list. One year of religious education is required prior to preparing for First Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Fun Facts for Faithful Kids

Have you ever seen the letters A.D. after a date? These letters stand for the Latin words *Anno Domini* or “in the year of the Lord”. Bede the Venerable whose feast day is May 25 was a monk who became a famous writer and historian. He was the first one to use these letters. In what year of our Lord were you born?

May 25 is also the birthday of the American poet, author and philosopher Ralph Waldo Emerson. He challenged people to think in new ways. He once wrote: “Watch as you walk, for change makes our familiar world new each day.” Take some time to see how God has helped to make things new in your neighborhood.

On May 26, we will celebrate a national holiday remembering all those men and women who have died to keep America free. Memorial Day is enjoyed with parades, picnics, and family parties. Do not forget to pray for those brave people whose deaths won us this freedom.

This week we celebrate two people who were willing to stand up to the government. May 29 is the birthday of Patrick Henry in 1736. Patrick was a lawyer, governor and a member of the Continental Congress as America fought a war of independence from England. He is best remembered for the saying, “Give me liberty or give me death.”



May 30 is the feast of Joan of Arc. A young peasant girl in France, Joan heard the voice of God calling her to go and save her country. France was at war with England. Even though she was young, Joan put on armor and rode her horse to the battle. The soldiers followed her and won the war. Later Joan was captured by the English and killed. Today is a good day to pray for all brave soldiers.

Adult Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation Corner

Do you know someone at work or in your neighborhood who is searching for a faith tradition? Maybe they have asked questions about your Catholic practices. Why not invite them to consider the Catholic Church? The RCIA is an opportunity for people to learn about Jesus and His Church. We welcome the non-baptized, those baptized in another faith, and those who have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation. Inquiry sessions allow anyone to come and ask all of their questions without any commitment. Be an evangelist wherever you are! For information karenbushman@saintveronica.org or Karen, 481-0777.

From Out of the Ordinary

Want to learn more about your faith? Why not take our quiz which will appear each week during Ordinary Time. There is nothing “ordinary” about our Faith.

1. The first step in the process of canonization or sainthood is to declare the person _____?
(a) *Blessed*; (b) *Holy*; (c) *Servant of God*; (d) *Saint*
2. Jesus said, “I am the vine you are the _____?”
(a) *vinedressers*; (b) *fruit*; (c) *grapes*; (d) *branches*
3. The vessel for perfuming the altar is called a ?
(a) *censer*; (b) *cruet*; (c) *chalice*; (d) *ciborium*
4. The Council of Trent
(a) *followed the Protestant Reformation*; (b) *was in the 1500s*; (c) *took place in three parts*; (d) *all of the above*
5. The relative of St. Peter whom Jesus healed of a fever was?
(a) *brother*; (b) *father – in -law*; (c) *mother – in - law*; (d) *sister*