



# Cove Side Chatter

Our Lady of the Cove Catholic Church - Kimberling City, Missouri

Sunday, April 29, 2012

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The month of May is a season of new growth, of Spring in full blossom, of life reborn after Easter. It is also the month which the Church especially dedicates to Mary, the mother of Jesus and our spiritual mother.



Two Marian liturgical celebrations are commemorated in May. When Ascension falls in May, the Saturday after the Ascension of Our Lord is traditionally celebrated as the *Feast of Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles*. The liturgy commemorates the period of time after the Ascension when the apostles were gathered in prayer with Mary and the women in the Upper Room. On May 31, in the United States, we celebrate the Commemoration of the Visitation. When Mary heard that her elderly relative, Elizabeth, was expecting a child, she hurried to help her. Mary's service brought Christ to the home of Zechariah and Elizabeth.

During May, many Catholic Christians draw closer to Mary and honor her as our mother. Pope Paul VI wrote that, "In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance."

Mary was a teen when the angel Gabriel announced that God had chosen her to be the mother of His Son, the Messiah, the Redeemer of the world. Mary asked how this could happen, since she was a virgin? Gabriel replied that the Holy Spirit would come upon her, and her child would be called, holy, the Son of God. Mary believed God and accepted His invitation.



*"Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her" (Luke 1:38)*

Mary's "Yes" didn't stop there. She obeyed God faithfully all her life, caring for Jesus and preparing Him for His mission. At the Cross, even though she loved Jesus more than any other person ever could, she offered him up to the Father – out of love for us. And it was on the Cross that Jesus gave her to us, in the person of Saint John, to be our spiritual mother, to bring us all home to heaven.

As spouse of the Holy Spirit, Mary quietly and resolutely mothered the early Church, until she was assumed, body and soul, into heaven to reign forever with Jesus. Mary is our model and mother in our journey of following Christ to heaven. Pope Benedict urges us to ask Mary's help in following Jesus, and to "do whatever He tells you."

During the month of May, to honor our Blessed Mother, the Holy Rosary will be said 30 minutes before all weekend Masses!

*Blessed Mother, pray for us,  
Marina Mosier*

Sources: <http://campus.udayton.edu>  
<http://blog.autom.com>

# Youth News

**West Plains Youth Conference** – Wow, what a great weekend at West Plains! Chris Stefanik really engaged the youth with his talks, the workshops were full and our nine youth group members really enjoyed the dance. One of the highlights of the weekend was Adoration after the dance on Saturday night. Our group made an awesome banner and came home physically tired but spiritually refreshed from the weekend.



## Easter Egg Hunt



FROM THE DESK OF THE CRE (Jim Dobbs)

During the First Eucharist homily to the children, Father Joseph made a statement to our congregation and visitors. He said, "If you don't believe that the real presence of Christ is in the Eucharist, then don't receive communion." Just think about this for a minute, then ask yourself what does this really mean and do I really believe it! He then followed it up with another statement something like this, "if you receive it unworthily you're committing a most grievous sin and you chose your own damnation." This one is a little trickier, because it causes us to look at our sins. "What Look at my SINS!" If you say, "The last time I checked I didn't have any.", then you haven't read the Examination of Conscience Father passed out before the last Communal Penance service. You will be amazed at the number of different sins we forget were even sins because we have gotten so use to the secular world we live in where very little is called sin anymore. We need to be in a state of grace when we receive His Body and Blood and how do we do this, by receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation.

In John 6:35 Jesus says, "I am the bread of life," which causes his audience to ask what he means by this. Later even the disciples express their concern "This teaching is difficult, who can accept it?" Each time we receive the host or drink from the cup we are reminded that this is the true Body and Blood of Christ. By responding "Amen" we are saying we believe. When was the last time we stopped to think about this? "I believe this IS the Body and Blood of Christ, the real presence. "

This reminds me of a story in the Faith Connection we received in one of our bulletins. During the Great Depression, a monastery gave out plain sandwiches every afternoon at 5:00. The line of people was always long. After getting their sandwich, some people ate it at once. Others ate only a portion of it and saved the rest for later. Still others took the sandwich home to someone in their family. Finally, a few grumbled at the plainness of the sandwich and tossed it away. How do these reactions play into the way you receive the Eucharist in Mass, "the bread that came down from heaven."

How do I react to Jesus in the Eucharist? How do I prepare to receive the Eucharist? How do I follow up my reception of it? How do we let the Eucharist play a part in our lives each day? When we eat his Body and drink his Blood, Jesus becomes a part of our physical bodies. Can we ever hope to get closer to God than that? I mean, it just doesn't get any better than this. So why do we, in our weakness, squander this opportunity to live in Christ and for Christ to live in us by not receiving him in the right manner. What can I do this week to be a living witness to the Body of Christ that I receive in the Eucharist?

Pope Saint Leo the Great said this about the Eucharist. "The effect of our receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive."

**Southern Stone County Food Pantry  
At Our Lady of the Cove  
4/26/2012**

**The Southern Stone County Food Pantry helped to feed 632 people this past April.**

The Southern Stone County Food Pantry at Our Lady of the Cove is grateful to all who donate to the food pantry, for as you can see there is a great need here. The food pantry relies entirely on donations, from individuals, other churches, and other organizations. **No one receives a salary, all are volunteers.**

Country Mart in Branson West and Panera Bread in Branson provide us with left over bread. Harter House gives us a good deal with very large quantity purchases.

**Thank you and God bless all who gave groceries, money, or whatever to the food pantry. 100% goes to help the ones in need.**

Dottie

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Branson: Numerous events during the month of May; go to [www.explorebranson.com](http://www.explorebranson.com); click on May.

Kimberling City: Beginning May 12 through September 15 – every other Saturday free Summer Bluegrass Concert; parking lot outside of Hillbilly Bowl; call 417-739-4425 for weather cancellations. [Back to TOP](#)

***Notes***

Our Garage Sale will be on May 11 and 12. Help spread the word to all your friends and neighbors and pray that this year, we will not have rain!

Elections for Parish Council will take place in May. If you would like to nominate yourself, there is still time. We would love to have you get involved. Call the office at 739-4700.

The Farewell Party for Father Joseph will be on Friday, June 8, at 6:00pm. Dinner will be cooked by the Knights of Columbus. Come and say goodbye to Father, and enjoy a great meal at the same time!

***Have a Beautiful Day!***

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*Chrism Mass - April 4, 2012*

*Seder Dinner - April 5, 2012*



*Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper*





# *Good Friday Stations of the Cross*



# Good Friday - Veneration of the Cross

Veneration of the Cross – your story in pictures. We tried to get a picture of everyone, but due to some people moving faster than what the camera could adjust to, some pictures did not come out clearly.



# *Good Friday - Veneration of the Cross*



*Good Friday  
Veneration of the Cross*



# *Easter Vigil*



# Easter Vigil



## *Easter 2012 at Our Lady of the Cove*

The last seven pages of the Cove Side Chatter this month are devoted to telling the story of Holy Week at Our Lady of the Cove in pictures. It begins with the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral just before Holy Thursday where the sacred oils that are used for the sacraments are blessed by the Bishop. This is followed by the Seder Dinner on Holy Thursday where our catechumens partook of food similar to the foods served at the Last Supper. Thanks to all who came up to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday at the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

On Good Friday, we have a picture of each cross bearer. Thank you everyone who came to walk the Stations. At Veneration of the Cross, we tried to capture everyone on film but missed a few due to the camera not being able to adjust fast enough as everyone came to the Cross. And, at the Easter Vigil, our catechumens finally finished their journey as they were received into the Church. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make the events of Easter so beautiful. We hope you enjoyed seeing Holy Week 2012 in pictures.

May the joy of the Resurrection of our Lord remain in our hearts as we live our daily lives,  
Marina Mosier

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