

ST ALPHONSUS LIGUOURI

On the preparation we ought to make in order to derive great fruit from the Holy Communion. Two things are necessary in order to draw great fruit from communion preparation for, and thanksgiving after communion. As to the preparation, it is certain that the saints derived great profit from their communions, only because they were careful to prepare themselves well for receiving the holy Eucharist. It is easy then to understand why so many souls remain subject to the same imperfections, after all their communions. Cardinal Bona says, that *the defect is not in the food, but in the want of preparation for it.* For frequent communion two principal dispositions are necessary. The first is detachment from creatures, and disengagement of the heart from everything that is not God. The more the heart is occupied with earthly concerns, the less room there is in it for divine love. Hence, to give full possession of the whole heart to God, it is necessary to purify it from worldly attachments. This is the preparation which Jesus himself recommends to St. Gertrude. "*I ask nothing more of thee,*" said he to her, "*than that thou come to receive me with a heart divested of thyself.*" Let us, then, withdraw our affections from creatures, and our hearts shall belong entirely to the Creator.

The second disposition necessary to draw great fruit from communion is a desire of receiving Jesus Christ in order to advance in his love. "*He,*" says St. Francis de Sales, "*who gives himself through pure love, ought to be received only through love.*" Thus, the principal end of our communions must be to advance in the love of Jesus Christ. He once said to St. Matilda: "*When you communicate, desire all the love that any soul has ever had for me, and I will accept your love in proportion to the fervour with which you wished for it.*" Thanksgiving after communion is also necessary. The prayer we make after communion is the most acceptable to God, and the most profitable to us. After communion the soul should be employed in affections and petitions. The affections ought to consist not only in acts of thanksgiving, but also in acts of humility, of love, and of oblation of ourselves to God. Let us then humble ourselves as much as possible at the sight of a God made our food after we had offended him.

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Andrew's Catholic Church



2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
June 18th - June 25th 2017

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Liturgical Schedule

Sun. 18 **2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (II)**

8:00 am Low Mass

10:00am Low Mass followed by Benediction.

Mon. 19 **St Juliana of Falconieri, V (III)** *Comm. of Sts
Gervase and Protase, MM*

7:15 am Low Mass

Tue. 20 **Feria (IV)**

6:00pm Low Mass

Wed. 21 **St Aloysius Gonzaga, BC (III)**

10:00am Low Mass

Thur. 22 **St Paulinus, BC (III)**

6:00pm Low Mass followed by Novena & Benediction

Fri. 23 **MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS (I)**

A plenary indulgence is granted today, under the usual conditions, for the Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus recited publicly after each Mass.

10:00am Low Mass

7:00pm Low Mass

Sat. 24 **NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (I)**

8:00 am Low Mass followed by Rosary & Benediction

Sun. 25 **3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (II)**

8:00 am Low Mass

10:00am Low Mass followed by Benediction.

Confessions

Sundays 7:15-7:50 am

9:10-9:50 am

Thursdays 5:30-5:50 pm

Saturdays 7:30-7:50 am

Other times Upon Request

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

June 18th: C. Morgan

June 25th: Granada

Parish Notices

SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class this coming Tuesday at 7:00pm.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today, after both Masses, mothers and grandmothers are invited to come to the Communion rail to pray for vocations from their families.

HOLY ROSARY IN REPARATION FOR ABORTION

The Holy Rosary will be recited Saturday 24th June at 10:30am, on the steps of Parliament House, Melbourne. Extra prayers welcome. Holy Mass will be offered on the same day 8:00 am at Our Lady's Church Hampton. For more information contact Mrs Oldham 95836835.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your charity, please keep in your prayers Teilo Jones, Aileen Donohue, Coby Van Yssel, Pauline Killeen, Francesco and Vince Lamattina, Barbara Wood, Richard Miller, David Dempsey, Luke Paksa, and Peter de Niese.

+ Prayers for the Faithful Departed +

Of your charity please pray for the souls of the Faithful departed, relatives, friends and benefactors of Our Lady's Church especially for Steve Mcclean who died recently Maria de la Cabeza Perez, Germaine Alexandrowicz, Joyce Davoli and Angela Biscan whose anniversaries occur this week.