

FROM FR. DEO

June 7, 2026



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Good is good all the time... all the time God is good!

I am happy to be back home. My time away was filled with blessings—reconnecting with family, friends, and fellow priests, visiting a safari park, and praying at the Shrine of Our Lady of Kibeho. Thank you for your prayers and concern, especially regarding the Ebola outbreak. I missed you all and am glad to return refreshed and renewed. I look forward to sharing some pictures with you soon!

Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—Corpus Christi. This feast draws us to the very heart of our Catholic faith: the Eucharist, the Real Presence of Jesus Christ—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—under the appearances of bread and wine.

Corpus Christi has always been one of my favorite feasts since childhood. As school kids, we would gather flower petals—lavender, jasmine, and marigold—and bring them to the parish for the procession. I have always been inspired by the faith and reverence shown to our Eucharistic Lord during the procession. I invite you to join us for our Corpus Christi Procession following the 11:00 a.m. bilingual Mass, followed by a parish-wide potluck in the auditorium.

In the Eucharist, Jesus reveals the depth of His love by offering Himself to us: “Whoever eats this bread will live forever” (Jn 6:58). As St. Augustine reminds us, “When Christ is eaten, life is eaten.” The Eucharist is not merely a symbol or a memory, but Jesus Himself—the Bread of Life, who walked the shores of Galilee, died on the Cross, and rose from the tomb.

In response to this great mystery of love, we bow in adoration and lift our voices in praise by singing: “O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine.” Today, we gather for Mass, listen to and receive Him with humility. We genuflect before the tabernacle and adore Him with reverence because He is truly present among us. May our hunger for Him deepen, and may we become eucharistic people—living tabernacles—carrying His presence into our families, workplaces, and the world.

In Parish News, Congratulations to the Class of 2026 on their wonderful achievement! I wish them and our school community a joyful, and restful summer. Remember that summer is not a vacation from God. Stay close to Him through prayer, Sunday Mass, and acts of love and service.

Join us for an evening of Praise and Worship with the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Guitar Ensemble on Sunday, June 14, at 5:00 p.m. in the Auditorium. Come and experience an uplifting evening of faith, music, and fellowship as we raise our hearts in praise to God.

Next Sunday, we will bless the image of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity at all Masses. I am grateful to the artist who created it and to the family whose generosity made it possible. May this sacred image inspire us to grow in prayer and deepen our relationship with Christ through the intercession of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity.

Finally, next Sunday, the second collection will support the Archdiocese of Chicago Priests' Health and Retirement Fund/PRMAA. Your parish priests depend on your generosity and prayers.

Happy Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ!

Fr. Deo

