

Dear Padre,

Should extraordinary eucharistic ministers receive Communion before or after the congregation? In my home, guests are normally served first.

Fundamentally, we're all guests in the house of God at the gracious invitation of Jesus Christ! When the presider and ministers of holy Communion gather in the sanctuary to consume, they affirm their belief in the Real Presence of Christ. Then, in service, they proceed to distribute the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful, asking others to affirm that same belief. In this affirmation of faith, and in rendering service to one another, the worshipping community forms a unified "body of Christ."

Therefore, according to the Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion: "The practice of extraordinary ministers of holy Communion waiting to receive holy Communion until after the distribution of holy Communion is not in accord with liturgical law" (NDRHC 39). Essentially then, these extraordinary ministers cannot give what they haven't already received.

The amount of time for ordinary and extraordinary ministers to receive holy Communion need not be prolonged unnecessarily before others can partake. Despite logistical challenges, especially for the cantor and choir, the *General Instruction of The Roman Missal* advises, "While the priest is receiving the sacrament, the Communion chant is begun, its purpose being to express the spiritual union of the communicants by means of the unity of their voices,

to show gladness of heart, and to bring out more clearly the 'communitarian' character of the procession to receive the Eucharist" (GIRM 86).

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

The Eucharist satisfies our hunger for material things and kindles our desire to serve. It raises us from our comfortable and lazy lifestyle and reminds us that we are not only mouths to be fed, but also his hands, to be used to help feed others.

CORPUS CHRISTI HOMILY, JUNE 14, 2020

Calendar

- Monday**
JUNE 7
Weekday
2 Cor 1:1-7
Mt 5:1-12
- Tuesday**
JUNE 8
Weekday
2 Cor 1:18-22
Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday**
JUNE 9
Weekday
2 Cor 3:4-11
Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday**
JUNE 10
Weekday
2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6
Mt 5:20-26
- Friday**
JUNE 11
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9
Eph 3:8-12, 14-19
Jn 19:31-37
- Saturday**
JUNE 12
The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Cor 5:14-21
Lk 2:41-51
- Sunday**
JUNE 13
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 17:22-24
2 Cor 5:6-10
Mk 4:26-34

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Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of June 5 - June 11

- Sat 6:00 pm Clark Vaughan (Healing)
- Sun 11:00 am Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Sun 6:00 pm †Earl Robbins
- Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
- Tue 8:00 am NO MASS
- Wed 8:00 am NO MASS
- Thr 8:00 am NO MASS
- Fri 8:00 am NO MASS

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of June 5 - June 11

- Sat 4:00 pm †John & Delores Radich
- Sun 9:15 am Tammy Phillips (Birthday)
- Tue 6:00 pm †All Souls in Purgatory

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment

1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm

at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel

Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm