

Sunday, 6th June, 2021. The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ www.carlowcathedral.ie

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How do you know you have a purpose?

The world's population is expected to climb to 9.7 billion by 2050 from 7.7 billion today, according to a new United Nations report. With so many people on the planet, it is mind boggling to realise that each person is an individual, there are no copies or clones; every single person that lives is unique, and their personality and character

This fact must have a meaning beyond that of being interesting. Each body that is created, planned or unplanned, has a purpose. As Christians, we believe that we are made in God's image, that God has imprinted something of God's very being onto each of us. Our God is infinite, there are no limits to God, so it follows that with a limitless Creator, there would be no doubling up of what is created.

The feast of Corpus Christi celebrates the gift of the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus did not see his Body as simply his own possession, rather he continuously used his Body to reveal the love God has for each of the 7.7 billion people on the planet today. His words at the Last Supper, "This is my body given for you ... this is my blood poured out for you" reveal that our God is willing to do whatever it takes to know us, love us and be united with us.

As Christians we are called to emulate the same love that Jesus showed for us. This is no easy task, of which Jesus is aware. Hence Jesus gives us the gift of his Body in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, to strengthen and inspire us to be a people of love and tolerance, to see the good in one another, to see him in one another. Let us celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi today, and rejoice in our God that does not keep his power and glory within him, but freely shares it with every one of us.

"In that little host is the solution to all the problems in the world"

Saint John Paul II

Mass in the Cathedral for the week of the 7th - 13th May

Monday to Friday: **7.30am, 10am and 1pm**Saturday: **10am and 6.15pm Vigil**Sunday: **8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 7pm**Adoration: **4pm - 6pm Monday to Friday**

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