

Corpus Christi

June 6, 2021

This feast of the BODY of CHRIST. As you may imagine, the early Church Fathers spent many councils discussing the meaning and depth of this feast. Today I was to approach this from the theology of the Body of Christ, the Community of the Gathered. The people of God.

During these celebrations emphasizing the Holy Spirit, this feast makes sense and follows. As the Spirit of God is given to the Church, we, the church become more filled with the Spirit of God. It is this Spirit that holds us together. Paul used the Image of the body of Christ in Many of his letters to emphasize how we the followers of Christ give form to the Body of Christ. By our gathering in Eucharist, we are nourished and give life to the Body. By our ministering, by our gathering, by our opening to the presence to the Spirit WE embody that presence of the Risen Christ in the Eucharist and therefore in the Church. By our participation in Eucharist, by ministering or simply by our faith-filled prayer, the Body comes alive. The Weekly gathering is not meant to be simply a fulfilling of an obligation. Rather, our gathering gives form and life to the Risen Christ, the Body of Christ. It is here where the Risen Christ breathes in each of us by the power of the Spirit.