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750 A.D.
Lanciano, Italy

The Flesh and Blood of Lanciano therefore are just the same as they would be if they had been drawn that very day from a living human being.

Below the heart arteries and veins can be easily identified, as well as a double slender branch of the vagus nerve.



The conservation of the Flesh and the Blood, left in their natural state for twelve centuries and exposed to the influence of atmospheric and biological elements, remain an extraordinary phenomenon (The Linoli Report 4131971)



Close-ups of the famous Eucharistic Miracle of 750 A.D. in Lanciano, Italy near Siena.....the reliquary containing the flesh and coagulated blood of Jesus Christ. The flesh consists of part of his heart muscle, namely the myocardium, i.e., the left ventricle. The arteries and veins can be easily identified, as well as a double, slender branch of the vagus nerve. The blood is coagulated into five equal parts and weight, corresponding to the five wounds of Christ. For a medical analysis by Dr. Edoardo Linoli, a professor of anatomy and pathological histology, and of chemistry and clinical microscopy, and former head of the Laboratory of Pathological Anatomy at the Hospital of Arezzo, click on <http://www.zenit.org/article-12933?l=english>. There has been no deterioration for almost 13 centuries.

We were deprived of the Eucharist ---the source, the center, and the summit of Catholic belief and practice, so central to the life and mission of the Church---- from this past March 16 until the great feast of Pentecost on May 31. This hiatus made us appreciate what we were missing. In fact many felt a deep longing for the Eucharist. Thus the celebration of the *Feast of Corpus Christi* (Body of Christ) two weeks ago was more meaningful.....receiving the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ Himself, the second person of the Holy Trinity. **THIS BELIEF IS SO STRONG TO A GOOD AND FAITHFUL KNIGHT THAT HE WOULD GIVE HIS LIFE TO DEFEND THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE EVER PRESENT IN THE EUCHARIST AGAINST ANY POSSIBLE DESECRATION** which has occurred more than once in modern history. Even after reading John 6 and the Holy Thursday Gospel accounts, the Eucharist is still a leap of faith and difficult to imagine even though absolutely nothing is beyond the power of Almighty God.

For us who are so weak in faith, the Good Lord has helped us over the centuries and even in recent years with over 100 documented Miracles of the Eucharist.....34 in Italy, 20 in Spain, 12 in France, 9 in Germany, also in the Netherlands. Portugal, Argentina (1992, 1994, 1996), Mexico (2006), Venezuela (1991), India (2001), and Poland (2008 & 2013) among others. They reinforce the faith of the believers and help the doubters. These miracles are optional for Catholics to believe or reject.

The most famous Eucharistic miracle occurred in Lanciano, Italy near Siena in central Italy in the year 750 A.D. A priest was struggling with doubts over the authenticity of the Eucharist. One day as he consecrated the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ, the host turned into human flesh and the wine turned into human blood in the presence of the congregation. For over 1250 years the human flesh and blood has not decomposed. According to investigations, the most recent in 1970-71 and 1981 by medical professors of the University of Siena-Italy, the flesh is part of the human heart and the blood type AB matches the blood on the Holy Shroud of Turin. The Lanciano results are very consistent with scientific investigations of other Eucharistic miracles where the sacred host turned into flesh. Scientists also concluded that the heart muscle was in great agony.

The following videos are fascinating:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=dKc74WJXBfk> – (7:01 min) Miracles of the Eucharist – a great overview.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oogJ-cdi7yI> – (3:02) Scientific Evidence of Eucharistic Miracles – presentation by three Polish experts.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pxi_U5JN8wM – (7:42 min) 6 Incredible Eucharistic Miracles

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=whbzLYi7cyc> – The Miracle of Lanciano

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bd16tBRbLXw> – (34:06) Blood of Christ Part 1: Eucharistic Miracle of Buenos Aires

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jqsRDD6kXWY> – Miracles of the Eucharist

For more depth, some of the following articles may interest you:

<http://www.catholicdoors.com/misc/eucharisticmiracles.htm> for descriptions of over 100 of them since the 4th Century.

<https://www.ncregister.com/daily-news/the-true-presence-eucharistic-miracles-over-the-centuries-for-corpus-christ> - The True Presence: Eucharistic Miracles Over the Centuries for Corpus Christi

https://www.americaneedsfatima.org/Miracles/the-eucharistic-miracle-of-santarem.html?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=A+Miracle&utm_campaign=E+19082-GNL-Santarem+Video-Month+of+the+Precious+Blood-7%2F15%2F19 – Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem, Portugal

<http://www.bobandpennylord.com/miracles-of-the-eucharist.htm> - Bob and Penny Lord have visited many sites, wrote books, filmed many sites and produced many television programs on EWTN and DVDs. For purchase.

<http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/mir/a3.html> - Eucharistic miracles. Books to order.

<https://churchpop.com/2015/06/28/5-extraordinary-eucharistic-miracles-with-pictures/> - 5 Extraordinary Eucharistic Miracles that Left Physical Evidence (With Pictures!)

<https://dowym.com/voices/5-incredible-eucharistic-miracles-from-the-last-25-years/> - 5 Incredible Eucharistic Miracles from the last 25 Years.

Here's a great song for the 4th of July. The Texas Tenors sing “God Bless the USA” and other songs. Go to

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&list=RDdaqwGRdRIsk&v=daqwGRdRIsk> .

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY? **Aspire to be a witness as to what a marriage should be, a light to our community and parish.** Make your home a domestic church, where Christ is the center of the home in a truly Catholic culture. That can only help your marriage. It is often said: “The greatest thing you can do for your kids is to love your wife and be faithful to her”. When there’s marital harmony, the kids feel more secure and have models to follow for their own marriages down the road. Consult her; work together as a team; plan things together; make decisions together; do things together; pray together; have fun together. Do everything you can to make her happy in self-giving sacrificial love and dying to self whether she reciprocates or not. After all.....“Happy wife; happy life”. “If Mama ain’t happy; nobody’s happy”.

South Side Joe. Fr. Thomas Loya, our 2011 Men’s Conference speaker, has come up with a series of very entertaining and instructive theatrical videos, explaining the icons of his church, most of which he himself painted. In these videos he portrays “South Side Joe”, using props and the language of the common guy in the pew, supporting his family from paycheck to paycheck. He typifies many of our brother knights.....faithful to the Church, very skilled in his work, and street smart, who keep our plants running and our lights on. They have a lot of common sense and can teach the intellectuals a thing or two with wisdom. You’ll enjoy going to www.byzantinecatholic.com and connecting to his parish Facebook page or click on https://www.facebook.com/pg/annunciationbyzantinecatholicparish/videos/?ref=page_internal.

Into the Breach, an acclaimed Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic Men written by Thomas Olmsted, Bishop of Phoenix, is a call to battle for Catholic men. It urges them to embrace wholeheartedly masculine virtues in a world in crisis. The world is in crisis because as Danny Abramowicz, former all pro wide receiver for the New Orleans Saints, says: “the men have dropped the ball”. They are failing as husbands, fathers, and leaders for good in the parish, on the job, and the community. Inspired by Bishop Olmsted, the Knights of Columbus produced a video series which seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. Go to <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>. For the complete text by Bishop Olmsted go to <https://dphx.org/into-the-breach/>.