



Welcome/Parish Membership

We extend a warm welcome and hope you find our Parish Community a place where your faith will be nourished. Parish policy requires registration to participate in Baptism, Marriage and Religion Classes. If you are a new resident, please register at the Parish enter during office hours. Also, please notify the Parish Center when a change of address or a move occurs.

Parish Clergy

Rev. Gabriel Perdomo - Temporary Administrator
Rev. Msgr. Lewis V. Papera - Pastor Emeritus
Deacon Vincent DeFedele
Deacon Paul A. Carris

Pastoral Staff

School Principal - Mr. Jason Feliciano
Director of Religious Education - Mrs. Verna Paiotti
Music Director - Ms. Joanna Kowalska
Youth Ministry Director—Ms. Caitlin Seymour

Pastoral Associates

Adult & Family Faith Formation - Deacon Paul Carris
Baptism & Beyond, Bereavement - Patricia Caulfield

Trustees

Mr. Michael Mascis and Mrs. Carol Viceconte

Parish Offices and Center Hours

Monday–Friday: 9AM-12NN & 1-4PM

«One Visitor at a time. Face covering & temp check required.

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (Chapel)

Sundays: 8:00, 10:00, Noon (Chapel) 6pm (Church)

Daily: 6:30 AM & 8:00 AM Monday-Friday
8:00 AM only Memorial Day-Labor Day

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Days: Schedule as published

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the Parish Center for schedule.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 PM.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged, registered parishioners should contact a parish priest, normally one year prior to wedding. No dates are settled without consultation with a parish priest.

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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

If I only knew then what I know now, how different life would be. This sentiment, expressed in myriad ways, is found on every human being's lips at one point or another. Life may have brought us to a vulnerable place where we see some of the poor choices we made and the effects they are having. Perhaps we fell into some destructive and dysfunctional relationships or behaviors and are finding how they held us captive. Our zeal and passion for life may have drifted away and we are waking up to the reasons apathy has taken hold. Life can be hard. In fact, some would describe their lives as a drudgery. They walk through each day with an anxious unsettledness, wondering when their restlessness will cease. There is a temptation to believe that what I see is all I will get. Mortality and hopelessness await the dawn. If I could only have known what would come in the future, I could have made better choices and avoided all of this misery!

Really? While we can certainly give into weakness, sin, impulsiveness, and idiosyncrasies that cause us to stumble over ourselves, life is really a journey. If we don't make the mistake of wallowing in the mire of self-pity and realize the new life God is calling us to, then there are thrills, adventures, surprises, and soul-searching graces we can surely miss. We are not tethered to our past nor are we bound to the ills life can bring upon us. We are never hopeless or helpless. The problem is that our myopic vision only allows us to see the misery and misfortune that is before us, not the potential that can come from choosing healthier and more life-giving options. Jesus came that we might have fullness of life. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet.

We need to allow God into our pain and heal our past. We have to wrestle with our histories, agonize and search and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. Job could not see how his story would end or trust the guidance of the God who called him. We live in that same blindness and suffer from the same lack of confidence. Once we allow ourselves to be touched by God's healing power, we begin to see that all of the pieces of our lives are necessary parts of a greater whole. Along the way of our lives, God uses our omissions and failures to create new things and possibilities. When doors close, others open and we can be amazed by the joyful and unexpected surprises we receive. Once we know the power of God's creative, healing, life-giving, forgiving, and dynamic presence, it is no wonder we want to put ourselves at the service of others and show them what life can be.



Parish Stewardship "Treasure Report"

January 31

Envelope Total: \$ 8,161

Electronic Giving: \$ 3,428

Week Total: \$11,589

2020— Feb. 2 \$14,612

Thank you for your continued generosity.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. GABRIEL....

I have a question: What are you doing here? You, there, sitting in the pew. What do you expect to accomplish? Here you are, spending a perfectly good hour—sitting, listening to sacred music, maybe swapping small talk with friends.

Worship time cannot be quantified. It can only be qualified. You don't assess the quality of a worship experience by how long you spend doing it. Workers can boast of putting in a lot of overtime or concertgoers rejoice at hearing two or three encores, but those measurements of time don't apply here. No, the value of worship is measured according to a depth dimension. The value of worship arises from one thing, and one thing only—an encounter with the living God.

In today's scripture we hear how Jesus used time to access that depth dimension. He'd just had a grueling day, teaching and healing from morning till night. Even after the sun had set, "they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door."

The ever-generous Jesus took time to respond to every need, to cure every ailment. Surely, when that crowd finally dispersed, it was very late. No doubt, Jesus collapsed into his bed in exhaustion.

But, he woke early. He had to do something important. Mark refers to him going off to "a deserted place." It was a place where he could cease doing and simply be. It was a place where he could draw close to his heavenly Father in prayer.

In doing so, he was being faithful to the traditions of his own people. For if there is one thing that makes the Jewish spiritual tradition distinctive, it's the high regard for keeping Sabbath.

The roots of Sabbath are in the creation story, but it seems clear that for the Jews, Sabbath-keeping especially came into its own as a spiritual art.

The literal meaning of the Hebrew word *shavat*, or sabbath, is "to stop." That is all we need to do, ultimately—to stop. The prescription couldn't be simpler. Stop our striving, our contending, our busy activities for just one day. Repeat on a weekly basis. Discover that attitude of peace and contentment that comes from dwelling in the Lord's presence.

If we do that, we will find that the lonely place is not lonely at all. It is a place where God's spiritual power touches our needy hearts. It's the place where we ultimately find new strength and power for living!

And worship can help us do that.

Your parish is in need of volunteers for several ministries. Please pray upon the choice to be a good steward and give back to God. Forms are available indicating the ministries in need. Completed forms can be dropped off at the Parish Center.

Any support you can give towards the 2021 Annual Appeal is greatly appreciated. You can donate online and designate Corpus Christi as your parish or complete the forms available. Thank you for all you do for our parish community.

God Bless,
Fr. Gabriel

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



We welcome into God's family the following children who celebrated Baptism in January.

*Louis James Bunucci, Francesca Maria Curcio,
Josephine Emanuela Hall, Dominic Peter Kouba,
Lukas Ramirez*

May their families be blessed daily and enriched by God's grace.



**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION
AT OUR PARISH**

Adoration has resumed. Please note the following:

- ◆ Adoration will be held in the Church
- ◆ Adoration will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm to 11pm.
- ◆ Face coverings **MUST** be worn, and social distancing seating is to be maintained.
- ◆ **Adorers are needed for the following times: Mondays 5pm; Tuesdays 6p, 8pm & 9pm**

If you would like to become an Adorer and spend an hour in prayer, please contact Diane Calabrese at (201) 288-7732.

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

Parishioners are encouraged to give online at www.rcan.org/sharing. There they may select to make a gift or pledge as well as designate their parish.

Your gift may be restricted for any ministry listed on the envelope or on the website. Thank you for your ongoing support to the Archdiocese and your parish.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Corpus Christi welcomes all those who come and worship with us. If you regularly attend Mass here and are not formally registered, we suggest that you become a registered member. It is the best way to communicate with you. Formal registration is needed if you require proof of being an active parishioner for being a sponsor or godparent. Formal registration also allows for a tuition discount. You may register in person or online at www.corpuschristihh.org. We offer electronic giving as well as the weekly envelopes. We look forward to having you join our parish family. Contact the Parish Center if you have any questions.

Morning Prayers

Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary take place prior to weekday Mass beginning at 7:30am. Come join fellow parishioners. All are welcome!



Ash Wednesday is February 17. Due to the pandemic, the distribution of ashes will be done in a different way. Ashes will not be placed on the forehead but sprinkled on the top of the head. A general blessing will take place prior to individuals coming forward for ashes. Individual blessings will not be done.

The Ash Wednesday schedule is as follows:

**6:30am—Mass (Church)
8:00am—Mass (Church)
12:00nn—Prayer Service (Church)
3:30pm—Prayer Service (Chapel)
7:00pm—Mass (Church)**

Due to the number of Masses/Prayer Services scheduled—**we ARE NOT doing pre-registration.**

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5:00pm, Sunday, 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00nn will be held in the **CHAPEL**. The 6:00pm will be held in the **CHURCH**.

6:30am & 8:00am weekday Mass (Mon-Sat) will be held in the **CHURCH**

YOU MUST ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS ONLY

The mandated guidelines/restrictions which **MUST** be followed are:

- ◆ Facemasks must be worn
- ◆ Maximum capacity of building space will be followed
- ◆ Sit only in designated spots
- ◆ Follow Ushers direction
- ◆ Social distancing of 6ft must be maintained
- ◆ If you have any symptoms of being sick, please stay home
- ◆ Those at high risk may consider staying home

The above guidelines/restrictions will also be enforced for Sunday Masses.

You must PRE-REGISTER for weekend Mass by calling the Parish Center or you can email the following information to mbvivi-ani@optonline.net

**Name, Contact Phone Number,
Mass Time & Number of Attendees**

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER DURING THE WEEK

2021 MASS BOOK

The 2021 Mass Book is open. There are open weekday Masses in the upcoming months. Stop by the Parish Center during business hours to remember your loved ones.

MASS INTENTIONS

ANTICIPATED MASS, FEBRUARY 6

5:00 PM Theresa Kressaty

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:00 AM Julia Berhain

10:00 AM Salem, Nayfe, & Juliet Eid

12:00 NN Kathleen McCollum

6:00 PM James Keating

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

6:30 AM Marilyn Jordan

8:00 AM Casimir & Helen Szymanski

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

6:30 AM Gene A. Noll, Sr.

8:00 AM Rev. Raymond Holmes

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

6:30 AM Michele Nydegger

8:00 AM John Viviani

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

6:30 AM Gloria & Michael Loscalzo (Living)

8:00 AM Peter Gallo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

6:30 AM Caroline Loscalzo

8:00 AM Frances Pecoraro

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00 AM Jovenita Martins (Living)

ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM Mary Clare & Peter Kelly

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 AM Rose Musumeci

10:00 AM Patrick Power

12:00 NN Bernard McGlashin

6:00 PM Enrique R. Saavedra

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends and community, especially David DeFedele, Arleen Van Tuyl

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Your annual pledge helps us forecast, with confidence, the level of financial support our congregation will offer in the year ahead. It is through the contributions of our members that we are able to carry on our work here at Corpus Christi.

As you consider your weekly contribution, we remind you that we offer Electronic Giving as a way to automate your offerings. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for the church. Collection basket offerings can fluctuate significantly from week to week, but, when contributions are automated, the church receives funds on a steady, uninterrupted basis.

Visit our website, www.corpuschristihh.org, click on Electronic Giving to enroll. If you switch to e-giving and are receiving envelopes, please call the Parish Center to stop the mailings. Thank you for your continued support of Corpus Christi Church.



May the Holy Spirit sustain those who are poor and oppressed, the sick, suffering, and sorrowing of all ages, especially, Justin Duffy, Margaret Marchetta, Antonio Salcines, Albert DeBenedictis, Mary Nichols, Cosmelina Cammarata, Fred Baxter, Baby Adrian Victor Sanfilippo, Paul Giordano, Debbie Murphy, Gary Ryan, Dee Sullivan, Bonnie Poznar, Danielle Delfino, Patricia Kunzmann, Christine Ryan, Patricia Casey, Noreen Ryan, Joseph Cooney, Mishelle Kittlinger, Raimunda Martins, Joseph Marino, Michael Toscano, Jack Coneys, Josey Munez, Frank Sambucini, Gail Abbate, JoAnne Piccarreto, Dennis Buttacavoli, Natalie Caulfield, Elizabeth Semenez, Nora Lindquist, Catherine Groarke, Barbara D'Amato, Phyllis Mink, Mary Lynne Seitz

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sharing the Gospel

Simon Peter's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a fever. Jesus went to her. He took hold of her hand and helped her up. The fever left her. She felt so good, she cooked them a nice meal to celebrate. Neighbors brought all of their sick loved ones to be cured. When we pray today, Jesus still comes to those who are sick and heals them. He cures through doctors, nurses, medicines and machines.

Prayer

Lord, heal my family and friends who are sick today.



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