



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 center during office hours. Also, please notify the Parish Center when a change of address or a move occurs.

Parish Clergy

Rev. Kajetan Klein - Administrator
Rev. Gabriel Perdomo—Parochial Vicar
Rev. Msgr. Lewis V. Papera - Pastor Emeritus
Deacon Vincent DeFedele
Deacon Paul A. Carris

Pastoral Staff

School Principal - Mr. Jason Feliciano
Director of Faith Formation- Mrs. Verna Paiotti
Music Director - Ms. Joanna Kowalska
Youth Ministry Director—Ms. Caitlin Seymour
Local Safe Environment Coord.—Mary Beth Viviani

Pastoral Associates

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

Trustees

Mr. Michael Mascis and Mrs. Carol Viceconte

Parish Offices and Center Summer Hours

Monday–Thursday: 9AM-12NN & 1-4PM
Friday: 9AM-1PM

Masses (Summer Schedule)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (Church)
Sundays: 8:00, 10:00, Noon (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 (Church)

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.

***CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NJ 07604
AUGUST 29, 2021***

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Religious Education
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School/ECLC
201-288-0614
Catholic Community Services
800-CCS-7413

CORPUS CHRISTI, HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.



Parish Stewardship "Treasure Report"

Due to an early transmittal time, the collection for August 22 will be published in the September 5 Bulletin.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. KAJ....

How does evil get into the heart? Jesus tells us that it's not what we eat. We know this intuitively. Yet, we cannot seem to agree as to how evil takes up residence in our souls.

Some say, like Saint Augustine, sin is a factory default setting. We're born with the seed of sin in our souls. This argument, known as the doctrine of original sin, was made popular by the bishop of Hippo, citing certain passages in the writings of the apostle Paul. Humans, he said, are born with a sinful heart, and this explains why we do sinful things.

Other theologians believe that evil enters the human experience through free will. We make bad choices. Still others believe that Satan is the responsible party. Many people like this explanation; it sort of removes personal responsibility from ourselves and lays it at the feet of the devil.

Bottom line: No one can say with certainty how evil gets down there, deep in our hearts. But it frequently does.

Is it possible to keep evil out? The short answer is: Probably not. Saint Paul insists that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." That said, we certainly don't need to make it easy, do we?

Although there was only one sinless person, it's possible to live a sin-free minute, hour or even day. In fact, many of us probably go through an entire day without consciously yielding to temptation or doing anything that violates God's law, natural law, moral or civil law.

Can evil, once in the heart, ever be removed? Yes, sort of. The apostle Paul encourages us when he notes that by faith in Christ, we have undergone a complete heart transplant, perhaps without even knowing it. With a new heart comes a new nature, and this new nature, the apostle argues, is well-disposed toward the things of God.

It's a faith thing, of course. A God thing. We've got to believe it, or it doesn't work. But it doesn't hurt to ask for the radical surgery option—which is perhaps what we should do as we bring this discussion to a close.

Let's use the words of the psalmist: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me."

It is hard to believe that summer is drawing to a close and soon will be the first day of school. I hope that you took time to slow down, maybe take a vacation or simply enjoyed the outdoors with friends and family. Time goes by quickly.

I look forward to welcoming more of you back as our summer vacations end. We are looking for volunteers for our Martha's Group Ministry. Please see the information in the Bulletin. The more hands, the lighter the work.

God Bless,
Fr. Kaj



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION

The Religious Education Office will now formally be called the Faith Formation Office. Religious Education refers to the learning of the doctrine of Faith in our Catholic Church. Faith Formation includes education as well as formation of our faith life...Learning together, Worshipping together, and Serving together, all for the Glory of God.

Registration is now being taken for our Faith Formation sessions for students in grades 1 to 8 to begin in the fall. **Register ASAP.** New registrations to our program should check our website for more details or contact the Faith Formation Office, 201-288-4844, ext. 142. All current families should check their email for details to re-register.

THANK YOU
for your generosity

Thank you to all who have generously donated towards the restoration of our liturgical items, the purchase of new items and the new sound system needed for the Chapel. Should you still want to help in any way, please contact the Parish Center.
Fr. Kaj



RCIA—these initials may sound familiar. It is a process of initiation in our Catholic faith.

...Seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, this process is for non-baptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith or adults baptized Catholics who wish to have the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Please call the Parish Office, (201) 288-4844, and leave your name and number. Someone will return your call. God Bless!

MINISTRY CORNER—MARTHA'S GROUP

Martha's Group will resume in September. **Volunteers are needed!** This ministry is responsible for cleaning the Church every Saturday after the 8am Mass. If enough people volunteer we can make two groups so you would only have to clean every other week. If you would like to volunteer as part of your Stewardship, please call the Parish Center to leave your name and contact information.

Your dedication to your parish home is greatly appreciated.



EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION
AT OUR PARISH

Please note the following:

- ◆ Adoration will be held in the Church
- ◆ Adoration will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm to 11pm.
- ◆ **Adorers are needed for the following times:
Tuesdays 4pm & 8pm**

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

"Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the Living Heart of each of our parishes." St. Pope Paul VI

THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING

Registering is a very important part of being a parishioner of Corpus Christi. Our communication with you is made easier once we have your information in our database. **In order for families to receive a tuition discount at Corpus Christi School, they need to be registered and using their envelopes/electronic giving as proof of their support for our parish.**

The occasion may arise when you are asked to be a sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation. The church in which the sacrament is being held may ask you for **proof that you are a registered, practicing Catholic.** We can only provide such documentation if the priests or staff recognize you as a regular Sunday attendee and registered in the parish. **There is a three-month evaluation period for new parishioners of your participation before determining if a Sponsor Certificate is issued.** Please use your contribution envelopes or electronic giving to indicate your participation.

Formal registration is the best way of communicating with you and showing that you wish to be a part of our parish family.

Bereavement Ministry

The faith community of Corpus Christi offers continued support to parishioners grieving the loss of a loved one. If you are overwhelmed by feelings of sadness and sorrow, please contact Patricia Caulfield at the Parish Center, (201) 288-4844, ext. 138. We will help you find light, warmth and comfort.

MASS FOR OUR COUNTRY

Monthly Patriotic Rosary and Mass will resume in September. All are invited to recite the Patriotic Rosary at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm on September 2nd:

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AUGUST 29, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

ANTICIPATED MASS, AUGUST 28

5:00 PM +Louis DeCongelio

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

8:00 AM +Peter Settecasì

10:00 AM +Norah Keaveny

12:00 NN +Virginia Cavanaugh & Virginia Smith

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

8:00 AM +Martin Kless & Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

8:00 AM +Michael Loscalzo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:00 AM +Ryan Davies

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:00 AM +Mario Grillo

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:00 AM +Elaine Moran (3rd Anniv)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:00 AM +Mario Grillo

ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM +David DeFedele

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 AM +Donors of Corpus Christi Parish

10:00 AM +William A. Goode, Jr.

12:00 NN +Living & Deceased Members of the Nardi & Quagliero Families

CANDLES FOR THE WEEK

The candles to be burned on our altars this week were donated in loving memory of **Jack Coneys** from Dorean Rutt.

HOSTS FOR THE WEEK

The hosts to be consecrated at all the Masses were donated in loving memory of **Rose Belluccio** from the Santana Family.



PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends and community.

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL SHINING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Parishioners are encouraged to prayerfully consider a donation to this year's Appeal. Your donation helps so many within the Archdiocese as well as right here in our parish of Corpus Christi. Rebate monies after attaining our goal will help our parish and school with repairs/upgrades or any needs that arise.

Envelopes are still available or you are encouraged to donate online at www.rcan.org/sharing. Designate Corpus Christi as your parish. Your gift may be restricted for any ministry listed. Thanking you in advance for your generous support.



May the Holy Spirit sustain those who are poor and oppressed, the sick, suffering, and sorrowing of all ages, especially, Justin Duffy, Antonio Salcines, Albert DeBenedictis, Mary Nichols, Cosmelina Cammarata,, Adrian Victor Sanfilippo, Paul Giordano, Debbie Murphy, Gary Ryan, Dee Sullivan, Bonnie Poznar, Danielle Delfino, Christine Ryan, Patricia Casey, Noreen Ryan, Joseph Cooney, Mishelle Kittlinger, Raimunda Martins, Joseph Marino, Michael Toscano, Josey Munez, Frank Sambucini, JoAnne Piccarreto, Dennis Buttacavoli, Natalie Caulfield, Nora Lindquist, Catherine Groarke, Barbara D'Amato, Phyllis Mink, Mary Lynne Seitz, Leslie Macaluso, David Miele, MaryAnn Settecasì, Gary Doran, Julio Alvarez, Tom Dalton, Sheila Castellucci, Clarita DeLeon



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HOLY TRINITY CARNIVAL 34 Maple Avenue, Hackensack

Holy Trinity will host a carnival from Wednesday, September 1 to Sunday, September 5. Discount ride tickets are \$30 for 30 tickets and available for purchase at the Rectory. Carnival times:

Wed., Sept. 1: 6-10pm (POP \$30—Wed only)
Thurs., Sept. 2: 6-10pm **Fri. Sept. 3: 6-11pm**
Sat. Sept. 4 & Sun. Sept. 5: 4-11pm

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