



# Corpus Christi Parish

The united Catholic Community  
worshipping in Portsmouth, NH

## Welcome!

If you are new to our community, we hope you have felt welcome!

If you are a visitor, we're glad you joined us!

If you're considering parish membership, please introduce yourself to Fr. Gary after Mass.



## Parish Mission Statement

Rooted in the Word, nourished by the Eucharist, and strengthened by the sacraments, Corpus Christi Parish is a vibrant, welcoming Catholic community of many parts united in the one Body of Christ. Seeking to reflect the unconditional love and embrace of Christ, we strive to live out our baptismal call as disciples and enthusiastic witnesses to our faith.

# Immaculate Conception Church

98 Summer Street

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM  
Sunday 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 4:30 PM  
Monday – Saturday 8:00 AM

## Confessions

Monday–Friday 8:30 AM  
Saturday 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM  
Sunday 3:45 PM

## Eucharistic Adoration

Monday–Saturday 7:00-7:55 AM  
Wednesday 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

## Doors Open For Prayer

Weekdays 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

## Parish Center & Parish Office:

845 Woodbury Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801  
603-436-4555 603-436-0344 Fax: 603-433-4401  
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## Calvary/St. Mary Cemetery

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## St. Patrick Academy

315 Banfield Road 603-436-0739

## Vianney House

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*Residence for Fr. Gary and Deacon Joe Moynahan*

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## *Covid Protocols*

- A reminder that if you are feeling ill in any way, or have been in contact with someone who is, you should not be coming to Mass and putting others at risk.
- Enter/exit through the main front doors only.
- Seating will be in every other pew. Those not related to each other should maintain distance between themselves and others, which will involve spacing as you share pews. Greeters will be at the door to assist with seating and to answer any questions.
- **Masks are to be worn, covering both nose and mouth, according to State of NH Mandate, Portsmouth City ordinance, Diocesan guidelines, and safe practices recommended by the CDC, lowered only when you stand before the priest/minister to receive communion, and then replaced.**
- A basket for your offertory envelope will be at the main entrance to receive your offerings as you enter or leave.
- **Form two spaced lines down the center aisle for Communion, returning to your pew by the side aisles.**
- When Mass ends, maintain social distance as you proceed out the doors. Do not congregate on the front plaza, and keep masks in place until you reach your vehicle.

## Parish Mass Online and on TV

Our 4:00 PM Saturday Mass is recorded for the benefit of all who are sick, at risk, or vulnerable and unable to join us for Mass in the church. The Mass then airs on Channel 98 (local public access television) at 7:00 PM on Tuesday and Thursday, and is repeated at 10:00 AM on the following Sunday morning. The recorded Mass is also available on our YouTube Channel.

**Visit our Corpus Christi Parish YouTube channel to see our recorded Mass online:**

- Visit **corpuschristinh.org**
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- Click on this week’s Mass (listed by date)

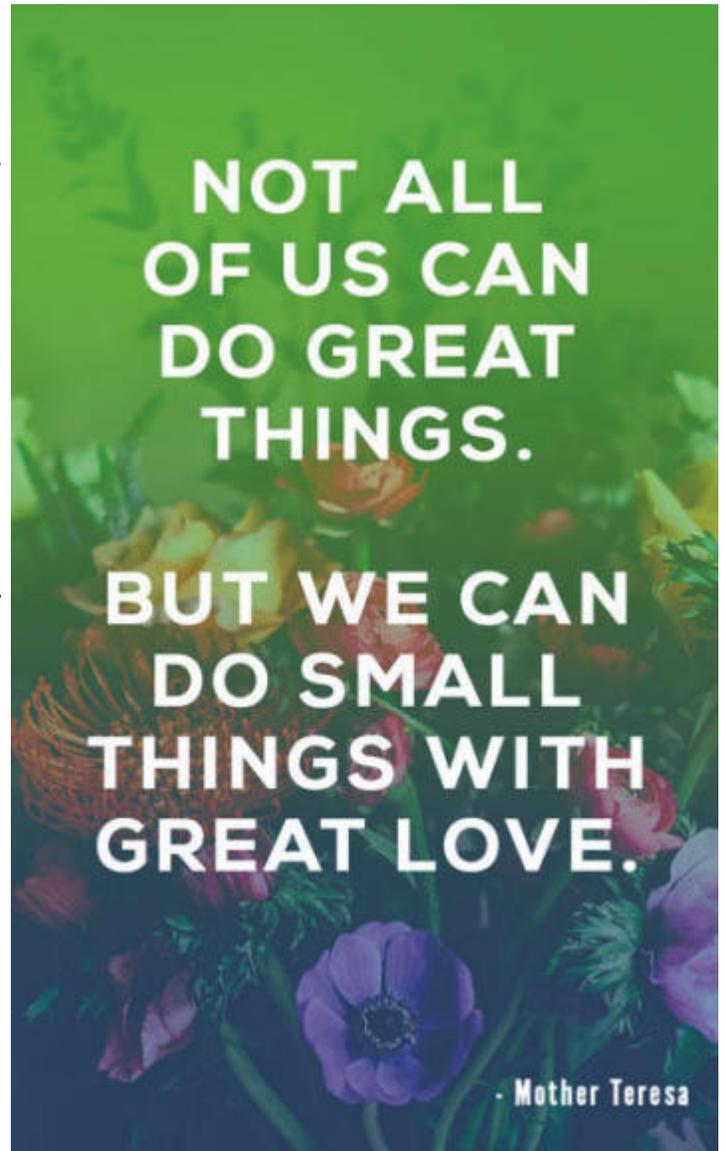
## The Pastor's Letter

Dear Family in the Lord,

From the Gospel we see that the crowds were not captivated by Jesus just because He was a gifted speaker who told them what they wanted to hear. When He spoke, everyone detected a ring of truth in His every word. They sensed that somehow or other He was different; that this was The Word of God. It was expressed, at various times, that “He spoke with authority and not like the scribes.” We do not have to know the Gospel by heart to realize that Jesus speaks on every aspect of human life—and He does not offer what He has to say as a personal opinion, or one among many, but rather, as rooted in reality and truth. Jesus makes it clear that He is the voice of the Father, and His words are Spirit and Life; He has the words of everlasting life!

In a rebellious age, the whole notion of talking about authority seems quaintly out of fashion. Thinking about authority, on simply a human level, can send shivers up our spine as we might recall being treated badly by some authority figures in our lives or being disappointed by them. Jesus, however, uses His divine authority to call forth the best in each of us and to draw us to His Father and our full potential as children of God. This is why the words of Jesus are foundational and precious. They invite us to live in this world with our heart set on a Kingdom not of this world, and to be sowers of the seeds of that kingdom all along the way. In doing so, we live this finite life with a hope and enthusiasm that only comes from living the reality of the infinite that we are called to! The words of Jesus give us light and direction, and provide us with the answers to proper living. The real reason for the teaching authority in the Church—Magisterium—is to keep the Lord's Word alive in the world, not watered down by relativism or current opinion.

The Word of God can bring great comfort, but that Word will also challenge us to the depths of our being. That's why the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. It's why Jesus gives His very self in the Eucharist and His grace in the Sacraments to aid us in rising to the challenge! Today it is asking all of us to pause and ponder. It's asking us how honest and authentic we really are as we face the challenges and problems of living the Christian message, the Word of Life, amid a questioning world. In each of our cases, the “authority” comes with the authenticity to which each of us rises, and embraces the challenge that our unique states of life offer each of us!



With you on the Journey,

*fr Gary*

## Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time



### Intentions for Holy Mass

Monday	FEB 1	Feria (weekday)
8:00AM	Alice Hayes, by the Stella Family	
Tuesday	FEB 2	The Presentation of the Lord
8:00AM	Edward & Helen Podbielski, by Sylvia Stewart	
6:30PM	Tom DiNapoli	
Wednesday	FEB 3	St. Blaise
8:00AM	Sr. Bernadette, by the Maloney Family	
Thursday	FEB 4	Feria
8:00AM	Rosalie Wallace, by the Maloney Family	
Friday	FEB 5	St. Agatha
8:00AM	George Scouras, by the Scontras Family	
Saturday	FEB 6	St. Paul Miki and companions
8:00AM	Pro Populo (For Our Parish Family)	
4:00PM	Vigil 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time Nancy Lorenz, by Sophie Scontras and Family	
Sunday	FEB 7	5th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:30AM	Etta & William Kennedy, by Rosemary Plaisted	
10:30AM	Louise Gray, by Conni & Charlie Lawrence	
4:30PM	Willy & Rose Mealey, by their Family	

*To schedule Mass intentions, or for sacramental records, please see Kathy Kelleher at the parish office, 845 Woodbury Avenue, or call 436-0344.*

### Our reflection of God's generosity to us!

#### Weekend of January 23/24, 2021

Online Giving	\$ 6,818.00
Envelopes	\$ 9,084.00
Loose	\$ 904.37
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,806.37</b>

Last weekend 89 envelope/85 Online Giving users contributed 95% of our income.

Poor Box /SHARE Donations \$ 700.00

We appreciate those who are "catching up" with missed weekly offerings. Thank you for doing whatever you can, knowing that our expenses also continue through these difficult days. If you are able to continue with your offertory donation, and if you do not use online giving, please mail your envelope to the Parish Office, at 845 Woodbury Ave, Portsmouth NH 03801.



### 40 DAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS!

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. This commemorates Mary and Joseph, as faithful observant Jews, presenting Jesus in the Temple forty days after His birth. They are greeted by the prophet Simeon, who takes Him in his arms and acclaims Him as "A Light of Revelation." Hence, on this day candles are solemnly blest and there is a procession of light to the altar to open the Liturgy. Traditionally, this day is referred to as "Candlemas Day." **The Blessing of Candles will take place this Tuesday at a special 6:30 PM Candlelight Mass, followed by the Procession of Light to the Altar.** Some the beautiful chant and other music associated with this feast will accompany the Liturgy. The image of the Infant Saviour has rested on Mary's altar since the conclusion of the Christmas season through this 40th day celebration. Join us!

### BLESSING OF THROATS



**Wednesday, February 3rd**, is the Feast of St. Blaise, a Bishop and Martyr, whose intercession has traditionally been invoked against illness and diseases of the throat. The Blessing of Throats will be imparted in a general blessing over all at the conclusion of the 8AM Mass and also at the conclusion of Adoration at 6:00 PM.

### *Income Tax Statements*

If you would like to receive a statement for income tax purposes indicating your 2020 church contributions, please email [aa7.ccnh@gmail.com](mailto:aa7.ccnh@gmail.com) or call Kathy at 603-436-4555. We can do this only for those who use envelopes, checks, or Online Giving, since we have no way of documenting what is given by other means.

**NEW!** *First Friday & Saturday*

Join us as we make reparation to the hearts of Jesus and Mary this week! Holy Mass at 8:00 AM on Friday is followed by Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and opportunity for Confessions. On Saturday, the 8:00 AM Mass is followed by the communal praying of the Holy Rosary and Confession opportunity as well.

**NEW!** *Called Home to the Lord*

We remember in prayer the repose of the souls of **John Connors** and **Dorothy Cerilli**, whose Funeral Masses were recently celebrated in our parish. To their families we extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayerful support as well.

**NEW!** *Many thanks to our Mask Makers!*

We are grateful to **Jackie Hinton**, **Alice Holding**, **Theresa Krasko**, **Becky Laverdiere** and **Mary Vangile**, the seamstresses who have been supplying us with fabric masks to make available to those who need them when coming to Mass. Their generosity with their time, talent, and materials is most appreciated!



***New 20/20 Series!***

*Our next 20/20 Raffle series will begin in February. Tickets cost \$20 each and are good for 20 weeks. Each Sunday for 19 weeks, we draw two numbers to win \$25 each. On the 20th week is the final drawing, with prizes of \$500, \$300, two at \$100, and two at \$50.*

*Tickets for the next 20/20 series will be available after the Masses, or call Kathy during the week at the parish office, 603-436-4555.*

**Sanctuary Lamp & Votives**

The sanctuary lamp will burn this week for the special intentions of Gina & William O'Malley, as requested by Jo Fulginiti.

The votives at the Mary altar will burn with Birthday Blessings for Roy Helsel, requested by his children.

At the St. Joseph altar, the votives will burn with Birthday Blessings for Carol Walsh.



**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the high altar and in front of Mary were given this week in loving memory of Frances Price (third anniversary) by her family.



**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STATUS**

In October of 2019 the goal of \$2 million was set and the campaign to fund restoration and repurposing was launched. Within six weeks our goal was reached. When we marked a year this past October, with work wrapping up, we set an additional \$500,000 goal to enable us to fund all aspects of the project, since some unexpected expenses were incurred along the way. Response has been tremendous! Many who had pledged added to their donation, others made additional offerings, and others, who had not be able to contribute to date, did so, along with new parishioners jumping in. As you can see from the weekly report box, we are currently \$221,995.00 away from attaining the new goal. These additional funds will help finance the work that remains to be completed on the exterior of the building as well as finishing landscaping in Spring and installing the new furnace over the Summer. If you've yet to help, and could and would like to, please take a packet from the church entry and use the enclosed envelope, or, simply mail in to our office with notation: *Capital Campaign*. We're close! Can you help us get there?

**Status of the Capital Campaign**

<b>Our goal:</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,000</b>
<b>As of January 22nd:</b>	<b>\$ 2,278,005</b>

*Thanks to all who made year-end pledge payments and to all who have given significant donations to the Capital Campaign in recent weeks!*



**PARKING NOTICE**

Please note and OBEY the signs on the right side of the church that prohibit parking between them. This is crucial, since it can prohibit our neighbors from accessing their vehicles or exiting their parking areas. Our neighbors were VERY supportive of our efforts when we worked with the city about new parking and curb cuts. We have more than doubled our on-property parking and now we have to be sure that we are following parking regulations and being good neighbors in return! Thanks for noting and for your cooperation.



# Saint Patrick Academy

## EDUCATION FULLY ALIVE

### A Filled School!

This year, we've welcomed over 70 new students into Saint Patrick Academy! The 2020-2021 school year has seen our campus flourish in innumerable ways! With over 200 students now enrolled, Saint Patrick Academy has filled every seat! While spots are limited for the 2021-2022 school year, please visit our website, [www.saintpatrickacademy.org](http://www.saintpatrickacademy.org), for more information.



### Summer Camps

Now is the time to begin planning for summer! On campus, we are so excited for our second season of summer fun at Saint Patrick Academy. Camp Shamrock is our summer day camp held on campus at Saint Patrick Academy. Each day, we play games, explore new ideas, and spend time together. Camp Shamrock is a fun, safe, and faith-filled summer home for students entering grades 1-8.



### MIND BODY SPIRIT

Give. Build. Impact.

*A Campaign for Saint Patrick Academy*

The Mind Body Spirit campaign to complete the construction of our new multi-purpose facility is well under way! With over \$400,000 raised toward our goal of \$1 million, we are so excited to have so many families and individuals join us in supporting this incredible project.

If you are interested in learning more about the campaign, please contact Dr. Melone, Head of School, at [jmelone@saintpatrickacademy.org](mailto:jmelone@saintpatrickacademy.org) or call 603-436-0739.



### Catholic Schools Week

This week, Catholic Schools across the nation join in celebrating Catholic Education during National Catholic Schools Week. Saint Patrick Academy is education fully alive: Excellence in the pursuit of faith, academics, leadership, and virtue. Thank you to all who support our School!

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