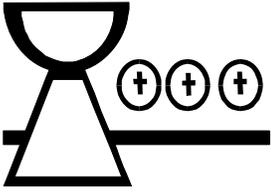


The Epiphany of the Lord



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
January 4, 2015*



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CHRISTI
PARISH**

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Reverend Shaji Silva**

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Deacon William W. Evans**

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CARING & SHARING

215-855-1311 ext 133

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES: 7:15AM

SATURDAY MASSES:

7:15 AM.....4:30 PM

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

SUNDAY MASSES: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 (Children's
Liturgy of the Word for Grades K,1,and 2 at 10AM Mass)
11:30 AM, and 6 PM

HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, after 7:15AM Mass, 3:15 to 4 PM, and
also upon request at the Parish House.

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

The word *epiphany* comes from the Greek word *epiphaneia*, meaning divine manifestation. Today's feast is about the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah and Savior of the world. We know the story well. Three kings from afar came bearing gifts for the newborn king.



It is interesting that Jesus' own people, the Jews, did not accept Him as their king. We hear in Scripture that Jesus was sent as king of the Jews, yet it was the Magi of gentile nations who came to pay homage to Him. Today's readings reveal God's eternal plan for salvation in the birth of Jesus. When He was born, Jesus was revealed not only to the shepherds and Magi, but to all nations. Our salvation history unfolded and humanity has been renewed. Jesus came as God's new covenant to His people. All nations belong to the human race; all have a common divine origin and share a common bond with God. All nations share in God's justice and mercy. We all share in God's plan for universal salvation.

We can recognize some parallels of what can be viewed as racism or ethnic cleansing during biblical history. Moses was born when the Pharaoh was killing all first born males of the Israelites. He feared losing power over the people. Moses was saved and ultimately led these same people to freedom in Israel. At the time of the birth of Jesus, Herod feared loss of power because of a new king who was to come. Herod called for the killing of all newborn males and Jesus was taken to Egypt for protection. The faith of the wisemen stands in sharp contrast to the attitude of Herod. The gentile world was ready to recognize Jesus as the Messiah and King, as demonstrated by their coming to pay homage to Him. There was no such recognition or homage by the Jewish people. God's plan for salvation took precedence over any human attempt to be more powerful than God.

Racism is one of the more serious problems we have to combat in our communities. It is the attempt to control and have power over others. Ethnic cleansing did not stop with Adolph Hitler. It continues in our world today. In a society as advanced as ours, where information and technology change so rapidly, why does it remain so difficult to recognize the equality of all? Racism in our neighborhoods or domestic abuse in our homes is not what this feast is about.

There remains a universal tone in today's scriptures, Jesus came to save all people, whether Jew or Gentile, Israelite or Greek. The dignity of all humans is based on their creation in the image and likeness of God. Our equality does not mean uniformity, but calls us to recognize the differences and the value of each of our gifts. Equality creates solidarity because it sees in each person a brother or sister deserving of love and respect. We must have the enthusiasm to discover those common bonds that form us as the Body of Christ. We share a common ancestry and we have a common bond with God.

God bless you,

AN EPIPHANY HOUSEHOLD BLESSING

The custom of blessing the home probably grew up on account of the words in the Gospel, "And entering into the house, they found the Child with Mary, His Mother, and falling down they adored Him."

Leader: In the (+) name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen. May the peace of the Prince of peace be upon this household! Legend gives these names to the Lord's Epiphany visitors: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. With chalk, their initials sign this doorway, along with four crosses, and the numerals of the new year. *[Write above the doorway]:*

[20 + C + M + B + 15]

Let us pray: **Christus Mansionem Benedicat**, May Christ bless this house now and forever. **All:** Amen

Leader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians: ***While we have been given the opportunity, let us do good deeds for all people, especially for those who are of the household of faith.*** The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God!

[In each room of the house, the leader prays for God's blessing and invites someone to sprinkle the room with holy water.]

Living room: Bless this room, O Lord of love and life. **All:** Amen!

Kitchen: Bless this room, O Lord, Be our nourishment and refreshment. **All:** Amen!

Dining Room: Bless this room, O Lord. Sustain us for your service. **All:** Amen!

Bedrooms: Bless this room, O Lord. Renew us for Gospel witness. **All:** Amen!

Bathroom: Bless this room, O Lord. Purify us of all uncleanness. **All:** Amen!

All return to the front door to pray together.

Leader: We pray as Jesus taught us: Our Father . . . *[the leader sprinkles all with holy water and concludes]:* Lord God, bless this household with health, happiness, joy, and peace. We praise You and thank You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **All:** Amen!

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

- Saturday, January 3rd**
4:30 PM Debbie Gorniak
by *The Duardo Family*
- Sunday, January 4th**
7:00 AM Lawrence A. Waldspurger
by *Peter and Stacy Turner*
8:30 Barbara Seneko
by *George and Patty Seneko*
10:00 Helen Wagner
by *The Menke Family*
11:30 Albert DeLongis
by *Gordon and Nancy Gerhart*
6:00 PM Frank Galvin
by *Agnes Baker*
- Monday, January 5th**
7:15 AM John E. Golden
by *Pat and Claire Portolese*
- Tuesday, January 6th**
7:15 AM Nettie Santangelo
by *Pat and Pam Kendig*
- Wednesday, January 7th**
7:15 AM Dougherty Family
by *Joe and Diane Radvansky*
- Thursday, January 8th**
7:15 AM Lucy Muscara
by *The Ahlum Family*
- Friday, January 9th**
7:15 AM Rev. James J. McLaughlin
- Saturday, January 10th**
7:15 AM Paul Fitzpatrick
by *Pat and Pam Kendig*
4:30 PM Dan Algeo
by *The Roddy Family*
- Sunday, January 11th**
7:00 AM Bernard J. Quartapella
by *Joe and Janet DePolo*
8:30 Daniel Algeo
by *The Borkowski Family*
10:00 Dorothy and Edward Wilson
by *Dot Gillespie*
11:30 Lucy Muscara
by *Bernard and Mary Heffernan*
6:00 PM Mary Winterburg
by *The DeSantis Family*



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially John Regan, brother of Catherine Rush.



Prayer For Those Who Have Died
Into your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender
love; deliver them now from every evil
and bid them enter eternal rest. +Amen

THE EPIPHANY of THE LORD

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

December 20/21	\$ 27,960
Envelopes mailed	2,635
Envelopes returned	785
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
December to date	\$ 4,108

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 Isaiah speaks poetically of the coming of the Lord. He describes how “darkness covers the earth” but light and glory appear over God’s chosen people.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Lord, every nation on earth will adore You.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Paul tells the Ephesians that the Jews and Gentiles are now co-heirs of the promises God has made. He explains that both groups are now members of one body through Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 After Jesus’ birth, three astrologers from the east came to Jerusalem and inquired about the newborn king of the Jews. King Herod became greatly angered, and asked the astrologers to bring him more information about the child once they had found him, so that he too could pay homage to the infant. However, Herod’s true plan was to kill Jesus. The wise men were warned in a dream not to return to him and they took a different route to return home.



“See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears His glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant with what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow.”

We continue to bask in the Christmas season. The Nativity, Holy Family and Motherhood of Mary lead us to the great Epiphany. We become immersed with details of three gifts, magi from the east, the plotting of Herod. Our camel led journey brings us to the person of Christ.

As the astrologers returned to their place, changed by the Christ event, we too should reflect on the change which has taken place for us. Perhaps we traveled and visited, or others did us the favor. The light of Christ, perhaps has dimmed as we said goodbye and return to normal. Maybe there was some sadness too during the days of Christmas joy, the absence of a loved one, or family member, because of death or sickness.

The prophet Isaiah reminds us of the light, the radiance, ‘raise your eyes and look about.’ The darkness of world and personal problems cannot take away the brilliance of the light of Christ. The magi brought their treasures, and we have been given not gold, myrrh and frankincense, but we carry within us the treasure of Christ Himself. As they opened their coffers we continue to open our hearts to receive the Christ.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA



Dear Friends,

So many people have asked "How can I help with the World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia 2015?" We have one way!

We expect thousands and thousands of visitors from around the U.S. and the world to join us next September and there is now a host family program to supplement the hotel rooms in the region. We need host families!

Homestay, a Dublin company, works every day to match host families with visitors with an online system and they created a special online host family site just for WMOF 2015. Parishioners, school families, and other area residents can easily sign up online to be host families. Hosts list specific accommodations they can offer, household rules, and language preferences on the web site and visitors search for a match.

Here is a flyer with information regarding Homestay. Please help us share this opportunity with your community and spread the word about hosting a family by directing people to our website:

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/get-involved/host-a-family>

If you have any questions about Homestay, please email host@worldmeeting2015.org. Thank you for your support at this exciting time.

Registration is now open for the **World Meeting of Families!** Please visit:

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/plan-your-visit/register/>

Catholic Social Services

Volunteer drivers needed to pick up donated food from local grocery stores. For more information, please call Catholic Social Services, Elizabeth Peteraf at 610-279-7372.

Food cupboard volunteers needed at Catholic Social Services, 353 E. Johnson Hwy., Norristown PA. Hours of Food Cupboard: Monday and Thursday morning 9AM-11AM and Thursday evening from 5-6:30PM.

YOUNG ADULT EVENT: "I'M SINGLE AND I KNOW IT..." WHAT NOW?

Wednesday, January 14th ~ From 7:00-9:00PM

In the Gospel of St. Matthew, Jesus asks "Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female...for this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh (Mt. 19:3-5)?" If that is the case, then why are many of us single? What is God asking of us in our current single state? What can we do to ensure that we are following God's will in this day and age? Come join fellow young adults at this evening event and dig into the meaning of living the single vocation in relation to God's divine plan for us.

Presenter: Carolina Soares, M.A., Team Member: Youth and Young Adult Ministry, holds a Master's Degree in Theology from Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall University.

Fee: Free Will Offering

Please phone or e-mail to register at least 3 days prior to program date.

<http://msbt.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2974491947061cf2b39893848&id=6e9e8ad15a&e=58941a8ae3>

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Television Mass

Watch the television mass Sunday mornings at 5:30AM on WPVI-TV Channel 6. It is rebroadcast each Sunday at the following times: 9AM DT-2 Channel 6 digital
10AM LaSalle University 56
5PM DT-2 Channel 6 digital

News from Archbishop Wood High School

DESIGNER BAG BINGO

to benefit Boys' Basketball

Thursday, January 8th, 2015

6:30PM ~ \$30 per person

Contact Terry Funk at terryfunk@comcast.net

or 215-359-8374

Winter Registration Week

January 26-30, 2015; Business Office Hours: 8AM-3PM

Contact Patricia Roschetz at 215-672-5050 ext. 268 or

proschetz@archwood.org



As you travel be sure to check the time of Masses at your destination.

Founded by the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer, **Holy Redeemer Home Care and Hospice** offers comprehensive, compassionate home health services. Whether you need home care after surgery or an accident, or for a relative who is coping with a chronic or life-limiting illness, you can rely upon Holy Redeemer Home Care and Hospice's expertise. Our highly qualified, staff delivers advanced clinical care in the home, meeting your needs with caring, individually-focused care to help you enjoy the best quality of life possible. We are now servicing the Lansdale area. For more information, please call 1-888-678-8678 or visit www.holyredeemer.com/homecare.

Personal Care Apartments and Rehabilitation Available St. Mary Center for Rehabilitation & Healthcare Continuing Care Retirement Community, 701 Lansdale Avenue, Lansdale, currently has personal care apartments as well as rehabilitation care available. Our community is attached to a beautiful, historic chapel where residents can attend daily Mass. For more information, call 215-368-0900.

Lansdale Catholic 8th Grade Shadow Program - All area eighth graders are encouraged to shadow a current LC ninth grader for a day. Please have a parent/guardian contact Mrs. Allen email amallen@lansdalecatholic.com or call at 215-362-6160 x 194 to set up a shadow appointment.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School - 8th Grade Visitations - Spend the day with a current Gwynedd Girl and learn why they chose Gwynedd! **Registration** is available online at www.gmahs.org for all upcoming events!

JOSEPH'S PEOPLE CHAPTER



Are you Unemployed? Underemployed? Want to learn more about networking? How to create an effective resume? Talk to others who are sharing the same experience as you are? At Joseph's People we offer support and guidance to those who are unemployed or underemployed. Join us on the **first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the St. Maria Goretti Parish Center Library.**

Help! **Christian host family needed for Chinese student** who is studying in Lansdale Catholic high school. We will provide support and monthly stipend \$1000 for your love and care for our student. Interested please contact Mandy at 484-300-5760, email mchan@usivy.net

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Mom Café - Tuesday, January 6 – 9:30 to 11AM

Religious Education Room in Church

The Guardians -Tuesday, January 6 – 7PM

Religious Education Room in Church. For more

information or to register for your first meeting, please

contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.

The Flame of Love Book Study

What is the gift from heaven (The Flame of Love) that can blind Satan? Why has the Flame of Love been called the Noah's Ark of our time? Discover these answers as we read: *The Flame of Love Of The Immaculate Heart Of Mary; The Spiritual Diary*. The diary contains heavenly communications, which perfectly support and specifically amplify the urgency of the message of Fatima. Be consoled by the many promises to parishes, families and individuals who are devoted to the cause of the Flame of Love. Join us to learn more about this devotion and read the diary. **Contact Diana King Gates to register at diana.kinggates@gmail.com.**

Tuesdays, January 13th, 20th, and 27th ~ 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Corpus Christi Church ~ Religious Education Room (side room of church/ramp entrance)

Invisible Monastery

Will you pray for vocations? Our Church desperately needs more priests and religious. Join thousands of Catholics by pledging to pray daily or weekly at www.invisiblemonastery.com

Why Pray?

Reason #1 We need more priests and religious!

The Church's need for priests is growing. As priests die and retire, not enough men are being ordained to replace them. Meanwhile, the Catholic population is growing. This leads to painful parish closings, mergers, and over-worked priests. Likewise, the number of religious sisters has plummeted by nearly 70% in the past 50 years, which means fewer sisters in schools, hospitals, and other critical Catholic missions.

Reason #2 We need the Eucharist

"Considering that the Eucharist is the greatest gift our Lord gives to his Church, we must ask for priests since the priesthood is a gift for the Church. We must pray insistently for this gift. We must ask for it on our knees." ~ Pope John Paul II

Reason #3 Prayer is the "one thing necessary"

"I often think that prayer is the one aspect of vocations work which we tend to forget or to undervalue." – Pope Benedict XVI

Reason #4 Prayer works!

"If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of Him." ~ 1 John 5:14-15

Now, more than ever, your prayers are needed!

Walking Toward Eternity: Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart

is an inspiring DVD series with Jeff and Emily Cavins designed to help participants live their faith more fully. Through daily prayerful meditation with Scripture (Lectio Divina), you will be drawn into an intimate and life-changing encounter with Christ. Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart is a challenging study that can open our eyes to obstacles in our Christian walk such as greed, envy, fear and shame. Through prayer, reflection, discussion, guidance, and the aid of the Holy Spirit, we begin to engage these difficulties in a positive way as we continue toward our goal of union with Christ. Cost is \$16.00. To register, send check for \$16.00 along with your name, phone number, and e-mail address to Corpus Christi Parish Center, Adult Faith Formation, 900 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446. Don't forget to include your session choice: Morning or Evening. **For further information or questions, please contact Eileen Dowling at irisheileen@hotmail.com.**

Wednesdays, February 4th through April 1st

(No session on February 18th)

8:45-11AM or 6:45-9PM

Corpus Christi Parish Center



The World Meeting of Families will take place in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in September of 2015. Join us for a presentation on the World Meeting of Families Catechism that will assist us in our spiritual preparation for this grace-filled event in the life of our local

and universal Church. The presentation will consist of two parts: a teaching on the Preparatory Catechism, *Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive* and an update on planning including registration information for the various events that will be held. **Tuesday, April 21, 2015**, Religious Education Room, 7:00PM to 8:30PM, Guest Presenter: Dr. Jessica Murdoch, Assistant Professor, Fundamental and Dogmatic Theology, Villanova University.

In order to help us prepare for the World Meeting of Families and the anticipated visit from Pope Francis, a catechism on family life entitled, *Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive*, has been prepared. Each month for the next ten months, our parish is reflecting on one chapter from this catechism. You can order a copy of this beautifully illustrated catechism and learn about the World Meeting of Families at WorldMeeting2015.org.

Man Up Philly ~ Save the Date for March 7, 2015

This year Man Up Philly will be holding the 7th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference in Philadelphia. We encourage all men to join us for an inspiring time of faith and sharing. Experience our area's largest Men's Spirituality Conference first-hand and join others who are ready to Man Up by living their true calling. Order your tickets online at www.ManUpPhilly.com/Registration or pick up a registration form on the narthex tables. **Registration is \$40.00 per person (includes lunch) if you register before February 7th. After February 7, 2015 \$50.00.**

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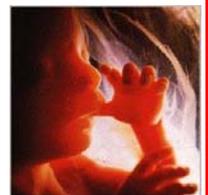
MARCH FOR LIFE 2015 – 42nd Anniversary

The 42nd Annual March for Life will be held on **Thursday, January 22, 2015** in Washington, DC. Corpus Christi Parish will send 2 buses to Washington to attend this peaceful and prayerful demonstration bearing witness to the dignity of human life from conception to natural death.

Schedule for the day is as follows: Leave Corpus Christi parking lot at 6:00AM promptly. Arrive in Washington, DC and attend 10AM Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, celebrated by Archbishop Charles J. Chaput. After Mass, you can tour the Shrine and eat lunch. At the given time, we will take the Metro (tickets provided) to the site of the March. If physically able, we would like you to walk in the March (approximately one mile). Return to Shrine and leave by 4PM.

Cost for adults is \$24 for bus & \$14 for dinner at Country Buffet (\$38 total). Cost for students is \$14 for dinner, bus is free for all students BUT an adult must accompany them. No change in cost.

Everyone should bring a bag lunch and a drink. Bus returns to Corpus Christi by 9PM. Sign-ups start now. Sign-up board is in the Narthex of Church and you must pay in full to reserve your seat. All deposits are transferrable, but not refundable. **Make checks payable to Respect Life** and send to Ellie Hentschel, 2045 Pheasant Hill Rd., Lansdale, PA 19446, 215-362-0160. BUS #1, Respect Life, BUS #2, Knights of Columbus. You can go on either bus. Bring your gold scarf from previous year. Will you join us this year in our efforts to save our unborn children?



Please be praying for... Florence Linfante, Alice Mirynowski, Will Weigner, Dolores Lynch, Mary Schnee, Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Joe Swaim, Aggie Susack, Kathy Hayman, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Holly and Jeff Miller, Israel Beterra, Mary Schnell, Annamarie Hutchinson, Mimi Hudachek, Samuel Smith, Willard McKennon.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Club 50 Meeting - The General Meeting will be **Thursday, January 8th at 12 Noon** in the Parish Center, rooms A,B, and C. The Nominating Committee is looking for members to fill the positions of Treasurer, and Vice President(s). Following the meeting a member from the Upper Gwynedd Police Department will speak on Identity Theft. We will then have lunch.

Jersey Dreamers Production - "Vegas" Haledon NJ, Wednesday, February 4th, 2015, cost \$93. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Family style luncheon, and Jersey Dreamers Production of "Vegas" at La Neves (11AM). Payment due at sign-up no refunds after the vendor is paid in full. *Call 215-368-0421 Rose Wilson, 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale PA 19446 or 610-584-4926 Mary Slater.

Caesars Casino, NJ - *George Casey Show*, Monday, March 16, 2015, Cost \$45. Package includes \$20 slot play, and admission to the 3PM *George Casey Show*. Departs 11AM return approximately 9PM. Payment due at sign-up no refunds after the vendor is paid in full. *Call 215-513-1026 Alex and Betty Korsch, 1307 Brittany Pointe, Lansdale PA 19446.

Pinegrove Ranch & Family Resort, New York State - Sunday, April 19-Friday April 24, 2015. Round trip motorcoach transportation, 5 night's accommodations at Pinegrove Resort Ranch. So much activity you need to pick up a brochure at the ministry table in the Narthex or at Club 50 meetings for full details! Initial deposit \$50 balance due by February 27, 2015. For reservations and information *call 215-393-8786, John and Mary Woodcock, 261 Beth Drive, Lansdale PA 19446

***All checks which are due at sign-up should be made payable to "Club 50 of Corpus Christi."**

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION



The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place next weekend, **January 10th and 11th**, after all the Masses. Please leave your donations of non-perishable goods in the room next to the restrooms in the back of church. This room is open after all the masses each weekend. Thank you for your participation!

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Moyer Indoor/Outdoor Services has an incentive program. This program makes a contribution to churches based on the amount of fuel oil purchased by parishioners for as long as they remain a customer. So, if you're currently a customer of Moyer Indoor Outdoor Services, now is the time to call and be included in this program. For details, call Bill Jurer at 215-237-3870.

**"A House is Built with Boards & Beams,
A Home is Built with Love & Dreams"**

Come Visit Our Home....

Corpus Christi Catholic School, A Blue Ribbons School of Excellence, is hosting an **Open House on Sunday, January 25, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** There will be representatives from the school and student ambassadors available to answer any of your questions. Please stop by and see what we are all about.

We look forward to seeing you there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP



All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 in Corpus Christi and St Rose of Lima Parishes are invited to participate in the 2015 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held on **Thursday, January 8th 2015 from 6PM to 8PM** in the Corpus Christi School Gym. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. **Entry forms can be accessed on the Fr John E Doyle Council's Web Site (www.kofc9715.org) or by contacting Mike Gavaghan (267-222-8938) for information.**

World Meeting of Families Preparatory Presentation at St. Stanislaus Parish

Saint Stanislaus Parish is pleased to welcome Bishop John McIntyre for a presentation on the 8th World Meeting of Families on **January 13th at 7:30PM** at the Parish Center, located behind the Church at Main Street (Route 63) and Lansdale Avenue in Lansdale. Bishop McIntyre will explain the event programming, content, and activities surrounding this monumental event. Receive the most up-to-date information as each of us plan for this coming event next Fall. All are welcome. There is no cost to attend, and registration is not required. Light refreshments will follow.

YEAR END TAX STATEMENTS

This year, in a further attempt to save on postage costs we will be emailing year end tax statements to those who have an email address on their parish records. In order to add, update or be sure your email address is on our records please send a request to corpuschristilansdale@gmail.com with the notation of **"Tax Statement"** in the subject bar. If you have been in touch with the parish during the year by email no need to reconfirm! Thank you for your co-operation!



CASSEROLE PROJECT

PLEASE BE SURE TO MARK THE CONTENTS AND DATE YOUR CASSEROLE WAS PREPARED ON THE COVER OF THE CASSEROLE.

Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up Thursday, January 8th. Pick-up day is always the second Thursday of the month. Each day St. John's provides between 500 and 700 meals to the homeless. Won't you help with this project by taking a pan and filling it with a recipe of your choice? The recipe should have a meat, poultry, or fish base. Please use only the pans that are provided by St John's and are available on the tables with the burgundy covers in the narthex of the church. They are also available in the gray garage next to the freezers. Do not overfill the pans. Please bring your solidly frozen casseroles to the three-bay gray garage near the former convent by Wednesday, January 7th. The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. Be sure that the freezers are turned on before leaving your casserole. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.

Between 12/7 and 12/14 all the pans on the table and the reserve pans under the table were taken - hopefully, to be filled for St John's Hospice. If you have a major project for St John's and need a large number of pans, please notify Kay Smerke so additional pans can be put on the table for use by others.

If You Can Cook Even One Meal, Please Read this !



Aid for Friends is in need of meals to take to the homebound. Please consider taking the tin meal plates home with you and sharing the meal you make for the family. You can put these in the freezers in the garage near the Prayer Garden.

Youth News

High School Youth Group

For more information contact Danielle, the youth minister corpus.ym@gmail.com. Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on **Facebook** or the parish web at <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

Upcoming Summer Trips

Steubenville Main Campus 3: June 26-28, 2015
Contact Danielle to sign up!

Summer Beach Retreat July 27-31

LIFETEEN CALENDAR: For details regarding each week's activities, visit the youth section of Corpus Christi's website. www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry



(7th-8th Grade Youth Group)

7th and 8th graders are invited to join our middle school youth group on Monday nights, from 4:30-5:45PM, or 6:45-8PM (the same session is done twice). Our middle school youth group learns about making the Catholic faith an exciting part of daily life, and it gets them pumped to join our high school group when they reach the age. For more information, contact Danielle Gallo, our youth minister: Corpus Christi (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or corpus.ym@gmail.com.

SCRIP CORNER

Weeeere Baaaack!

The SCRIP Office (located in the school gym) is open 9AM - 12:30PM every day that school is in session, plus 5:30PM - 7PM every Monday that REC is in session. Phone: 215-362-0104; E-mail: cc.scrip@yahoo.com; Order form: www.ccsilansdale.org. Contact Mary Ellen McCabe with questions.

Thank you for using SCRIP to support Corpus Christi!

Attention Corpus Christi School Alumni!

In anticipation of the school's 50th Anniversary next year, a committee has been working on gathering contact information on our graduates so that we can send them invitations to our celebration events. If you or your children graduated from Corpus Christi, please send your name (maiden name, if applicable), year of graduation, address, phone and email address to CorpusChristiLansdaleAlumni@yahoo.com or call the parish office at 215-855-1311. We look forward to hearing from you!

How about some hot soup??? We all eat it when there's a chill outside...do you like the red cans or the blue cans? Do not throw out ANY of those soup cans without cutting out the labels! We are asking your help in collecting the Campbell's points for education UPC labels from the red cans AND the Progresso Box Top Coupons from the blue cans. Please don't throw those labels in the trash!! We are also looking for Box Tops that are on the mashed potato, cookie, cake or muffin boxes...and the rolls of biscuits! Please put them in an envelope marked Box Tops/Labels for Education and drop them in the collection basket or at school or the parish center office during the week.



CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS FOR SCHOOL

Many companies have a Matching Gift program that is available for schools. If you've thought about making a donation to Corpus Christi School, and are employed at one of these companies, obtaining a form from the Human Resources Department could add on to your personal gift and would be a great way to support our school. Ask your employer if they have a Matching Gift or similar type program for schools.

CYO News

● **CYO Winter Mass** - The CYO Winter Mass will be Sunday January 11th at 10am. All Basketball teams will attend with their players, coaches and assistant coaches.

● **CYO Open Positions** - Gym Scheduler, Website Coordinator, Publicity Director, Spirit Wear Manager, Social Event Managers, Board Positions and more. If interested contact marybagnell@verizon.net.

● **Get our Emails** - Set-up an account in our online system so you receive all of our emails for CYO sponsored events and CYO sports. There is no cost to create an account. You can set-up an account at: <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>.

Additional information can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>.

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

Robotics News



Congratulations to our **6th grade** Robotics team, Nine Guys and A Girl, who received a trophy for Robot Performance AND advanced to the Championship Event at the University of Pennsylvania for the third year in a row!

The team members are: Matthew Brun, Michael Brun, Eddie Dolan, Jason Fennell, Austin Helmer, Josh Jackson, Nick Kennedy, Connor Mangan, Amy Orner and Liam Wall.

The team coaches are: Mr. Tom Brun, Mr. Chris Kennedy, Mrs. Kim Mangan, and Mr. Andrew Dolan.

Good luck in the next round of competition!

If you are interested in sending your child to Corpus Christi School please call Mrs. Barb Casee, the school secretary, at 215-368-0582 to arrange a tour or set up a time to come in and register your child.

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia Young Adults is an active community of Catholic young adults in Montgomery County, Pa. Our Ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events and activities.

Our first event of 2015 is a Bible Study at Corpus Christi on January 13th. check out our Twitter link in the top corner of our homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults
Email us at: metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com



We are excited to announce the **2nd and 3rd Regional Kairos retreats for public school and home school high school juniors and seniors** that will take place February 12-15, 2015. Kairos is a 4 day, 3 night retreat helping high school aged kids to grow deeper in their faith. The price for this retreat is usually \$300 but with the Philadelphia Education Fund grant, we are able to offer it for **\$60!** If you are interested in signing up or learning more, please visit our website, <http://paregionalkairos.weebly.com> or email us at paregionalkairos@gmail.com.

HOPE Our Corpus Christi **H.O.P.E.** volunteers perform **WORKS OF MERCY** for our parishioners. We appreciate it if you make appointments 2 weeks in advance.

Week of 1/4 Team #5: Carolyn Bergey at 215-855-1754
Week of 1/11 Team #6: Sue Bones at 215-631-9526

If you have any questions please call Hope Coordinator, **Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263.** Thank You!

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, *parents are required to pre-register those attending the session by contacting the Parish Center Office, 215-855-1311.* Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), at **7:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month: i.e. January 19th, February 16th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

- must be a registered member of a Catholic Parish and receive a Certificate of Eligibility* from that Parish and have attended the Pre-Jordan Baptism class
- must have completed his/her 16th birthday
- must have been Baptized - Confirmed - and has received First Holy Communion - and actively practicing their faith - e.g., attending Mass, receiving Holy Communion - receiving the Sacrament of Penance
- if married - must be living in a valid sacramental marriage
- cannot be the parent of the child to be baptized
- the godparents are to be one male and one female
- one godparent may be a non-Catholic Christian witness with proper proof of his/her baptism — if a non-Catholic is asked to be a Christian witness - the other godparent **MUST** be Catholic
- a person who has left the Catholic Faith for any reason, may not be asked to carry out this responsibility

Please note: **The paperwork for the child's baptism and certificates of eligibility* MUST be completed at least two weeks prior to scheduling a baptism date.** Certificates of eligibility must have a parish seal and cannot be faxed; they must be the original.

***CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY:** A certificate of eligibility is asking for a priest to sign and acknowledge that the person is 16 years of age or more, confirmed and married in the Catholic Church and celebrating the sacraments regularly. Ideally, this person should be registered and an active member of the parish for at least six (6) months. Baptism is administered at **12:30 PM EVERY SUNDAY.**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please send your bulletin announcements to the Parish Center Office no later than the Friday 8 days prior to publication. The preferred method is by e-mail to corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com with the word "bulletin" in the subject line but it can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center. Thank you for your cooperation!

Confessions: Saturday after 7:15AM Mass, 3:15PM – 4:00PM, and also upon request at the Parish House

DAILY PRAYER CHAPEL OPEN: Those who wish to make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament during the day may do so in the Church Chapel. The Chapel is open every day until **3:30PM except Wednesday (and Friday during Lent) when it is open until 6:30PM.** Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Road. The main Church is closed after the 7:15 Mass each morning.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS **7:45AM TO 6:30 PM**



Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see below). **Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd.** (Please consider signing-up to be a weekly Adorer. There is a sign-up list in the Chapel if you would like to make a weekly commitment to a specific time each week. For more information, please call Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459.)

LEGION OF MARY: Wednesday evenings, 7:30 to 9:00 PM, in the Ministry Room of Corpus Christi Church. New members are sincerely welcomed at all meetings.



MARRIAGES: Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary are offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, and devotions to honor St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, are offered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 6:30PM in the Chapel. For information please call 215-855-1311.

OUR LADY OF HOPE PRAYER LINE: The Prayer Line may be called if you are in need of prayer. Call Anna Marie 215-368-4672.

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS: Weekdays from **9AM to 12:30PM and 1:30PM to 5PM.** Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

PARISH LIBRARY Hours: **Sunday 7:45AM to 1PM**

Our parish library is only as successful as the number of people who utilize its resources! The extensive book collection serves no purpose unless it is valued and appreciated as a means of growing in the interior life. Come and see the great treasures your library holds. The Parish Library is located next to the playground area and is open every Sunday from 7:45 AM to 1:00 PM.

PRAYER GROUP: to which ALL are invited meets on Thursday evenings in the Church Chapel at 8 PM.

PREGNANCY HOTLINE: **800-CARE-002** Twenty-four hours/seven days per week hotline for individuals seeking assistance with a pregnancy. Offers assistance to explore pro-life option, supportive counseling and linkage with needed resources.

REGISTRATION: Our diocese requires that all Catholics should be registered in the parish of their residence. If you have moved into our parish and have not registered with us, it is important that you call the Parish Center Office (215-855-1311) and make arrangements to do so as soon as possible. Certificates of Eligibility to act as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, **cannot be issued** unless you are already (preferably for 6 months) registered with us. *Please be aware that young adults over 21 (25 if in college) should register separately.*