

And a voice came from
heaven: "You are my
Son, whom I love; with
you I am well pleased."

Matthew 1:11

*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
January 10, 2016 ~ The Baptism of the Lord*



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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**Reverend Albert J. Santorsola
Reverend Shaji Silva**

PERMANENT DEACONS

**Deacon Francis E. Langsdorf
Deacon William W. Evans
Deacon Steve Currie**

PARISH STAFF

Edd Murphy	Business Manager
Sr. Mary Carroll McCaffrey, SSJ	Parish Minister
Maureen Lafferty	School Principal
Trish Keen	Director, Religious Education for Children
Angela McClellan	Director, Adult Faith Formation
Danielle Gallo	Youth/Young Adult Minister

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<http://corpuschristilansdale.org/welcome/registration/>

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:

Church: www.corpuschristilansdale.org

School: www.ccslansdale.org

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

Pastoral Council: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
 Finance Com: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Flanigan 215-855-1311

Adult Faith Formation: Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122
 Aid for Friends: Judy Jergensen 215-699-9196
 Altar Linens: Lori Neri 215-828-4763
 Altar Servers: Deacon Currie/Trish Keen 215-362-2292
 Bereavement Support Gr: Eileen McCullough 215-361-0978
 Bingo: Laurie Ponticello 610-584-5694
 Boy Scouts: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333
 Casserole Project: Kay Smerke 215-855-1783
 Catholic Charities: www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org
 Charismatic Pr. Grp: Kathleen McCarthy 215-740-0349
 Children's Liturgy of the Word: Trish Keen 215-362-2292
 Club 50 of Corpus Christi: Bob Pecharo 215-368-0198
 Cub Scouts: Rinaldo Rossi 610-715-7025
 CYO Program: Mary Bagnell 215-272-2618
 Eucharistic Adoration: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
 Evangelization Coordinator: Randy Pagnotta 610-564-0921
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Schedules Masses - 215-855-1311 ext. 133
 To Visit Home Bound - Deacon Currie 215-855-1311
 Gift Certificate Program (Scrip): Erin Miller 215-362-0104
 Girl Scouts: Cathy Roberts 215-393-7891
 Greeters: Henry Hartman 215-362-1463
 The Guardians - Fathers' Support Group:
 Deacon Frank Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 113
 Home & School Assn.: Cathy Roberts 215-393-7891
 H.O.P.E.: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
 Hospitality Ministry: Jean Van 215-855-5834
 Knights of Columbus: Richard Ray 267-446-8533
 Lectors: Deacon Evans 215-855-1311
 Legion of Mary: Helen Walker at 484-681-4868
 M.A.S.S. Drivers: Joanne McDonald at 215-855-5307
 The Mom Café - Mothers' Support Group:
 Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122
 Music Ministry: Matthew Klenk 215-855-0670
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 Prayer Garden: Don Janssen 215-361-8558
 Prayer Line: Anna Marie O'Reilly 215-368-4672
 Pre-Cana Program: Jack & Mary Ann McGowan 610-584-5569
 Pre-Jordan Program: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311
 RCIA Program: Deacons Langsdorf and Currie 215-855-1311
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 Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008
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 Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo 215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,



That day 2000+ years ago, when Christ by His baptism in the Jordan, began His public preaching of salvation for all, is a day no true Christian can ever forget. The baptism by John was for sinners, a sign of change of heart and a turning to God. Christ had no sin. He had never turned away from God. He was God, but He was the representative of sinful humanity. He represented us sinners that day and opened the door of salvation for us. In that ceremony Christ was proclaimed by the heavenly Father to be His Son and faithful servant and the power of the Holy spirit came upon Him.

This was all for us. As God He already had all things in common with the Father and the Spirit. He took upon Himself our human nature in order to be one of us and our representative. He was on that day proclaimed God's true and faithful servant. At that same moment we were accepted as adopted children of God.

The mission of Christ was for us. The incarnation took place because God's infinite love wanted us to have a share in the divine gifts of the Trinity. God united the divine with the human nature in Christ. We were raised above our human nature.

How could we, as Christians, ever refuse to do what the Lord calls us to do – to grow in the love and respect for God. But this can't happen through a few distracted daily prayers and a grudging inattentive presence at Sunday Mass. It is accomplished by a more dedicated, committed approach to living our faith.

They say that resolutions are made to be broken, but that doesn't have to be. Be resolved to truly make 2016 a year of recommitment and spiritual renewal.

God bless you,



CREATED, LOVED, REDEEMED BY GOD -- PRICELESS MARCH FOR LIFE 2016 – 43rd Anniversary

The 43rd Annual March for Life will be held on **Friday, January 22, 2016 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 6:00 AM promptly.

Arrive in Washington, DC and attend 10 AM 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 4 PM.

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 9 PM. 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 Road, 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?



HOLY DAY GRATITUDE

Thank you to all those who were involved in the Christmas and New Year's preparations for our Parish Family. Those who decorate, clean, provide music, lector, usher, etc. Without the many hands and hearts of all who participate in any way in the parish celebration of our Lord's birth, epiphany and baptism we would not have the warm and welcoming community that greeted everyone who attended liturgies here at Corpus Christi Church!

God bless and keep you well in the New Year,
Your parish priests, deacons, and staff



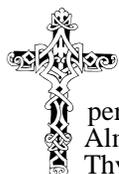
The **Catholic Charities Appeal 2015**, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important fund-raising initiative, enhances the Archdiocese's ability to serve the people throughout the greater Philadelphia region by achieving our \$10 million goal. Please support Catholic Charities. For more information or to make a donation please visit www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org. Corpus Christi's parish goal is \$130,144 and as of Friday, January 4th, Corpus Christi Parish raised \$113,030 for the CCA from 763 gifts. We are at 87% of our \$130,144 goal. Thank you to those who have already responded!

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	January 9th
4:30 PM	Jeff Miller <i>by Cathie Palumbo</i>
Sunday,	January 10th
7:00 AM	Kathy Dougherty <i>by Louisa Fanslau</i>
8:30	Elizabeth Doncses <i>by Earl and Nancy Samsel</i>
10:00	Gerald Connell <i>by Pat Tento</i>
11:30	Rita DiLiberto <i>by Phyllis McAlary</i>
6:00 PM	Lynne M. Kelley <i>by The Tausz Family</i>
Monday,	January 11th
7:15 AM	Barbara Renk <i>by The Chiango Family</i>
Tuesday,	January 12th
7:15 AM	Thomas Redmond <i>by Julie Murphy and Family</i>
Wednesday,	January 13th
7:15 AM	W. Lewis Spielberger <i>by Jack Spielberger</i>
Thursday,	January 14th
7:15 AM	Janet Trezza <i>by The Roberts Family</i>
Friday,	January 15th
7:15 AM	Mary Roberta Higgins <i>by Dawn Jernigan</i>
Saturday,	January 16th
7:15 AM	John J. Kuhar <i>by Stephen McIlhenny</i>
4:30 PM	James and Margaret Butler <i>by John and Peggy Butler</i>
Sunday,	January 17th
7:00 AM	Pam Pauzano <i>by The Fanslau Family</i>
8:30	John Atkins <i>by Barbara Atkins</i>
10:00	Dorothy and Edward Wilson <i>by Dot Gillespie</i>
11:30	Rita DiLiberto <i>by Ed and Rosemary Gillette</i>
6:00 PM	Mary Walters <i>by Stephen and Olga Pomper</i>



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Ronnie Benton; Wayne Richards, husband of Bonnie.



Prayer For Those Who Have Died

Father of all, we pray to Thee for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them Thy peace, let light perpetually shine on them; and in Thy loving wisdom and Almighty power, work in them the same good purpose of Thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. +Amen

THE BAPTISM of THE LORD

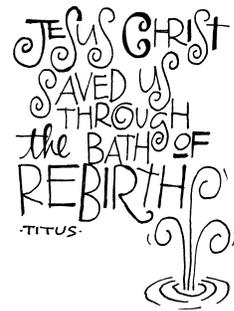
WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Christmas	\$ 87,389
Envelopes mailed	3,946
Envelopes returned	1,105
December 26/27	26,132
Envelopes mailed	2,440
Envelopes returned	925
January 2/3	33,413
Envelopes returned	846
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
December to date	\$ 5,763

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells His servant that He was formed to be "a light for the nations."

Responsorial Psalm: PS 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 *The Lord will bless His people with peace.*

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38 Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.



Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 John the Baptist had claimed One would come far more powerful than himself. One Who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on Him and a voice said, "You are my beloved Son. On You My favor rests."

Family Connection

Every family has a unique identity that is defined by the behaviors, attitudes, and expectations that govern a family's daily life. This identity is influenced by the family history of the parents, but each family's expression of this history is unique. In today's Gospel, we learn that Jesus' behavior, attitudes, and expectations were governed by His identity as God's beloved Son. In our Baptism, we were made children of this same heavenly Father. This identity as members of the family of God, and as brothers and sisters of Jesus, also shapes our family's daily life.

As you gather as a family, identify some of the expectations and behaviors that govern your family life by answering the question, "What are some of the things that make our family life unique?" Celebrate these things about your family life. Read today's Gospel, Luke 3:15-16, 21-22. Observe that Jesus' identity as the Beloved Son of the Father governed His behaviors, attitudes, and expectations. Recall that at our Baptism we were made children of this same heavenly Father. How does this identity as a member of the family of God govern and shape our family life? Conclude in prayer together that we will remain faithful to our baptismal identity as children of God and as brothers or sisters of Jesus. Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm>

Monday	1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

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 at 215-362-6160 x 194 or email amallen@lansdalecatholic.com to set up a shadow appointment.

Basketball Free Throw Competition

On Sunday January 24th from 1:30 to 3 pm, the Knights of Columbus, Pius IX Council will be hosting the **Annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition at the Drexel Hall gymnasium of the St. Maria Goretti Parish center located at 1601 Derstine Road in Hatfield, PA 19440.** All Boys and Girls ages 9 to 14 (born between Jan 1, 2002 and Jan 1, 2007) are invited to participate at this local level of competition. Free for all to enter. Please have all participants show up at the 1:30 pm start time with proof of age and ready to compete. Contact larry_huber@comcast.net or visit the Events section of www.koc4396.org for more information.

 Looking for the perfect beginning to your New Year with your spouse? Time to get away to reconnect on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Rediscover the romance in your marriage as you improve communication and get to know each other at a deeper level. What you learn on the Weekend offers positive and lasting benefits for your family. **The next Weekend in this area is February 12-14 at Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown.** Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wwme-philly.org. You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wwme-philly.org or call 610-449-1859.

Flame of Love Rosary Cenacle: A devotion of reparation to meet the pleas of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother to assist in the spiritual battle to save souls. The book from which this devotion is modeled has an imprimatur by Archbishop Chaput. Includes brief foundational teaching followed by a holy hour: Flame of Love Rosary, Prayers to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, our heavenly advocates Mary, Joseph and St Michael. Find out what it means to blind Satan. **Join us each Friday 7pm – 8pm, in the Corpus Christi Parish Library, Lansdale, PA.** Contact: Diana 215-855-5494 or flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com for more information.

Rediscover the Love in your Marriage!

 The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. *If you are struggling in your marriage, attending a Retrouvaille program could be the best gift you give to your spouse, and family, this Christmas!* Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. Retrouvaille is a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. **The**

next program begins on the weekend of February 12 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit our website at www.helpourmarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

HELP WANTED

St. Agnes Church, 445 N. Main St., Sellersville, is looking for a part-time person to enter data for new parishioners, changes and entry of contributions. Attention to detail is important. Discretion is essential.

The position would require approximately 10-15 hours a week, hours and days are flexible. It would also require occasional receptionist duties. Knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel with good computer skills is necessary for this position. Wages commensurate with experience.

Please contact Kathy Raub, Parish Business Manager at kraub@stagneschurch.org or call 215-257-2128x116 and leave a message.

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, PORTUGAL AND SPAIN 2016 – 13 Days with Father Al Santorsola

Dear Friends, I will be leading a pilgrimage to France, Portugal and Spain in 2016! Pilgrimages are designed to enhance our spiritual lives, increase our devotion and faith, and to bond with our fellow Christians on the journey. The trip will include the cities of Paris, Lourdes, Lisieux, Fatima, the Shrine of Montserrat and Barcelona. **The trip will be hosted by Proximo Travel.** As you know, I have been to Italy and the Holy Land through Proximo Travel and the pilgrims and I have had truly safe, excellent, exciting and wonderful experiences. The hotels and accommodations are superb. I hope you will join me in what will be a memorable trip. **The trip will be from April 21 through May 3, 2016. The cost of the trip is \$4,699 per person, airfare and ALL inclusive.** For more information and/or registration you can call **Proximo Travel's toll-free number at 855-842-8001.** You can access their website at www.proximotravel.com. Flyers can be located on the information desk in the back of church. Many blessings to you now and always as we live the journey!

Malvern Retreat House

Please visit www.malvernretreat.com to see the available retreat weekends or twilight evening mini-retreats. Register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

Do you have any friends or family members planning to marry in the Catholic Church in the next 12-18 months? - St. Jude Parish offers a fun, engaging and instructional one day Pre-Cana marriage preparation day for engaged couples. The objective of this day is to assist couples prepare for a strong, successful, lifelong marriage in a joy-filled, welcoming, and non-threatening environment. The sessions are held at St. Jude Catholic Education Center located at 323 West Butler Avenue, Chalfont, PA 18914. The one-day St. Jude Pre-Cana sessions are scheduled for: Saturday Feb. 20th and April 23rd. For questions and registration contact the St. Jude Rectory at 215-822-0179.

Corpus Christi's Pre-Cana Program is on the weekend of March 5th & 6th please contact Jack and Mary Ann McGowan at 610-584-5569 or johnmcgowan3@gmail.com for details. Also, **St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Phoenixville, PA, Saturday – April 23, 2016,** Program begins at 8:00 AM and ends after the 4:00 PM Mass. It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit our website www.stmaryassumption.org - click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.

Discovering Christ

This exciting eight week course is designed to help men and women just like you encounter the person of Jesus Christ and accept His invitation to know him in a personal relationship. Come share a meal each week, listen to dynamic DVD based presentations, and explore answers with others on the basic questions of purpose, faith, and life.

What gives meaning and purpose to life? Why does Jesus matter? Does God really love me as a Father? Why do I need a Savior? The Holy Spirit: Who is He and what does He do? How do we live as Disciples of Christ? Believing and Belonging: What about the Church?

Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Sundays, January 31.; February 7, 14, 21, 28.; March 6 (off-campus retreat), 13, and 20, 2016, 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM, No Cost to Attend. This course is limited to only 32 participants. Only 10 spaces left! Register with your name, address, and phone number at: directoraff@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-0199 (ext. 202).

Benefit Concert to Support St. Charles Seminary
Saturday, January 30, 2-3:30 at St. Martin's chapel featuring the well known artist, Tony Melendez. Tickets are \$20, for more information call the vocation office at 610-667-5778.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

Mom Café - Tuesday, February 2nd-9:30 to 11AM



Upcoming
Events

Religious Education Room in Church

The Guardians - Tuesday, February 2nd- 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 Brother House, a work of the Legion of Mary, the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church, is seeking new *male* members to work with homeless men at 510 Green Street, Norristown, PA. Come and ring our doorbell on any Monday evening between 6:45 and 7:00, or contact Leo Couchara at 484-614-0055 for more information. It is a very rewarding spiritual work.

for I was hungry and you gave me food...(Matthew 25:35)

Be Inspired! Grow in your Faith!

Observance of the **Jubilee Year of Mercy In the Archdiocese of Philadelphia began on December 8, 2015**, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, continuing through November 20, 2016, The Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

The image, created by Jesuit Fr. Marko Rupnik, also shows one of Jesus' eyes merged with the man's to show how "Christ sees with the eyes of Adam, and Adam with the eyes of Christ."

Principle Dates for Observance of the Jubilee Archdiocesan and Parish Observance of 24 Hours for the Lord- Friday, March 4 - Saturday March 5, 2016 We will join parishes, dioceses and communities worldwide and the Holy Father in prayer and penance. The Vatican is encouraging all churches to be open during this time, with reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration available, ending with Mass on Saturday afternoon. Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3, 2016. Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday, April 23, 2016. Learn more about the Jubilee Year of Mercy (Dec 2015-Nov 2016) - Discover what's so "extraordinary" about the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis by attending a local Introduction to the Jubilee presentation. The schedule of presentations and other resources for living the Jubilee can be found on the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Year of Mercy website: www.archphila.org/mercy. Jubilee Calendar of Events: www.archphila.org/mercy/calendar <http://www.im.va/content/gdm/en.html>



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In the **Year of Mercy**, every Christian family can become a privileged place on this pilgrimage for experiencing the joy of forgiveness. Forgiveness is the essence of the love which can understand mistakes and mend them. Pope Francis 12-27-15

Follow on Facebook: Jubilee Year of Mercy <https://www.facebook.com/JubilaemMisericordiae.en/?fref=fb>

There's An App for That!

In the rising use of "apps" in our day to day life, for Catholics "there's an app for that!" **Catholic Aptitude** may be the one stop resource you have been looking for to find the most comprehensive list of the best Catholic apps in the marketplace in a variety of formats. Check out their website at <http://catholicaptitude.org/>, sign up for their emails and newsletters or check out some of the tabs for articles and resources.

**Lent arrives in exactly one month ...
Ash Wednesday is February 10th**

Prayer Life in a Rut?

Is your prayer less than inspiring? Do you find yourself longing for a deeper connection with God? Maybe it's time to turn to a doctor for help ... a Doctor of the Church, that is.

This five week course on the four stages of prayer is based on the teaching of the great mystical Doctor of the Church, Saint Teresa of Avila. Classes include instruction (and practice) in mental prayer, meditation, and contemplation. Tips on how to discern the voice of God, how to handle distractions and dryness in prayer, and how to recognize signs of advancing prayer are also included.

**Wednesdays, February 17 and 24; March 2, 9, and 16,
2016**

**7:00PM to 8:30PM ~ Corpus Christi Parish Center
Conference Rooms B and C**

Cost \$35.00 ~ Facilitator: Ms. Susan Brinkmann, OCDS

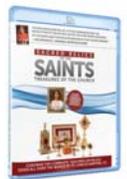
Help Needed

Our Director of Adult Faith Formation is searching for a woman of our parish who is willing to offer child care during our Mom Café meetings for children of the moms who attend the meetings. Meetings are 90 minutes and are held on the First Tuesday of each month from October through May. Anyone volunteering must possess or be willing to obtain all Safe Environment Credentials. If you think you can help, please contact Angela McClellan at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.

momcafé

Sacred Relics of the Saints DVD

Available at the Parish Center, \$10. The veneration of relics is a communion with the heroes of our Christian Faith and a way for us to ask their powerful intercession. This DVD presentation summarizes the Church's use of relics and is scriptural, catechetical, and devotional in nature. It also includes a virtual exposition of over 160 relics and a complete biography of Saint Maria Goretti. Please stop by the Parish Center during regular office hours to purchase a copy. Proceeds from the sale of this DVD benefit the saint maria Goretti Shrine in Nettuno, Italy and the house of Martyrdom.



TMIY: That Man Is You!

That Man Is You! is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of a man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man Is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society. The program consists of a 13 week Fall and Spring "semester". Each session has three essential elements: a social gathering over breakfast refreshments, a 30 minute DVD presentation, and opportunity for discussion. Become a man after God's own heart and join us. That Man Is You! **To register send name, address, phone number, and e-mail address to directoraff@stmariagoretti.net or call 215-721-0199 ext. 202. Wednesdays, January 13, 20, 27, 2016; February 3, 10, 17, and 24; March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 at Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level; 6:00 AM to 7:30 AM; Cost - \$20.00**

Please be praying for... Florence Linfante, Will Weigner, Dolores Lynch, Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Joe Swaim, Kathy Hayman, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Jim Thompson, Hayden Spratt, Angelo Rosato, Thomas Roy, Rich Kupniewski, Elaine Deimeyer, Dave Clark, Debbie Scott, Peter Schumacher, Rosemary Bauerle, Kathy Popiny, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, Anthony Leone, Sr., Jeffrey Feulner, George Olden.



Corpus Christi is in need of more **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** to bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass, including those in their homes and in nursing facilities. If you believe that God is calling you to serve your brothers and sisters, please call the Parish Office, 215-855-1311, and leave a message for Deacon Steve Currie.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

January General Meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 14, at 12:00 noon** in Mtg rooms A-B-C. We will have speakers from SAAC and PEAK presenting such topics as programs for seniors, and Meals on Wheels. Any questions, please contact Janet Stankus at 215-368-1785, or Kathy Kemp at 215-368-4075.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

Hunterdon Hills Playhouse -Wednesday, February 17, 2016 cost- \$94. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tips included. Full course sit-down luncheon, *Your choice of:* Fried Shrimp Platter, Yankee Pot Roast, Grilled Salmon Filet, Special of the Day, or Chicken Piccata. The matinee performance of "Spreading it Around" follows. Payment due at sign-up, no refunds after the vendor is paid in full. *Contact 215-513-1026, Alex and Betty Korsch, 1307 Brittany Pointe, Lansdale PA 19446.

Southern Caribbean Cruise- Royal Caribbean's Grandeur of the Seas, Monday, February 13, 2017 to Saturday February 25, 2017. Please pick up a brochure in the Narthex. **Important:** Deposit of \$500 due at sign-up with 2nd payment of \$300 due June 10, 2016 and balance November 5, 2016

Villa Roma Resort, Calicoon, NY (Catskills) - Sunday, April 24, 2016 to Thursday April 28, 2016. Round trip motor coach. 4 nights accommodations at the Villa Roma Resort. Meal package includes 4 breakfasts, 3 lite fare lunches, 4 full course dinners. Complete schedule of daily activities. For full details pick up a BROCHURE in the Narthex of Church or at Club 50 meetings. Cost dbl \$509; single \$649; triple \$509 optional insurance pp \$80. Deposit - \$50 balance due by March 10, 2016. Contact: * 215-368-0945 Peggy and John Butler, 1500 Berkley Way, 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 this weekend, January 9/10, 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.

NEW REGISTRATIONS -If you are new to the area don't forget to register to become a Corpus Christi parishioner. To receive the Sacraments of First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony or Letters of Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered parishioner. Come in to register or call the parish office at 215 855-1311 about registering.

KNIGHTS CORNER #9715



SAVE the DATE! Saturday, February 27, 2016 TRIVIA NIGHT - Start studying, dust off your Thinking Caps and plan to join us for the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 Annual Trivia Night on Saturday, February 27, 2016 at 6 PM in the Father Doyle Social Hall. Put together your best team of eight players; cost is \$15 per person. Individuals are also welcomed and will be matched up with other players at the event. To reserve your table please contact Tom McHenry @ 215-513-0251 or at tpmchenry@verizon.net

CASSEROLE PROJECT

Please Be Sure to Mark the Contents and Date Your Casserole Was Prepared on the Cover of the Casserole and to Sign the Sign-up Sheet on the Door of the Big Freezer. Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up Thursday, January 14th. 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 convent by Wednesday, January 13th.** The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.

Connect with other parents of children with special needs! Please join us for a monthly meeting, to share ideas, resources, and support. As we begin to meet monthly, we will create topics for each meeting based on your interests and needs. Below are meeting dates and times for the next several months. We will post upcoming meeting times/dates in the church bulletin and Wednesday envelope. We look forward to meeting you! Please call or email Kathi with any questions: 215-260-1783 or kathi0908@verizon.net. **Jan. 11 7:00-8:30PM Rm A;** February 15 7:00-8:30 Room A; March 15 7:00-8:30 Room A; April 11 7:00-8:30 Room A; May 16 7:00-8:30 Room A.

YEAR END TAX STATEMENTS



This year, in a continuing 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! Instructions follow for those without email addresses.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

RE: YEAR END STATEMENTS

Remember: *year end contribution statements are automatically mailed to our Parishioners who have made a single contribution of \$250. or more on a single date and emailed to those who have an email address on their parish records.* If you do not fall into those categories and need a statement for tax purposes, you must request it. To receive a contribution statement, simply fill in the necessary information below and either place it into the collection basket, or drop off or mail it to the Parish Center Office. You may also email your request: CorpusChristiLansdale@gmail.com. Please no phone calls! **Thank you!**

Name as it appears on your weekly envelopes, street address and envelope number.

Youth News

High School Youth Group

For more information contact Danielle, our 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/>

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

SCRIP OFFICE HOURS: Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session)
Monday evenings 5:30pm to 8:00pm (when REC is in session).

Do you buy groceries? Or do you prefer to go out to restaurants to eat? Do you shop at CVS, Lowe's or Target? Do you drive a car that needs an endless supply of gas? Any of these purchases that you are already making can become the catalyst for actual cash back in your own pocket. Check out the full list of retailers at www.ccslansdale.org.

Check out www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of SCRIP stores available to you.

We are in the season of giving but remember to give back to yourself and please remember IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO START SCRIP!!! If your children are not old enough for school yet, you can accumulate tuition/REC credits that can be saved in your account until the time you would need them. To see a complete list of retailers that are offered, please visit our website at www.ccslansdale.org and click on the SCRIP button.

If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fund raising program, you can reach Erin Miller at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail to cc.scrip@yahoo.com!

Safe Environment Announcement

Trish Keen, our Director of Religious Education will be offering the safe environment class in January. This class is called "Protecting God's Children, Awareness Sessions for Adults". This is one of the clearance requirements you need if you wish to volunteer at school. She will be offering two sessions which are listed below. Please register at www.Virtus.org.

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in meeting room B/C
Monday, January 25, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in meeting room B/C

Corpus Christi Home & School Association is sponsoring a guest speaker and is inviting the community to attend. On **Wednesday January 27, 2016, at 7PM in the church**, our speaker will be Dr. Peter Kleponis presenting the topic, **Fighting Porn in Our Culture...and Winning!** Dr. Kleponis will share with us some eye opening information on the dangers of pornography to our families. He will share practical ways to protect our families from pornography, drawing from 18 years as a marriage and family counselor. No children will be permitted at this event. <http://peterkleponis.com/AboutPeterKleponis>

CYO News

CYO Winter Mass - Jan 10th at 10am - All players are expected to attend with their coaches and assistants. The teams will sit together. Please arrive by 9:45, there will be pews reserved on the front left side.

Spring Sports and March Madness registration is open now at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sply.com/site/> and will close on Feb 29th. There are several new programs offered this season, listed below. Additional information is available at <https://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>

CYO Open Positions – Boys Athletic Director, Scheduler, Snack Bar Coordinator, Cheerleading Coach, Publicity Mgr. **Create an Account** in our system so you will receive our emails for other youth events throughout the year. Set-up your account at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site> **Additional Information** can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>

Corpus Christi CYO – Pub Night FUNdraiser!

Who: Open to all members of Corpus Christi Parish
When: Saturday January 23rd, 7:00-10:00pm
Where: Corpus Gym
What: Beef & Beer, Pub Games, DJ, raffle baskets, good times!
Cost: Tickets are \$25 each, wine BYOB
All proceeds benefit CYO Basketball
Catering provided by AAA Catering
<http://aaafamilycatering.com> or contact Chip Panico at chef@chefchipper.com
Beer provided courtesy of Taphouse 23 (www.taphouse23.com)
How do I get my tickets?

Please return the following form with your check to Danielle Lasky c/o Avery (2A), or email laskybt@gmail.com with your ticket order.
Corpus Christi CYO – Pub Night Fundraiser

Name: _____

No. tickets: _____

Please makes checks payable to "Corpus Christi CYO"

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



Corpus Christi Catholic School is celebrating an important milestone this year. The school has been serving the community for 50 years. We are so proud of the school and the academic excellence it represents. We offer PK3 through grade 8. As you prepare your child for his or her academic journey beginning in September of 2016,

we invite you to visit the school and see firsthand what we have to offer your child. Mrs. Barbara Casee, our enrollment coordinator, can arrange a tour which would include an opportunity to visit and observe a class in preschool through grade 8. Shadowing days are available. She can review the faith-filled educational curriculum, the typical day for a student, and review our commitment to the community through our outreach initiatives.

Have any questions??? ... Or if you would like a private tour, please call the school office and ask to speak to Mrs. Casee at 215-368-0582 or email barb.casee@corpuschr.org. She can work with your schedule and set up a day and time convenient for you. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Archdiocesan Rally for Teens -- Grades 8-12

Relentless: Love, Mercy, Grace! Join us for the Year of Mercy Generation Phaith Rally on Saturday, February 27 at Cardinal O'Hara High School from 10 AM to 5:30 PM. Featuring: keynote presenter David Calavitta, the Bosco Boys and musician Teresa Peterson. Plus hands-on service projects, inspiring workshops adoration and Mass! The cost for the day is \$20 per person. Registration materials are available on the web at www.PhillyCatholicYYAM.org or by calling 215-587-3760.

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

Week of 01/10 Team #1: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
Week of 01/17 Team #2: Karen McFadden at 484-552-8129

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 18th, February 15th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

- must be a registered, practicing 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 if married marriage took place 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 almost EVERY SUNDAY.**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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 **3:30 PM except Wednesday 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



7:45 AM TO 6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday from 7:45AM 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. (For more information, please call 215-855-1311).

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. The next pre-cana session is March 5 and 6, 2015. Please contact johnmcgowan3@gmail.com for more information.

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 (during Lent) 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: Sundays 7:45AM to 1PM

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

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.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

We wish to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish community. Our congratulations and best wishes go out to all the families.




December 2015

Jack David Mondoro, son of Karen and Shaun
 Ryan David Mondoro, son of Karen and Shaun
 Callie Marie Metzinger, daughter of Jaime and Joseph
 William James Metzinger, son of Jaime and Joseph
 Raz'hanay Moretta Gordon, daughter of Catherine and Paul
 Halle Anne Naldzin, daughter of Lauren and Matthew
 Alexander Hugh Wack, son of Adriane and Peter
 Penelope Rose Stark, daughter of Nichole and Charles
 Mia Charlene McMahon, daughter of Jamie and Thomas