

# *A Special Lenten Fast*

Give up harsh words... **USE GENEROUS ONES.**

Give up unhappiness... **TAKE UP GRATITUDE.**

Give up anger... **TAKE UP GENTLENESS AND PATIENCE.**

Give up pessimism... **TAKE UP HOPE AND OPTIMISM.**

Give up worrying... **TAKE UP TRUST IN GOD.**

Give up complaining... **VALUE WHAT YOU HAVE.**

Give up stress... **TAKE UP PRAYER.**

Give up judging others... **DISCOVER JESUS WITHIN THEM.**

Give up sorrow and bitterness... **FILL YOUR HEART WITH JOY.**

Give up selfishness... **TAKE UP COMPASSION FOR OTHERS.**

Give up being unforgiving... **LEARN RECONCILIATION.**

Give up words... **FILL YOURSELF WITH SILENCE,  
AND LISTEN TO OTHERS.**



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania  
March 9, 2014 ~ First Sunday of Lent*



**CORPUS  
CHRISTI  
PARISH**

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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.

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# PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

One month ago, we read the verses immediately prior to today's gospel reading. In the third chapter of Matthew's gospel, he tells the story of Jesus being baptized in the river Jordan. He concludes that account with God announcing, "This is My beloved Son. . ."

Where do we find God's Son in today's reading? He is fasting in the desert. In a wonderful act of filial devotion and obedience, He escapes to a desert to fast and pray for forty days. He is preparing Himself for His mission that lies ahead. Just when He is at His weakest, He encounters a tempter. In a witty exchange of dialogue, the tempter confronts Christ with three offers. All three are remarkably similar to the sins which confronted the Israelites in their forty year trek in the desert.



First the tempter offers Christ provisions. If He was the Son of God, He could turn the stones to bread. Christ reminds him that not by bread alone do we live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Next the devil took Him to a parapet of the temple and tempted Him with power. If He jumped, surely the angels would protect Him. Christ responded that He would not put God to a "test". He was confident of God's power and assistance. Finally, the devil tempted Him with property. He offers Him all of the kingdoms of the world if Christ would worship him. Again, Christ emphasizes that He would serve God alone. Jesus, true God and true man, resists three major temptations. On the other hand, there is Adam. We encounter him in our first reading today. It is a depiction of the first human being, bowing to temptation immediately. Adam wanted more, even though he already had it all. The Israelites in the desert, as God's chosen people, had it all, yet they wanted more. You and I, we have it all, yet we want more.

That is what Lent is all about. "For forty days and forty nights," we will be on a baptismal retreat. At our baptisms we were all recognized as children of God. We were assured God's support, love, and unwavering mercy. We have it all! Yet we spend most of our time in pursuit of other things - of more money, of greater influence, of more material goods.

Paul reminds us that through Adam, sin entered the world, but through Christ all were made righteous. In Jesus Christ, there is hope. In Jesus Christ, there is perfect example. In Jesus Christ, there is redemption. Therefore let us resolve to focus our attention in these next forty days on those things we already have, on those things that really matter. Like Christ, let us simplify our lives and our lifestyles. We are to emphasize prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. May we keep present in our minds and hearts all the joy that is promised by God. Remember, we already have it all.

God bless you,

**THE EASTER BASKET**

**~Families United in Faith~ CORPUS CHRISTI & VISITATION BVM**



Thirteen years ago our parish began a donation program called the Easter Basket. Through your generosity, many families in Visitation Parish, Kensington, are given food vouchers, help with rent, heating bills and tuition. These are working poor; the ones who do not make enough money to live on, but too much to qualify for public assistance. **Fr. John Olenick, pastor of Visitation will be speaking at masses on the weekend of March 15th and 16th**, asking for our help. Can we beat last years donation of \$ 30,235. The Easter Baskets will again be in the Narthex and RE room beginning the same weekend. The labels in the baskets contain various needs to which you may designate your donation. Please take a label and place it on the envelope of an Easter card with your donation enclosed. Return it by the weekend of March 22nd and 23rd. If you enclose a check please make it payable to "Visitation BVM Church." Thank You!

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**\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Trip to Italy with Father Albert Santorsola\*\*\*\***

There will be an important Meeting for all those traveling to Italy with Father Al on April 26, 2014. Trip information will be distributed at this meeting. The meeting will be today, **Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Social Hall at 1:00PM**. It is most important that you be present to receive the materials being given out. If unable to attend please call Linda Delvy at 610-585-0561.

**Corpus Christi Parish 50th Anniversary Activities ~ SAVE THESE DATES be a part of the celebration!**



Lent 2014 - Eucharistic Adoration

3/15/14 - Gettysburg College Choir 7:30PM

4/12/14 - Easter Egg Hunt/Easter Bunny 10:00AM

4/26/14 - Corpus Christi Music Ministry Concert 7:30PM

5/3/14 - Taste of Philly (Anniversary Celebration) 5:30PM-8:30PM

6/1/14 - NPHS Choirs 3:00PM

6/22/14 - Closing Mass - 11:30AM (Main Celebrant, Archbishop Charles J. Chaput)

6/22/14 - Anniversary Banquet - 5:30PM

10/8/14 - 10/16/14 - "Enchanting Italy" group tour with Msgr. Flanigan.

# MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

- Saturday, March 8th**  
4:30 PM Raymond V. Farmer  
by *The Farmer Family*
- Sunday, March 9th**  
7:00 AM Janet Kane  
by *Shirley Walsh and Family*  
8:30 Leona and Al Hentschel  
by *The Hentschel Family*  
10:00 Joseph Donnelly  
by *The Kraynak Family*  
11:30 Renee Mizdail  
by *Eileen Spicer*  
6:00 PM Sr. Catherine Coleman  
by *Corrigan - Tammaro Family*
- Monday, March 10th**  
7:15 AM Pascuzzi Family  
12:05 PM Edgar Gansz  
by *Dan and Elaine Gansz*
- Tuesday, March 11th**  
7:15 AM Jim Garrity  
by *Lynn VanPelt*  
12:05 PM Helen Mansfield  
by *Mary Lou Walsh*
- Wednesday, March 12th**  
7:15 AM Eileen Harvey  
by *Richard Clay*  
12:05 PM Mary Lynn Logan
- Thursday, March 13th**  
7:15 AM Jane and Charles James  
by *Drew and Helen Soltis*  
12:05 PM Renate Noone  
by *Beth and Ron Hahn*
- Friday, March 14th**  
7:15 AM Marie LaViola  
by *Anna and Joseph LaViola*  
12:05 PM Frances Pappo  
by *Jack and Jo Ferguson*
- Saturday, March 15th**  
7:15 AM Cathy LaSorda  
by *Maureen and Michael Frederick*  
4:30 PM Edna and James J. Cunningham, Jr.  
by *Carol and Rich Wojcik*
- Sunday, March 16th**  
7:00 AM Stefanie Wojcik  
by *The Wojcik Family*  
8:30 Hannah Kiernan  
by *Pat and Pam Kendig*  
10:00 Julia Sejda  
by *Corpus Christi Choir*  
11:30 Albert Fennell  
by *Joe and Diane Radvansky*  
6:00 PM Edith Claire Genesio  
by *The Genesio Family*



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Ralph Chiodo, husband of Carolyn.

# FIRST SUNDAY of LENT

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

March 1/2	\$ 25,004
Envelopes mailed	2,650
Envelopes returned	814
<b>Mortgage Reduction Collection</b>	
March to date	\$ 3,258

**First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7** This passage from Genesis narrates the creation of man, the temptation by the serpent, and the fall of Adam and Eve.

**Responsorial Psalm: 51: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17** Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

**Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19** Paul tells the Romans that Adam's disobedience brought sin and death to the world, but Christ's dying on the cross for us will bring us salvation and life.

**Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11** In preparation for His ministry, Jesus goes into the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. There He is tempted by the devil to give evidence of His miraculous powers, but Jesus resists the devil saying, "Away with you Satan! You shall do homage to the Lord your God; Him alone shall you adore."



*"Through one man sin entered the world and with sin, death, death thus coming to all men inasmuch as all sinned. If death began its reign through one man because of this offense, how much more shall those who receive the overflowing grace and gift of justice live and reign through one man Jesus Christ". ... "Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit to be tempted by the devil."*

Too frequently we presume the purpose of lent. We spend time to recall and remember the saving work of Jesus from two thousand years ago, His Paschal Mystery, the most important event in salvation history. Today we remind ourselves that His saving work continues as we embark on our desert journey. It is time to seek the overflowing grace He won for us and gift of justice which He offers.

Grace takes away sin and allows us to live in Him. Justice, right relationship with others, is absent in a world filled with war, poverty, family strife. The Journey will take us many places but will end at Calvary, giving birth to grace and the flowering of justice.

Question for reflection: How will I live the days before me? Can I focus on His saving action in my life? Will my personal prayer overflow in my words and actions for the good of others?

Conclusion: Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free, you are the Savior of the world.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

### **Lansdale Catholic High School 7th Grade Practice Exam:**

Attention 7th Grade Parents and Students Lansdale Catholic High School would like to invite you to participate in the 7th Grade Practice Scholarship Exam. The exam is scheduled for Saturday, March 15th, 2013. The exam will begin at 8:15 a.m. The fee for the exam is \$50. To register for the exam call Anne Marie Allen in the Admissions Office (215)362-6160 x194 or access the Lansdale Catholic Website at

### **Lansdale Catholic High School Enrichment Programs**

(Summer):-Lansdale Catholic High School and Dr. Richard Fuller offer the most comprehensive 35-hour training experience in a PSAT/SAT Program in the area (with a student teacher ratio of 8:1 in math). We have information on our summer programs which include: Algebra I enrichment program (grades 5-9); "Critical Thinking and Study Skills" program (grades 8-12); and a PSAT/SAT Program (with a student teacher ratio of 8:1) summer classes start July 21st, 2014. For more information call Dr. Fuller 610-275-9660 or LCHS 215-362-6160 ext. 145.

### **POPE JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL NEWS!**

**Attention Future Golden Panthers! Please Save the Dates for the following spring events at Pope John Paul II High School:**

**7th Grade Practice Scholarship Test:** Saturday, March 29 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. The 7th grade practice scholarship test registration form is available on [pjphs.org](http://pjphs.org).

**Spring Open House:** Sunday, April 6 from 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. The last student-led tours will depart at 2:00 p.m., so please arrive between 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. The PJP Ambassadors look forward to meeting you! All are welcome.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Pope John Paul II High School's National Honor Society will host an Easter Egg Hunt at the school on Saturday, April 12 at 10:30 a.m. All children in the community ages 10 and under are invited. Please join us!

**8th Graders!** It's not too late to register for the Class of 2018! Please visit [pjphs.org](http://pjphs.org) for an application, or call Meghan Callen at 484-975-6500 to set up a visit to PJP!

### **Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Villa Maria House of Studies, Immaculata, PA**

sponsor their Third Annual IHM Junior Companions Day of Reflection on Saturday, March 15 or Sunday, March 16, 2014, 10am to 3pm. All girls in Grades 3-8 are invited to attend. The day will include crafts, prayer, tour and end with Mass at 2pm. Donations of canned tuna and salmon will be collected for distribution at St. Francis de Sales Parish Outreach Center in Philadelphia. RSVP by Friday, March 7. For information contact Sister Mary Glackin, IHM 484-888-1358, [mcglackin17@gmail.com](mailto:mcglackin17@gmail.com).

### **Autism Awareness Presentation at St. Stanislaus Parish**

What is autism? Why is it in the news so often? How does it affect the life of the child diagnosed as "being on the spectrum"? How can we support our families who live with autism? Learn some basics about autism from the perspective of an educator, and of a parent, on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:30 pm in the St. Stanislaus Parish Center, located behind the Church at the corner of Main Street (Route 63) and Lansdale Avenue in Lansdale. Registration is not required and there is no cost to attend. Refreshments follow the presentation.

**Host Families** are needed for several international students who are attending and would like to attend Pope John Paul High School for the upcoming semester. These F-1 visa students speak English, have medical insurance, and have their own pocket money for personal expenses. Host families provide room and board and receive a generous, monthly hosting stipend. If you have room in your heart and your home for one of our students, or for more information, *please contact Lydia Colarusso of Nacel Open Door at 610-428-7824.*

See the opportunities for all walks of our catholic life at the **Office for New Evangelization** please visit the site for the Archdiocese at <http://www.phillyevang.org/events/>

Jesus said, "You did not choose Me: I chose you."  
Is Jesus calling you to be a priest? Consider the call.  
[www.HeedTheCall.org](http://www.HeedTheCall.org)

The IHM Spirituality Center in Immaculata, PA invites you to renew your Lenten resolutions through a day of retreat on **March 26, 2014**. The theme for the day is "Midway Through the Lenten Journey" and the presenter is Sr. Suzanne Mayer, IHM.

For more information and/or registration, contact Sister Barbara Cook at 610-647-4136; [ihmspcenter@hotmail.com](mailto:ihmspcenter@hotmail.com).



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. If you have any questions-- please email [jpfhatfield@gmail.com](mailto:jpfhatfield@gmail.com).

**Mount Saint Joseph Academy 7th Grade Practice Test** (Pre-HSPT) on Saturday, March 29, 2014 Time: 8:00AM-11:30AM. Mt. St. Joseph is located at 120 West Wissahickon Avenue, Flourtown, PA 19031. Register online at [www.msjacad.org/practicetest14](http://www.msjacad.org/practicetest14) You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. More information is available online.

**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 [amallen@lansdalecatholic.com](mailto:amallen@lansdalecatholic.com) or 215-362-6160 x 194 to set up a shadow appointment.

### **Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School**

**Seventh Grade Visitation Days:** March 18, April 1 & 14, May 5 & 12

### **Practice Entrance Exam for Seventh Grade Girls:**

Saturday, April 26, 2014; 9:00AM to 12:30PM  
More Information and Registration at [www.gmahs.org](http://www.gmahs.org)  
For additional information call 215-646-8815, Ext. 306

**The Food Cupboard at Catholic Social Services**, 353 E. Johnson Hwy., Norristown is in need of volunteers at our Food Cupboard. The hours are Monday and Thursday from 8:30AM to 11:30 AM. For more information, please call Elizabeth Peteraf at 610-279-7372.



The **Catholic Charities Appeal**, 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: The following breakdown details the funding distribution to the 2014 Catholic Charities Appeal beneficiaries:

- Catholic Social Services—\$4.8 million
- Office of Catholic Education (Special Education) - \$1.1 million
- Mission Parishes—\$1 million
- Retired and Sick Priests—\$900,000
- Cultural Ministries—\$600,000
- Life, Family & Laity—\$500,000
- Foundation Activities—\$1. million

Please support Catholic Charities. For more information or to make a donation please visit [www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org).

### **MASS FOR HEALING FOR VICTIMS OF CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE**

Please join Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. at the Mass for Healing for Victims of Clergy Sexual Abuse on **Saturday, March 22nd** as we continue to pray for the survivors of clergy sexual abuse, for the healing of the church, and for all those who have been affected by clergy sexual abuse. Archbishop Chaput will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Mass will take place at 5:15PM at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul (18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway), Philadelphia. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Archdiocesan Office for Child and Youth Protection at 888-7800-8780.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION  
at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH**



**Mom Café - Tuesday, April 1st**

**The Guardians - Tuesday, April 1st** - For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at [deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com](mailto:deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com).

Visit us on the web at [www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff)

**The Guardians**

This monthly support group for fathers of all ages is named in honor of Saint Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer. It provides opportunities for members to learn from one another by sharing their insights about challenges they face in married and family life, in the workplace, and in their spiritual life. Through fellowship, prayer, and discussion of relevant issues, participants come to a deeper understanding of the richness of their Catholic faith and their identity as husbands and fathers. Single fathers are always welcome to these sessions, as well.

Tuesday, April 1, 2014

**7:00 PM to 8:30 PM ~ Religious Education Room**  
**(Please use side entrance of church to enter the room.)**

**The Corpus Christi Passion Play**



will be held on Good Friday, April 18 at 12:00 Noon in our church. We need YOU! Please participate by joining us at practice in church every Friday night beginning March 14th from 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM. Adults and children are welcome!

There are many play and behind the scenes opportunities. We have plenty of costumes! Become a part of something that truly makes a difference! *If you have any questions, please call Director, Maria Richardson at 267-664-2878.*

**Your elderly neighbor needs a ride to Mass  
Can you help her?**

Dear parishioners, some of our fellow parishioners no longer drive but need to get to Mass on the weekends and on Holy Days. The M.A.S.S. Driver Program looks to connect people in need of rides with those of us who have an extra seat in their car. Can you help? The commitment is just one time per month and the occasional Holy Day – you can choose to drive to whichever Mass you normally attend. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Paula Manchester at 215 275 4943.



**The Mom Café**

The Mom Café is a monthly support group for women of all stages of motherhood. A typical meeting includes morning refreshments, prayer, and a discussion of selected topics and pertinent readings. Participants of The Mom Café receive an issue of “Take Out” (a family faith full-colored newsletter) each month at no cost. Children are always welcome to accompany their mothers to the meetings. Free child care is also available at most meetings in a separate play area equipped with books and toys. Be assured that our child care volunteer has met all the requirements set by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for maintaining a safe, happy, and holy environment for our children. To register for your first meeting, contact Angela McClellan at [corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com](mailto:corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com).

Tuesday, April 1, 2014

**9:30AM to 11:00 AM ~ Religious Education Room**

The Religious Education Room is located inside Corpus Christi Church. Please use the doors on the far right side of our church to enter the room. This location also provides ramp access for strollers.

**Stations of the Cross**

This Lent, prayerfully make the journey with Jesus as He carries His cross. These devotions begin at **7:00 PM** in the church (an earlier time than in the past). The Passion Play on Good Friday begins at 12:00 PM and is appropriate for the entire family.

**Friday, March 14, 2014**

Everyone’s Way of the Cross

**Friday, March 21, 2014**

Saint Faustina’s Way of the Cross

**Friday, March 28, 2014**

Stations of the Cross for Peace

**Friday, April 4, 2014**

Stations of the Cross according to John Paul II  
(In spiritual preparation for the  
Canonization of Blessed John Paul II on April 27th)  
*The Jesus Encounter Lenten Conference* \*  
6:00 PM to 6:45 PM/Chapel

**Friday, April 11, 2014**

Saint Alphonsus Liguori’s Way of the Cross

**Good Friday, April 18, 2014**

Passion Play ~ 12 Noon/Church

**\* The Jesus Encounter**

This presentation focuses on the people who encountered Jesus on His way to Calvary and during His crucifixion. Perhaps we can examine our consciences and hearts to discover a bit of our own personality in one of them. We welcome back Sister Marganne Drago as our guest presenter for this final Lenten conference. Following this presentation, please join us for the Stations of the Cross in the church.

**Friday, April 4, 2014**

**6:00 PM to 6:45 PM  
Chapel**

**What Can Our Family Do For Lent That’s Positive?**

- Step 1 - Pick up AID for Friends kits from Church
- Step 2 - Cook a delicious and nutritious meal
- Step 3 - Fill the trays with the meal. Put trays in home freezer
- Step 4 - Deliver the meals to the Triple gray garage across from the convent!

**Those who will benefit from your positive actions say a big Thank You!**



**“Morning Joe”**

Celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Joseph’s Day with a hot cup of coffee and the traditional “Saint Joseph Table” of bread and pastries while enjoying good friends and good conversation. A special gift will be given to anyone with the name “Joseph!” Are you on your way to work? Don’t worry! Have your “Morning Joe” to go!

**Wednesday, March 19, 2014 ~ Following the 7:15AM Mass  
Religious Education Room**

**Lenten Soup and Bread Supper**

Enjoy the company and fellowship of other members of our faith community while we share a simple supper of meatless soup and assorted breads and rolls. Afterwards, we will gather in church for the Stations of the Cross devotions that begin at 7:00 PM. **Cost is \$7.00 per person.** Payment is non-refundable but is transferable to another person.

**Friday, March 21, 2014**

**6:00 PM to 6:45 PM**  
Corpus Christi Church  
Religious Education Room

**A Lenten Meal**



Please mail payment along with name, address, phone number, and e-mail address to:

Corpus Christi Parish Center  
c/o Angela McClellan  
900 Sumnetytown Pike

Please be praying  
for...

The Sick: Conrad Melton, Matthew Taylor, Charles Klara, Florence Linfante, Alice Mirynowski, Joseph Taylor, Greg Pavlichko, Terri LaBianco, Matthew Knobel, Francis Hughes, James Kelly, Will Weigner, Dolores Lynch, Mary Schnee, Linda Masucci, Rosemarie Carson, Susan Stevenson, Elisabeth Highley, Bill Flear, Madeline Lukow, Daniel MacDonald, Matthew Hartman, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Debbie Gorniak, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Bob Skierski, Jeff and Holly Miller, Baby Jace Wojcik, Joe DeRaymond, Agnes Lauman, Margaret Barton, Maryann Ashton, Joy Stover, Gene Hershey, Lucia Caufield, Joseph Bintner, Roseanne Paolone, Lee Saybolt, Edward Price, John Hilferty, Katelyn Bonner, Albert Miralles, James Donnelly, Tiffany Gilmore, Cathy Pierlott, Barbara Kluge, Eleanor McQuillan.

### CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

**Club 50 Retreat, Thursday, March 13th** at Our Lady of Czestochowa To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Corpus Christi Parish **All Parishoners Are Invited** to the Retreat. Time: 9:30A-2:30P. Danish & coffee, Reflection, Mass, Hot Lunch will be provided, Stations of the Cross. Cost: \$17 (check made out to Club 50 Corpus Christi). Call Mary (267- 263- 4002) or send check to Mary Day - 3406 Brittany Pointe Lansdale PA 19446 by **Monday, March 3rd.**

Our Lady of Czestochowa 654 Ferry Rd. Doylestown 18901  
**Millennium Theater - Lancaster, PA - "Moses,"** Wednesday, March 19th Cost \$100. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tips included. Reserved seating for the performance of *Moses* on the Sight & Sound stage. Luncheon at the Shady Maple Smorgasbord Restaurant. Optional shopping time in Lancaster. Departs 9:45AM returns approx. 7:15PM. \*Payment due at sign-up. Call 610-584-1366: Bob & Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA 19446.

**Jersey Dreamers Production** - at the Stony Hill Inn in Hackensack, NJ. Wednesday, April 30th Cost \$88. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Family-style luncheon, and Jersey Dreamers Production of "Moments to Remember" at the Stony Hill Inn (11AM). Departs 8:30AM returns approx. 5:30PM. \*Payment due at sign-up. Call: 215-368-0421 Rose Wilson, 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale PA 19446 or Mary Slater at 610-584-4926.

**Rail and Sail-** Trains & Cruises of New England ~ Sunday, May 18th to Thursday May 22nd. Pick up a BROCHURE at Club 50 meetings or from the ministry table in the Narthex of church. For reservations and information call 610-584-1366 Bob and Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale 19446.

**Smithville Inn & Casino, NJ** - Wednesday, June 18th Cost \$60. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tips included. Sit-down luncheon at the Smithville Inn (11AM) Time for shopping. Casino bonus and package (2:30PM-7:30PM). Departs 9Am returns approximately 9:30PM. Entree choices: London Broil or Smithville Chicken. Payment\* due at sign-up contact 215-393-8786, John and Mary Woodcock, 261 Beth Drive, Lansdale 19446

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

### \$10,000 Mega Raffle

RAFFLE

It's not too late to enter into the drawing. Corpus Christi School is holding their First Annual Mega Ticket Raffle. **The Grand Prize is \$10,000. Second Prize is \$5000, and Third Prize is \$3500.** Please buy

your tickets now to be eligible for the next \$500 Early Bird Drawing on **March 13th.** The Grand Prize Drawing will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at Corpus Christi School. The cost of each ticket is \$100. To purchase a ticket please send your name, address, phone number, and email address along with your \$100 payment (checks made payable to Corpus Christi Home and School) to Corpus Christi School, 920 Summeytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446. Once your payment is received, your ticket stub will be mailed back to you. For more information please contact Mauri Johnson at [mauri73@verizon.net](mailto:mauri73@verizon.net) or 215-699-4658. Thank you for your support.

### KNIGHTS CORNER ...

### SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH PARISH BREAKFAST Benefitting the Seminarians



Please come out to support our Seminarians who will receive the net proceeds of our next Community Breakfast! Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall on Sunday March 30, 2014 from 7:30AM to 11:30AM. Included are pancakes, waffles, scrambled eggs, Made-to-Order Omelets, hash browns, bacon, sausage, toast, orange juice, coffee, fruit, and our famous "doughnut buffet"! Cost: \$8 for Adults, and \$4 for Children. Try our new BACON WAFFLES!!

**LENTEN FISH FRY FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH** - Proceeds to Be Donated to Construction of Sidewalk for Main Entrance of School BUILDING - Mark your calendar now to join us for our Annual Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, April 4th from 5 PM - 7 PM; details coming soon!

Proceeds for this event will be donated to the Corpus Christi Home & School Association for the installation of a sidewalk from the parking lot into the main entrance of the school building, with an estimated cost of \$5,500. Come out and help us support this project!

### EASTER EGG DONATIONS NEEDED

*The 50th Anniversary Committee is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt* on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 10:00am. The 50th Anniversary Easter Egg Hunt Committee is seeking donations of new or used plastic Easter Eggs for the egg hunt. There will be boxes in the Narthex and the Religious Education room for you to place your eggs before or after Mass now through the weekend of March 30th. Thank you for your support for this event, if you have any questions contact Stacy Ray at [stacy\\_ray@verizon.net](mailto:stacy_ray@verizon.net).

### MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION



The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, 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.

### Submit your Photos

Attending a parish event? Take a picture with your phone! The parish website team is looking for photos to share on our website and Facebook page. We are a vibrant and active community and would like to highlight some of the many ways we gather as a parish family. Email photos to: [webteam@corpuschristilansdale.org](mailto:webteam@corpuschristilansdale.org). Please include a brief description of the photo. **Thank you for participating!**

### SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Moyer Indoor/Outdoor Services has an incentive program. This Moyer program makes a contribution to churches based on the amount of fuel oil purchased by parishioners for as long as they remain a customer. Now is when your purchase of fuel oil is at its highest. 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.

### 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, March 13th. 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, March 12th.** 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.

# Youth News

## High School Youth Group

All 9th-12th grade teens: Public, Private, Catholic, or Home Schooled are all invited! Come join us EVERY Sunday for our 6pm Mass and Youth Group Gathering from 7pm-9pm in the RE Room. The nights include dinner, fellowship, discussions about our faith and prayer. All teens are also invited to join us for all of our events and trips throughout the year. If you need info on any trips or the youth group happenings, check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on **Facebook** or the parish web at <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

## Steubenville Youth Conference June 27-29 ~ \$250 Per Person



The Youth group will be going to Steubenville this year in late June. All current 8th-12th grade teens are invited to join us for this trip this summer. The cost above includes deposit, a shirt, hotel stay and the conference itself. Come learn who "GOD IS"! Spots are open now for sign up so reserve yours today with a \$45 deposit to our youth minister.

## LIFETEEN CALENDAR:

[www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry)

March: 9th- Catholic Fight Club  
16th- Rise of the Guardians  
23rd- Out to the Movies  
30th- Pio and Faustina

## (7th-8th Grade Youth Group)



All 7th-8th grade teens: Public, Private, Corpus Christi, or Home schooled are invited! Come join us EVERY Monday for our 6:45pm-8pm middle school gathering. The nights include fellowship, games, prizes, discussions about our faith and prayer. All teens are invited to join us for all of our trips and events throughout the year!

March: 10th- The Final Four  
17th- Preaching and Walking  
24th- Treasure Hunters  
31st- Blindsides

Bobby Moren, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Corpus Christi Parish, (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or [corpus.ya@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.ya@gmail.com).

Metanoia Weekly Prayer Meetings Every Tuesday (except on Theology on Tap nights) 7:30PM at Corpus Christi, 900 Sunneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446 in Room B of the Parish Center <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/>

## Save the date!

## Corpus Christi School Parent Social and Casino Night Saturday, March 22 6:30-11:00pm in the gym

Support our school and have a great night out at the same time! Enjoy cocktail hour and delicious food stations for dinner and dessert by AAA Catering of Lansdale. Take your chances on casino games, raffles, and silent auctions, dance the night away with Gil Keough, "The Dancing DJ", and have fun with other Corpus parents! Tickets are \$35 per person. Order yours today! To donate a prize or advertise in the program, and for tickets or more information, please contact Cathy Roberts at [cathy@roberts.net](mailto:cathy@roberts.net) or (215) 393-7891.

## Boys currently in 5th & 6th grades!

## Corpus Christi Boy Scout Troop 303 is now starting a new season. You need not have been a cub scout.

### Why join the Boy Scouts?

The values and virtues of scouting are reinforced in many ways. In a world where countless influences tend to undermine character and ethics, scouting reinforces the values of doing one's best, honoring God, country, others and one's self. A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent. Questions? Contact: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333 or [joerak@aol.com](mailto:joerak@aol.com).

## SCRIP CORNER

The SCRIP office hours are 9:00AM – 12:30PM every day that school is in session, and 5:30PM – 7PM on Monday evenings when REC is in session.

Testimonial from Mrs. LeFevre, a Corpus Christi 1st Grade Teacher: "Attention Teachers, Parents, Lifelong Learners \*even parents, grandparents of college students\*: Buying SCRIP can even save you money on any class at any Catholic university or college! I saved \$100 this past year just for buying groceries every week."

Please check out [www.ccsllansdale.org](http://www.ccsllansdale.org) under the SCRIP tab to learn what this program is all about. This is fund-raising that is 100% from the retailers, and it benefits both Corpus Christi AND your family personally if you participate in this program. Even if your family does not necessarily need a tuition/REC break, by using the SCRIP gift cards you can designate your credits for the Father Loughran Scholarship Fund and help out another family that does need help at this time. These cards are used for your everyday purchases, such as groceries, gas, drugstores and restaurants...expenditures you are already making!

We do have an E-MAIL option available for ordering SCRIP. You can e-mail your order any time of the day/night to [cc.scrip@yahoo.com](mailto:cc.scrip@yahoo.com). We will prepare your order during office hours and have it ready for pick up at the Parish Business Office on the weekdays or the Parish Rectory on Sunday mornings. You ask for the envelope with your name on it and give them your cash/check (made payable to Corpus Christi Parish).

Credits are good for anyone you designate at ANY Catholic school, from PRE-K THROUGH POST-GRADUATE education. You can set up an account to accumulate and save your credits for future use if your children are not yet in school. If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fundraising program, you can reach Mary Ellen McCabe at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail!



## CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

*A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence*

### Corpus Christi Catholic School – Registration for the 2014-2015 School Year – Mark Your Calendars!

Corpus Christi Catholic School continues to accept registration for the 2014-2015 school year. PreK 3 classes through Grade 8 are offered. Tuition rates for CC and SMG parishioners are listed below:

Full Day Kindergarten - \$3,820.00 per child  
Grades 1 thru 8 - \$3,600.00 per child  
(discounts for more than 1 student in grades 1 thru 8)  
PreK3 two half Days - \$1,760.00 per child  
PreK4 five full days - \$3,700.00 per child  
PreK4 three full days - \$3,100.00 per child  
PreK4 three half days - \$2,060.00 per child

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.

**Part-time Job Opening** Corpus Christi Catholic School is seeking a part time (up to 20 hours per week) IT person. The qualified person needs to be able to assist in maintaining our server, updating and installing computers, printers and I pads. Please contact Wanda Costello at 215-368-0582. School clearances will be required.

## 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.



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 3/9 Team #1: Carlyne Moran at 215-855-7163**  
**Week of 3/16 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. March 17th, April 21st.**

**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 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 Monday prior to publication by 12 noon.** It can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center but the preferred method is by e-mail to: [corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

**NOVENA DEVOTIONS:** Now through April 30th a Novena to St. Peregrine, Patron saint of cancer patients is being conducted. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 7:45AM to 6:30PM concluding with benediction and the novena begins immediately after benediction. On the concluding night of the Novena, April 30th, there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick in the Church. Fr. Pio Mandato will be the main celebrant. For more information please call the Parish Office Center at 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 12:00PM 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.

**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.

*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.*




*February 2014*

Jaimie Michelle Ward, daughter of Kristy  
 Samantha Ashley Ward, daughter of Kristy  
 Sergio Michael Fayer, son of Angela and Glenn  
 Catherine Grace O'Mara, daughter of Lisa and Joseph  
 Sara Violet Shea, daughter of Lisa and Justin  
 Daniel Harrison Rodriguez Mitchell, son of Victoria and Kevin  
 James Carter Rodriguez Mitchell, son of Victoria and Kevin