

Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
March 13, 2016 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

TEMPTATION IN THE DESERT

Ash Wednesday

Transfiguration

THE PARABLE OF THE FIG TREE

THE PRODIGAL SON

Let you without sin
cast the first stone

**THE
PASSION
OF
OUR
LORD**

LENT

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Most of us have had the experience, at least once in our life, of receiving something wonderful that we did not deserve. We may have been rude or mean to someone who returned kindness to us. We may have committed some indiscretion and received forgiveness before we even realized our guilt. We may have been surprised by someone's love for us when we had intentionally tried to avoid and ignore them.

The woman in the story from John's gospel today must have had the same experience. She was probably completely amazed to find herself in one piece after the crowd had dragged her out of the city to be stoned. She was a public sinner caught in her crime and she realized that being stoned was the accepted punishment for her behavior. The crowd must have been completely amazed to find themselves brought to judgment instead of the woman. The truth of the story is that Jesus did not judge the woman or the crowd. He challenged them to honestly make a judgment of themselves. With the mercy He shares with His Father He offered them the unlimited forgiveness of a loving God. We often focus on the forgiveness offered to the woman, but Jesus was offering forgiveness to all those who would, by their actions, accuse themselves of being sinners.



*Cast the first stone,
if you are without sin!*

Yes, we are all sinners. If we evaluated our lives with total honesty, we would have to admit our own sin. When we compare our feeble attempts at love and living justly, to the life and death of Jesus Christ we fall very short. Yet our God treats us as if we did love like Jesus if only we are willing to honestly evaluate our own lives and accept His loving mercy. We must not spend our lives in self-righteous judgment of others. When we compare ourselves to others, we place ourselves between the wonton public sinners, like the woman in the story, and the very religious and upright. . .like the people in the crowd. We must remember very clearly that no one in that crowd remained to condemn the woman.

It is difficult not to make judgments about others. It is easier to hold a grudge if we have been harmed. We seek retribution and sometimes revenge for injury. We hold our forgiveness in our hearts until we are satisfied that justice has been done. When we compare our attitudes and actions to those of Jesus toward those who persecuted Him, we fall very short of the mercy God expects us to give each other.

A week from today we will begin Holy Week and we will remember those events of Jesus' passion and death. As we remember them we should look for those times Jesus resisted judging those who were judging Him. He offered forgiveness immediately to those who harmed Him by their actions or denials. If we can allow these next two weeks to change our attitudes and actions from self-righteousness to actions and attitudes of mercy, then we will, like Paul, be able to focus ourselves on the ultimate prize - eternal life with Jesus Christ.

God bless you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Msgr. Tom Anzigan".

THE EASTER BASKET PROJECT-Families United in Faith-CORPUS CHRISTI & VISITATION BVM



Several 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 the working poor; the ones who do not make enough money to live on, but too much to qualify for public assistance. Fr. John Olenick C.Ss.R. will be speaking at the masses this weekend of March 12/13. The Easter Baskets will be in the Narthex and RE room this **weekend, March 12/13**. 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 the cards the weekend of **March 19th/20th**. If you enclose a check please make it payable to "Visitation BVM Church".



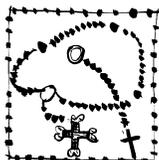
Novena of Prayer to St. Peregrine for Healing

Corpus Christi Parish's Annual Nine Week Novena of Prayer for Healing to St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, begins every Wednesday evening, starting from **March 2nd through April 27th at 6:30PM in the chapel**. The Novena will immediately follow Benediction which begins at 6:30PM. On Wednesday, April 27th, the closing night of the Novena, there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick following the Novena; the Novena will be at 6:30PM with Mass at 7:30PM in the Church. The Main Celebrant will be Father Pio Mandato. For more info call 215-855-1311.

LITTLE SISTERS of the POOR ~ Holy Hour for Religious Liberty

As our day at the Supreme Court draws near, please pray with us and for us! You can unite your prayers to ours in a special way on Saturday, March 19, at 3pm on the feast of our congregational patron, St. Joseph. We are having a holy hour to pray for a just resolution to our case at Jeanne Jugan Residence, 4200 Harewood Rd, NE, Washington, D.C. 20017. The holy hour is also being broadcast and live streamed online by Shalom World TV, so whether you join us in person or through the live coverage, you can pray right along with us.

Thank you for the support of your prayers! The Little Sisters of the Poor



ROSARY RALLY

On **Saturday, March 19th, 2016** on the feast of St. Joseph America Needs Fatima will again sponsor a national rosary rally. Corpus Christi will host one of the many rallies taking place at 12 noon that day rain or shine. We will meet in front of the rectory on Summeytown Pike at 11:45 am and the rosary will begin at 12 o'clock. With the primary elections soon taking place it is even more important to honor our Lady by praying the rosary. So please join us and bring your family and friends.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	March 12th
4:30 PM	Claire and Jerry McGinnis 50th Wedding Anniversary <i>by Sr. Margaret Gavaghan, SSJ</i>
Sunday,	March 13th
7:00 AM	Marie Quartapella <i>by Joe and Janet DePolo</i>
8:30	Ann Wilkie <i>by Lois Trave</i>
10:00	Frank Barnes <i>by Mike and Wendy Kelly</i>
11:30	Albert Fennell <i>by Joe and Diane Radvansky</i>
6:00 PM	Mary Walters <i>by The Whiteside Family</i>
Monday,	March 14th
7:15 AM	Frank Hogans <i>by Dan and Jeannie Yadzinski</i>
12:05 PM	Wayne Richards <i>by Bill and Pat Hallman</i>
Tuesday,	March 15th
7:15 AM	Rosemarie Carson <i>by The Sirianni Family</i>
12:05 PM	Helen Gardner <i>by The McNeill Girls</i>
Wednesday,	March 16th
7:15 AM	Dorothy Rath <i>by The Sponseller Family</i>
12:05 PM	Stefanie Wojcik <i>by The Wojcik Family</i>
Thursday,	March 17th
7:15 AM	Pat Davis <i>by Bob and Trish Keen</i>
12:05 PM	Florence Linfante <i>by Bob and Ellie Hentschel</i>
Friday,	March 18th
7:15 AM	Christopher Kmetz <i>by Regina and Dan Yadzinski</i>
12:05 PM	Carmela M. Sullivan <i>by Earl Sullivan</i>
Saturday,	March 19th
7:15 AM	Ernst Renk <i>by Tim and Barb Casee</i>
4:30 PM	Mary and Patrick Toner <i>by Al and Mary Schoenberger</i>
Sunday,	March 20th Palm Sunday
7:00 AM	Robert Pomrink <i>by The Borkowski Family</i>
8:30	Deceased Members of the McCormick and Atkins Families <i>by Barbara Atkins</i>
10:00	Peter Illari <i>by The Illari Family</i>
11:30	Rita DiLiberto <i>by Gloria Imperial</i>
6:00 PM	Gary D. Kozloski <i>by Mary Lou and Bob Kozloski</i>

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Martha Wasno, mother of Marybeth Raidy; James McCauley, father of Michael and Berenice Smith.

 **Prayer For Those Who Have Died**
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

March 5/6	\$ 31,970
Envelopes mailed	2,445
Envelopes returned	843
Monthly Electronic offering	
March 20 (23 participants)	\$ NYA

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 God says not to remember the events from long ago, but to focus on the things He plans to do next. He also claims He will again help His chosen people when they need Him.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
R. (3) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14 Paul describes knowledge of Jesus as more important than knowledge of the Old Law. He wishes to share in the power of Jesus' resurrection, and speaks of concentrating on the finish line of the race with salvation as the prize to be won.

Gospel: John 8:1-11 Jesus preached forgiveness of sin, but in the old law those accused of adultery were to be stoned. So the Pharisees tried to trap Jesus and brought a woman accused of adultery to Him, asking Him what He would do to her. Jesus asked that one without sin cast the first stone, and then all of the elders left. Jesus told the woman that He did not condemn her, but warned her to avoid such sin in the future.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

"I wish to know Christ and the power flowing from His resurrection; likewise to know how to share in His sufferings by being formed into the pattern of His death. Thus do I hope that I may arrive at resurrection from the dead. It is not that I have received it yet, or have already finished my course; but I am racing to grasp the prize if possible, since I have been grasped by Christ. Brothers I do not think of myself as having reached the finish line."

What a great difference between knowing about someone and knowing that person. The first may include statistics and data, the second a relationship.

Lent has been our special moment to foster and strengthen our relationship with Jesus Christ. He reaches out to me, grasps me by the hand, holds and sustains me. I can rest, I can resist, I can reject or I can accept with eagerness and joy. Paul accepted as he continued his journey, the race.

The forgiveness Jesus offered in the gospel, after tracing in the sand, is the gift I seek, as I continue my race, my journey to Easter. The gift of mercy is being offered to me. The nonjudgmental statement of Jesus, "let the man among you who has no sin be the first to cast a stone at her."

The Jesus I want to know is the forgiving Jesus, filled with tender mercy. He knows me, my needs, and I want to know Him.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Monday	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday	Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday	Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday	Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Mount Saint Joseph Academy – The Mount, a Catholic college preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to register for the Pre-HSPT to be given on **Saturday, March 19, 2016, 8:00–11:30AM**. The Pre-HSPT is a 7th grade edition of the actual Scholarship Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. Registration is available online only. You will receive registration confirmation via email. Register at: www.msjad.org/practicetest.

Lansdale Catholic 8th Grade Shadow Program – Interested eighth graders who attend public, private or parochial grade schools are encouraged to make a Shadow Day at LC. Parent/Guardian should contact Elaine Maginnis at 215-362-6160 x133 to arrange a date to shadow a current LC 9th grader for the day.



Lent is not just a time for sacrifice but RENEWAL. Have the two of you had a weekend away from distractions (including children and smartphone). Give each other a weekend away to reconnect! Rediscover the romance in your marriage as you improve communication and get to know each other at a deeper level. What you learn on a Marriage Encounter Weekend offers positive and lasting benefits for your family. **The next Weekend in this area is April 22-24 at Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown.** Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wmwe-philly.org. You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wmwe-philly.org or call 610-449-1859.

Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy Archdiocesan Pilgrimage

Join others from across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as we travel as faithful pilgrims to the Basilica of the National shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. to celebrate the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. Program includes the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Procession and Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy, and the Holy Rosary. The day concludes with a Solemn Mass with Archbishop Charles Chaput as celebrant and homilist. Time for the gift shop and book store will also be allotted. Bus cost is \$60.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child (pack your own snacks and lunch; cost of dinner at Union Station on your own).

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Bus Departure: 7:00 AM from **Saint Maria Goretti Church** Parking Lot; Approximate Arrival Home: 9:00 PM
Please register using the form that can be found on our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net Please mail form along with payment. Cost is non-refundable but is transferable to another person.

Young women (16-35) are invited to share a night of food, fun (QUIZZO), and prayer with IHM Sisters on **Friday, March 18, 6:00 to 9:00PM, Villa Maria House of Studies**, 1140 King Rd., Immaculata, PA 19345. Please RSVP to S. Marianne, ihmvoc@gmail.com or 610-889-1553.

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist Invite You To:
Kathleen McCarthy: **Tuesday, March 15, 2016** Morning Session: 9:00 - 11:30 AM. Evening Session: 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Morning Session will include Conference, Exposition of the Eucharist, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Evening Session will include Liturgy of the Hours, Conference, and Healing Prayer Service with Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction. Come to one or both sessions! There are two separate programs; if you miss one you are welcome to come to the other session. Kathleen's conference and the witness of her life will be a grace and special gift in this Jubilee Year of Divine Mercy. Kathleen is Founder of Morning Star, New Dawn Ministries, and host of the popular weekly radio show, What the World Needs Now. Kathleen, however, would be the first to tell you her greatest gift is her 12 children, and her most important ministry is to her 12 children.
To register for an event contact: Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508
olme@olme.org, 610-582-3333, www.olme.org

All Are Welcome! Bring a Friend! Your Generous Donation Will Be Deeply Appreciated.

Retreat for Caregivers, April 1–3

Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ 08212
This weekend open to primary caregivers for medically fragile or special needs family members and to those adult children who are now caring for their aging parents, will explore how we are able to find God at work during these challenging times. This retreat will offer opportunities to be spiritually and physically renewed for the road ahead our time will include daily Eucharist, prayer services, individual and group reflection time, and special liturgies, cost- \$135pp dbl occ.; visit www.capemaymarianists.org.

Maternity B.V.M. School, 50th Reunion

Inviting all graduates and their guests from Maternity B.V.M. School, Class of 1966, to celebrate old school style!!! Please come for an evening of dinner, drinks and dancing to celebrate our 50th reunion, **Saturday, April 2, 2016 from 7 to 11PM** in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact Mimi Zuino at mzmb52@gmail.com or Bob Drennen at rdrennen@ccp.edu.

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.

Confessions During Lent

Lent is a time when we are called into the desert with Jesus and to allow him to liberate us from the sins that bind us. It is an invitation to genuine transformation. Let this Lent during the Jubilee Year of Mercy be a moment when we renew our commitment to the Sacrament of Confession and its healing, liberating power.

Along with our regular schedule, there are a number of locations in the Archdiocese that offer Confession daily. These locations include (if reading online, click each to learn more):
[Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul](#)
[Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa](#)
[Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Philadelphia \(Lent only\)](#)
[Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia](#)
[Shrine of St. John Neumann](#)

The Journey to Sainthood of William Atkinson

In 1974, William Atkinson became the first quadriplegic to be ordained a Roman Catholic priest. Atkinson spent 40 years in a wheelchair, unable to move from the neck down, after breaking his spine in a 1965 tobogganing accident while in the seminary. He spent 30 of those years on the faculty of his alma mater, Monsignor Bonner High School. He died in September of 2006 at the age of 60. Official documentation requesting the opening of the canonization process was recently presented to Archbishop Charles Chaput by the Augustinian Friars and received overwhelming endorsements from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops who voted unanimously to pursue his cause for sainthood. A special collection will be taken up during this conference for the Father Bill Atkinson Guild, an organization that is helping to promote his cause for canonization through distribution of materials and the collection of testimonies and possible favors received through his intercession. There is no cost for attendance and no registration is necessary.

Thursday, March 17, 2016 ~ Saint Maria Goretti Church
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

***Guest Presenter: Reverend Michael DiGregorio, O.S.A.**
Prior Provincial of the Augustinian Friars,
Province of Saint Thomas of Villanova

***Part of Lenten Speaker Series www.stmariagoretti.net**

OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME: Local Host Families needed for South Korean and Chinese international students attending Lansdale Catholic High School for the 2016/2017 school year, tuition paid. They are motivated learners with a wide variety of interests. These F-1 visa students speak English, are fully insured, & have their own pocket money for personal expenses. Host families provide room and board & receive a generous monthly hosting stipend and a fulfilling experience. Contact Cecelia LaPlaca with Nacel Open Door, Private School Program, (www.nacelopendoor.org) at 215-584-7751 or cecelaplaca@gmail.com.



Will Weigner, Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Joe Swaim, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Jim Thompson, 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., George Olden, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Nancy DelCarlino.



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.

The **Corpus Christi Adult and Youth Choirs** will present a special Tenebrae Service on **Palm Sunday, March 20th at 7:30 PM in Corpus Christi Church**. The ancient Tenebrae (Latin for "shadows") dates back centuries to the early years of the church. It depicts the flight of the disciples and the approaching crucifixion through the extinguishing of candles in the sanctuary. Start your Holy Week with this beautiful and moving service that recreates the betrayal, abandonment and agony of Jesus Christ whose death brought light to our world. All are welcome!

Evangelization Newsletter ~ Archdiocese of Philadelphia

To be informed about what presentations are being offered at parishes around the Archdiocese please visit www.phillyevang.org/inform. There you can sign up for a monthly email that provides information about many events being sponsored at various parishes and institutions.

LENTEN DEVOTION opportunity. The Flame of Love Cenacle Prayer Group will pray a Holy Hour of Reparation on Friday at 6:00PM in the Chapel. All are welcome. The Holy Hour will end at 6:55PM in time for Stations. For questions please contact: flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com or Diana: 215-855-5494. Why not add this Holy Hour to your devotions during Lent?

AID FOR FRIENDS

Any Parish organization planning to make meals or breakfast bundles for *Aid for Friends* as a service project, please let Barbara MacIntosh (215-256-1161) know in advance, so that arrangements can be made to make room for the meals/bundles. Thank you!

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

 The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, March 12/13, 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.

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. **March 15 7:00-8:30 Room A**; April 11 7:00-8:30 Room A; May 16 7:00-8:30 Room A.

All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry

PRE-CANA PROGRAM ~ 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.

**CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL
NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

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.

American Music Theater, Lancaster, Pa - Wednesday, May 18th, cost \$85. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Luncheon smorgasbord at Shady Maple restaurant at 11AM. Free time for shopping and browsing at Rockvale Outlets 1:15-2:15. Admission to the show "Crooners" at the American Music Theater at 3PM. Payment due at sign-up. Departs 9AM return approx. 7:30PM. *Contact 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, 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

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

We now offer our parishioners **Electronic Giving** as a method of making regular monthly offerings to our church. The way this is done is that you would make your monthly offerings by way of direct payments (ACH debits) from your checking/savings account on the 20th of each month (unless on a weekend or holiday in which case it will be deducted on the next business day).

You will continue to receive envelopes which will include special second collections as well as Christmas and Easter. The weekly envelopes will allow you to mark that you have chosen the electronic method for your offerings to Corpus Christi.

If you are interested in Electronic Giving you can pick up a form on the ministry table in the narthex or stop by the Parish Center Office during business hours. You can also get a form on our website at:

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

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 Bruce Limbert at 215-799-2000 ext 3005.

FISH FRY DINNER

Eat-In or Take-Out

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer- CEC

Friday, March 18, 2016

5:00-8:00 PM

Dinner Ticket Includes: Battered/Fried Cod Filets, Shoestring French Fries, and Cole Slaw - BYOB

Additional al a Cart Items Available: Beverages, Pizza, Mac-n-Cheese, Manhattan Clam Chowder

Dinner Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 (limited number) at the door

Please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus" Benefits Robert Burns Council Knights of Columbus and MMR Youth Group Catholic Heart Work Camp

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.

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia Young Adults is an active community of Catholic young adults in Montgomery County, Pa. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our Ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events and activities. (**Theology on Tap** is held every third Tuesday, March 15th) of the month at 7:30PM at the Appalachian Brewing Company in Collegeville, PA. Each month features a different speaker.) Visit www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com. Check out our Twitter link on homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/> or email metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com. Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults.

SCRIP CORNER

SCRIP OFFICE HOURS: Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session)

Monday evenings 5:30pm to 7:00pm (when REC is in session).

It is officially March and that means... 14 DAYS UNTIL EASTER!!! Take a deep breath, don't panic, SCRIP has got you covered!

First up, helping the Easter Bunny fill those baskets.... Don't head to Target, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens or Rite Aid without grabbing SCRIP first. (Grab an extra card for when you eat all the candy before the big day and you have to go buy it again....that's not from experience or anything!) If the big bunny wants to leave something other than candy, don't forget to grab cards like Bath & Body Works, Claires, Freddy Hill, I-tunes, Chipolte, Chick-Fil-A, Starbucks or Toys R Us.

Next up, those adorable, wear one-time, EASTER OUTFITS.... Of course, we have our in-stock selection of Kohl's, Gap/Old Navy, Land's End, Marshalls & Macy's, but we have so much more!!

For example, The Children's Place, Osh Kosh, Carters, Sears, JC Penny's, Boscov's, Burlington Coat Factory, Gymboree and Crazy 8. And we can't forget about the shoes!! Payless and Famous Footware are sure to have the shoes you need!

And finally, your Easter dinner.... Besides our grocery store selections, we have Lansdale Meats (10% back to you) & plenty of restaurants if cooking is not your thing!

See what I mean.... SCRIP is always looking out for you!! Time to put some Easter \$\$ back in your tuition basket!

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

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!

CYO News

Spring Sports and March Madness registration is open now at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sply.com/site/> and **has been extended for a time**. There are several new programs offered this season.

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

CYO Open Positions – Boys Athletic Director, Scheduler, Snack Bar Coordinator, Cheerleading Coach, Publicity Manager

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>



CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL

NEWS

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2016-2017 School Year is currently taking place. Please call Mrs. Barb Casee in the school office at 215-368-0582 to arrange a time to come in and register your child. **Items Needed for Registration:**

- ❖ Original Birth Certificate
- ❖ Baptismal Certificate
- ❖ Immunization Records
- ❖ \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee

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.

REC REGISTRATION 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR

The registrations for Religious Education for the next school year takes place this month of March. Forms will be sent home with current students and mailed to potential 1st Grade students based on parish records.



Attention - Boys in 6th, 7th, 8th grade Corpus Christi Parish Boy Scout Troop 303 is accepting new members. (You need not to have been a Cub Scout!)

Why join the Boy Scouts?

Scouts learn many useful skills, including first aid, fire-building, knot-tying, canoeing, wilderness survival, pioneering, life-saving, personal management, environmental science, citizenship, cooking and much more. These skills build confidence and can be used for years to come. For more info contact: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333 or joerak@aol.com.



We are asking your help in collecting the Campbell's labels 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 the parish center office during the week.

FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION

Does your child need Holy Communion attire? Check out this coupon from Jackets n' Things in Ambler.

Copy and paste or read the online bulletin at www.http://corpuschristilansdale.org/welcome/bulletin/

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_02_24_Communion_flyer.pdf

Welcome

We would like to extend a sincere welcome to the people who have recently joined our Corpus Christi Parish Family:

Greg and Paula Armstrong
David and Lindsay Beagle and Family
Mary Boyle
Mark and Mary Bucciarelli and Family
Lynda Chew
Jenna Ferguson and Family

Jared and Dana Kelhart
Raymond and Kathleen King
Peter and Megan Makarichev and Family
Mark and Rachel Sliwka
Kevin and Jill Sotak and Family
Stephanie Steinhauser and Family

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 03/13 Team #2: Karen McFadden at 484-552-8129
Week of 03/20 Team #3: Jane Hartman at 215-272-0784

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 at **7:00 PM RE Room (in the church) on the 3rd Monday of the month i.e. March 21st, April 18th.**

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 - 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.

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

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

DAILY PRAYER CHAPEL OPEN: Visits to the Blessed Sacrament during the day may be made in the Church Chapel. The Chapel is open every day from 7:45AM to 3:30PM 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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS



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). Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd. (For 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: Currently through April 27th 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 27th, at 7:30PM 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 from **9AM to 12:00PM** (during Lent) and **1:30PM to 5PM.** Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

PARISH LIBRARY: Sundays 7:45AM to 1PM

Our Parish Library can always use volunteers. Individuals or couples volunteer for 2 hours one Sunday a month. If you are interested in helping, please contact our Director of Adult Faith Formation at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com

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.**