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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
March 23, 2014 ~ Third Sunday of Lent



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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Reverend Albert J. Santorsola

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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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Pastoral Council: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
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Gift Certificate Program: Mary Ellen McCabe 215-362-0104
 Girl Scouts: Tracy Okeke 215-362-5562
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 Parish Library: Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122
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 Pre-Cana Program: Jack & Mary Ann McGowan
 610-584-5569

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 RCIA Program: Deacon Frank and Connie Langsdorf
 215-855-1311 ext. 113

Respect Life: Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160
 Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008

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 215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Remember last Summer? For most of us, we enjoyed the warmth of the Summer sun. Some days were picture perfect – other days had rain or were just plain hot! Many of us probably spent at least some time watering lawns and flowers. Without water, nothing grows – nothing remains green. Perhaps in our Summer chores, we also found ourselves dry and parched. Recall how a cold drink of water or perhaps a swim in a lake or a pool was just what we needed to cool off from the heat of the Summer.

In today's reading from the Book of Exodus, we recall the Jewish people's exile out of Egypt. As they made their way through the Sinai peninsula, they were exposed to the extreme heat of the sun – to the dry parched land of the desert. They easily became exhausted, walking for miles and miles at a time in the desert climate. As their thirst grew, their faith in God's plan for them diminished. Their unfortunate lack of trust in God's providence bred quarreling, dissension and their constant displeasure. They grumbled against Moses. They doubted God's plan. Yet, in God's goodness, water was given to the Israelites from the rock that Moses struck. As they quenched their thirst, the quarreling ceased and they returned to their faith in God, and in God's plan for them.

The passage from Paul's letter to the Romans acknowledges that because of our sinfulness and selfishness, our faith is not always the best that it can be. But, Jesus – given to all by the Father as a free gift of His unconditional love – reminds us that He died for our sins while we were still sinful. It is only through the death of Jesus that the bond of sin was crushed, and that we are redeemed once and for all. Just as God shows His unconditional love for us, it is important that we strive to emulate that love in all of our daily interactions with others.



In today's Gospel, we hear how the words of Jesus inspire people to come to the faith. This beautiful story of the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well shows Jesus' love, compassion, and forgiveness. She was so moved by her interaction with Jesus that she proclaimed the story to many of the townspeople. Through her retelling of that story, the people believed in Jesus. Those who were able to see Jesus with their own eyes and hear His truth with their own ears, were also moved to greater faith and trust in Jesus. Jesus' promise of giving "living water" was being fulfilled in the midst of what happened to that Samaritan town.

All of our readings today help us to recognize that we, too, sometimes lose faith in God and in God's plan for us. As we lose faith, we often become selfish and sinning becomes easier and more frequent. Yet we are reminded that Jesus can and does forgive our sins. He helps us to find a way out of our sinfulness and back to God. Through the gift of Scripture and the grace of the Sacraments, we are nourished and nurtured through Jesus' promise of living water. In this way we share in the life of grace and the promise of eternal life.

As we thirst for the water to quench our dryness, may we find ourselves thirsty for Christ. Then we may truly learn to follow more faithfully His words and example. May we also hunger and thirst for the things of heaven, even while struggling here on earth to live good, moral, and faith-filled lives.

God bless you,

Congratulations to Stephen Currie who was received into the Order of Acolyte last Saturday at Saint Charles Seminary. Stephen is a very active member of our parish community preparing to become a permanent deacon for our Archdiocese. Keep Stephen in your prayers as he nears the completion of his formation program.

The *narthex* of the Church is also known as the "gathering space" and many parishioners do utilize it as such. Thank you. However the *nave* is the *worship area*, primarily intended for prayer and worship. Please respect the right of those who wish to pray in the pews before and after Mass by using the RE Room or Narthex for conversation and not the Nave. Thank you.

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



Lent 2014 - *Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent.*

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

5/12/14 Waldorf College Choir 7:30PM

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.

Announcing the Parish 50th Anniversary Pilgrimage to Italy! Corpus Christi parishioners and friends are invited to "Enchanting Italy" group tour with Msgr. Flanigan and Curran Travel, Inc. The tour will run from Wednesday, October 8th to Thursday October 16th, 2014. Pick up a tour brochure on the ministry table in the Narthex or contact Elaine Koza at 215-699-5559. Cost \$3630. pp, dbl. occ. Much more information is available in the brochure.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	March 22nd	
4:30 PM	Gloria Gennaro	<i>by Joe and Janet DePolo</i>
Sunday,	March 23rd	
7:00 AM	Dennis Seneko	<i>by The Seneko Family</i>
8:30	Mary Halinski	<i>by John and Trudy Duardo</i>
10:00	David H. Roberts	<i>by Tenta Family</i>
11:30	Theodore Wichowski	<i>by Julia Cupo</i>
6:00 PM	Teresa Nguyen T. Mai	<i>by Dinh Ngoc Huynk</i>
Monday,	March 24th	
7:15 AM	Joseph E. Murphy	<i>by Kathleen Agnew</i>
12:05 PM	John Hoffman	<i>by Lorraine DeVries</i>
Tuesday,	March 25th	
7:15 AM	Peter Illari	<i>by Lucille and Mary Ann Holdern</i>
12:05 PM	Joseph Papso	<i>by Jack and Jo Ferguson</i>
Wednesday,	March 26th	
7:15 AM	Souls in Purgatory	<i>by Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>
12:05 PM	Martin J. Donahue	<i>by Vince and JoAnn Donahue</i>
Thursday,	March 27th	
7:15 AM	Alice Gudknecht	<i>by Barbara and Stephen Hladic</i>
12:05 PM	Ron Lancia	<i>by John and Trudy Duardo</i>
Friday,	March 28st	
7:15 AM	Raymond Farmer	<i>by Pat and Claire Portolese</i>
12:05 PM	David P. Dougherty	<i>by Marc and Judy Longo</i>
Saturday,	March 29nd	
7:15 AM	Susan Dalton	<i>by Marie and Joe Dalton</i>
4:30 PM	Anna and Walter Kruczek	<i>by Barbara Clipham</i>
Sunday,	March 30th	
7:00 AM	Patricia Zemanek	<i>by Robert Zemanek</i>
8:30	Mary Margaret Roehl	<i>by Edward and Lucy Caufield</i>
10:00	Rachel Allen	<i>by David and Kathy Winder</i>
11:30	Mary Blonsky	<i>by Ann Haug</i>
6:00 PM	Peter Illari	<i>by Mercante Family</i>



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Bob Skierski, brother-in-law of Sr. Eleanor McNichol; Eleanor McQuillen, wife of Edward; Rose Buliano; Roseann Paolone.

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

March 15/16	\$ 26,948
Envelopes mailed	2,650
Envelopes returned	883
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
March to date	\$ 3,786

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7 This story from Exodus reveals that the Israelites, after their escape from Egypt, cast all blame for their sufferings on Moses. In this instance, they were dying of thirst. When Moses appealed to the Lord, the Lord directed Moses to strike a rock and water would gush forth.

Responsorial Psalm: 95:1-2, 6-9 Sing joyfully in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 Paul reminds the Romans that because Christ died for all people, they are acceptable in God's sight.

Gospel: John 4:5-42 Jesus converses with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well. When Jesus indicates that whoever drinks from the water He gives will never be thirsty again, the woman immediately answers, "Give me this water, sir...". Jesus then reveals that she has had five husbands and tells her that He is the Messiah. The woman believes Jesus and proclaims this news to all the townspeople, who believe her and come to see Jesus.



"Now that we have been justified by faith, we are at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have gained access by faith to the grace in which we now stand...the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us...when we were still powerless, Christ died for our sins.... 'We have heard for ourselves, and we know that this really is the Savior of the world.'"

Paul's letter presumes we know the full story, and so we do. But as we read it today we use it as a reminder of our need, this Lent, to seek the power of His grace, as it seems at times I am still powerless in trying to live a good, solid Christian life. I gradually come to appreciate my meeting with Jesus, as did the Samaritan woman of the gospel. Little by little Jesus opened the door of faith for her. He does the same for me. Jesus played with the idea of water, which the woman was seeking. He was offering the 'living water' the gift of grace. She wanted to fill her jar or pitcher. He wanted to fill her heart, to pour it on. As I begin this third week of Lent I ask that I may seek, find and treasure the gift He wants to give me, to fill me with His Spirit, His grace. What is grace? It is the life of God, **communicated** to me as a gift and accepted. Through this gift I indeed have His peace.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA



Does your marriage need a “break” in its routine, humdrum lifestyle? Want more “sparkle and glow” in your marriage? Want to feel that “original romance” you had in your dating days? Make a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Apr 26-27, 2014 in Media, PA and Jul 18-20, 2014 in Elverson, PA. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wwme-philly.org or contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wwme-philly.org or 610-449-1859.

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.

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 for an application, or call Meghan Callen at 484-975-6500 to set up a visit to PJP!

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/>

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.

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.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy Offers 7th Grade Practice Test (Pre-HSPT) Saturday, March 29, 8:00AM–11:30AM. Where: 120 West Wissahickon Avenue, Flourtown, PA 19031 Register online at www.msjad.org/practicetest14 <https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/images/clear.gif> You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. More information is available online.



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 jpofhatfield@gmail.com.

Meet the Author

Our Blessed Mother is a woman of few words, but when pondering with our hearts, we begin to understand that wisdom often begins in silence. Author, Gary Zimak helps readers to hear Our Lady's wisdom by studying her spoken words in Scripture. His new book, Listen to Your Mother: Mary's Words in Scripture will also help those who don't understand Mary's role, but want to learn why she is so important. Our Lady is filled with wisdom that can only be achieved in relationship to God. If we stop to consider her words in Scripture, we will see that she has much to share with us as the first disciple of Jesus. Mr. Zimak's book will be available for purchase for \$15.00 prior to and after his talk. The author will be available for book signings following his presentation. There is no cost to attend this presentation, but a free will offering may be made. Registration is suggested for this event at directoraff@stmariagoretti.net.

Tuesday, March 25, 2014
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Saint Maria Goretti Church
1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

The Knights of Columbus at MMR, Rev. Robert Burns Council, 13126 is once again presenting *Late Nite Catechism, Sister's Summer School Catechism*: This showing will be March 29, 2014 at 8:00 PM. The show will take place at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, located at: 1325 Upper State Rd, North Wales, PA 19454. Tickets are on sale now for \$40.00 each and preferred seating for the first 100 tickets sold will have reserved front row seating. Group pricing available for groups 10 or over @ \$35.00 each. Refreshments available. Show information: latenitecat@gmail.com Ticket information: latenitecat.tickets@gmail.com

Sickness, Health and Intercession: Healing Through Blessed Parents of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. On **Sunday, April 6, 2014** a conference by Maureen O'Riordan will be at the Carmelite Monastery, Philadelphia PA beginning at 1:00PM, benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will follow at 3:30PM including a special blessing for the sick and prayer for healing. Come and pray in the presence of the reliquary of this holy family for your own healing and the healing of your beloved family members and friends. Veneration will be available from 10:00AM. More information online at <http://www.thereseoflisieux.org/april> or from Diana at djkinggates@gmail.com.

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, the Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 10:30AM. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap will be the principal celebrant and homilist at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Phila. Volunteers are welcome to assist with all aspects of the Mass and reception. There will be a light reception immediately following the Mass. **All are Welcome.** To RSVP go to www.archphila.org, email sr.kschipani@archphila.org or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530.

Jesus said, “*You did not choose Me: I chose you.*”
Is Jesus calling you to be a priest? Consider the call.
www.HeedTheCall.org

Mothers of Children with Disabilities Retreat: Tuesday, May 6, at Malvern Retreat House. Fr. Christopher Walsh will direct a retreat for mothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities. There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers. To register or for more information please contact Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400, www.malvernretreat.com or Sr. Kathleen Schipani at sr.kschipani@archphila.org or 215-587-3330.

**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.

Visit us on the web at 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.)

Do Something Special For Lent!

**Participate in the
Corpus Christi Passion Play.**

Practice is every Friday Night

From 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

in the church.

Performance is Good Friday

At 12:00 Noon.

For more information contact:

Maria Richardson marichar@comcast.net

267-664-2878



The Mom Café

The Mom Café is a monthly support group for women of all stages of motherhood. To register for your first meeting, contact Angela McClellan at 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.

40 Days for Life

During Lent there is a 40 Days for Life campaign being conducted across America. This effort consists of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigils outside Planned Parenthood locations. So far 44 babies have been saved in the first 6 days of the campaign! **Please join us for one hour on Tuesday, 4/8/14, anytime from 9:00AM - 3:00PM outside the Planned Parenthood in Warminster, PA.** Sign up sheet and directions are in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Winder at 610-592-6474 or Louise Mercurio at 610-584-4008. Thank you for your prayers to help turn hearts and minds to a culture of life!

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 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!

"Fast" Food and a Flick

You are invited to join the worshiping community of Corpus Christi Parish for the 12:05PM Mass in our church. Following Mass, we will gather in the Religious Education Room to share a simple but delicious and nutritious Lenten meal. During lunch, we will view the classic film, Boys Town (Running Time: 90 minutes). This movie recounts the true story and heroic efforts of Father Edward Flanagan who founded an orphanage for troubled boys in Omaha, Nebraska in 1917. For more information about Boys Town, log on to www.boystown.org.

Monday, April 14, 2014 ~ Following the 12:05 PM Mass

Corpus Christi Church ~ Religious Education Room

Luncheon Cost \$8

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

Corpus Christi Parish Center
c/o Angela McClellan
900 Sumneytown Pike
Lansdale, PA 19446

A Lenten Meal



Parish House Volunteers Needed

Can you give 3.5 hours of your time once a month on a Saturday or Sunday? If you are a man or woman, teen, retired or in between.... If you need quiet time to pay your bills, read a book, write a letter, pray..... We can provide the time while you listen for the phone or doorbell at the Parish House. Training is provided. Please call Sr. Mary Carroll at 215-368-5750.





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, Jeff and Holly Miller, Baby Jace Wojcik, Joe DeRaymond, Agnes Lauman, Margaret Barton, Maryann Ashton, Joy Stover, Gene Hershey, Lucia Caufield, Joseph Bintner, Lee Saybolt, Edward Price, John Hilferty, Katelyn Bonner, Albert Miralles, James Donnelly, Tiffany Gilmore, Cathy Pierlott, Barbara Kluge, Joe Swaim, Fr. James McLaughlin, Margaret Smith, Nellie Posluszny.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Club 50 General Meeting Thursday, April 10th at 12 Noon in Conference Rooms B and C. Meet with friends, enjoy lunch and learn about our final 2 meetings for this year.

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."**

PAPER RECYCLING

We have been informed by the Paper Retriever company that due to "the prolonged record-low commodity pricing for recycled paper", they will be suspending all rebates paid to sponsors of the Paper Retriever Program which would include Corpus Christi Parish. This suspension of rebates took effect March 1 and will remain in place thru the balance of 2014. Whether or not rebates will resume in 2015 is unknown at this time. The Paper Retriever bins will still remain on our premises for the time being. Parishioners are welcome to continue using the bins to dispose of paper. Hopefully, rebates will be re-established in 2015. If not, pending the status of the Paper Recycling Program, a decision will be made, at that time, concerning the bins.

\$10,000 Corpus Christi School Mega Raffle



Congratulations to our **Third \$500 Early Bird Winner:** Gail & Ed Baum! The Grand Prize Drawings of \$10,000., \$5,000. and \$3,500. will be

announced on Saturday, March 22nd at the Corpus Christi School Parent Social. Check in next week's bulletin for the list of the winners.

Thanks 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 the Fish Fry 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.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 10:00AM

Corpus Christi Athletic Fields

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Parish 50th Anniversary Committee. The Easter Bunny will arrive at 10:00AM sharp to start the egg hunt. Please bring your own basket or bag to collect the eggs and camera for photos with the Easter Bunny!

Children will be divided into five age groups and will line up by age group at 9:45AM.

- Ages 1 and under
- Ages 2 to 4
- Grades K, 1st and 2nd
- Grades 3rd and 4th
- Grades 5th and 6th

Please e-mail CCEasterEggHunt@yahoo.com by April 5, 2014 to register, providing the number of children in each age group and your e-mail address. You will receive an e-mail in the event the egg hunt is cancelled due to weather. Please contact Stacy Ray at stacy_ray@verizon.net with any questions

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. Can we beat last year's donation of \$30,235. Please return your Easter Basket cards this weekend of March 22nd and 23rd. If you enclose a check please make it payable to "Visitation BVM Church." Thank You!

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/>

Stuebenville Youth Conference June 27-29 ~ \$250 Per Person The Youth group will be going to Stuebenville 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
March 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: 24th- Treasure Hunters
31st- Blindsight

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



METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia Young Adults - Please join us for weekly Bible study, March 25th, 7:30PM at Corpus Christi Parish Center, 900 Summeytown Pike, Lansdale. Check out our website <https://www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com> and FB: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults/>

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.

You can e-mail your order any time of the day/night to 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).

Please check out 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, pharmacies and restaurants...expenditures you are already making! 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 Ipads. Please contact Wanda Costello at 215-368-0582. School clearances will be required.

Box Top News

Each year we collect Box Tops from various food products to accrue points that we use to obtain various school supplies! Our students love to participate because we have a tally for each homeroom. Each year several homerooms win various prizes. We are pleased to announce: Tied for first in number of Box Tops collected: 4B and 1C will both receive a pizza lunch party! 2nd Place: 6A will receive a free pretzel day and 3rd Place: 4A will receive a free pretzel day. Thanks to all who participated!

On Friday, March 14, 2014, the winner of the **Corpus Christi Spelling Bee held during Catholic Schools Week**, Natalie Dolan, from 7A participated in the Times Herald Spelling Bee. Natalie did a wonderful job and finished fourth from the many competitors at this Bee. Congratulations Natalie!

On Wednesday, March 12, 2014, three elementary teams from Corpus Christi participated in the **Elementary Division of the Reading Olympics**. Our three teams earned one blue ribbon and two green ribbons. Congratulations to:

Team One: Jenna Mangan, Keira Echevarria, Brennan Miller, Kayla McQuate, Connor Mangan, Sean Prue, William Kelly, Ryan O'Rourke and Michael Davis

Team Two: Sarah Grosch, Emily Dvorchak, Katie Zazyczny, Sierra Duardo, Kelly Kurfuerst, Emily Durning, Cara Marquardt, Thomas Herron, Audrey Moroz and Eric Latif

Team Three: Liam Wall, Aidan Toussaint, Elizabeth Gunder, Cade Taylor, Austin Helmer, Sydney Okeke, Mia Tellers, Olivia Small, Jason Fennell and Liam Bowers

A special thank you to all of our teachers who volunteered to be moderators for this special event: Mrs. Gregg, Mrs. Dalton, Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Zapor, Mrs. Levesque, and Mrs. Messa!

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.

4th ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI 5K RUN

(Proceeds will benefit the Patrician Society)

Saturday, April 5, 2014

Registration begins at 7AM, Race begins at 8AM in Corpus Christi School Parking Lot

Registration Fee: \$20.00

Make Checks Payable to: Corpus Christi School

Questions: Email Jim McGovern at jm.corpus@hotmail.com

Mail Entry Form to: Corpus Christi School

Attn: Mr. James McGovern
920 Sumneytown Pike
Lansdale, PA 19446



Donations are gratefully appreciated from those not participating in the race. Please send donation to the address above.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

Race Day Age: _____ DOB: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Waiver: I should not enter the race unless I am medically able and properly trained. I also assume any or all other risks associated with running to attending the race including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effect of the weather, the conditions of the road, and getting lost, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Knowing these facts, and in consideration of you accepting my entrance fee, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue, and waive, release and discharge owners of the properties of which the race is run or held, volunteers, all other organizations directly or indirectly associated with the race and/or all claims or liability for death, personal injury, or property unknown. By entering this race, I am granting permission to all compensation.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS WAIVER.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature for those running under age of 18: _____

*****FIRST 50 APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT*****

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

Week of 03/23 Team #3: Jane Hartman at 215-272-0784
Week of 03/30 Team #5: Carolyn Bergey at 215-855-1754

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. April 21st or May 19th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

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

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please send your bulletin announcements to the Parish Center Office no later than the Monday prior to weekend of publication by 12 noon. The preferred method is by e-mail to corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com with the word "bulletin" in the subject line but it can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center. Thank you for your cooperation!

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

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

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



Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see below). **Please enter the**

chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd. (Please consider signing-up to be a weekly Adorer. There is a sign-up list in the Chapel if you would like to make a weekly commitment to a specific time each week. For more information, please call Anne DeSantis at 610-222-9778 or email adesantis_1@comcast.net).

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: Continuing through April 30th, a Novena to St. Peregrine, Patron saint of cancer patients is ongoing. 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 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.

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

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