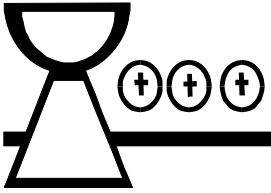


A Special Lenten Fast

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
Fourth Sunday of Lent ~ March 26, 2017*



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PARISH**

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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,

To stop, look and listen is important advice. This is true, not only when crossing a street, but also when contemplating our salvation. This fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare Sunday. It is an opportune time to stop and think about Jesus, to look at our relationship with Him, and listen to God's voice in our own life. Jesus is God's appointed one, the Son of Man, sent for our salvation. We must integrate that reality into our daily lives.

Today's Scripture readings center on recognizing God's chosen One. At times, our lives depend heavily on our ability to recognize the meaning of the signs and directions all around us. We often neglect to take the time to look around in order to do this. In our technological age we can recognize others through photos, identification cards, television, and of course, by personal knowledge. Most all of these means are fairly recent in the scope of history. In biblical times people relied upon eyewitness testimony and personal knowledge to identify someone.

Today we hear from the first Book of Samuel that God commanded Samuel to anoint the king. However, first Samuel must recognize whom God has chosen. Samuel obeys God and goes to Jesse in Bethlehem to search for this king. He thought he knew who the chosen one was, but it was another. Continuing to listen to God, Samuel eventually recognizes David as the one whom God has chosen to be king.

In the second reading Saint Paul teaches about the identity of Jesus. Paul recognizes Jesus as the "light," an insight from Paul's personal experience of Jesus on the road to Damascus. It was there, when blinded by the light of Christ, that Paul experienced a profound conversion which led to his discipleship. Paul's admonition to us is to awaken from the darkness of sin, give up evil, and let the light of Christ shine in our lives. Stop and think about it. Is the light of Christ obscured in your own life? Look into your heart and see if there exists any bitterness toward anyone. Listen to the Holy Spirit who guides us in following God's way so that we can become children of the light.



The Gospel account of the man born blind also teaches us about recognizing Jesus, the Son of Man, and recognizing sin in our lives. In the time of Jesus, disease and affliction were often equated with punishment for sin. Often a child's affliction was seen as the result of a parent's sin. In today's reading, however, the blind man is able to recognize that Jesus is the Son of Man, the Savior and Messiah, whereas the Pharisees could see but did not recognize Jesus as the Son of God. The Pharisees were intelligent people steeped in the Jewish tradition of awaiting the Messiah, yet they failed to recognize him in Jesus.

This brings us to ask ourselves, can we recognize Jesus? Jesus reminds us to look for Him in those who are hungry, poor, in prison, naked, homeless, ill or thirsty. In Matthew's Gospel we are told that whatever we do for the least among us we do for Jesus. Have we met some of these people and yet been unable to recognize Jesus?

In the Gospel reading, Jesus was recognized by the man considered to be a sinner. There is a connection between our ability to recognize our sin and our ability to recognize our Savior. During the remaining days of Lent take the time to stop, look and listen for Jesus. When we stop, look, and admit the sin in our lives we, too, can hear the words of Jesus and be able to recognize Him as our Savior.

God bless you,

LENTEN PRAYER FOR THE FALLEN AWAY:



Dear Lord, may our hearts and minds be nourished by your unyielding mercy and unconditional love, may our actions and words be guided by your ever present grace. We ask the Holy Spirit to fan the fire of our love to give us strength, wisdom and courage in proclaiming your truth to those we encounter. During this Holy Season of Lent we especially pray for (insert names) and That all who seek to know you: encounter you. That all who seek to serve you: be welcomed in your vineyard. That all who seek to love you: feel that they are loved. That all who seek to return to their Catholic faith: find they will be welcomed and received. Amen



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. Please return the cards the weekend of March 25th/26th. 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 on Wednesday evenings in the Chapel, continuing through April 26th at 6:30PM to 7:30PM. The Novena immediately follows Benediction which begins at 6:30PM. There is also Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday, 7:45AM to 6:30PM.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	March 25th	
4:30 PM	Monica Casciano	<i>by George and Donna Frisch</i>
Sunday,	March 26th	
7:00 AM	Monica C. Casciano	<i>by The CCS Faculty</i>
8:30	Eda Nicolai	<i>by Norm and Louise Mercurio</i>
10:00	Angela Yacovelli	<i>by The Bucci Family</i>
11:30	Daniel and Anna Green	<i>by Michael and Carol Pasella</i>
6:00 PM	Kathleen Curley	<i>by Dave and Kiersten Hafer</i>
Monday,	March 27th	
7:15 AM	Martin J. Donahue	<i>by Vince and Jo Ann Donahue</i>
12:05 PM	Frances Logue	<i>by Mary and Ed Borkowski</i>
Tuesday,	March 28th	
7:15 AM	Monica Casciano	<i>by Jacquie Stone</i>
12:05 PM	James McGovern	<i>by Corpus Christi Cross Country Team</i>
Wednesday,	March 29th	
7:15 AM	Deceased members of the Lengyel Family	<i>by Sandra and Paul Arbuckle</i>
12:05 PM	Chester Zecca	<i>by The Rosato Family</i>
Thursday,	March 30th	
7:15 AM	John Motley	<i>by The Mackunis Family</i>
12:05 PM	Ruth Biernacki	<i>by The Beneficial Bank Family</i>
Friday,	March 31st	
7:15 AM	Claire Wilson	<i>by The Pultorak Family</i>
12:05 PM	James McGovern	<i>by The Corpus Christi Faculty</i>
Saturday,	April 1st	
7:15 AM	Francis Coogan	<i>by Joe and Joyce Rodgers</i>
4:30 PM	Anna Marie Byrnes	<i>by Margaret White</i>
Sunday,	April 2nd	
7:00 AM	Catherine Gavaghan	<i>by Beth Lentz</i>
8:30	Dorothy and John Moran	<i>by Bernadette and Family</i>
10:00	Ana and Jose Monteiro	<i>by Chris and Ana Peck</i>
11:30	Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Sigismondi	<i>by Lillian Scheetz</i>
6:00 PM	Peter and Angela Marcante	<i>by Denise and Rich Peterson and Family</i>

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Louise Hughes; Walter Wojcik, brother of Arleen Smith and Richard Wojcik.



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

FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Target for Fiscal Year 2016-2017	\$1,560,000
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2016-17	\$ 30,000
Collection for March 18/19	\$ 28,428
Electronic Giving (125 participants) Mar. 20	\$ 16,047
Over (Under) Target Week	\$ 14,465
Over (Under) Target YTD Fiscal Week 36	\$ 59,677
Facilities Improvement Year To Date	\$ 55,671
Through March 12th	
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,542
Total Envelopes Used (March 19)	801
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,717,543

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a In seeking a King for the Israelites, Samuel traveled to Jesse of Bethlehem, who had seven sons. Commanded by God to ignore the elder sons, Samuel anointed the youngest, David.

Responsorial : PS 23: 1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.



Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14 Paul exhorts the Ephesians to live as "children of light" in goodness and truth and to avoid evil deeds "done in darkness."

Gospel: John 9:1-41 Jesus performs the miracle of giving sight to the man born blind. Because Jesus performed this miracle on the Sabbath, the Pharisees called Him a "sinner," but the blind man said, "He is a prophet." Jesus later reveals to the blind man that He is the Son of Man.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"There was a time when you were in darkness but now you are light in the Lord. Well, then, live as children of light. Light produces every kind of goodness, and justice and truth.... Then he told him, 'Go wash in the pool of Siloam.' (This name means 'One who has been sent.')"

With the coming of spring, days become longer and darkness fades. St. Paul tells his readers that they are children of the light. Jesus told us we are the light of the world. We recognize our role through our good works, our efforts to make a just society, and walking with Jesus who is the way, truth and life.

How common it is for us to look for a place to charge our telephones, renew the power in our ipad, or charge our battery. Sadly people fight to plug their charger and renew their telephone, computer or game. Lent is to produce the same effect. The light can become stronger as we strive for goodness, justice and truth. Lent is meant to restore power, or grace, fully. Lent is our opportunity to be and remain connected. We are to be charged by the Lord and radiate His presence.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Do Something Special For Lent This Year

Visitation BVM Parish will sponsor a special Lenten program entitled "Pivotal Players" by Bishop Robert Barron. The DVD program showcases a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization.

The sessions will take place on the remaining Tuesdays of Lent (see schedule below) from 7:00 to 8:30PM. If you can't make the entire series, or are particularly interested in one of the pivotal players, you can come to just that session.

March 28 - BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN; April 4 - G. K. CHESTERTON; April 11 - MICHELANGELO.

All sessions will be held in the Visitation Junior High library located at 190 N Trooper Road, Norristown, PA 19403. Please use the school entrance closest to the intersection of N Trooper Rd and Chestnut Ave. There is no cost to participate, but you can purchase an optional workbook for \$25 on Amazon.com.

We won't be using the workbook during our sessions, but you might find it interesting to read through on your own between sessions. We will however, have guided discussion after we watch each video. We ask folks to register so we can contact you in case of inclement weather. To register, please contact Bob Hehn on 484-557-1371 or email at rahehn@aol.com to register.

All are invited to visit *Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament* at the beautiful and historic Ss. Nereus and Achilleus Chapel of **Saint Mary Center for Rehabilitation & Healthcare**, Lansdale, during the annual Forty Hours Devotions on **March 26, 27, 28**. The chapel will be open for visits Sunday, March 26 from 12 Noon until 6:30PM and Monday and Tuesday, March 27, 28 from 9AM until 6:30PM. You are also welcome to join us on these days for Holy Mass at 11AM and Benediction at 6:30PM. All guests are asked to enter through the main entrance. For more information or to sign up for a specific adoration time, contact Father Zachary Navit or Sister Marietta Therese at 215-368-0900. St. Mary Center, part of Catholic Health Group, is located at 701 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale, PA 19446.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School events for girls in 6th and 7th grades!

Morning Tours Happening now!

Select Weekdays from January through May 8:00-10:30am

Evenings at Gwynedd - Limited Wednesday evenings in March and May.

7th Grade Practice Test

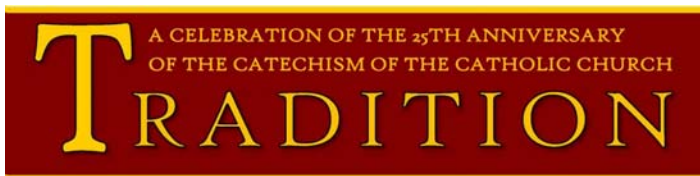
**Saturday, April 29, 2017 or Sunday, April 30, 2017
9:00am-12:30pm**

Tours available after the exam on Saturday

Information Sessions at 9:10am for parents both days

All information is available at:

<https://www.gmahs.org/admissions/visit-gwynedd>



SPONSORED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

This conference will focus on the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Presentations will be given by nationally recognized speakers. Plan now to attend this very exciting and inspirational day!

Monday, June 19, 2017

7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel
Philadelphia, PA 19103

SPEAKERS

Jeff Cavins (Keynote)

Scott Hahn · Mother Assumpta Long, O.P.

Matthew Bunson · Deborah Savage · Jonathan Reyes

Registration opens on March 15, 2017 Cost is \$65 per person

To register go to: www.phillyvocf.org and click on the TRADITION banner



ATTENTION: ARCHDIOCESAN TEACHERS AND CATECHISTS
Two core credits for Archdiocesan catechetical certification are granted for participation in the entire day.

A Baby's Breath Run for Life 2017 – Please come and enjoy a morning of family fun on **Saturday, April 8th** at the Norristown Farm for the annual Run for Life – benefitting A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center – helping moms and their families for 17 years! 1 Mile Fun Run 9 am; 5K Run 9:30 am. Walk, Run or Wheel Please register at http://www.ababysbreath.org/events/NOR_RFL.html. For more information, please contact Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281 or budswed@verizon.net.

Lenten Meal

Enjoy the company and fellowship of others while we share a simple meatless meal, salad, and assorted breads and rolls. During our meal, we will view a short DVD presentation on the transforming power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Afterwards, we will gather in Saint Maria Goretti Church to pray the Stations of the Cross. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Final day to register for this event is Friday, March 24th.

Friday, March 31, 2017

5:45 PM to 6:45 PM

Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level

Please register using the form that can be found on the St. Maria Goretti parish website at

www.stmariagoretti.net

Please mail form along with payment of \$10.00 per person.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats for Healing after Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God and will help your soul find a voice, and transform the pain of the past into hope. Rachel's Vineyard is a "therapy for the soul" which combines a unique and creative process for psychological and spiritual healing.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries will be hosting a

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion on:

April 7-9, 2017


This retreat will be held in Doylestown, PA

For more information call Evelyn at 215-317-5752

Or email at evelynwalsh59@gmail.com

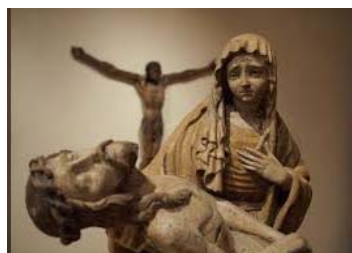
Read more about it online at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

All requests are strictly confidential.

 **Upcoming Events** **The Guardians - Tuesday, April 4th- 7PM**
Religious Education Room in Church. For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.

Mom Café - Tuesday, Tuesday, April 4th- 9:30-11AM

The Mom's Cafe is back! If you've been looking for a way to meet other moms in the parish, or have wondered what this group is about, come join us at any or all of our meetings. All are welcome, including the children. Have coffee and talk with a supportive group of women discussing all kinds of topics! Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com



Passion Play 2017: Calling all actors, musicians, stagehands and anyone open to trying something new! Casting has begun for all roles for this year's Passion Play, including an understudy for the role of Jesus (this person would take over the role next year). All are welcome to participate; we are open to all ages and encourage family participation. We do ask that children 5th grade and younger have a parent present for all rehearsals and performances. Rehearsals will begin during Lent, and will take place on Friday evenings in the Church after Stations of the Cross. Our presentation of the Passion Play is on Good Friday at noon in the Church. If you are interested in joining the cast or crew, or would like more details, please contact Amanda Deo at Amanda.g.deo@gmail.com.



The Corpus Christi Adult and Youth Choirs will present a special Tenebrae Service on **Palm Sunday, April 9th 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!

Aid For Friends

This Lenten season, please set a place for an unknown guest. Corpus Christi's Aid for Friends provides meals for the homebound of our parish and surrounding communities.



Sectional trays can be found in the plastic totes in the narthex and at the side door of the church. Place a tray at your dinner table, and fill it as you would your own plate. Cover with foil, fill out a menu sheet, place in the plastic bags provided, and freeze. Drop off solidly frozen meals in the freezers marked "Aid for Friends" in the garage near the convent. If you have any questions, please call Barbara MacIntosh 215-256-1161.

Great News! **Plenary Indulgence for the Fatima Centennial Year**. We are thrilled to share with you that Pope Francis has granted a Plenary Indulgence opportunity for the Centennial Year of Our Lady of Fatima. To read more about how the indulgence may be obtained and to see how else to celebrate the Fatima anniversary, visit our Archdiocesan Fatima Centennial web page: www.archphila.org/fatima.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT RE: YEAR END STATEMENTS

Contribution tax statements have been emailed, *some have been returned due to a change in provider or a change in work address*. If you haven't received an email, in order to add, or update your email address please send a request to corpuschristilansdale@gmail.com with the notation of "**Tax Statement**" in the subject bar. Thank you for your cooperation!

If you have any questions please call the Parish Center Office at 215-855-1311 ext. 121 for Ruth. Thank you!

EASTER EGG HUNT AT ST. MARY'S

The Easter Bunny will host an Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages on Saturday, April 8 at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Mary Center in Lansdale. Fun, games, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and refreshments for the young and young at heart! The rain date is Saturday, April 15. All are welcome!

Saint Mary Center & Villa, part of Catholic Health Group, is located at 701 Lansdale Avenue, Lansdale, PA 19446. For more information, contact Tricia Fitzgerald, Administrator, at (215) 368-0900.

Don't Give Up Chocolate for Lent HAVE YOUR BEST LENT EVER 2017

We all know the things that make us happy, but we don't always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year we invite you to do something different. Sign up for Best Lent Ever, a FREE, video-based email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and New York Times best-selling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness . . . and what to do about it. Are you ready for your best Lent ever? <http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/>

Flame of Love Cenacle - A devotion of reparation to meet the pleas of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother to assist in the spiritual battle to save souls. The book from which this devotion is modeled has an imprimatur by Archbishop Chaput. Includes brief foundational teaching followed by a holy hour: Flame of Love Rosary, Prayers to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, our heavenly advocates Mary, Joseph and St Michael. Find out what it means to Blind Satan. **Join us each Monday 7pm - 8pm, in the Corpus Christi parish library.** Contact: flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com for more information. Join us, bring a friend and your rosary. General information about the Flame of Love devotion can be found at www.flameoflove.us.



Suffering Yet Still Believing

Have you ever wondered why there's so much suffering in the world and in our own lives? The Prophet, Job, also sought the answer to this poignant question. Ideal for the season of Lent, this presentation will offer an overview of the spiritual lessons from the Old Testament Book of Job. Join us as we delve into the twists and turns of this famous story and take a deeper look into the make-up of this heroic character all with the goal of pointing us toward the way of wisdom in our own lives! There is no cost to attend this event. Registration is encouraged at faith@stjudechalfont.org or 215-822-9225 (ext. 234). We welcome Father Thomas Dailey, O.S.F.S., Professor of Theology at DeSales University, as our guest presenter.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 ~ 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Saint Jude Church, Chalfont ~ www.stjudechalfont.org
Guest Presenter: Reverend Thomas Dailey, O.S.F.S.

Please be praying

for... Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Thomas Roy, Peter Schumacher, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Sue Kunze, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Frederick Scheetz, Susan Miholovich, Robert Shea, Drew Fantozzi, Ken Slater, James Stento, Antonio Jacinto, Michael Rafter, Holly Miller, Betty Olden, Kevin Rakszawski.



Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast with the Easter Bunny Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. Grass Area across from Main Entrance to Corpus Christi School (Door C) and Social Hall

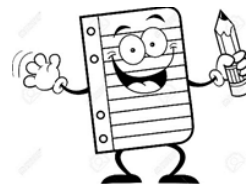
Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The Egg Hunt will take place in the grass area across from the main entrance to Corpus Christi School (Door C). The Easter Bunny will arrive at 9:30AM sharp to start the egg hunt. Every egg will be filled with a treat and a select number of eggs will have a golden ticket. Finders of the golden ticket will receive a special prize. Children will be divided into four age groups and will line up by age group at 9:15AM.

- Ages 1 and under
- Ages 2 through PreK
- Grades K, 1st and 2nd
- Grades 3rd and Up

NEW THIS YEAR - Following the Egg Hunt, please join us for a complimentary Breakfast with the Easter Bunny in the Social Hall. The Easter Bunny will be available for photographs. Please bring your own camera. (In case of inclement weather, all activities will take place in the Social Hall.) If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Ray at stacy_ray@verizon.net or Ann Marie Finley at atammara@yahoo.com.



Join the Parish Communication Team



Are you a writer, graphics or web designer, in video, communications, advertising or marketing? Have years of experience or just interested in designing and developing our messages? Please share your talents to help Corpus Christi Parish. 1-3 hours a month from home is all we need - a little help from many! Contact Tom McHenry at 215-513-0251 or email at Tom@McHenryCreative.com



Stations of the Cross Every Friday at 7:00PM with practice for the Good Friday Passion Play immediately following.



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 around the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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

Virginia International Tattoo, Norfolk & Virginia Beach, VA - Friday, April 28, 2017 to Monday, May 1, 2017.



Please pick up a brochure in the Narthex of the church. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver is included, except chambermaids. 3 night's accommodations at an oceanfront property in Virginia Beach. 3 deluxe continental breakfasts at the hotel. 3 dinners in area restaurants. Admission and tram tour of the Norfolk Botanical Gardens. Reserved seating to the International Nato Festival and Azalea Festival Parade. Many, many more attractions. Departs 7:30AM Friday, April 28th returns approximately 8:00PM Monday, May 1st. *Call 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale, PA 19446. Cost ranges between \$679.pp double, triple to \$869.pp single, optional insurance \$80pp.

Rail & Paddle Wheel, Middletown, PA- Thursday, June 1, 2017. Cost \$90. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver included. Scenic ride on the Middletown Hummelstown Railroad (10AM), sit-down luncheon at Alfred's Victorian Restaurant (12NOON), 45 minute sight-seeing cruise aboard the "Pride of the Susquehanna" (3PM)

Choice of Entree: 1) Lump Crab Cake; 2) Cannelloni Bolognese (crepes filled w/veal, chicken & beef, topped w/marinara sauce)

3) Chicken Flake (chicken breast rolled in crushed almond & corn flakes).

Departs 7:15AM returning approximately at 6:30PM.

Payment due at sign-up - No refunds after the vendor is paid in full! Call 215-368-0421, Rose Wilson, 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446 or call 267-263-2622 Mary Slater, 512 Dock Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446.

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

Holy Martyrs Catholic Church Hosts Relics Exposition

Wednesday, March 29th, 2017
9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

The collection on display will include more than fifty first and second class relics including a relic of the cross of Jesus, the cross of St. Andrew, the cloak of St. Joseph, Saints Theresa, Francis, Dominic and Anthony of Padua. Also included will be several relics of Pope Saint John Paul II and Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. Each relic displayed will have an information sheet explaining the life of the saint.

Holy Martyrs Catholic Church is located at 121 Allison Road in Oreland. For more information phone the parish office at 215-884-8575.



Looking for that special gift? If you want something that brings lasting joy, why not consider giving each other a **Marriage Encounter Weekend**? The world we live in seems to get busier each year, to taking the time to focus on each other and to grow in our understanding and love is so important. The next Weekend in this area is **March 31-April 2 at the Sheraton Great Valley**. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wme-philly.org. You can also contact Al and Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wme-philly.org or call 610-449-1859.

Youth News

High School Youth Group

Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex, visit us on **Facebook** or on the parish website: <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
Contact Danielle Gallo, Youth Minister at corpus.ym@gmail.com

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www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com. Check out our Twitter link on homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/> or visit our Facebook Page:

(www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults) for more details.

March 2017:

Tuesday, March 28: Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales; 7:30pm

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

~ a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence ~

WELCOMES YOU

Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2017-2018 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.



Congratulations to parishioners **Joseph Rakszawski** and **Marie DiNunzio** for their recent honors from the General Nash District of the Boy Scouts of America.

Joe received the George Senderling Award, which honors those who have enthusiastically given a large portion of their life to Scouting.

Marie received the District's Award of Merit, which recognizes Scout leaders "who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level."

Mrs. DiNunzio was recognized for service both in and outside Scouting – her citation recognized not only her work with the General Nash District, the North Penn International Festival, Girl Scouts, several local Boy Scout units and her sons, but also her service as an REC instructor and cantor at Corpus Christi Parish.

We thank them both for their service to the parish, our community, and our youth.

SCRIP CORNER

CORPUS CHRISTI SCRIP PROGRAM

NEW Don't miss out - check out the **Pizza Time Saloon Raffle Contest** or <http://tinyurl.com/h9fnnam> going on with SCRIP during Lent!

e-mail: cc.scrip@yahoo.com; on the web: www.ccslansdale.org

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session); Monday evenings 5:30pm to 7pm (when REC is in session)

Erin Miller (215) 362-0104

Thank you for using SCRIP to support Corpus Christi!

The Drama Club of Corpus Christi School is proud to present its spring musical, **"Godspell Jr"**. This shorter version of the original off-Broadway musical is a modern-day retelling of the Gospel of Matthew and features songs by Grammy- and Academy-Award-winning composer Stephen Schwartz. **Performances are in the school gym on Thursday, April 6 (1:15 and 7:00 PM), and Saturday, April 8 (3:00 PM). Admission is free.**



ATTENTION RUNNERS OF ALL AGES

Please join the 4th and 8th grade classes of Corpus Christi Catholic School for the **Jim McGovern 5K Race To Feed The Hungry on Saturday April 8** at 8AM! Proceeds from the race go to the Patrician Society, a food bank in Norristown. The 5k race or 1 mile fun run starts and ends in the Corpus Christi parking lot. The cost to participate is \$20. For more information, please contact Linda O'Rourke at linda.orourke@corpuschr.org. **You can still** sign up on race day at 7AM in the parish lobby area located at Door A.

CYO News

CYO Boys Spring Volleyball: Registration is still open for 5th–8th grades. Sessions will only be on Sunday nights 7:00-8:30PM, from April 2nd to May 21st, and won't interfere with other spring sports. Each session will have half academy style instruction and half games with all parishes at the same gym. This is great preparation for high school volleyball as most area high schools now have boys volleyball programs. Register at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.siplay.com/>

Spring Cheerleading Clinic The Corpus Spring Cheerleading Clinic is still open to girls in 4th to 8th grades. The sessions run from March to May for girls interested in learning cheerleading basics. It is being held on the following dates from 6:30-8pm (7 Thursdays and 1 Wednesday):

3/23/17, 4/12/17 (Wed), 4/20/17, 4/27/17, and 5/4/17. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Amy Lendzinski: alendzinski@gmail.com

CYO Open Positions – Registrar, Uniform Manager and others. If interested contact cc-cyo@verizon.net

Create an Account in our system so you will receive our emails for other youth events throughout the year. Set-up your account at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>
Additional Information can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>

Corpus Christi CYO is now on Twitter! For information on sign-ups, scores, reminders, alumni news, and more, follow us @CYOCorpus !

Attention Parents of 6th-8th grade students: Is your child struggling with their current courses or are you interested in improving their grades? The Montgomery County Intermediate Unit is offering an online intervention program. Visit here for more info: <http://tinyurl.com/j3fhjew>.

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 03/26 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877

Week of 04/02 Team #1: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263

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 17th, May 15th.**

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 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 EVERY SUNDAY.**

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

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

DAILY PRAYER CHAPEL OPEN: Those who wish to make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament during the day may do so in the Church Chapel. The Chapel is open every day until **3:30PM except Wednesday 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 6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see below). **Please enter the chapel using**



the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd. (Please consider signing-up to be a weekly Adorer. There is a sign-up list in the Chapel if you would like to make a weekly commitment to a specific time each week. For more information, please call Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459.)

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



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

To check on the next session at Corpus Christi– Contact ccprecanateam@gmail.com for information.

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NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Continuing through April 26th 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 last night of the Novena, April 26th, 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 12:30PM) and 1:30PM to 5PM. Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

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.***