

PALM SUNDAY

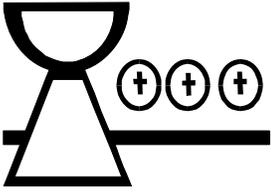
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Hosanna!
Hosanna!

*Blessed is he who
comes in the name
of the Lord!*

Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd Pennsylvania
March 29, 2015



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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Reverend Shaji Silva**

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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.

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

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 215-855-1311 ext. 113

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 The Guardians - Fathers' Support Group:
 Deacon Frank Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 113
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 Megan Montagna 215-699-0773
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 Lectors: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 113
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 215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today we join the poor and the disadvantaged of Jerusalem walking in procession, waving palms and shouting, ***"Hosanna, Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord."*** This procession sets the tone for the many processions that take place this week. On Holy Thursday we will process with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose. On Good Friday we will walk in procession to venerate the cross. And Holy Saturday night we will escort the Catechumens to the baptismal font. Each procession is an expression of our faith in Jesus and our desire to be with Him in life, death, and resurrection.

As we listen to the readings for today, perhaps a feeling of sadness comes over us. Jesus spent His life revealing a God who wants fullness of life for us, who desires that we have happiness, peace, and joy. Jesus healed many to attest to the truth of His words. But there were those who were unable to accept news of a God who is merciful, kind, compassionate, and who loves unconditionally. They plotted the death of Jesus and they succeeded in their plans.

Is there something in us that says, "It's not fair."? How can God let this happen to His own Son? What kind of God is this? The good should be protected from evil. The innocent should not have to suffer. But our experience seems to be otherwise. We can hardly read the newspaper or listen to the evening news without being confronted with the suffering of innocent people.

This can produce some anxiety – provoking thoughts that we do not let ourselves have too often. Sometimes it is easier to cling to the belief that life has to be fair. Victims of evil must have done something wrong. God must have reasons for the evil that happens. But then we are creating a vision of God like that of the Pharisees. So how do we work with the fear and the anger that rises in us when we see or hear of the innocent suffering? How do we respond when we ourselves suffer unjustly? More often than not we look for someone to blame. But fixing blame seldom makes us feel any better. There must be some other way to respond to what we cannot understand. Many times sharing our fear or anger with someone helps to lift us out of despair. If that someone is God, then we are on the right track. Just as human relationships thrive on honesty, so our relationship with God grows when we can be honest with God about our feelings.

As we become able to freely share our feelings with God, we are encouraged to share those times when we felt we suffered unjustly. We are free to share those times when we believed God had abandoned us. We are free and encouraged to let our fear and anger be part of our prayer. It is no wonder that God sometimes seems to be a million miles away, especially if we believe God is indifferent to our pain.

Life is not always fair. The innocent do suffer. We will never know how deep the mutual love and trust is between God and us until we let God see us as we are.

God bless you,
Meggie Tom Flanigan



Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2015-2016 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

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION ~ A Pontifical Collection

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land.

Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.

Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are housing and feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. For more information visit www.MyFranciscan.org/good-Friday.

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.

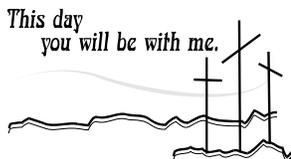
MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

PALM SUNDAY of the LORD'S PASSION

Saturday,	March 28th	
4:30 PM	Margaret Smith	
	<i>by Ellie and Bob Hentschel</i>	
Sunday,	March 29th - Palm Sunday	
7:00 AM	The Pultorak Family	
	<i>by Dick Pultorak</i>	
8:30	Anna and Ignatius McCool	
	<i>by Richard and Fran Glica</i>	
10:00	Peter Illari	
	<i>by The Illari Family</i>	
11:30	Frank Galvin	
	<i>by Peg and Tim Fitzpatrick</i>	
6:00 PM	Maria Nguyen Hung	
	<i>by Huynh Dinh</i>	
Monday,	March 30th	
7:15 AM	Annette Keplinger	
	<i>by Florence Ames</i>	
12:05 PM	Bill McHale	
	<i>by Fran McHale</i>	
Tuesday,	March 31st	
7:15 AM	Debbie Gorniak	
	<i>by Missy Miller</i>	
12:05 PM	Conrad Melton	
	<i>by Deacon Bill and Terry Iacobellis</i>	
Wednesday,	April 1st	
7:15 AM	John Atkins	
	<i>by The Shultz and Terkhorn Families</i>	
12:05 PM	Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Sigismondi	
	<i>by Lillian Scheetz</i>	
Thursday,	April 2nd ~ Holy Thursday	
7:00 PM	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	
Friday,	April 3rd ~ Good Friday	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer	
3:00 PM	SOLEMN SERVICE	
Saturday,	April 4th ~ Holy Saturday	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer and Blessing of Food	
7:00 PM	EASTER VIGIL MASS	
Sunday,	April 5th ~ Easter Sunday	
7:00 AM	All Masses on Easter Sunday	
8:30	are for the	
10:00	Intentions of our	
11:30	Parishioners	

No 6PM Mass on Easter Sunday

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially John Hanna, husband of Joanne and father of Barb O'Donnell; Agnes Susack.



*This day
you will be with me.*

Lord Jesus Christ,
by Your own three days in the tomb, You hallowed the graves of all who believe in You and so made the grave a sign of hope that promises resurrection even as it claims our mortal bodies.

+ Amen

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

March 21/22	\$ 27,163
Envelopes mailed	2,641
Envelopes returned	971
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
March to date	\$ 3,786

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Isaiah describes the pain and insults of the Servant of God. Yet he sounds hopeful when describing God as his help, knowing he will not be disgraced.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Paul exults Christ's great sacrifice of humbling Himself to become human and die on the cross. He explains that this is why we should now realize the importance of honoring both His name and memory.

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47 Mark describes the events leading up to Christ's crucifixion. The Last Supper is described, explaining where the Eucharist began. Judas betrays Jesus and His suffering at the hands of the Sanhedrin (Council) is detailed.



Holy Week



Family Connection

Palm Sunday, also called Passion Sunday, marks the beginning of Holy Week. During this week, we prepare ourselves for Easter by prayerfully reflecting on the events of Jesus' passion and death. During this week, your family might display a crucifix in a prominent place as reminder of the salvation that Christ won for us. This can also serve as the focal point for family prayer during Holy Week.

Because of the length and complexity of the passion narrative, it is difficult for children to remain attentive when it is proclaimed in its entirety. Families can make it a tradition to read a portion of this Sunday's Gospel each day of Holy Week, providing ample opportunity for children to ask questions and respond to the events described there. In this way, the entire week can become a "way of the cross."

Each day during Holy Week, the family can gather in a prayerful space with a crucifix as its focal point. The passion as found in Mark's Gospel might be read as follows throughout the week:

Sunday: Mark 11:1-10 (Gospel at the Procession with Palms)
Monday: Mark 14:1-11
Tuesday: Mark 14:12-26
Wednesday: Mark 14:27-52
Thursday: Mark 14:53-72
Friday: Mark 15:1-41
Saturday: Mark 15:42-47

After reading from the Gospel each night, the family might reflect on the reading together. Conclude your prayer time together by praying the Lord's Prayer or by singing an appropriate hymn such as "Jesus, Jesus," "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" or "What Wondrous Love is This."

www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

World Meeting of Families is coming to Philadelphia September 2015!



Learn about the World Meeting of Families, how to prepare your parish, get involved, or get your copy of the official Catechesis on our website WorldMeeting2015.org

To make an online donation, visit WorldMeeting2015.org/give/. Like us on Facebook at "World Meeting of Families 2015," follow us on Twitter @WMF2015. Please help us spread the word about hosting a family by directing people to our website:



<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/get-involved/host-a-family>. If you have any questions about **H o m e s t a y**, please email Host@worldmeeting2015.org. Thank you for your support at this exciting time. Registration is now open for the **World Meeting of Families!** Please visit:

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/plan-your-visit/register/>

Roman Catholic High School- 7th Grade Visitation Day- all 7th graders are invited on Thursday, April 16th. **Spring Open House** will be held for all 6th and 7th grade students and families on Sunday, April 19th from 11AM-1PM. For additional info visit www.RomanCatholicHS.com or call 215-627-1270 x146 or 159.

Lansdale Catholic 8th Grade Shadow Program – All area eighth graders are encouraged to shadow a current LC ninth grader for a day. Please have a parent/guardian contact Mrs. Allen email amallen@lansdalecatholic.com or call at 215-362-6160 x 194 to set up a shadow appointment.

Lansdale Catholic 7th Grade Universal Visitation Day/Open House Evening – Seventh graders are invited to be our guest for a day of fun and activities on **Thursday, April 16**. Seventh graders who attend Archdiocesan parochial schools will be registered automatically, but if you attend a public or private elementary school, you must register with Mrs. Allen, Director of Admissions at 215-362-6160 x 194 or email her at amallen@lansdalecatholic.com. Later that same evening, beginning at 6:30 pm, we will host our Spring Open House, with administrators, faculty, students, parents, staff and coaches available to answer any questions on the LC experience.

Lansdale Catholic Junior High Dance – LC will host their 2nd annual Junior High Dance for regional 6th, 7th and 8th graders on **Friday, April 10** in the gym from 7 pm to 10 pm. Please contact Mrs. Allen, Director of Admissions at 215-362-6160 x 194 or email her at amallen@lansdalecatholic.com for more details.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School - hosts Morning Tours for 6th & 7th graders and their families from February through May. Visit www.gmahs.org/admissions to register today!

Summer at Gwynedd! Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School is offering 9 different camps during Summer 2015. Sports, Arts, Music, Leadership, Technology. Visit www.gmahs.org to register today!

Mount Saint Joseph Academy invites seventh grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Visitations will continue through May. To arrange a visit, have a parent call the Admission Office at 215-233-9133. Visit our website at www.msjacad.org for more information.

SAVE THE DATE: Monday, May 4, 2015

Sister Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking*, comes to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Doylestown, to talk about life, death, and social justice. Don't miss it!

Please come and enjoy a Spring morning on **Saturday, April 18, 2015 for A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center's Run for Life 2015** at the Norristown Farm Park. 2500 Upper Farm Road, Norristown, PA. One Mile Fun Run/Walk starts at 9AM and 5K Run/Walk starts at 9:30AM. The Run for Life benefits our Jeffersonville Center serving moms and their babies for 15 years! Please register online at www.ababysbreath.org. For more info, please contact Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281.



As you travel be sure to check the time of Masses at your destination.

Divine Mercy Weekend, April 10-12 Malvern Retreat House Directed by: Rev. Ronan Murphy & Rev. Pio Mandato with Rev. Stephen DeLacy

Immerse yourself in the grace of Christ's Divine Mercy during this 10th Anniversary weekend retreat at the beautiful Malvern Retreat House; culminating with the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday! Visit www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

Pilgrimage to Poland & Czech Republic

Join *Father Keith Chylinski* for a prayerful pilgrimage to Poland and the Czech Republic from August 5-14, 2015. It will include visits to the important shrines of Warsaw, Niepokalanow, Czestochowa, Krakow, Wadowice and Prague. Mass will be said daily in sites associated with St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe and Pope St. John Paul II. In addition, there will be an excursion to Prachatic, the birthplace of St. John Neumann, where Mass will be said in the church where he was baptized. Cost of the pilgrimage is \$2,999 plus fuel tax. Brochures can be found in the Parish Office – registration has been extended. For more information, please contact Fr. Chylinski at kchylinski@scs.edu.

Little Sister of the Poor Benefit ~ April 11 - 6PM Villanova University's Jake Nevin Field House

Named after Ukrainian nomads, *Scythian* plays immigrant rock with thunderous energy, technical prowess, and storytelling songwriting, beckoning crowds into a barn-dance rock concert experience. Celebrating 10 years of getting people dancing all night, is back as our concert feature, as we raise much needed funds for our work of caring for the elderly poor of Holy Family Home in southwest Philadelphia. Come join us for a great night of fun and good will! 6:00 p.m. – Doors open and food available 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Concert, with an intermission (no food or drinks available after intermission) \$50.00 per person (\$10 kids 12 and under, \$20 students) includes general admission, food, drinks (valid ID required), silent auction Benefitting the Elderly Residents of Holy Family Home For more information: 215-729-5153 ext. 1115 or see www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org.

Saint Maria Goretti Parish Mission Our Universal Call To Holiness

Presented by Passionist, Father Jack Connor

Monday, April 27, 2015:

Our Life is a 5th Gospel 8:30AM Mass;

9:00AM to 10:00AM Confessions;

7:00 PM Mission Services with Benediction

Tuesday, April 28, 2015:

Senior Faith Matters following the 8:30 AM Mass to 10:30AM

Living in the Christian Community 7:00 PM Mission Services with Benediction

Wednesday, April 29, 2015:

Sent Forth to Spread the Good News 7:00 PM Mission Services with Benediction; Refreshments Follow in the Narthex.

If you are feeling lost or confused, frightened or overwhelmed by the stresses of life, disappointed by your own weaknesses and failures, or are simply hungry for a deeper, richer, more fulfilling faith life, then the Parish Mission at Saint Maria Goretti Parish may provide you what is needed to get you back on the track of discipleship. Please join us!

Sister Strikes Again: Late Nite Catechism 2! Sunday, May 3rd 2:00PM

St. Isidore School
603 W. Broad Street
Quakertown, PA 18951

Tickets starting at \$40 can be purchased at www.entertainmentevents.com. For more info email Brandy Voytko at bvoytko@stisidoreschool.com.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

Mom Café - Tuesday, April 7th– 9:30 to 11AM

Religious Education Room in Church



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



The World Meeting of Families will take place in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in September of 2015. Join us for a presentation on the World Meeting of Families Catechism that will assist us in our spiritual preparation for this grace-filled event in the life of our local and

universal Church. The presentation will consist of two parts: a teaching on the Preparatory Catechism, *Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive* and an update on planning including registration information for the various events that will be held. **Tuesday, April 21, 2015, Religious Education Room, 7:00PM to 8:30PM.** Guest Presenter: Dr. Jessica Murdoch, Assistant Professor, Fundamental and Dogmatic Theology, Villanova University.

“No Room in the Inn”

Since most hotels in the Philadelphia and surrounding areas are already booked for the World Meeting of Families in September, HOST Families are urgently needed. If you have an unused bedroom in your home, please consider offering it to a visiting family. For more information, please pick up a HOST Family postcard on the Adult Faith Formation table in the narthex or visit WorldMeeting2015.org.



RESPECT LIFE

The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign is an international event being held **through March 29, 2015**. This effort consists of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigils outside Planned Parenthood locations. With God's help, 40 Days for Life has achieved proven results: 9,699 babies spared from abortion, 107 abortion worker conversions, and 60 closed abortion centers. Help make a difference in this Lenten season! Please spend one hour anytime daily from 8:00AM - 8:00PM praying outside the Norristown Planned Parenthood, 1221 Powell & Wood Streets, Norristown (parking available on all side streets). There is a group that always attends each Thursday morning from 8:00AM - 11:30AM. **On Holy Thursday, April 2, we will be praying the Stations of the Cross at this abortion facility.** If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Winder at 610-592-6474 or Ellie Hentschel at 215-362-0160. Thank you for helping to build a culture of life!



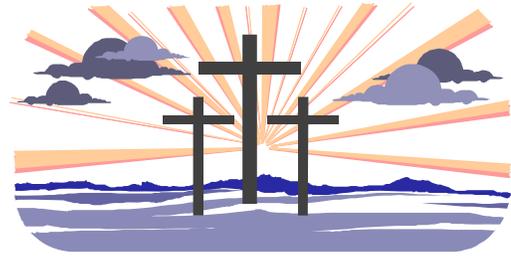
Prayer for the World Meeting of Families 2015

God and Father of us all, in Jesus, Your Son and our Savior, You have made us Your sons and daughters in the family of the Church. May Your grace and love help our families in every part of the world be united to one another in fidelity to the Gospel. May the example of the Holy Family, with the aid of Your Holy Spirit, guide all families, especially those most troubled, to be homes of communion and prayer and to always seek Your truth and live in Your love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. *Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!*

Movie in the Morning

Finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern Life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn and there's always another job to be done. Join us for coffee and breakfast pastries as we view this inspiring DVD presentation that challenges us to make more room for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever deepening life of prayer. It looks at the true meaning of prayer, the different types of prayer and how we can grow in our spiritual lives. It addresses how to overcome difficulties and temptations, how to find inspiration in the lives of the saints, the centrality of the Holy Mass and the ultimate goal of prayer. Participants are encouraged to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel following this presentation.

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015
8:00 to 9:00 AM
Religious Education Room**



PASSION ~PALM SUNDAY, March 29th

Saturday, March 28th - Vigil 4:30PM

Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30AM

(Solemn Procession of Palms),

6:00PM (Youth Mass)

7:30 Tenebrae Service

HOLY THURSDAY, April 2nd

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Exposition until Midnight



GOOD FRIDAY, April 3rd

10:00AM Morning Prayer

12:00 NOON Passion Play

Our annual Passion Play will be held in Church.

ALL parishioners are sincerely invited

to attend this most memorable, inspirational depiction of the Stations of the Cross.

3:00PM Solemn Service and Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4th

10:00AM Morning Prayer and Blessing of Food

7:00PM Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5th

Masses 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30AM

NO 6:00PM Youth Mass

TENEBRAE

A special Tenebrae Service will be held **Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015 at 7:30PM** in Corpus Christi Church. The ancient Tenebrae, from which this service is derived, dates back centuries to the early years of the church. Coming from the Latin word meaning "shadows," Tenebrae depicts, through the gradual extinguishing of candles and the dimming of lights in the sanctuary, the flight of the disciples and the approaching crucifixion. The assembly will take part in prayer and song. During this holy Lenten season, come and experience a beautiful and moving service that recreates the betrayal, abandonment and agony of Jesus Christ whose death brought light to our world. All are welcome!

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Later, for the many that wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church. This Lent prayerfully make the journey with Jesus as He carries His cross. **The Good Friday devotion begins at Noon in the church** and is appropriate for the entire family.



**Good Friday, April 3, 2015
Passion Play**



Please be praying for... Florence Linfante, Alice Mirynowski, Will Weigner, Dolores Lynch, Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Joe Swaim, Kathy Hayman, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Holly and Jeff Miller, Israel Beterra, Mary Schnell, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Willard McKennon, William Trimarko, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Wayne Richards, Jim Thompson, Peter Schumacher, Bob Zoltek, Dr. Honor Manilla.

Patrician Society
121 E. Chestnut St.
Norristown PA 19401
www.patriciansociety.org

March 16, 2015

Patrician
Society
Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Dear Msgr. Flanigan,
On behalf of the Patrician Society Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, I thank you and the Corpus Christi parishioners for your ongoing monthly support of our emergency food cupboard.

The Patrician Society, working out of the former Saint Patrick School building in Norristown, operates the largest free-standing emergency food center in our county serving nearly 1500 unduplicated economically disadvantaged families year round. We regularly distribute food baskets and other individual food items. Also, when funds are available, we implement our H.U.M.A.N. program (Housing, Utilities, Medical Assistance for Neighbors) helping verifiable needy families with various basic human needs.

Your continuing assistance enables us to continue our work making a real difference in the lives of many deserving families and individuals.

With best wishes to all in this holy season of Lent, I am
Sincerely,
Joe Maccolini, Executive Director

If You Can Cook Even One Meal, Please Read this !
Aid for Friends is in need of meals to take to the homebound. Please consider taking the tin meal plates home with you and sharing the meal you make for the family. You can put these in the freezers in the garage near the Prayer Garden.



CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Club 50 General Meeting Thursday, April 9th, 12 Noon at the Parish Center in Conference Rooms B and C. At the meeting the new officers will be introduced : Vice Presidents - Janet Stankus and Kathy Kemp, and Treasurer - Bob Kearns. We will begin sign ups for the June Luncheon and Silent Auction. Following the meeting we will enjoy lunch with friends.

Pinegrove Ranch & Family Resort, New York State - Sunday, April 19-Friday April 24. **Orientation meeting for this trip is scheduled for Sunday, April 12 @ 1PM in conference rooms B&C in the Parish Center Office.** For information *call 215-393-8786, John and Mary Woodcock, 261 Beth Drive, Lansdale PA 19446

American Music Theatre- Tuesday, May 12, 2015, Cost \$83.50. Round trip motorcoach, tax and tips included. Lunch at the Shady Maple Restaurant, and time at the Outlet stores. Experience AMT's original show "Inspire," celebrate the moving power of music featuring songs in the style of Josh Groban, Celine Dion, Andrea Bocelli, Celtic Women and many others. Departs 9AM return approximately 7:30PM. No refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Call *610-584-1366, Bob & Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA 19446.

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

When you come to Mass is there an extra seat in the car?
One of our M.A.S.S. drivers has moved and we now have two Sundays with no drivers. Can you drive one or two people to the Mass you attend, either the 2nd or 4th weeks of the month? This can be a flexible arrangement in case something comes up and you can't make it. You will be doing a very special favor for someone who otherwise would not be able to attend Mass. If this is something you can do, please call Sister Mary Carroll at 215-368-5750 or email ccpc.marycarroll@yahoo.com
Thank you.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday in our chapel. The Reconciliation Rooms provide the opportunity for either face-to-face confession or anonymity behind the screen. Make room in your heart for the Lord to enter. This Lent take the time to ask God's forgiveness and receive His mercy, unconditional love, and peace. Saturdays Following the 7:15 AM Mass and 3:15 PM to 4:00 PM Chapel. Monday, March 30: 3-4PM and 7-8PM, and Tuesday, March 31st: 7-8PM.



PART TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The school is in need of a **part time lunch room monitor** for Monday through Friday, 11:15AM - 1:15PM during the school year. Responsibilities include: monitoring students during their lunch period in the school yard and in the cafeteria and wiping down the tables during the breaks between lunch shifts and at the end of the lunch period. School parents are not eligible for this paid position. Please call the school office at 215-368-0582 if you are interested in this position.

Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Wednesday, May 6th from 9AM-2PM. More information will follow, in the meantime start saving those bags of clothing!!

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 Bill Jurer at 215-237-3870.

Calling all Women! Begin this Spring with a 1-day women's retreat: **Wholy You: Journey to Wholeness and Holiness.** At the Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA, **Saturday April 11, 2015** from 10AM-3PM. \$30 includes lunch! Contact De Yarrison for more information: de@conversationrevolution.com or 610-287-2989.

The **Catholic Charities Appeal 2015**, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important fund-raising initiative, enhances the Archdiocese's ability to serve the people throughout the greater Philadelphia region by achieving our \$10 million goal. Please support Catholic Charities. For more information or to make a donation please visit www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org.



The **Bereavement Ministry** of Corpus Christi believes in supporting family and friends who are walking through their journey of grief after the loss of a loved one. As part of our care and support, we are offering 8-week Bereavement Sessions on Wednesdays, both in the afternoon and evening in the Parish House. The sessions will begin on **April 1 and conclude on May 20, 2015.** The afternoon sessions are from 3:00 - 4:30PM and evening sessions from 7:00 - 8:30PM. Please feel free to join us and there is never any pressure to share. Registration - Eileen McCullough, eemccullough@gmail.com, 215-361-0978 or Eleanor Rinedoller, momdoller99@verizon.net at 215-699-1858.

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/>

Upcoming Summer Trips:

Steubenville Main Campus 3: June 26-28, 2015.
Summer Beach Retreat: July 27-31

LIFETEEN CALENDAR: For details regarding each week's activities, visit the youth section of *Corpus Christi's website*. All 8th-12th graders are invited to an overnight NET Retreat on April 25th and 26th, at St. Rose of Lima parish. The theme is "Anchored in Hope," and the day includes active games, engaging talks, small groups, skits, songs, and prayer. NET Ministries is leading the retreat, these young adults are on fire for their faith and the excitement is contagious. You don't want to miss it. Cost is \$35, contact Danielle to sign up!
www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry

We are seeking host families for the NET Ministries team of young adults that will be hosting our eighth grade and high school retreat. They will need housing and meals for three nights the week of April 19. These missionaries have blessed their host families with their prayerful presence! Contact Danielle corpus.ym@gmail.com if you are interested.



(7th-8th Grade Youth Group)

7th and 8th graders are invited to join our middle school youth group on Monday nights, from 4:30-5:45PM, or 6:45-8PM (the same session is done twice). Our

middle school youth group learns about making the Catholic faith an exciting part of daily life, and it gets them pumped to join our high school group when they reach the age. For more information, contact Danielle Gallo, our youth minister: Corpus Christi (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or corpus.ym@gmail.com.

SCRIP CORNER

SCRIP OFFICE HOURS ARE 9AM – 12:30PM EVERY DAY SCHOOL IS IN SESSION, AND NOW 4:15PM – 7:30PM EVERY MONDAY THAT REC IS IN SESSION.

THE SCRIP OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY (4/3/15) AND EASTER MONDAY (4/6/15).

NEW MONDAY NIGHT HOURS AND NEW SCRIP DELIVERY OPTION AVAILABLE EARN MONEY TOWARD YOUR REC/SACRAMENT FEES!

The SCRIP Office will be open from 4:15pm to 7:30pm on Monday evenings for the remainder of the REC year.

HOW DOES IT WORK? You are just substituting gift cards/certificates for the cash you would be paying to retailers for your usual everyday purchases – groceries, gas, drug stores, home improvements, movies, restaurants, department stores, etc. In addition to coming in to the SCRIP Office between 4:15pm and 7:30pm to purchase your gift cards, we will be experimenting with a new delivery method during the months of March and April, 2015. Send in a SCRIP order form (available at www.ccslandsdale.org) with payment (cash or check only) in an envelope with your name and your child's name on it. Your child will hand this envelope in to their teacher and a SCRIP representative will collect these orders from the teachers. These orders will be filled and ready to pick up at a SCRIP desk near Entrance B, where you enter the building to pick your child up at the end of class. The SCRIP representative will have you sign for your order and you are good to go!

If you are in a car pool and a different parent will be picking your order up for you, please note that on the form and that person will be allowed to sign out your order.

Using SCRIP costs you no money, and can actually earn money for you. We want to make sure that all families understand the SCRIP concept and that we make buying SCRIP as convenient as possible for you!! Please call 215-362-0104 with any questions, or e-mail cc.scrip@yahoo.com.

CYO News

■ **Parish Field Day/Picnic** at Jack's Lane – Mark your calendars for June 6th. All types of activities and sports for the whole family. Committee is forming, if you would like to help contact cc-cyo@verizon.net

■ **Spring Registration is Open** – for the below sports at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site> There have been no increases to the registration fees from last year. Registration will be closing soon.

■ **Boys Volleyball 5th-8th Grade** - ***New this Spring*** Includes varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and JV (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions. Registration is open for this Spring.

■ **Track** – ***3rd Grade Added*** Girls and boys 3rd – 8th grades (novice, minor and cadet). Events are 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600, 4X100, 4X200, Long Jump, High Jump, Triple Jump and Shot Put. There are 6 regular season meets, a Region meet, and those qualifying can move on to the Area C and Archdiocesan meets. For 3rd grade, must be born in 2005. For additional info <http://www.region20track.com/>

■ **Softball** - Includes varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and JV (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions. Varsity is played on a 43/60 field and JV is played on a 40/60 field. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament.

■ **Baseball** - Includes varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and JV (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions. Varsity is played on a 60/90 field and JV is played on a 46/60 field. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament.
o High School Volleyball –Co-ed Volleyball program for 9th through 12th grades.

■ **CYO Open Positions** – Publicity Director, Spirit Wear Manager, Social Event Manager, Board Positions, Board Secretary and more. If interested contact marybagnell@verizon.net

■ **Get our Emails** - Set-up an account in our online system so you receive all of our emails for CYO sponsored events and CYO sports. There is no cost to create an account. You can set-up an account at: <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>. Additional information can be found at our website at <http://corpuseyo.wordpress.com/>.

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



If you are interested in sending your child to Corpus Christi School 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.

Please see detailed ongoing registration information on page 3 of this bulletin!

Questions??? Or need a private tour??? Please call the school office at 215-368-0582 and ask for Mrs. Casee.

Attention Corpus Christi School Alumni!

In anticipation of the school's 50th Anniversary next year, a committee has been working on gathering contact information on our graduates so that we can send them invitations to our celebration events. If you or your children graduated from Corpus Christi, please send your name (maiden name, if applicable), year of graduation, address, phone and email address to CorpusChristiLansdaleAlumni@yahoo.com or call the parish office at 215-855-1311. We look forward to hearing from you!

CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS FOR SCHOOL

Many companies have a Matching Gift program that is available for schools. If you've thought about making a donation to Corpus Christi School, and are employed at one of these companies, obtaining a form from the Human Resources Department could add on to your personal gift and would be a great way to support our school. Ask your employer if they have a Matching Gift or similar type program for schools.



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

Week of 03/29 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877

Week of 04/05 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 requested to pre-register for 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 20th, May 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 - 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 Friday 8 days prior to publication. It can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center but the preferred method is by e-mail to corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com with the word "bulletin" in the subject line. Thank you for your cooperation!

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

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, see under **Novena**). 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: Anne DeSantis at 610-222-9778 or 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: Now through April 29th 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 29th, 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 Hours: Sundays 7:45AM to 1PM
Library Volunteers Needed

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

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

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

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."~CCC



Marriages Celebrated at Corpus Christi

March ~ 2015

Amy Rowan and Mark Piccone

Congratulations and Prayers from your Parish Family!