

# Corpus Christi Parish

UPPER GWYNEDD, PENNSYLVANIA

- [www.corpuschristilansdale.org](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org) -

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 10, 2016



## Mission Statement for the Parish of Corpus Christi

We, the people of Corpus Christi, are blessed to be called the "Body of Christ". May we always strive to fulfill His teaching in how we live our lives. We envision our Parish Mission as promoting and improving the community of God by proclaiming the Good News through:

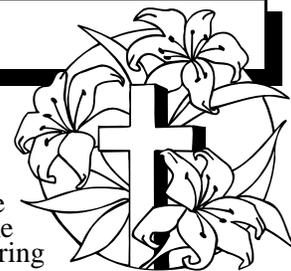
- ✘ *Participating actively in the liturgy and sacraments;*
- ✘ *Living the Gospel message and practicing conversion in our daily lives;*
- ✘ *Welcoming and nourishing new and inactive members, as well as educating all groups;*
- ✘ *Practicing respect for all life: the unborn, youth, aged, sick, disabled, poor and needy;*
- ✘ *Evangelizing and promoting social justice and harmony among all peoples.*



MAY GOD BLESS US AND BE WITH US AS WE GO FORTH TO FULFILL OUR PARISH MISSION.



# PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Parishioners,

In our first reading today, we get a glimpse of the urgency that Peter ascribed to the mission he had received. The disciples are hauled before the Sanhedrin and ordered not to speak about the name of Jesus. Yet, they essentially refuse on the basis that they must obey God and not man. Even suffering for the sake of proclaiming the name of Jesus as the only Savior was something to rejoice about.

The urgency of that mission has never diminished among the people of God. We can look back at the rich treasury of the saints and see the risks and sufferings which they endured for the sake of the gospel. What an example we had in the pastoral ministry of Pope John Paul II. Would anyone question how seriously he took his responsibilities as successor to Peter?

*Do you love Me?*

In the gospel today, we hear of the third appearance of Jesus to the apostles. Jesus focuses attention specifically on Peter and asks him three times, "Do you love Me?" Three times - one for each of his denials on the night that Jesus was betrayed. We have seen that Peter first had to be reconciled and healed of his denial of Jesus before he could move forward to carry out his mission.

Each of us is in need of reconciliation and healing as we go through life. Easter is a time to return to or deepen our experience of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We do this not out of fear because of judgment, but because Jesus wants to heal and restore us for the mission that lies ahead.

As we celebrate the Eucharist we need to pray that the Holy Spirit will stir in each one of us, a new awareness of our own need for healing and forgiveness. We need to pray that as community we will be prompted by that same Holy Spirit to a new urgency to spread the gospel in the darkness of the modern world.

God bless you,

*Mgr. Tom Henigan*

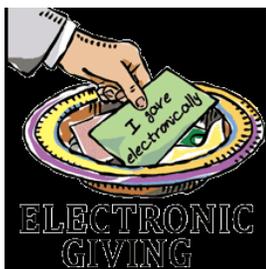


## Novena of Prayer to St. Peregrine for Healing

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

## Calling All Corpus Christi Catholic School Alumni

As you may know, Corpus Christi Catholic School (CCS) is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. We would like for you to join us in celebration of this important milestone and join us for a Day of Excellence scheduled for May 2016 (more information will be forthcoming). To be able to share school news and happenings, we kindly request that you provide us with your contact information. If you or your children graduated from CCS, please send us your name (maiden name, if applicable), year of graduation, address, phone number and email address to [ccsalumni@corpusr.org](mailto:ccsalumni@corpusr.org). Thanks so much! We look forward to hearing from you!



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

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

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

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

# MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

- Saturday, April 9th**  
4:30 PM Ann Kelly  
*by Bucci Family*
- Sunday, April 10th**  
7:00 AM Wayne Richards  
*by Pat and Mike Gavaghan*  
8:30 Eleanor G. McQuillen  
*by Edward McQuillen*  
10:00 Mary and Al Schoenberger, Jr.  
*by Mary and Al Schoenberger III*  
11:30 Gerald Chappell  
*by Kathleen Gomez*  
6:00 PM Gary D. Kozloski  
*by Rose Ann and Mark Annand*
- Monday, April 11th**  
7:15 AM Jason Borkowski  
*by The Borkowski Family*
- Tuesday, April 12th**  
7:15 AM Marion Peleggi  
*by Blanche Saldukas*
- Wednesday, April 13th**  
7:15 AM Helen Spielberg  
*by Jack Spielberg*
- Thursday, April 14th**  
7:15 AM Intentions of the DeMerlis Family  
*by Reg and Sandy Menke*
- Friday, April 15th**  
7:15 AM C. Robert and Barbara Harrington  
*by The Hladik Family*
- Saturday, April 16th**  
7:15 AM Marion Peleggi  
*by the Petro Family*  
4:30 PM Anne Wilkie  
*by Bob and Ellie Hentschel*
- Sunday, April 17th**  
7:00 AM Bernie Bechtel  
*by The Marinari Family*  
8:30 John McQuaid  
*by Alan and Janet Stankus, Rita Beinke*  
10:00 Sgt. Allen O'Reilly, USMC  
*by Anna Marie O'Reilly*  
11:30 Elaine Surmiak  
*by Florence Ames*  
6:00 PM Joseph Leddy  
*by Kevin and Sandy Dunigan*



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Rita Severini, wife of Ralph; John Kelly.



**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

# THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| April 2/3                          | \$ 31,736 |
| Envelopes mailed                   | 2,432     |
| Envelopes returned                 | 860       |
| <b>Monthly Electronic offering</b> |           |
| April 20 (24 participants)         | \$ NYA    |

**First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41** The high priest chastised Peter and the other apostles for continuing to preach when they had been ordered to stop. Peter replied he would rather obey God than men, considering God's power even over death. They are again warned to stop speaking of Jesus, and then freed.

**Responsorial Psalm: PS 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13**  
**R. (2a) I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.**

**Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14** John had a vision of many angels and all the living creatures of the world gathered around a throne. The angels cried out that the slain Lamb was worthy of receiving power, glory and praise. Then every creature on earth called out praise to God and the Lamb, and the elders fell down and worshiped.

**Gospel: John 21:1-19** Jesus appeared to the disciples for the third time since His resurrection while they were fishing. They hadn't caught anything, and then Jesus advised them to cast their net from the other side of the boat. When they did this, they caught a great number of fish. Jesus then asked Peter three times, "Do you love me?" When Peter said he did, Jesus asked him to tend and feed His sheep.



### Third Sunday of Easter

**"But Peter and the apostles said in reply 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus, though you had Him killed by hanging Him on a tree. God exalted Him at His right hand as leader and savior to grant Israel repentance and forgiveness of sins. We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit Whom God has given to those who obey Him.' So they left the Sanhedrin rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name."**

How amazing that in such a short time following Peter's denial, he boldly proclaimed his faith before the very same authority. He had no trouble stating that he and his companions were witnesses of the grace of the paschal mystery.

The Easter time is most appropriate for all to consider what it means to be a witness and how we can make this same mystery relevant to our needy world.

We remind ourselves of the basic steps. We have an encounter with the Risen Christ, through the scriptures, a special event, through one of His ministers. We are drawn to form a relationship with Him through prayer. This leads us to become like Peter, knowing the Christ and then willingly speak of Him, and His role in our lives.

Consider for a moment. What if Peter's talk had not been recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. What if he had failed to answer the question posed by Jesus – 'Peter do you love me?' Peter indicated he was a witness. Am I?

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

### **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 14**. 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 x194 or email her at [amallen@lansdalecatholic.com](mailto: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.

**Mount Saint Joseph Academy** invites 7th grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Half day visitations will continue through May. A parent may go online to arrange a visit. Visit our website at [www.msacad.org](http://www.msacad.org) for more information.

**Archbishop Wood High School** Applications for the Class of 2020 are still being accepted. For information contact Patricia Roschetz at 215-672-5050 ext. 268 or [proschetz@archwood.org](mailto:proschetz@archwood.org)

**Seventh Grade visitation:** Thursday, April 14th, from 8:30AM to 2PM.

**Open House:** Thursday, April 14th, from 7-9PM



Does your marriage need a tune-up? Give each other a weekend away to reconnect! Rediscover the romance in your marriage as you improve communication and get to know each other at a deeper level. What you learn on a Marriage Encounter

Weekend offers positive and lasting benefits for your family. The next Weekends in this area are **April 22-24 at Malvern Retreat House and July 8-10 at Our Lady of Czestochowa** in Doylestown. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [www.wwme-philly.org](http://www.wwme-philly.org). You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at [Applications@wwme-philly.org](mailto:Applications@wwme-philly.org) or call 610-449-1859.

### **Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy Archdiocesan Pilgrimage**

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

**Saturday, April 23, 2016**

Bus Departure: 7:00 AM from **Saint Maria Goretti Church** Parking Lot; Approximate Arrival Home: 9:00 PM

Please register using the form that can be found on our parish website at [www.stmariagoretti.net](http://www.stmariagoretti.net) Please mail form along with payment. Cost is non-refundable but is transferable to another person.

### **A Message From Retrouvaille ...**



Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. **The next program begins on the weekend of April 15<sup>th</sup> at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Another weekend will also be**

**held beginning August 12.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

**Saint Katharine Drexel 3rd Annual Golf Outing** is a fun event including 18 holes of golf at the Bensalem Country Club along with prizes and a luncheon. Ticket cost is \$100/per player with ALL proceeds benefitting the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. Bensalem Country Club 2000 Brown Avenue in Bensalem. Start time - **8:00AM Saturday, May 7, 2016**. For additional details or to purchase tickets for yourself or a group, contact Dave Greer at (215) 962-1704 or [sbsmaint@verizon.net](mailto:sbsmaint@verizon.net), visit our website: [www.katharinedrexel.org/news-events](http://www.katharinedrexel.org/news-events) Businesses interested in becoming a "hole" donor, a primary event sponsor, or anyone interested in making a prize donation can also contact Dave. Mark your calendars for a day of fun and fundraising!



**A Baby's Breath Run for Life 2016** will be held on **Saturday, April 16th** at the Norristown Farm Park. One Mile Fun Run at 9 am and 5K Run at 9:30 am. Awards at 10:30 am. Register online at:

[http://www.ababysbreath.org/events/NOR\\_RFL.html](http://www.ababysbreath.org/events/NOR_RFL.html). Come run or walk!

It's a very enjoyable morning for your family! Please support our moms and their children. For info, contact Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281.

**The Elm Terrace Gardens Flea Market** event will be held on **Saturday May 14, 2016 from 9AM – 2PM**. Featured will be baked goods, crafts, furniture, jewelry, used books and a Silent Auction of fine collectibles. Our Café will be open for lunch from 11am – 1pm. The event will be held at Elm Terrace Gardens Continuing Care Retirement Community located at 660 North Broad Street, Lansdale PA 19446. For more information please call: 215-361-5600 or visit our interactive website [www.elmterracegardens.org](http://www.elmterracegardens.org). Proceeds from this event will go toward a new activity room in Skilled Nursing for our residents to enjoy. This activity room will be used for group activities that are structured to meet the social, spiritual, physical, cognitive, and creative needs of our residents. Activities would include crafts, games, baking, sing-along, armchair travels and more.

**St. Philip Neri Catholic Family Life Center** Please consider this an invitation to join us on **Saturday, April 30, 2016** as we travel to the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emittsburg, Md. Cost per person is \$58 and includes transportation, tours and lunch. For further information call Tom Dewees, Director at 215-679-2237 or register at [www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com](http://www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com).

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

### **Forgiveness in the Year of Mercy**

All are welcome to Saint Stanislaus Parish Center on **Tuesday, April 12th at 7PM** to hear Father Chris Walsh speak on: Forgiveness in the Year of Mercy. Fr. Walsh is the pastor of St. Raymond Parish and is a dynamic presenter. He will discuss the importance of forgiveness, and offer insights on the "why" and "how" of forgiving those who have hurt us. While we have heard about forgiveness for years, have we intentionally chosen to do it and let go of past hurts? This is an especially relevant topic in this Year of Mercy. There is no cost to attend and registration is not required. The Saint Stanislaus Parish Center is located behind the Church at 51 Lansdale Avenue and Main Street (Route 63) in Lansdale.

**MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER**, 3501 Solly Avenue in northeast Philadelphia is offering an **Easter Bible Study on Thursday evenings, April 14, 21, 28 from 7-9 pm**. We will focus on how Our Lord appeared to two disciples on the Journey to Emmaus, and how they recognized Him in "the breaking of the bread." Come celebrate the Easter Season by studying Luke's Gospel and in particular his stories of Jesus' meals with His friends, before and after the Resurrection. Please bring your Bible. The facilitator for this Bible Study is Sr. Sara Butler, MSBT, STL, PhD. who has been a seminary professor of theology for over 25 years and is currently a consultant to the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization. The fee for this event is a free will offering. If interested, please call (267) 350-1835 to register at least 3 days ahead of each session.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

**Mom Café - Tuesday, April 5th-9:30 to Religious Education Room in Church**  
 Upcoming Events  
**The Guardians - Tuesday, April 5th- 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](mailto:deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com).



“Do we have mercy and forgiveness in our hearts? What is the danger? It is that we presume we are righteous and judge others. We also judge God, because we think that he should punish sinners, condemn them to death, instead of forgiving. . . . If in our heart there is no mercy, no joy of forgiveness, we are not in communion with God, even if we observe all of His precepts alone. It is love of God and neighbor that brings fulfillment to all the Commandments. And this is the love of God, His joy: forgiveness.”

— Pope Francis

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<https://www.facebook.com/IubilaeumMisericordiae.en/?fref=nf>

### Spiritual Direction: Where Mercy and Grace Meet

Are you seeking to strengthen and deepen your relationship with the Lord? Or, are you trying to discern God’s movement in your life? Join us for an evening of reflection on spiritual direction. Discover what spiritual direction is and how it can be helpful for your faith journey. There is no cost to attend; however, registration is requested. Please register with your name and phone number at [corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com](mailto:corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com).

**Tuesday, April 26, 2016**  
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM  
Corpus Christi Church  
Religious Education Room

Please use side entrance to our church.

Guest Speaker: Reverend Monsignor Joseph Marino  
Rector, Malvern Retreat House



**Flame of Love Rosary Cenacle: Join us each Friday 7pm – 8pm, in the Corpus Christi Parish Library, Lansdale, PA.**  
Contact: Diana 215-855-5494 or [flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com](mailto:flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com) for more information.

### “TLC” Ministry

Participants of the TLC Ministry create handcrafted items, such as, shawls, scarves, and blankets, and then offer them as an act of stewardship to anyone in our parish who needs a little Tender Loving Care. These items embrace and comfort the wearer with the tender loving care and prayers of the maker and the faith community. The recipient may be experiencing a difficult time in his/her life, undergoing a medical procedure, grieving, or a family member of a fallen soldier. Prayer shawls and blankets are available at no cost in the Parish Library on most Sundays from 7:45 AM to 1:00 PM.

Do you knit or crochet? New members to our ministry are always welcome! Prayer shawls and small blankets (for shoulders or lap) are always needed to keep our shelves fully stocked with great color and design selections. This ministry is served from your own home; there are no meetings to attend or dues to pay. Your stewardship is in the giving of your time, talent, and the cost of the yarn. If you knit or crochet, and would like to donate an item, simply drop it off at our Parish Center (weekdays 9:00AM to 5:00PM) or at our Parish Library located next to the playground area (most Sundays 7:45AM to 1:00PM). Please mark the bag “TLC” and don’t forget to include you name, phone number, and e-mail address so that we can add you to our ministry list. If you are looking for a few fresh ideas, a prayer shawl book and a binder of ideas are available for ministry members in the Parish Library.

### Straight Talk about Annulments

The process of having a marriage annulled touches the lives of many couples in the Church today. Did you know that Pope Francis has made several changes to the annulment process? Learn about these changes and hear straight answers to “scratch your head questions” concerning annulments. Please register for this session at [corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com](mailto:corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com).

**Tuesday, April 19, 2016 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM**  
**Religious Education Room**  
**Please use side entrance to our church.**



### Mercy in Action

Archbishop Charles Chaput, in accord with the wishes of Pope Francis, has decreed that the annulment process now exists without cost. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will absorb the \$800.00 fee. Petitioners are only asked to contribute something out of charity according to their means.

### Did you Know?

If your marriage ended in divorce, you can petition the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for a Declaration of Nullity. The Tribunal is looking to see if something was lacking in the intentions of the parties in regards to children, fidelity and permanence, and/or in their understanding of marriage, and/or in their ability to enter into and fulfill marriage. Anyone can begin the process now from the ease of their own computer. Go to [www.archphila.org](http://www.archphila.org). On the top right of the web page, under the heading, “How do I”, click on the tab “Start the Annulment Process.” Follow the instructions, fill out the form on the computer, print out the form, obtain the proper documents and send everything to the Tribunal. When your application is received you will be contacted to begin your case with formal testimony. The normal annulment process takes 6–8 months.

Please visit our **Adult Faith Formation** page on the Corpus Christi website for presentations occurring in the parish and around the Archdiocese. Don’t miss out on these special offerings! <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/aff/events/>

Please be praying for... Will Weigner, Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Joe Swaim, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Jim Thompson, Angelo Rosato, Thomas Roy, Rich Kupniewski, Elaine Deimeyer, Dave Clark, Debbie Scott, Peter Schumacher, Rosemary Bauerle, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, Anthony Leone, Sr., George Olden, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Nancy DelCarlino, Sean Walsh, Ann Pierantozzi, James Herron, Sr.



Corpus Christi is in need of more **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** to bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass, including those in their homes and in nursing facilities. If you believe that God is calling you to serve your brothers and sisters, please call the Parish Office, 215-855-1311, and leave a message for Deacon Steve Currie.

**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](http://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.

**Connect with other parents of children with special needs!**  
Please join us for a monthly meeting, to share ideas, resources, and support. As we begin to meet monthly, we will create topics for each meeting based on your interests and needs. Below are meeting dates and times for the next several months. We will post upcoming meeting times/dates in the church bulletin and Wednesday envelope. We look forward to meeting you! Please call or email Kathi with any questions: 215-260-1783 or [kathi0908@verizon.net](mailto:kathi0908@verizon.net). **April 11 7:00-8:30 Room A; May 16 7:00-8:30 Room A.**

**All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry**  
**PRE-CANA PROGRAM ~ St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Phoenixville, PA - Saturday - April 23, 2016.** Program begins at 8:00 AM and ends after the 4:00 PM Mass. It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day Program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit our website [www.stmaryassumption.org](http://www.stmaryassumption.org) - click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
**CLOTHING DRIVE ~ [www.SVdPPickup.org](http://www.SVdPPickup.org)**

Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00AM to 2:00PM.** The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be using the services of Green Drop to support their clothing drive. Look for the **Green Drop** truck in the church parking lot where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations. Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as: kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances under 50 pounds, electronics, sporting goods, books, CDs & videos are also accepted. Unfortunately, **furniture, large appliances, TVs or computer monitors cannot be accepted.** For a full list of acceptable items and to learn more about Green Drop visit [www.gogreendrop.com](http://www.gogreendrop.com).

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**  
You may contribute to the Catholic Charities Appeal in many ways: • Pledge Gift• Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)• Gifts of Securities• Planned Gifts• One Time Gift• Credit Card Gifts• Matching Gifts. For more information on any of these options please visit our website at [www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org), email us at [cca@adphila.org](mailto:cca@adphila.org) or call us at 215-587-5650.



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

**April General Meeting** - The meeting on **Thursday, April 14, will begin at 12:00** with an **Organ Concert in the Church** by our own Rudolph Lucente, who has performed all over the world. His performance should be a real treat for our club. The meeting and lunch will then follow in Meeting Rooms A-B-C. **We will also be collecting for our "Picnic" luncheon (for Members Only) occurring on Thursday, May 12.** Food will be provided by Boston Market. Also, Donna Frisch and her strings will be playing for us at the May Picnic and we will have door prizes, and **the cost will be \$12.00.** Please send your check to either Janet Stankus, 1670 Wagon Wheel Lane, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-1785), or Kathleen Kemp, 2141 Old Forde Way, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-4075) - Make check payable to "Club 50 of Corpus Christi". **Deadline is Sunday, May 8.** No refunds or payments after that date.

**NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

**Villa Roma Resort, Calicoon, NY (Catskills)** - Sunday, April 24, 2016 to Thursday April 28, 2016. Contact: \* 215-368-0945 Peggy and John Butler, 1500 Berkley Way, Lansdale, PA 19446.

**Orientation Meeting for this trip is Sunday, April 17, Parish Center Mtg. Rooms B & C at 1:00PM.**

**American Music Theater, Lancaster, Pa** - Wednesday, May 18th, cost \$85. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Luncheon smorgasbord at Shady Maple restaurant at 11AM. Free time for shopping and browsing at Rockvale Outlets from 1:15-2:15. Admission to the show "Crooners" at the American Music Theater at 3PM. Payment due at sign-up. Departs 9AM return approx. 7:30PM. \*Contact 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA 19446.

**Woodloch Pines Resort, Hawley, PA** - Tuesday, June 14, 2016, Cost \$82. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tips included. Upon arrival coffee, tea and nut bread, a full luncheon buffet. Woodloch's "A Taste of Tuscany" Italian Show. Also, your choice of a wide variety of activities including a 4 hour open bar (beer and wine), bingo games, bocce and browsing in the country store. Payment due at sign-up \*no refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Departs 7:30AM return approx. 7:15PM. \*Call 215-368-0421 Rose Wilson, 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446 or Mary Slater at 267-263-2622.

**Southern Caribbean Cruise**- Royal Caribbean's Grandeur of the Seas, Monday, February 13, 2017 to Saturday February 25, 2017. Please pick up a brochure in the Narthex. **Important:** Deposit of \$500 due at sign-up with 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of \$300 due June 10, 2016 and balance November 5, 2016. Call 215-513-1026, Alex and Betty Korsch, 1307 Brittany Point, Lansdale PA 19446.

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

**CASSEROLE PROJECT**

**Please Be Sure to Mark the Contents and Date Your Casserole Was Prepared on the Cover of the Casserole and to Sign the Sign-up Sheet on the Door of the Big Freezer.**  
Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up **Thursday, April 14th.** Pick-up day is always the second Thursday of the month. Each day St. John's provides between 500 and 700 meals to the homeless. Won't you help with this project by taking a pan and filling it with a recipe of your choice? The recipe should have a meat, poultry, or fish base. Please use only the pans that are provided by St John's and are available on the tables with the burgundy covers in the narthex of the church. They are also available in the gray garage next to the freezers. Do not overfill the pans. **Please bring your solidly frozen casseroles to the three-bay gray garage near the former convent by Wednesday, April 13th.** The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.

**MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION**

**Food Drive** The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, April 9/10, after all the Masses. Please leave your donations of non-perishable goods in the room next to the restrooms in the back of church. This room is open after all the Masses.



# Youth News

## High School Youth Group

**NET Retreat:** All 8th through 12th grade teens are invited to Montgomery County's annual NET Retreat! NET Ministries sends small teams of young adults all over the country to facilitate fun, engaging, spiritual retreats.

**The retreat will take place on Saturday, April 16, from 11AM-5:00PM at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in North Wales, PA.** Cost is \$20 (lunch is included in price). Deadline to sign up is April 3rd. Contact your youth minister, Danielle, to sign up, [corpus.ym@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.ym@gmail.com). Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on Facebook or the parish web at <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

**LIFETEEN CALENDAR:** For details regarding each week's activities, visit the youth section of Corpus Christi's website. [www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry)



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

7th and 8th graders are invited to join our middle school youth group on Monday nights, from 4:30-5:45PM, or 6:45-8PM (the same session is done twice). Our middle school youth group learns about making the Catholic faith an exciting part of daily life, and it gets them pumped to join our high school group when they reach the age. For more information, contact Danielle Gallo, our youth minister: Corpus Christi (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or [corpus.ym@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.ym@gmail.com).

## METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

**Metanoia Young Adults** is an active community of Catholic young adults in Montgomery County, Pa. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our Ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events and activities. **Theology on Tap** is held every third Tuesday, (April 19th) of the month at 7:30PM at the Appalachian Brewing Company in Collegeville, PA. Each month features a different speaker.) Visit [www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com](http://www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com). Check out our Twitter link on homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/> or email [metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com). Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults](http://www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults).

## SCRIP CORNER

**SCRIP OFFICE HOURS:** Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session)  
Monday evenings 5:30pm to 7:00pm (when REC is in session).

Check out [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) for a complete list of SCRIP stores available to you.

### BIG NEWS FROM THE SCRIP OFFICE!!!

Attention Amazon Shoppers: Corpus Christi Parish is now enrolled in the Amazon Smile program. Amazon will donate to Corpus, 0.5% of every purchase made by our friends & families. How it works: You log onto [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) (instead of amazon.com) and all of your information will still be there. Your Amazon prime information and any preferences you have set will all be in the [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) account. Where it asks you which charity you want to support, you can type in Corpus Christi Parish and you will see Lansdale, PA come up. Click on it and you are ready to support Corpus while you shop. Spread the Word: Please invite your friends and family to choose Corpus Christi Parish when they do their Amazon shopping. SCRIP Tip: Be sure to order an amazon gift card and load it onto your smile.amazon.com account. That is a double win!!!

If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fund raising program, you can reach Erin Miller at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail to [cc.scrip@yahoo.com](mailto:cc.scrip@yahoo.com)!

## CYO News

Spring Sports registration is open at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site> and *has been extended for a time*. There are several new programs offered this season. The late fees have been waived. We are looking for a few more players to round out our rosters. **Additional Information** can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>

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

**Create an Account** in our system so you will receive our emails for other youth events throughout the year. Set-up your account at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>



## CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

*A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence*

### Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

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

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

Have any questions??? ... Or if you would like a private tour, please call the school office and ask to speak to Mrs. Casee at 215-368-0582 or email [barb.casee@corpuschr.org](mailto:barb.casee@corpuschr.org).

### CORPUS CHRISTI 5K RUN/WALK

The race starts on **Saturday, April 16 at 8:00AM** in the school parking lot. Registration is \$20. The race benefits the partician Society. Registration forms can be found on the school website at:



[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016\\_03\\_02\\_5K\\_Race\\_application.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_03_02_5K_Race_application.pdf)

Questions can be directed to Mr. Jim McGovern at [james.mcgovern@corpuschr.org](mailto:james.mcgovern@corpuschr.org)

### REC REGISTRATION 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR

The registrations for Religious Education for the next school year took place in March, if you have not yet registered for Fall, please do so immediately. Forms were sent home with current students and mailed to potential 1<sup>st</sup> Grade students based on parish records. We need your immediate response in order to plan for classes and teachers/aides. Thank YOU!!



We are asking your help in collecting the Campbell's labels for education **UPC labels** from the red cans AND the Progresso **Box Top Coupons** from the blue cans. Please don't throw those labels in the trash!! We are also looking for Box Tops that are on the mashed potato, cookie, cake or muffin boxes...and the rolls of biscuits! Please put them in an envelope marked Box Tops/Labels for Education and drop them in the collection basket or the parish center office during the week.

### FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION

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

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

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016\\_02\\_24\\_Communion\\_flyer.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_02_24_Communion_flyer.pdf)



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 04/10 Team #7: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263  
 Week of 04/17 Team #8: Bob Tercheck at 215-393-5696 h  
 Cell 267-644-6022

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 18th, May 16th.**

**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 almost 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](mailto: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](mailto: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. The next pre cana session is March 5 and 6, 2016 please contact [johnmcgowan3@gmail.com](mailto:johnmcgowan3@gmail.com) for more information.

**NOVENA DEVOTIONS:** Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary continue through October 28th at 6:30PM in the Chapel. The Novena is preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:45AM-6:30 PM and Benediction. All are welcome to attend and pray for healing. For information please call 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*

**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 ~ 2016**  
 Quynh-Vy Tran Nguyen and Jason Wei-yi Jiau  
 Katharine Frost and Donald Campbell, III

**Congratulations and Prayers  
 from your Parish Family!**

**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.**