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Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania  
April 23, 2017 ~ Divine Mercy Sunday



*Jesus, I Trust in You*

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**CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:**

**Church: [www.corpuschristilansdale.org](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org)**

**School: [www.ccsllansdale.org](http://www.ccsllansdale.org)**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Daily Masses: 7:15AM**

**Saturday Masses: 7:15 AM.....4:30 PM**

**(Vigil Mass for Sunday)**

**Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 (Children's Liturgy of the Word for Grades K,1,and 2 at 10AM Mass)**

**11:30 AM, and 6 PM**

**Holy Day Masses: 7:30 PM (Vigil)**

**7:15AM, and 12:05PM**

**Confessions:**

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

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Pastoral Council: Steve Finley 267-648-0027

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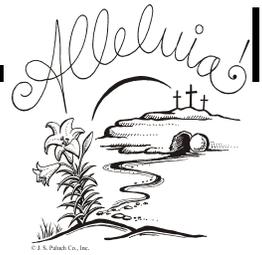
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# PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Parishioners,

In the liturgical calendar, today is called the Second Sunday of Easter, (also Divine Mercy Sunday) and the next four Sundays will also be termed Sundays of Easter. Clearly, the Church wished to prolong the celebration of that great day and would have us see these Sundays as days that “the Lord has made,” and that we should “be glad and rejoice” in them.

Even more than that, in the often experienced voice of the Church, every Sunday of the year should be celebrated with joy and thanksgiving. As we come to understand what the death and resurrection of our Lord gave to the world, all the days of our lives will become days of joy.

It must have been so for the first Christians mentioned in today’s first reading : “With exultant and sincere hearts they took their meals in common, praising God . . .” Peter, in the second reading, after praising God for the new birth won for humanity by “the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,” speaks of the “inexpressible joy touched with glory,” that his readers now had, due to their birth to a new life – the life of grace.

It was true then, and it is true today – “a sad Christian is a sad Christian.” Why should we not be joyful? We know that God loves us and desires us to be with Him for all eternity. We know that because Jesus died and rose again, heaven is ours for the taking. We know that the Lord is still with us here on earth. Through His Church and the Sacraments, we have all the help we need to attain heaven.

In today’s gospel, John says: “At the sight of the Lord the disciples rejoiced.” Of course they did! However, was joy in their hearts during the hours that Christ lay in the tomb – or rather, sorrow, remorse, guilt, and perhaps even despair-almost like that of Judas? They had been His disciples, His followers, His friends, and they had failed Him. They deserted and abandoned Him to His enemies.

Even so, Jesus came and stood before them. He came not to criticize but to forgive. They rejoiced to see Him and hear His words: “Peace be with you.” They rejoiced to receive His forgiveness, and they never lost that joy! The apostles needed forgiveness and because of their love and sorrow they obtained it. All humans need forgiveness. It was because of this universal need that the Lord on that same evening instituted the great sacrament that has since been called the second Baptism, the sacrament of Reconciliation. He breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men’s sins, they are forgiven them,” and with these words gave to His Church the wondrous power to forgive sins in His name.

What a great pity. What a sad development. One can almost say what a tragedy it is that in recent years the most notable change in Catholic life and practice has been the striking decrease in the use of this peace-giving, joy-bringing, and strengthening Sacrament of Penance – known today as the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Why has this come about? Have we lost the sense of sin? Do we see as violations of God-given laws only such things as murder, adultery, embezzlement, or physical harm done to another? Are lesser forms of wrongdoing merely faults, failing, and imperfections – not really sins at all, and not needing or calling for forgiveness? Are we no longer burdened with debts of punishment that must be paid in this life or in eternity? Have we forgotten that, in many things, we all offend? “If we say, ‘we are without sin’ we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.” Did not Jesus Himself say: “I tell you, on the day of judgment people will render an account for every careless word they speak.”

Have we forgotten that the devout reception of the sacrament of Penance not only brings forgiveness of committed sins, great or small, but also brings graces to the soul? That grace will help us to resist future temptations, avoid future sins, overcome habits of sin, grow in virtue, and imitate Christ and the saints more closely in our daily lives. Who among us does not need such graces – such helps?

When a priest in the confessional, says to us, “Go in peace,” he is echoing the words of the Lord on that first Easter evening: “Peace be with you.” He is reminding us of the reason why frequent reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation should be a normal part of our spiritual life, and why joy should be the distinguishing mark of the Catholic follower of Christ.



God bless you,

*Fr. Tom Alexijan*



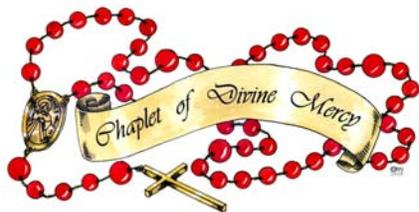
## Novena of Prayer to St. Peregrine for Healing

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 of Anointing of the Sick:** On **Wednesday, April 26th**, the closing night of the Novena, there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick at 7:30PM in the Church. The Main Celebrant will be Father Pio Mandato. For more info call 215-855-1311.

# MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>April 22nd</b>	
4:30 PM	Joseph and Anna Stevenson	<i>by Joe and Trudy Gallagher</i>
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>April 23rd ~ Divine Mercy Sunday</b>	
7:00 AM	Luke Gallagher	<i>by Pat and Mike Gavaghan</i>
8:30	Andrew Varga	<i>by Bob and Eleanor Pluta</i>
10:00	Charles J. O'Reilly	<i>by Anna Marie O'Reilly</i>
11:30	Albert Finnell	<i>by Joe and Diane Radvansky</i>
6:00 PM	Bernard Loke	<i>by Jane Hartman</i>
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>April 24th</b>	
7:15 AM	Chester and Thelma Stanek	<i>by Deborah, Catherine and Andrew Stanek</i>
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>April 25th</b>	
7:15 AM	Thomas, Harriet and Patrick Newell	<i>by Thomas and Anne Marie</i>
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>April 26th</b>	
7:15 AM	Lucy Lawson	<i>by Kathy and Anthony Grande</i>
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>April 27th</b>	
7:15 AM	Karol Nowakowski	<i>by Teresa and Krzysztof Gedek</i>
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>April 28th</b>	
7:15 AM	Peggy Snyder	<i>by Ken and Schelley Snyder</i>
<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>April 29th</b>	
7:15 AM	Kathleen Wreath	<i>by The Pinder Family</i>
4:30 PM	Daniel Rizzo	<i>by Carmen and Susan Rizzo</i>
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>April 30th</b>	
7:00 AM	John Polis	<i>by The Boline Family</i>
8:30	William Gaasche	<i>by Helen Rizzo</i>
10:00	Gloria and Joao Feijo	<i>by Chris and Ana Peck</i>
11:30	John E. Dwyer, Sr.	<i>by Ron and Maria Almendrales</i>
6:00 PM	Elaine McDonnell	<i>by Dolores and Jack Augustine</i>

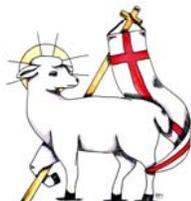


We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Patricia Keen, mother of Debra McCarthy; Anne Zielinski, wife of Frank, mother of Linda Pawlak; Harold Bassinger.

## 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



# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

<b>Target for Fiscal Year 2016-2017</b>	<b>\$1,560,000</b>
<b>Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2016-17</b>	<b>\$ 30,000</b>
Collection for April 15/16	\$ 8,660
Easter	\$ 57,933
Electronic Giving (130 participants) Apr. 20	\$ N/A
Over (Under) Target YTD Fiscal Week 42	\$ 37,909
Facilities Improvement Year To Date	\$ 63,678
Through April 16th	
Total Envelopes Mailed	3,895
Total Envelopes Used (April 16th)	1,025
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,710,739

**First Reading: Acts 2:42-47** In the early days of the Church in Jerusalem, the faithful listened intently to the teachings of the apostles. They lived a communal life, sharing all property in common and praying and taking their meals together.

**Responsorial : PS 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24**

**R. (1) Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, His love is everlasting.**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9** In this first letter from Peter, he speaks to the Christians with great joy and confidence, reminding them that through Christ's resurrection, they have been given a new birth and are heirs to the kingdom of heaven.



**Gospel: John 20:19-31** After His resurrection, Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them the power to forgive sins. Thomas, who is absent, sees Christ later and believes in His resurrection after feeling His wounds. Christ admonishes Thomas by saying, "You became a believer because you saw Me. Blessed are they who have not seen and believed."

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

*"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers... All who believed were together and had all things in common... Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes... and every day the Lord added to their numbers."*

Such a description seems 'too good to be true' but this is the description of the first disciples of the Lord. The teaching of the apostles, the kerygma, telling of the resurrection of Jesus and His victory gave their discipleship new meaning. Like a family, they formed a support group, sharing joy, as well as fears, anxieties and triumphs because Christ was alive. The Eucharist became the common bond, uniting them with Christ and one another. Prayer became a binding force.

Can I not see that my life in my parish, my small group, is a mirror of those described by St. Luke or of those gathered in the upper room? Can the presence of Christ in my life, lead me to recognize His presence in others? Can I truly believe that I am not alone in my faith and move from 'God and me' to 'God and we?'

**On Divine Mercy Sunday, it can happen.**

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

### Remain in My Love: Archdiocese of Philadelphia Initiative for the Renewal of Marriage and Family Life



“Archbishop Charles J. Chaput announces a three year project, Remain in My Love, directed to every member of the clergy and lay faithful, and to every parish and institution, to reinvigorate our understanding, practices and celebrations of Christian marriage and family life. There is a serious need to shift our previous approach to marriage and family life...”  
Read the full text here:

<http://tinyurl.com/m5xdwng>

Visit the Remain in My Love website at:

<http://archphila.org/remain>

Flyer for the Three-Year plan <http://tinyurl.com/kb359vw>

The Three-Year Remain in My Love Plan

Canavox Reading Groups: <http://tinyurl.com/lus29un>

For a list of events occurring around the Archdiocese of Philadelphia please sign up for the Evangelization Newsletter at <http://www.phillyevang.org/inform/> There are so many activities geared to all age groups! Don't miss out!

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

Morning Tours Happening now! Select Weekdays through May 8:00-10:30am Evenings at Gwynedd - Limited Wednesday evenings in 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>

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 23rd. A parent may go online to arrange a visit. Visit our website at [www.msjad.org](http://www.msjad.org) for more information.

### All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry Pre-Can Program ~ St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Phoenixville, PA ~Saturday – April 29, 2017

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.



You are invited to join **St. Stanislaus Parish on April 23, Divine Mercy Sunday**, for an extraordinary celebration of thanksgiving for the graces received on this great feast day. **The Holy Hour will begin at 3 pm in St. Stanislaus Parish Church, located at 51 Lansdale Avenue in Lansdale, PA.** There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction and time for silent prayer and thanksgiving. “I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. (Diary 1109) There is no fee to attend, and registration is not required. Please join us.

### Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Saint Mary Parish, 40 Spring Mount Road, Schwenksville will hold its **Annual Divine Mercy Holy Hour on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23rd at 3:00PM.** Service will include Liturgy of the Word, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and benediction. Relics of Saints Faustina and John Paul II will be available to venerate. For more information contact Saint Mary at 610-287-8156. All are most welcome!

### Are you a BUSINESS OWNER or SENIOR EXECUTIVE?

If so, you may be eligible for membership in Legatus, a unique, international Catholic association of business leaders. Legatus is the only organization in the world designed exclusively for Catholic business leaders and their spouses. Legatus membership is comprised of CEOs, Presidents, Managing Partners and Business Owners who, with their spouses, meet on a monthly basis to strengthen their faith. Legatus was founded in 1998 and has provided a rich environment for members to become “ambassadors” (legates) for the Catholic Faith. Philadelphia is blessed to have its own chapter and has a strong membership base from all areas in the Philadelphia region. During our monthly dinners, members listen to lively and engaging speakers on a variety of topics relevant to faith, family and business. Legatus members also have access to “Legatus Forums,” which are private business peer groups (similar to Vistage and YPO), where members can benefit from the wisdom of other business owners. To learn more about Legatus, contact: John Knowles ♦ [jknowles@legatus.org](mailto:jknowles@legatus.org) ♦ (215) 262-3832 <http://legatus.org/legatus/>

## A CELEBRATION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH TRADITION



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](http://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.



### The Guardians - Tuesday, May 2nd- 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).

### Mom Café - Tuesday, Tuesday, May 2nd- 9:30-11AM

The Mom's Café will be having its *last meeting before summer* break. 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 this or in the fall 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](mailto:jesswoehr@hotmail.com)



### Volunteers are needed for the Parish House

on either Saturday or Sunday morning from 9 to 12:30 or Saturday or Sunday afternoon from 12:30 to 4:00.

It's only once a month for 3 ½ hours. Main responsibilities are answering the phone and giving out keys for the building when there are events.

If interested please contact Harriet Condra. 610-584-4219 or 610-299-6800.

### Young Adult Retreat

Malvern Retreat House is hosting a retreat for *young adults ages 19-29 on May 12-13*. Retreat Director Fr. Anthony Hangholt will focus on the theme Created for Joy. His presentations will center on the truth that when we encounter Christ the healer we are made whole and are enabled to find happiness and lasting joy. Please visit [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

### Tropicana Casino Trip - Thursday, May 4, 2017

Sponsored by St. Rose of Lima Senior Group  
Cost: \$45.00 - Checks payable to St. Rose of Lima Church by Thurs. April 27.

Included: \$25 back to play - Lunch on bus down - Snacks & Water, Soda, Coffee, Tea

Dessert on way home. Dinner on your own.

Please call ASAP: Helen Diebold, 215-699-9478

### PRAYERS FOR THE OUTPOURING OF GRACE



During April 2017 the church presents the Blessed Sacrament, The Passion Death and Resurrection of Our Lord, as well as the Feast of Divine Mercy for our consideration.

Great graces are possible during adoration. Our prayer calendar: PRAYERS FOR THE OUTPOURING OF GRACE makes it easy to keep your intention to spend time with Jesus.

Commit to pray at Home or even better at church before the Eucharist! More details on the flyer in the Narthex.

Simply write your name onto the calendar in the Narthex. When you adore you show Jesus how important He is to you. Need more motivation: watch the short video about the treasures of adoration at [www.childrenofmary.net](http://www.childrenofmary.net) which directs you to the video on YouTube <http://tinyurl.com/lscjfnp>. His Word tells us; "For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is His kindness toward those who fear Him".

**The Brother House**, a work of the Legion of Mary, the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church, is seeking new *male* members to work with homeless men at 510 Green Street, Norristown, PA. Come and ring our doorbell on any Monday evening between 6:45 and 7:00, or contact Leo Couchara at 484-614-0055 for more information. It is a very rewarding spiritual work, *for I was hungry and you gave me food... (Matthew 25:35)*



### THE KNIGHT'S KORNER - Updates from the Knights of Columbus Council #9715

### Congratulations to the 2016 Knights of Columbus Award

**Winners!** Please join us and congratulate the following individuals who were recognized at the recent Awards Dinner for their contributions to the goals and initiatives of the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 in 2016: **Family of the Year: Joe and Dan Gallagher** - *The Gallaghers* have donated time to virtually every activity held by our council and can be seen weekly in their other rolls as Ushers at our Weekend Masses!

**Rookie of the Year: Dan Kelly** - Dan was also a consistent contributor to our Council and distinguished himself by completing a FOUR DEGREES of education in our Knight's global mission - a feat accomplished by only a few members!

**Knight of the Year: Steve Finley** - Steve deserves special acknowledgment for his leadership in our recent campaign to collect donations to assist the Little Sisters of the Poor with the purchase of a new Cargo Van so that they can continue the work of charity. With Steve's guidance over \$45,000 was raised for this need! Thank you again to all of the parish for supporting this fundraiser!

### Sunday, May 7, 2016 Parish Breakfast - Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall on Sunday, May 7, 2017 for our next Community Breakfast hosted by The Knights of Columbus from 7:30AM to 11:30AM.

Included are pancakes, waffles, scrambled eggs, Made-to-Order Omelets, hash browns, sausage, toast, orange juice, coffee, fruit, and our famous "doughnut buffet"! Cost: ONLY \$8 for Adults, and \$4 for Children.



### Sunday, May 21, 2017 Annual Parish Spring Blood Drive -

The council will again be sponsoring the Corpus Christi Annual Spring Blood Drive on Sunday, May 21, 2017 in the Corpus Christi Gym. The drive will be held from 8 AM to 1 PM. Details explaining how to sign up for an appointment will be provided soon. The donation is very easy, takes about an hour of your time, and makes a clear impact on the recipient. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Lendzinski at 215-917-7774 or [matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com).

### April 29-30, 2017 "Change for Life" Baby Bottle Fundraiser for Pro-life -

Corpus Christi Respect Life Committee and The Knights of Columbus Council #9715, the joint coordinators of this "Change for Life" Campaign, once again are asking our parishioners to deposit your spare coins (and bills!) in your Baby Bottle that will be distributed on April 29-30, 2017. Please bring the bottle back for collection before the Masses by May 20-21, 2017. Funds raised will be divided equally between the Respect Life Committee and the Knights of Columbus to support Pro-Life efforts, including the on-going maintenance of the Ultrasound Machine Donated to "A Baby's Breath" in October 2011 by our Knights of Columbus Council. **Please Help Us Help Others Make a Change for Life!**

### 2017 Knights of Columbus Annual Collection for "ARC" -

ARC is the largest advocacy organization in the United States for citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families. Your kind financial support will benefit many of our neighbors in the Montgomery, Bucks and Berks Counties! Thank you to everyone who has opened their hearts to help the Knights of Columbus with our annual collections for ARC. Because of your generous contributions, last year we were able to donate over \$5,000.00 to this very deserving cause. We are now preparing to started our 2017 collection! Please watch for the details of when and where you can donate to our Volunteer Knights!

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, Annamaria 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, Robert Shea, Drew Fantozzi, Ken Slater, James Stento, Antonio Jacinto, Michael Rafter, Holly Miller, Betty Olden, Kevin Rakszawski, David Dawson, Mary Rexer, Dorothy Reckner.

### 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.



**Orientation Meeting for Norfolk and VA Beach**  
Conference Rooms A,B,&C in the Parish Center Office on **Sunday April 23rd at 1:00PM.**

**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."**



Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, **Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be using the services of GreenDrop to support their clothing drive. Look for the GreenDrop 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 visit [www.gogreendrop.com](http://www.gogreendrop.com).

## EITC AWARENESS WEEKEND APRIL 29-30, 2017

Significant Tax Advantage for Businesses and Individuals  
Significant Tuition Assistance for Families

The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) is a tax credit that many businesses and individuals in Pennsylvania are eligible to receive. The program offers the donor a PA tax credit of 75% for a 1 year commitment and a 90% tax credit for a 2 year commitment. This donation can be designated to a **Catholic School** to help offset tuition for students who would otherwise not be able to attend a Catholic School.

#### Individuals:

Individuals with a tax liability can now join a Special Purpose Entity (SPE) to take full advantage of the PA EITC programs.

- Use the Credit for your personal PA Taxes
- 90% Tax Credit for a 2-Year Commitment
- Currently Recruiting Members
- Designate to a Catholic School of Your Choice

#### Businesses:

PA businesses can contribute up to \$750,00 to the program. C-Corps, S-Corps, LLCs and Limited Partnerships are eligible to participate.

- Available to Those Who Do Business in PA
- Receive a 75% Credit for a 1-Year Commitment or 90% credit for 2-Years
- New Businesses Can Apply by July 1st
- Designate to a Catholic School of Your Choice

**Contact one of these approved scholarship organizations!**

Foundation For Catholic Education - 610-793-8503

[ineeld@foundationforcatholiceducation.org](mailto:ineeld@foundationforcatholiceducation.org)

BLOCS - 484-704-2300 or [info@blocs.org](mailto:info@blocs.org)

### 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](mailto:Tom@McHenryCreative.com)



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 **July 7-9 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 and Mary Liz Heumann at [Applications@wwme-philly.org](mailto:Applications@wwme-philly.org) or call 610-449-1859.



**2017 GIVING HOPE to All:** 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.

(Corpus Christi with 336 contributors is at \$66,315, 43% of our \$152,684 goal for 2017 as of April 7th.)

# 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](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry)  
Contact Danielle Gallo, Youth Minister at [corpus.ym@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.ym@gmail.com)

## 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](mailto:barb.casee@corpuschr.org).

Congratulations to Veronica Badman, Emily Durning, Emily Dvorchak, Renee Dziennik, Sarah Grosch, and Jenna Mangan for representing Corpus Christi Catholic School at the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 11 Songfest! Students from all over Montgomery and Bucks Country rehearsed all day on Thursday, March 30th and then put on a wonderful concert under the direction of Dr. Rollo Dilworth.

Michelle Gomez, Jacqueline Lewis, Ashley Mader, Amy Orner, Rachel Panico and Alexa Thomas, represented Corpus Christi Catholic School at the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Choral Festival! Students from all over the Archdiocese of Philadelphia joined together to rehearse and put on a concert on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> under the direction of William Mayo and Jeremy Triplett.

Thank you to all who participated in the **Jim McGovern 5k Race** on Saturday, April 8th. It was an overwhelming success! It was awesome to see the number of people who came out on a chilly morning to support the Patrician Society and to honor the tradition started by Mr. McGovern. When the eighth grade students went to the Patrician Society yesterday, they brought with them a check in the amount of \$6000.00. A special thank you to the teachers and to Mrs. Linda O'Rourke for all their efforts directed toward the success of this event.

**Lansdale Catholic Athletic Boosters Club** invites Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 to come and enjoy at a **dance!** Saturday, April 29, 2017, 7PM – 10 PM Lansdale Catholic High School Gym 700 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale, PA (Chaperoned by LC parents with clearances) Entrance through the Wm. F. Fishman Main Entrance in the rear of the building. Admission Price at the door is \$10 per person. Tickets are limited to a quantity of 750. Ticket distribution will begin at 6:15 from the entrance and will end when 750 tickets have been distributed. Only one ticket per guest will be distributed. For questions please contact event organizer, Mrs. Lisa Bull at [Lisaannebull@gmail.com](mailto:Lisaannebull@gmail.com).

## SCRIP CORNER

### CORPUS CHRISTI SCRIP PROGRAM

e-mail: [cc.scrip@yahoo.com](mailto:cc.scrip@yahoo.com); on the web: [www.ccslandsdale.org](http://www.ccslandsdale.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!*

## CYO News:

**Save the Date - May 20th - CYO Sports banquet for 7/8th graders.**

**Fall Sports registration** is open now and will close on July 31st at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.siplay.com/site/>. Late fees will apply after that date and space is not guaranteed on rosters after that date. The registration fees are the same as last year. Additional information for each sport is available at <https://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>.

**Cheerleading** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade, \$75) and JV (5th & 6th Grade, \$75) divisions for girls. The season runs through both Fall and Winter, as the Cheerleading teams will perform at Corpus Football and Basketball games. The teams will also participate in several competitions.

**Cross Country** - Includes Novice, Minor and Cadet divisions for K through 8th grades for boys and girls, \$45. All runners compete in the Archdiocesan weekly meets and can qualify for the Archdiocesan championship.

**Football** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade, \$195) and Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade, \$195) divisions for boys. Varsity can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament.

**Soccer** - Includes Co-ed Varsity (7th & 8th Grade, \$85), Co-ed Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade, \$85) and Co-ed Mini (3th & 4th Grade, \$65) divisions. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament.

**Girls Volleyball** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade, \$70) and Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade, \$65) divisions for girls. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament.

**Volleyball Camp** (Girls & Boys) - Learn to Play Volleyball! Improve Your Skills!

**VARSITY** is for girls and boys entering 7th and 8th grades in Fall 2017. - 1st week of Aug, dates/times TBD shortly, \$65  
**JV** is for girls and boys entering 5th and 6th grades in Fall 2017.

-1st week of Aug, dates/times TBD shortly, \$65

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

**CYO Open Positions** – Registrar, Uniform Manager and others. If interested contact [cc-cyo@verizon.net](mailto:cc-cyo@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.siplay.com/site/>

**Join us at the 1st Annual Corpus Christi CYO Sports Banquet on Saturday May 20th from 6-9pm** in the Corpus gym. All of our athletes (K-3, JV, Varsity, HS), families and friends are welcome. Come see our mega slide show. Our Varsity Coaches will be saying a few words about the past season with each Varsity team recognized individually. We will also have guest speakers and awards will be presented. There will be a special recognition for each 8th grader that has participated in CYO this past year. Dinner will be a catered buffet.

To order tickets return the attached form. The deadline for ordering tickets is **May 7th**. If you would like to help with planning the banquet or have any questions please contact [cc-cyo@verizon.net](mailto:cc-cyo@verizon.net).

# Welcome

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

Judy Alexy  
Wendell and Katherine Beres and Family  
Anthony and Jennifer Bevivino and Family  
Robert Beyer and Dionna Boccuto  
Andre and Kimberly Corbitt and Family  
Louise McCormick  
Paul and Samantha McDevitt and Family  
Suzanne O'Connor

Kevin and Sharon Pickell and Family  
Paul and Stephanie Subbio and Family  
Piotr and Stephanie Szewczyk and Family  
Michael and Anne Trapani and Family  
Joseph and Susanne Wallen  
Marion Wedo  
Jason and Amy Weil  
James Wittmer

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 04/23 Team #5: Patty Donnelly at 215-687-3779**

**Week of 04/30 Team #6: Sue Bones at 215-631-9526**

If you have any questions, please call Hope Coordinator, **Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263**. Thank you!

**BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS:** Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, **parents are required to pre-register those attending the session by contacting the Parish Center Office 215-855-1311**. Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled at **7:00 PM RE Room (in the church) on the 3rd Monday of the month i.e May 15th, June 19th**.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

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

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

Baptism is administered at 12:30 PM almost EVERY SUNDAY.

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

**DAILY PRAYER CHAPEL OPEN:** Visits to the Blessed Sacrament during the day may be made in the Church Chapel. The Chapel is open every day from 7:45AM to 3:30PM except Wednesday when it is open until 6:30PM. Please enter the Chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Road.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS



Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following). Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd. (For information, please call 215-855-1311).

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



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

Contact [ccprecanateam@gmail.com](mailto:ccprecanateam@gmail.com) for information.

**NOVENA DEVOTIONS:** 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 8PM.

**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.**