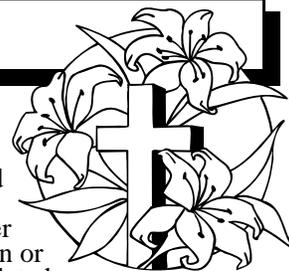


Faith Heals



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
April 24, 2016 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter*

PASTOR'S MESSAGE



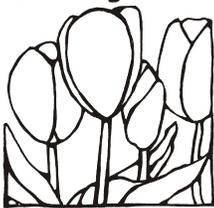
Dear Parishioners,

If it were against the law to be a Christian, how many of us would be convicted? This is an old question preachers often asked their congregations, but it's one we should never tire of asking ourselves. Suppose you were the prosecutor? What evidence would it take to prove that someone is really a follower of Christ? Would it be enough to say that those who regularly attend Church, put money in the collection or send their kids to a Christian school are followers of Christ? What if a person belonged to a Church-related organization or was active in pro-life activities? Would this be enough to be called a Christian?

Some of these things may be pretty good indicators of one who follows Christ, but if we look seriously at what Jesus called the most important criterion, we would not meet it. In today's gospel reading Jesus told His apostles to love one another. Then He told them, "This is how all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

Pretty simple, isn't it? A lot depends upon what Jesus meant when He said we should love one another. From reading other parts of the gospel, it becomes clear that He didn't simply mean we should love the people we attend Church with or other Christians in general. That in itself might be difficult, when we consider the wide array of people it encompasses. It includes some we might dislike because of political, economic or social positions or viewpoints. But our Lord made it clear that His disciples must love all human beings, even unbelievers and enemies. Saint Paul was among the first to appreciate the implications of Jesus' "new law" and he became known as the "Apostle to the Gentiles".

Behold, I make all things new.



In our own day Christ's commandment has similar striking implications. Christian Palestinians must love their Jewish neighbors and Christians in Israel must reciprocate. Catholics and Protestants in Northern Ireland, as well as elsewhere, are called by Christ to love one each other. Followers of Christ in the Balkans must love their neighbors regardless of ethnic differences. All Christians are called to love those of all races and cultures, despite any past animosity or grievance.

If all of this seems utopian - an impractical ideal - we must remember, that Jesus came precisely to bring about this ideal. In proclaiming the coming of the kingdom of God, He intended to establish "a new heaven and a new earth". For us this may seem impractical, but for God, who said, "Behold, I make all things new," the prediction of its coming is trustworthy and true.

As Jesus told us, the choice is ours. We can choose to become part of His kingdom if we believe in Him and follow His commandments. If we do so, He promised to send us the Holy Spirit of His divine love which can transform our hearts, and make what seems impossible come true. Then, as we carry out His command to love one another, everyone will know we are His disciples.

God bless you,



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, concludes this Wednesday evening, **April 27th beginning at 6:30PM in the chapel.** 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 Friday, **May 13th from 9:00AM - 12:00PM.** 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@corpuschr.org. Thanks so much! We look forward to hearing from you!



Corpus Christi Catholic School

~ Celebrating A Day of Excellence ~

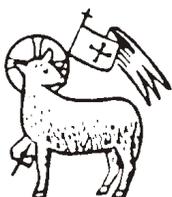
Corpus Christi Catholic School is celebrating a Day of Excellence on Friday, **May 13th from 9:00AM - 12:00PM.** Each grade will be featured with a "special event" throughout the day. Our choir, strings, jazz cats and band will also be performing. We will close the day with a prayer service for our 50th anniversary. Please stop by and visit us and discover what we are all about. If you are unable to visit us on this day and are interested in learning more about Corpus Christi Catholic School (grades PreK3-8th), please call our school office at 215-368-0582 and ask to speak with Mrs. Barbara Casee, our Enrollment Coordinator. We offer private tours and/or Shadow Days.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

- Saturday, April 23rd**
4:30 PM Deceased Nephews and Nieces
of the Moles Family
by The Family
- Sunday, April 24th**
7:00 AM Gary D. Kozloski
by Robert Kozloski
8:30 Robert W. Smith
by Ken and Mary Slater
10:00 James Glennon
by Mark and Paige Capofari
11:30 Robert W. Smith
by Carmela Westcott
6:00 PM Karol Nowakowski
by Krzysztof and Teresa Gedek
- Monday, April 25th**
7:15 AM Kathy Hayman
by Lucy Figlio and Family
- Tuesday, April 26th**
7:15 AM Eugenia and Rosario Longhitano
by Jennie and Anthony Leone
- Wednesday, April 27th**
7:15 AM Edward Duff
by Marie Steinhauser
- Thursday, April 28th**
7:15 AM Daniel Rizzo
by Carmen and Susan Rizzo
- Friday, April 29th**
7:15 AM Kathleen Wreath
by The Pinder Family
- Saturday, April 30th**
7:15 AM Marie Quartapella
by Dan and Gloria DiEmedio
4:30 PM Adeline DiDomizio
by The DiDomizio Family
- Sunday, May 1st**
7:00 AM David and Alyce Roberts
by The Hladik Family
8:30 James J. Mullaly
by Rose Mullaly
10:00 Raymond Bauer
by Mary Bauer
11:30 Kathy Dougherty
by Louisa Fanslau
6:00 PM John and Adeline Cusimano
by George and Donna Frisch



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Rita Ferris, wife of Francis; Claire Portolese, wife of Pasquale; Frances Bacak.



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

FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

April 16/17	\$ 28,199
Envelopes mailed	2,432
Envelopes returned	795
Monthly Electronic offering	
April 20 (28 participants)	\$ 5,898

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27 Paul and Barnabas traveled to many towns and found many disciples willing to help them preach. They warned their disciples of the trials they would face. Paul and Barnabas then returned to Antioch, where their journey had begun, and told the congregation there of the progress they had made.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

R. I will praise Your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a John had a vision of a new earth, and a new Jerusalem coming down from heaven. Then a voice described Jerusalem as a place where God would live among His people and comfort them. The former world had vanished, and pain, death and suffering had left the world as well.



Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35 After Judas left the last supper, Jesus warned the other disciples that He would not be with them much longer. Jesus gave them a new commandment to love one another as He had loved them. He stated that their love for each other would distinguish them as His disciples.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news in that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirit of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith...they appointed elders for them in each church and with prayer and fasting commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith.”

How exciting to trace the steps of Paul in his missionary journeys, discover the fruit of his ministry, and his care in leaving the growing communities in able hands. He with Barnabas spent themselves in forming missionary disciples.

Pope Francis is doing the same thing. His visits to Washington, New York and Philadelphia proclaimed the same mission. His travels to Kenya, Uganda and the Central African Republic were to produce the same results.

It is time for us to respond to the challenge. Through our own prayer and fasting, we too are strengthened to do the work of the elders in our own communities. We do not wait for others to come to us, but we go out to bring the saving message of Jesus to others.

Question: When was the last time you invited someone to return to the practice of the faith, or told someone why you are a believer?

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Lansdale Catholic 8th Grade Shadow Program – Interested eighth graders who attend public, private or parochial grade schools are encouraged to make a Shadow Day at LC. Parent/Guardian should contact Elaine Maginnis at 215-362-6160 x133 to arrange a date to shadow a current LC 9th grader for the day.

Lansdale Catholic 7th Grade Afternoon Tour Dates – Students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian for the 1 pm to 2 pm tour on these dates: April 26, 27.

Accepting Registrations For Class of 2020 & Upperclass Transfers – LC is still accepting registrations for the incoming freshman class of 2020 as well as upperclass transfers from public and private secondary schools for the 2016-2017 academic year. Please contact Mrs. Allen, Director of Admissions at 215.362.6160 x194 or email amallen@lansdalecatholic.com.

Summer Academic STEM Courses at Lansdale Catholic High School – Open to students attending any school, who will be freshmen, sophomores or juniors in the 2016-2017 academic year. The weeks of July 25, August 1, August 8 and August 15, our Science department faculty will be teaching: Pre-Chemistry, Pre-Algebra, Pre-Physics, Math Prep and High School Study Skills. Please contact Mrs. Mary Antoni at 215.362.6160 x179 or email mantoni@lansdalecatholic.com. Our school home page also lists a link at lansdalecatholic.com

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.msjad.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



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 Weekend in this area is **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. You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wwme-philly.org or call 610-449-1859.

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, visit our website: 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!

Women's Sunday Tea

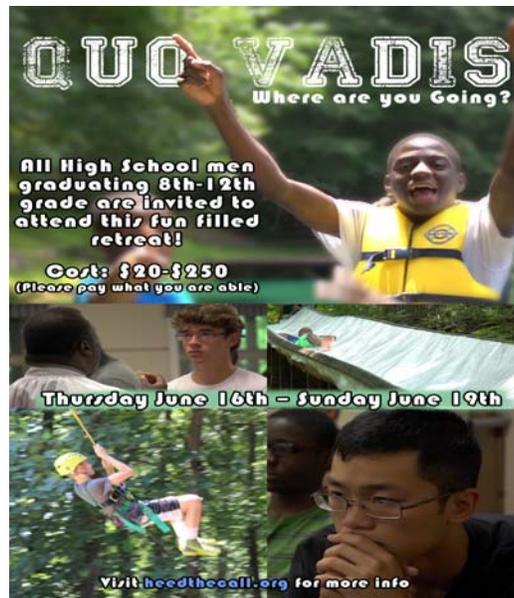
Malvern Retreat House will hold its next Women's Tea on **Sunday, May 1 from 2pm-4pm**. During the event, speaker Sarah Christmyer will discuss the topic: Women Strengthened by Hope: Learning from Rahab's Courageous Faith. Christmyer is the co-developer of The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Program, published by Ascension Press, and an adjunct faculty member at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia. The cost of the afternoon tea is \$25, including tea and refreshments. To register, please visit www.malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

The **North Penn Relay for Life** will be held **Saturday, June 18th** at North Penn High School. We will kick off our relay honoring our survivors at 11:00. If you are a survivor and would like to join us for our first lap, please call Mary Ann Gers at 610-584-1793. A luncheon will be served after our kick off and all survivors and caregivers are welcome.

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.

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) at 215-584-7751 or cecelaplaca@gmail.com.

Brothers of Borromeo Conference - Saturday, June 4th 9:00AM-2:30PM \$25 per person St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Open to all 6th – 8th grade young men. 2016 **Quo Vadis Days! June 16th – 19th SPACE LIMITED!** \$20-\$250 (Pay what you are able) Open to all 8th – 12th grade men. Scan QR code below for our promo video! For more information on these and other programs sponsored by the Vocation Office please contact: Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood Archdiocese of Philadelphia 610-667-5778 † www.HeedTheCall.org



Malvern Retreat House

Please visit www.malvernretreat.com to see the available retreat weekends or twilight evening mini-retreats. Register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

Silent Auction at Saint Stanislaus

Saint Stanislaus Church in Lansdale will host a Silent Auction on **Saturday, April 30** in the Mater Dei Catholic School Gymnasium, 493 E. Main Street in Lansdale. Entrance is via the school parking lot off Third Street. **Doors open at 7pm**. Auction runs from 7:30pm to 9pm. **Admission cost is \$10** and includes light refreshments, wine & cheese and door prizes. Some items up for auction include: acoustic guitars, Phillies tickets, Ladies cocktail ring, Royal Doulton, Liadro, Tiffany, Byers Choice, Limoges/Bawo & Dotter dishes, Rogers Bros. flatware, oil paintings and more. Tickets will be available at the door. For more information, please call the Saint Stanislaus Parish Center at 215-855-3133.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

Mom Café - Tuesday, May 3rd-9:30 to Religious Education Room in Church
 Upcoming Events **The Guardians - Tuesday, May 3rd- 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.



“Jesus affirms that mercy is not only an action of the Father, it becomes a criterion for ascertaining who his true children are. In short, we are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us.”

— 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.

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 Cenacle: A devotion of reparation to meet the pleas of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother to assist in the spiritual battle to save souls. The book from which this devotion is modeled has an imprimatur by Archbishop Chaput. Includes brief foundational teaching followed by a holy hour: Flame of Love Rosary, Prayers to Father, Son and Holy Spirit, our heavenly advocates Mary, Joseph and St Michael. Find out what it means to Blind Satan. Join us each **Monday 7pm – 8pm**, in the Corpus Christi Parish Library. Contact: Diana 215-855-5494 or flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com for more information.

“TLC” Ministry

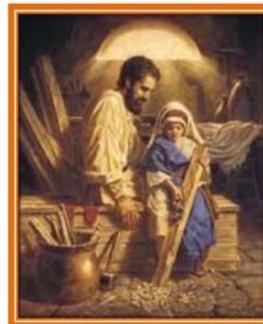
Participants of the TLC Ministry create handcrafted items, such as, shawls, scarves, and blankets, and then offer them as an act of stewardship to anyone in our parish who needs a little Tender Loving Care. These items embrace and comfort the wearer with the tender loving care and prayers of the maker 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.

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/>

The Guardians

This monthly support group for fathers of all ages is named in honor of Saint Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer. It provides opportunities for members to learn from one another by sharing their insights about challenges they face in married and family life, in the workplace, and in their spiritual life. Through fellowship, prayer, and discussion of relevant issues, participants come to a deeper understanding of the richness of their Catholic faith and their identity as husbands and fathers. Single fathers are always welcome to these sessions, as well. For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.



Tuesday, May 3, 2016
Tuesday, June 7, 2016
Tuesday, August 2, 2016
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
Tuesday, December 6, 2016

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
 Religious Education Room

*“Every family needs a father...
 We find in the Book of Proverbs (23:15-15),
 words that a father addresses to his own son,
 and it reads like this:
 ‘My son, if your heart is wise, my heart too will be glad.
 My soul will rejoice when your lips speak what is right’
 Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a father feels
 when he understands that he has handed down to his child
 what really matters in life, that is, a wise heart.”*
 Pope Francis

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. 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. **May 16 7:00-8:30 Room A.**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul CLOTHING DRIVE ~ www.SVdPPickup.org

Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, **Saturday, May 7th 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.

Chosen Fathers:

A Retreat for Fathers of Children with Disabilities

Saturday, April 30, 2016 9:00AM-5:00PM
(includes vigil Mass for Sunday at 4:00 PM)

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary ~ Vianny Hall, Wynnewood
Being a good dad day-in and day-out is not an easy task. Yet raising children with disabilities can make fatherhood even more challenging. Fathers of children of all ages who have physical, intellectual, sensory, or emotional disabilities are invited to attend this retreat day. Presenter: Doug Keck, a Chosen Father, who is president of EWTN and an award winning TV-Radio executive and host register at: <http://opdarchphilly.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Chosen-Fathers-April-30-2016-web.pdf>

Retreat for Mothers of Children with Disabilities

Tuesday, May 3, 2016 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

A retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities. There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers. **Register by April 26th;** Cost: \$35
Director: Fr. Dennis O'Donnell at the Malvern Retreat House
<http://opdarchphilly.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Mother-s-of-Children-with-Disabilities-Retreat-Day2016-WEB.pdf>

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

"Picnic" luncheon (for Members Only) occurring on Thursday, May 12. Food will be provided by Boston Market. 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.

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.

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 2nd 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."**

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, email us at cca@adphila.org or call us at 215-587-5650. So far, Corpus Christi with 340 participants has reached \$57,440 which is 41% of our \$138,803 goal for 2016.

Lansdale Catholic Spring Musical

Lansdale Catholic presents their Spring Musical – "Once Upon A Mattress." This classic Broadway musical is a comedic retelling of the fairy tale "The Princess and the Pea". Last Shows are April 23 at 7:00 pm and April 24 at 1:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$12 for senior citizens and \$15 for adults and are available in the Activities Office or at the door prior to each show.



PAPER RETRIEVER ~ RECYCLING

Don't forget to keep bringing your old newspapers, magazines etc. to our paper recycling bins in the back of the school parking lot. **Paper recycling** is a year round event for which the parish again receives income. By continuing to use our bins for recycling, you're not only helping the environment, but you're also supporting your parish!

Youth News

High School Youth Group

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



(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.

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>

Father-Daughter Dance - Thursday, May 5th. Volunteers are needed, please fill out this form located at the link below to let us know where you would most like to help. https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_04_06_CYO_Father_Daughter_Dance_Volunteer_Form_4_6_16.pdf

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 (**Tuesday, May 3- May Social Cinco de Mayo Potluck** at St. Eleanor's, Collegetown at 7:30 p.m. Come join us for a Cinco de Mayo potluck dinner. We will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Vianney Hall at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church in Collegetown.) Please visit our Facebook page to sign up to bring a dish to share.. **Theology on Tap** is held every third Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM at the Appalachian Brewing Company in Collegetown, PA. Visit www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com. Check out our Twitter link on homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/> or email metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com. Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults.

Young Adult Retreat

Malvern Retreat House will hold an overnight retreat for adults ages 20-35 on **May 6-7**. The retreat will focus on the Year of Mercy and will be led by Fr. Chris Walsh, who is presently pastor of St. Raymond of Penafort parish in Philadelphia, PA. The cost is \$80. To register, please visit malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

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 for a complete list of SCRIP stores available to you.

SUPPOSEDLY it is **SPRING** but based on the number of blankets I have wrapped around me at the lax & baseball fields... well, I'll have to politely disagree with Mother Nature on that one. However, it will get warm eventually and you'll find yourself working around your house. Remember to grab *Home Depot, Lowes, Ace Hardware or The Container Store* Scrip cards for all of your spring cleaning, organizing, planting and redecorating needs. Earn tuition \$\$ while getting that "Honey do" list finished!!

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!

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL

NEWS

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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.

Retreat for Girls

Malvern Retreat House is holding a retreat for girls in **3rd through 8th grade on Sunday, May 15 from 1pm to 4pm**. The retreat theme of "Just As You Are" will celebrate the dignity and beauty of being created as a daughter of a loving and merciful God. The retreat will be directed by Jeannine Peters, who has a background in adoption advocacy, education and faith formation. The cost is \$20 per student and includes snacks. Please visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

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 1st 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 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/

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_02_24_Communion_flyer.pdf

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

Week of 04/24 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877

Week of 05/01 Team #1: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263

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

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, *parents are required to pre-register those attending the session by contacting the Parish Center Office, 215-855-1311*. Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), **at 7:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month: i.e. May 16th, June 20th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS



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

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

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



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

The next session at Corpus Christi is Oct. 1st and 2nd, 2016 (Cost: \$95 / couple) – Contact cprecanateam@gmail.com for information.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Continuing through April 27th 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 27th, 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.

PARISH LIBRARY Hours:

Sunday 7:45AM to 1PM

Library Volunteers Needed

Our Parish Library is need of 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.

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.