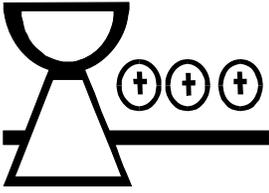


GOD ♥ BLESS ♥ MOTHERS



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
May 10, 2015 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter*



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CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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**Reverend Albert J. Santorsola
Reverend Shaji Silva**

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**Deacon Francis E. Langsdorf
Deacon William W. Evans**

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Edd Murphy	Business Manager
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MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES: 7:15AM

SATURDAY MASSES:

7:15 AM.....4:30 PM

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

SUNDAY MASSES: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 (Children's
Liturgy of the Word for Grades K,1,and 2 at 10AM Mass)
11:30 AM, and 6 PM

HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

CONFESSIONS:

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

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,



Family is unique, and family as friends is even more special. Friendship is such a special relationship that it can occur between people of all ages; between married and single men and women; between people of different races and cultures. Friendship is not based on similarities or commonalities – just look at the tremendous difference between Jesus and His disciples. Friendship instead implies a sharing that creates and celebrates an equality. It breaks categories of age, race, gender and class. It is a relationship that expresses itself in behavior, thought, and action. It comes from within a person touching that deepest part of another with an all-embracing unconditional love.



This is the kind of friendship Jesus had with His disciples. He shared with them everything, including His relationship with God, His Father. Jesus loved each and every one of them, trusting them with all that He knew. In this relationship with them, they were included in His person, in His mission, and in His destiny. His greatest desire was that they do likewise with one another, living on in His love. Jesus called them to be in solidarity with Him and through Him, and in Him in solidarity with the world. If they considered themselves His friends, they must be friends with each other.

Like the disciples, Christians are to strive to be friends. We are called to share with one another that same friendship Jesus has shared with us. That friendship is based on knowing Him more deeply and accepting His teaching: that God is love and that His love is for all of us. During this Easter Season, an opportunity is given us to examine our relationships with one another. We have received the gift of new life in Jesus being raised from the dead. Is that new life evidenced in our friendships with others? Do we hear the words of Jesus addressed to us today: *“Live on in My love . . . Love one another as I love you . . . There is no greater love than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends . . . You are My friends if you do what I command you.”*

This Easter Season is a gift for us to recognize one another as friends, a time to share the friendship Jesus has for us with each other. It is a season to strengthen ourselves as the Body of Christ that we are, and celebrate at the altar the bond of love as friends. In this way the message of Jesus and His mission of hope for the world live on through our behavior and actions in our families, neighborhoods and society.

God bless you,



TO ALL MOTHERS ~ A HAPPY AND BLESSED MOTHERS' DAY

The priests, deacons, and sisters of our parish pray for God's fullest blessings on the Mothers of our parish. Even though you are honored in a special way today, know that you are loved and respected every day for the role you have in the family of God. **At Mass today, all Mothers present will be invited to stand to receive a special blessing to celebrate this happy occasion of Mothers Day.** May the souls of our mothers who have passed away be at peace with God today and forever.

ASCENSION THURSDAY ~ HOLY DAY of OBLIGATION ~ MAY 14th. Masses are at (vigil) 7:30PM Wednesday, 7:15AM, 12:05PM Thursday, please note there is no 7:30PM mass on Thursday evening.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE



This Mother's Day weekend, May 9th and 10th, the Respect Life Group has live, long stemmed roses available after each Mass for a donation of \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00. Bumper stickers and precious feet pins are also being sold. Thank you for your support of this rose sale which helps to further the Culture of Life.

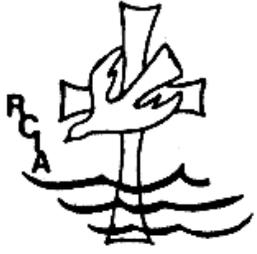
Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2015-2016 School Year is currently taking place. Please call Mrs. Barb Casee in the school office at 215-368-0582 to arrange a time to come in and register your child.

- Items Needed for Registration:
- ❖ Original Birth Certificate
 - ❖ Baptismal Certificate
 - ❖ Immunization Records
 - ❖ \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee



The **Catholic Charities Appeal 2015**, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important fund-raising initiative, enhances the Archdiocese's ability to serve the people throughout the greater Philadelphia region by achieving our \$10 million goal. Please support Catholic Charities. For more information or to make a donation please visit www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org. Corpus Christi's parish goal is \$130,144 and we are at 44% of goal currently. Thank you to those who have already responded!



RCIA

Congratulations to the Newly Initiated

Our parish rejoices with and congratulates

Brendan Donahue

who received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

and

Ashley Sampson, Zachary Devine, and David Winder

who received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

We welcome them into the Catholic Church
and our parish family.

We thank God for their sponsors and all who journeyed
with them in the RCIA process.

May God continue to bless them!



FIRST COMMUNICANTS APRIL 25,TH 2015

Nicholas Aboud
Madeline Adarayan
Cecelia Ahart
Gabriel Altemus
Chase Anderson
Taylor Anderson
Gabriella Andolino
Annabel Antonelli
Ava Baitinger
Justin Beck
Michael Boquist
Eric Boyce
Adrienne Bradica
Alexis Bradica
Marina Breunig
Bruno Brnardic
Nino Brnardic
Nicholas Bruno
Justin Burch
Aubrey Calafati
Thomas Carmody
Liam Carpenter
Owen Cary
Julia Cavanaugh
Sarah Cavanaugh
Ciara Cavellius
Kayla Christy
Colin Ciavarelli
Isabella Ciccocelli
Dylan Clair
Kyle Cohen
Harry Collins
Fiona Connolly
Mary Conroy
Nolan Corcoran
Meghan Coyne
Abigail Cumiskey
Peter Cusumano
Benjamin Dawson
Catherine
Decembrino
Emilia DeChamps
Dana Delamater
Camryn Demetrius

Mario DiPaolo
James Dolan
Jacob Early
Jordan Eckert
Ian Eld
Andrew Elliott
Shaun Emmerich
Alexandra Engart
Madeline Faikish
Damien Fanelli
Eliana Farmer
Bella Farrell
Carter Feltus
Lorelai Filosa
Ryan Gadd
Matthew Gardner
Nico Gattone
Lindsay Gebhardt
Markus Glaeser
Luca Hanlon
Bridget Herron
Daniel Hill
Meghan Hooper
Liam Hudachek
Audrey Hughes
Giovanni Iervolino
Maura Johnson
Kyle Johnston
Michael Jones
Victor Jones
Elizabeth Kane
Julianna Keane
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Caitlyn Keenan
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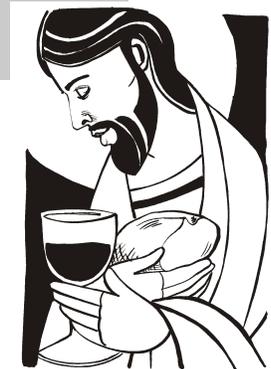
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Lily McGee
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Brady McKenney
Ryan McMahan
Sean McMahan
Laura Medoff
Jordan Miller
Evan Milligan
Maggie Moloney
Kevin Montagna
Isabella Mullen
Caiden Myers
Kaitlyn Navarro
Meghan O'Donnell
Ryan O'Donnell
Richard Parry
Austin Paturzo
Erika Pickford
Ella Pironti
Emily Pironti
Dominic Popiny
Addison Potter
Molly Randall
Anthony Riccio
Vincent Riley
Sara Roberts
Rowan Romero
Alexander Rossi
Gabriella Ruffels
Christian Sanfelice
Alyssa Schleinkofer
Rosemary Schmidt
Kirstyn Schoppe
Gavin Selchert
Jack Sweeney
Grace Tarlo
Nathan Thomas
Beatrix Thompson

Mitchel Trudnak
Alyssa Valdivia
Anthony Wack
Sean Patrick Walsh
Elena Weychert
Jack Wichner
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Blessings Upon
Our First
Communicants!



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MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



- Saturday, May 9th**
4:30 PM The Tiedeken Family
by Eileen Rowley
- Sunday, May 10th**
7:00 AM Rita Rafferty
by Eileen Swartz
8:30 Barbara Seneko
by George and Patty Seneko, Jr.
10:00 Debbie Gorniak
by Angie and Ted Lamparski
11:30 Susan Wasson
by Peggy Fitzpatrick
6:00 PM Virginia Hahn
by Barb Pasquale
- Monday, May 11th**
7:15 AM Patricia Gorge
by Terence and Barbara McInerney
- Tuesday, May 12th**
7:15 AM Margaret Wagner
by Vince and JoAnn Donahue
- Wednesday, May 13th**
7:15 AM Bill and Kathleen Bourdow
by Jim and Mildred Bourdow
7:30 PM Gregory Coppola, Sr.
by Gary and Shelly Geib
- Thursday, May 14th**
7:15 AM Daniel and Phyllis O'Rourke
by Walter O'Rourke
12:05 PM Wendy Harvey
by Paula Miola
- Friday, May 15th**
7:15 AM Richard Walsh
by Mary Lou Walsh
- Saturday, May 16th**
7:15 AM Raymond V. Farmer
by Peg Farmer and Family
4:30 PM Ed Rowley
by Eileen Rowley
- Sunday, May 17th**
7:00 AM Robert Peifer
by Kris and Kevin Fitzpatrick
8:30 Michael DeFelice
by Dan and Elaine Gansz
10:00 Peter Illari
by The Illari Family
11:30 Maureen Perilli
by Lillian Scheetz
6:00 PM Peggy Gehringer
by Joseph and Joan Gallagher



WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

May 2/3	\$ 27,486
Envelopes mailed	2,652
Envelopes returned	835
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
May to date	\$ 2,723

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Peter preaches to the Gentiles for the first time in the house of Cornelius. Peter realized that God would accept any person who acted uprightly, regardless of his or her heritage. Then the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles and Peter allowed them to be baptized in the name of Jesus.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 *The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.*

Second Reading: I John 4:7-10 John advises all believers to love one another, for love is a gift from God. The person without love does not know God, Whose love for us is so great He sent His only son so that we might have life through Him.



Gospel: John 15:9-17 Jesus asks His disciples to live on in His love and to "Love one another as I have loved you." He explains that He chose them to follow Him, and promises if they keep His commandments they will have anything that they ask for in His name.

Family Connection

In family life, we have many opportunities to show love in action. Each time we postpone a task to tend to the needs of another, we show ourselves to be on the path to following the example of love shown to us by Jesus. Sometimes the sacrifices we are called upon to make for others are small. But these small choices to love and to serve others prepare us for the larger choices and sacrifices that we may be called upon to make. If we are people who have practiced showing our love for others with generosity, we will also be people who are willing to lay down our lives for those we love.

As you gather as a family, talk about the meaning of the word generosity. Ask each family member to describe an action that shows generosity. To be generous is to give freely to others without counting the cost. Recall that generosity is one of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Introduce today's Gospel reading by saying that Jesus taught us to be generous in showing our love for one another. Read together today's Gospel, John 15:9-17. What examples did Jesus give to us that show this kind of love? (washing His disciples' feet; accepting death on the cross) Jesus helps us to show this kind of love to others. In today's Gospel, Jesus promised that God will give us whatever we ask for. One of the things we can ask for from God is a generous spirit so that we can love others as Jesus did. Conclude in prayer together by praying Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity:

Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God,
Teach me true generosity.
Teach me to serve You as You deserve.
To give without counting the cost,
To fight heedless of wounds,
To labor without seeking rest,
To sacrifice myself without thought of any reward
Save the knowledge that I have done Your will. +Amen.

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially, Mary Spencer mother of Tom.

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

<http://www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm>

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

World Meeting of Families is coming to Philadelphia September 2015!



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

WorldMeeting2015.org

To make an online donation, visit WorldMeeting2015.org/give/. Like us on Facebook at "World Meeting of Families 2015," follow us on Twitter @WMF2015.

Please help us spread the word about hosting a family by directing people to our website:

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/get-involved/host-a-family>. If you have any questions about Homestay, please email host@worldmeeting2015.org. Thank you for your support at this exciting time. Registration is

now open for the **World Meeting of Families!** Please visit: <http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/plan-your-visit/register/>

Lansdale Catholic Accepting Registrations For Class of 2019 & Upperclass Transfers – LC is still accepting registrations for the incoming freshman class of 2019 as well as upperclass transfers from public and private secondary schools for the 2015-2016 academic year. Please contact Mrs. Allen, Director of Admissions at 215-362-6160 x 194 to arrange a tour/shadow or for more information.

Lansdale Catholic Cheerleading Clinic – Saturday, May 16. This clinic will be taught by the LC Cheerleaders and Coaches. We will teach stunts, jumps, cheers, dance and tumbling. This clinic is designed for all ability levels. Participants should wear comfortable clothing, sneakers, and bring a water bottle. Kindergarten through-3rd grade will be held from 9am-11:30am and 4th grade through 8th grade will be held from Noon-3:30pm. Cost is \$30 pre-registration, \$35 at the door. Find registration forms on our website at www.lansdalecatholic.com or contact Coach Becky Cucuzza at beckymcadon@yahoo.com.

Lansdale Catholic Summer Athletic Camps – LC offers summer camps/clinics in softball, baseball, boys and girls basketball, cheerleading, girls lacrosse and field hockey, boys and girls soccer and girls volleyball. For more information, please contact Steve Alpuche at 215.362.6160 x 132.

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

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

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

Bill Donaghy to speak on Fatherhood at Malvern Retreat House

Perhaps it is the most stunning statistic on faith and family of them all. When a father is a regular church goer, 2 out of every 3 children will be church goers. The faith life of the father is critical to the restoration of the catholic family; and, as the catholic family goes, so goes both our church and country. On **Tuesday, May 12**, Bill Donaghy, a charismatic local husband and father with a national following, will deliver our second Fatherhood lecture entitled *St. Joseph: A Man For All Seasons*. Includes dinner at 6:30, Talk, Q&A and Benediction. Cost: \$30. Register Now! 610-644-0400 or www.malvernretreat.com.



2015 Spirituality by-the-Sea for Women and Men: Zeal for the Neighborhood of the Universe at Saint Mary by-the-Sea Retreat House, Cape May Point, New Jersey ~ June 18 – 21, 2015. Using a combination of prayer and activities, silence and sharing, relaxation and renewal time, we will explore some key questions of spiritual

life for the 21st Century: What is zeal? What is the "neighborhood of the universe"? Who is my neighbor? What is God's plan for me?

For information, please call: 609-884-8708. Reservation form: www.stmarybythesea.org.

The Messages of Our Lady of Fatima

Nearly 100 years ago Our Blessed Mother appeared to 3 small children in a tiny village called Fatima and told them we need to pray very much, especially the Rosary in order to bring about peace in our world. She also promised she would assist us with the graces necessary for our own salvation if we were to:



1 - Pray the Rosary daily

2 - Enroll and wear the Brown Scapular of Mount Carmel

3 - Make an Act of Reparation to our Lady's Immaculate Heart. On the First Saturday of 5 consecutive months: Go to Confession, Receive Holy Communion, Say 5 decades of the Rosary and Keep our Lady company for 15 minutes while meditating on the 15 mysteries of the Rosary

4 - Make sacrifices and offer them up to our Lord and say this prayer: "Oh my Jesus, I offer this for love of Thee, for the

conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

Now more than ever we need to heed our Lady's request and spread these messages. Here at Corpus Christi the Rosary is prayed in the chapel every day after the 7:15 mass (except Wednesday and Sunday) We also pray the Rosary at The Legion of Mary on Wednesday evenings at 7:30PM in the Ministry Room of our Church. If you would like to join us there are 2 levels of membership, Active and Auxiliary. Auxiliaries do not have to attend the meetings but instead say the Rosary daily and other Legion prayers. If you have any questions please contact Helen Walker at 484-681-4868.

Saturday, May 16, 2015 8:00PM

Event: **Faustina: Messenger of Divine Mercy**
This live production stars actress Maria Vergo and is directed by Leonardo Defilippis of St. Luke Productions. Experience firsthand the life and message of St. Faustina whose personal encounters with Jesus have inspired a world-wide devotion to Christ's Divine Mercy. The program is filled with all the elements of professional theater, runs for 90 minutes and is suitable for ages 13 and up. Location: Nativity of Our Lord Church, 605 West Street Rd., Warminster, PA 18974. Admission: \$12 Please contact the Parish Center for tickets 215-675-1925 or email agervino@noopl.org

Come & See Retreat Weekend ~ Seeds of Faith May 15 – 17, 2015

Join the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer for a weekend of prayer, community and service in the context of a "garden." As the seed is a container for life, explore how faith reveals the way of discerning God's dream for your life. Come prepared for personal contact with soil, sisters and The Son! A retreat for single Catholic women between the ages of 18 – 35 who are seeking to know more about faith, discernment, religious life . . . and perhaps a thing or two about gardens. Begins at 6pm Friday evening- Sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer. For more information, please contact: Sr. Ana Dura, CSR or Sr. Katharina Maria Pies, CSR 215-914-4109; 215-914-4110

On **Thursday, May 21, 2015**, the St. Mary Home and School Association will sponsor its 9th annual **Memorial Day Remembrance** which is a teaching lesson for St. Mary School students and a time to honor veterans in the community. The event will begin with a parish mass at 9:00AM and the program starting at 10:45AM on the parish grounds, with the American flag raised to half-mast to honor those who have died in service to our nation. The program will include the posting/retiring of colors, a flag presentation, the buddy poppy and memorial wreath presentations, winning essayists and other Memorial Day lessons. **All are welcome, especially Veterans. Veterans are invited to stay for a special luncheon in their honor. Please RSVP to the St. Mary School office 610-287-7757.** St. Mary School is located at 40 Spring Mount Road, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Mom Café - on "Vacation" until Tuesday, October 6th - 9:30 to 11AM Religious Education Room in Church

The Guardians - Tuesday, June 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.



"No Room in the Inn"

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

Prayer for the World Meeting of Families 2015

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

May 2015: Light in a Dark World

Pope Francis observed that the Church is popular with the world when Catholics work for social justice. But, the Pope continued, with respect to "the cultural crisis" facing the family, "we find it difficult to make people see that when we raise other questions less palatable to public opinion, we are doing so out of fidelity to precisely the same convictions about human dignity and the common good." This chapter carefully examines subjects such as pornography, contraception, and so-called same-sex marriage. These are topics where Catholic teaching tends to be at odds with current worldly opinion. Reading this chapter in its entirety is an opportunity to consider the reasons for the Church's teaching. Each one of these issues deserves more space than this summary paragraph can offer. But as we said at the start of this catechesis, all Church teaching about marriage, the family, and sexuality flows from Jesus. Catholic moral theology builds upon basic Christian convictions about God's creation and covenant, humanity's fall, and Christ's incarnation, life, crucifixion, and resurrection. These teachings involve costs and suffering for all who would be Jesus' disciples, but they also open up new opportunities for beauty and human flourishing. This chapter is your chance to explore how it all fits together, even when it might mean taking unpopular stances in our culture. This chapter explains how every time the Church says "no" to something which secular society accepts, it is for the sake of enabling a deeper "yes" to God and his plan for our lives. Christopher C. Roberts, catechism editor

Did you know? The World Meeting of Families needs thousands of volunteers to help make this international event a wonderful experience for all. Volunteers are needed to serve as Guest Services Associates, Volunteer Captains, Digital Diplomats, Special Services Coordinators, and Language Service Associates. For more info visit: www.worldmeeting2015.org/get-involved/volunteer.

The Relics of Saint Gianna Coming to Saint Maria Goretti Parish in Hatfield!

Saint Gianna Beretta Molla and Saint John Paul II have been chosen as the worthy Patron Saints of the World Meeting of Families. Saint Gianna was a pediatrician, wife, and mother. She is best known for her selfless love as a mother, giving her life to bear her fourth child in 1962. Her life was a testament to "the family fully alive," the theme of this year's World Meeting of Families. Saint Maria Goretti Church in Hatfield, PA is pleased to welcome the Gianna Society to our parish on May 16th and 17th. Representatives from the society will speak briefly about her life and spirituality during all the Masses and provide an opportunity for us to venerate the relics of Saint Gianna following the Masses. Saint Gianna candles will also be available for purchase for \$15.00. Saturday, May 16, 2015: 5:00PM Mass; **Sunday, May 17, 2015:** 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30AM Masses

~ Parish Pilgrimage ~

Miraculous Medal Shrine ~ Saint Rita Shrine

Travel as pilgrims to the Miraculous Medal Shrine and the Saint Rita Shrine in Philadelphia. Our day will begin with a visit to the Miraculous Medal Museum and then continue with a tour of the shrine itself. Next we will journey to the Shrine of Saint Rita where we will celebrate Mass, venerate her relic, and tour the shrine and upper church. Free time will also be allotted for personal prayer, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and a visit to the Shrine's Gift Shop. **Cost is \$60.00 per person and includes lunch.** Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary. Payment is non-refundable but is transferable to another person. Please register through mail; no phone or e-mail registrations will be accepted. Space is limited. Register early so as not to be disappointed! Registration forms can be found on the narthex tables or printed from the Adult Faith Formation Events Page of our parish website at www.corpuschristilansdale.org.

Thursday, May 28, 2015

Bus Departures:

7:00 AM Saint Maria Goretti Parking Lot

7:20 AM Corpus Christi Parking Lot

Approximate Return Home: 4:00 PM

The **National Catholic Bible Conference** is returning to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia! On **June 19th and 20th**, the National Catholic Bible Conference will return to the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. This is the must-attend Bible conference of the year. The theme of this year's conference is "Scripture and the Family of God." There, you will discover how God is calling you to do more than just believe in him. He is calling you to a life-changing and life-giving relationship with him. You will also learn how you can live out your calling as a witness to the Father's unfailing love for each and every person in your life. You will also have the unique opportunity to glean insight and encouragement from gifted Catholic speakers and biblical scholars, including Jeff Cavins, Mark Hart, Mary Healy, and Edward Sri, Sarah Christmyer, and more! **Registrations are currently being taken.** For more information on the conference and to register, please visit www.CatholicBibleConference.com or call 1-888-842-2853. Please remember to list Corpus Christi as your Parish- the Parish with the most attendees is given a free Seminar by Jeff Cavins!

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, contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.

Tuesdays, June 2, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, and December 1, 2015

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM ~ Religious Education Room
Corpus Christi Church

(Please use side entrance of church to enter room.)

There's An App for That!

In the rising use of "apps" in our day to day life, for Catholics "there's an app for that!" *Catholic Aptitude* may be the one stop resource you have been looking for to find the most comprehensive list of the best Catholic apps in the marketplace in a variety of formats. Check out their website at <http://catholicapptitude.org/>, sign up for their emails and newsletters or check out some of the tabs for articles and resources.

Deacon Langsdorf Prayer Ministry

If you or someone you know of is in need of prayer, has questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Deacon Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com. Please know that all emails will be answered as soon as possible and will always be kept confidential.

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

The **Bereavement Ministry** of Corpus Christi believes in supporting family and friends who are walking through their journey of grief after the loss of a loved one. As part of our care and support, we are offering 8-week Bereavement Sessions on Wednesday afternoons in the Parish House. The sessions began on **April 1 and conclude on May 20, 2015** from 3:00 – 4:30PM. Please feel free to join us and there is never any pressure to share.



Registration - Eileen McCullough, emccullough@gmail.com, 215-361-0978 or

Eleanor Rinedoller, momdoller99@verizon.net at 215-699-1858.

Registration is preferred, but all are welcome!

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Club 50 Meeting - Thursday, May 14th at 12 Noon in Father Doyle Social Hall. Following the meeting Carol Spacht will do a portrayal of Martha Washington. The last event of the year, will be June 11th, 2015. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30AM at Corpus Christi. The Luncheon will be catered by Village Caterers at Schwenckfeld Manor, 1292 Allentown Rd., following Mass. Doors open at 11:30. We have a full luncheon menu this year as well as our Chinese Auction. The cost is \$20 Members Only. For more information and/or to sign up send a check made out to Corpus Christi Club 50 to Mary Day 3406 Brittany Pointe Lansdale, PA 19446 (267 263 4002) or Kathy Hayman 1106 Washington Ave. Lansdale PA 19446 (215 362 7813)

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

Erhardt's, Hawley PA - Thursday, June 18, Cost \$82. A Day at Erhardt's includes: a family style luncheon, games, trivia, dancing, free time for shopping and browsing the resort and "Murder on the Orient Rug" show. Departs 7:30AM, returns approximately 6:30PM *. No refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Call 215-368-0945 Peggy Butler, 1500 Berkley Way, Lansdale PA 19446 or Ann Butler at 215-368-7783.

Thousand Islands, Gananoque, Ontario Canada - Monday, September 28-Friday, October 2, 2015. Round trip motor coach transportation, 4 nights accommodations at the Colonial Resort Inn. Meal package includes 4 each breakfasts, lunches, dinners all at the Inn. Many activities and tours throughout the day. For complete information pick up a brochure in the narthex of church or at Club 50 meetings. Price per person double \$624.; single \$784.; triple \$624. (Insurance available at \$80.pp) Deposit payment \$100., final payment due August 7th for reservations and info call *610-584-1366 Bob and Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA 19446.

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

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, May 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, May 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.



Knights' Korner Council #9715

May 17, 2015 Annual Parish Spring Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the Corpus Christi Annual Spring Blood Drive on Sunday, May 17, 2015 at Corpus Christi School gymnasium. The drive will be held from 8 AM - 1 PM. The donation is very easy, takes about an hour of your time, and makes a clear impact on the recipient. Please call 800-733-2767 to make an advance appointment or access the American Red Cross Website

www.redcrossblood.org/rcbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp Walk-ins are welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Lendzinski at 215-917-7774 or matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com

Annual Collection for ARC

Look for members of the Knights of Columbus as we hit the pavement to collect for **ARC**, the largest advocacy organization in the United States for citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families. Please consider making a donation when you see us during the next few weeks after Mass and around our community. Because of your support, last year our council was successful in raising \$8,500 – the largest amount by a single council in the state!

Parish House Volunteers Needed



Can you give 3.5 hours of your time once a month on a Saturday or Sunday? If you are a man or woman, teen, retired or in between.... If you need quiet time to pay your bills, read a book, write a letter, pray..... We can provide the time while you listen for the phone or doorbell at the Parish House. Training is provided. Please call Sr. Mary Carroll at 215-368-5750.

Dear Parishioners,

A belated but very sincere "thank you" for your generous Easter Basket Donation. All of us at Visitation BVM in Kensington, your Sister Parish, are extremely grateful for your kindness.

We have a separate account named "Generous Hearts", because that is who you are!

This money is used exclusively for emergencies, such as shoes, uniforms, to prevent shut-off of utilities, food vouchers, help with summer camp and even to get rid of bed bugs!

Please know that we remember you in prayer in thanksgiving for your continued goodness, not only at Lent, but also during the entire year. May each of you be richly blessed for your social justice endeavors.

Staff of Visitation BVM Parish and School

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION



The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, May 9th and 10th, 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

For more information contact Danielle, our youth minister corpus.ym@gmail.com. Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on **Facebook** or the parish web at <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

Upcoming Summer Trips:

Steubenville Main Campus 3: June 26-28, 2015.

Summer Beach Retreat: Our beach retreat will take place from July 27-31. This is for high school students and students entering 8th grade in the fall of 2015. Contact Danielle for details.

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)

All students entering 7th and 8th grade are invited to join our high school youth group for our activities this summer, beginning June 14! Summer activities

include bowling, mini golfing, amusement park trips, water games, and more! Contact Danielle for permission slip, Corpus Christi (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or corpus.ym@gmail.com.



Mark your calendars! **Our next car wash will take place Saturday, June 13, from 8am-1pm.** Free will offerings will be accepted as we continue to raise funds to keep youth group activities affordable.

SCRIP CORNER

SCRIP OFFICE HOURS: 9AM – 12:30PM (EVERY DAY SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)

WE ARE CLOSED THIS THURSDAY, MAY 14TH, FOR THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD.

This is fund raising that is 100% from the retailers, and it benefits both Corpus Christi AND your family personally if you participate in this program. Corpus Christi purchases gift cards from grocery stores, gas stations, restaurants, etc. at a discount, then shares that discount by way of tuition/REC credits at Corpus Christi or any other Catholic school (Pre-K, elementary, high school or college) with families that purchase these cards.

Even if your family does not need a tuition/REC credit, by using the SCRIP gift cards you can designate your credits for the Father Loughran Scholarship Fund and help out another family that does need help at this time, or you can designate a specific family yourself (a neighbor or friend who has children in school). These cards can be purchased as gifts to give, or for your own use for your everyday purchases. You will not be spending any more money than you do now!

If your children are not old enough for school yet, you can accumulate tuition/REC credits that can be saved in your account until the time you would need them. To see a complete list of retailers that are offered, please visit our website at www.ccslandsdale.org and click on the SCRIP button. If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fundraising program, you can reach Mary Ellen McCabe at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail to cc.scrip@yahoo.com!

We are excited to announce the **4th Regional Kairos Retreat** will take place July 23-26, 2015. The retreat is for high schoolers class of 2015/2016 who do not have the opportunity to attend the Kairos retreat at their school (public school, home school, private school, etc.). Kairos is a 4 day, 3 night retreat helping high school upperclassmen to grow in the Catholic faith, deepening their relationships with God, themselves, and others. Cost of the retreat is \$275/retreatant. * If you are interested in signing up or learning more, please visit our website, <http://paregionalkairos.weebly.com> or email us at paregionalkairos@gmail.com. *partial or full scholarships are available.

CYO News

Registration for Fall sports is now open at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>. There have been no fee increases from last year. The Soccer fee has been substantially reduced to \$85. **After July 15th there will be a \$10 late fee for all sports.** Additional information for each sport can be found at <https://corpuscyo.wordpress.com>.

- **Cross Country** - Includes Novice, Minor and Cadet categories for K through 8th grades for boys and girls. Registration fee is \$45.
- **Football** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions for boys. Registration fee is \$195.
- **Girls Volleyball** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions for girls. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament. Registration fee is \$65 for JV and \$70 for Varsity.
- **Soccer** - Includes Co-ed Varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and Co-ed Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament. Registration fee is \$85.
- **Cheerleading Fall/Winter 2015** – We are looking to restart the program. As a first step we need volunteers interested in coaching and/or being the coordinator. If you are interested please contact cc-cyo@verizon.net
- **Parish Field Day/Picnic at Jack's Lane** – Mark your calendars for June 6th. All types of activities and sports for the whole family. Committee is forming, if you would like to help contact cc-cyo@verizon.net
- **CYO Open Positions** – Publicity Director, Father Daughter Dance Committee Chairmen, Parish Field Day/Picnic Chairmen. If interested contact marybagnell@verizon.net
Additional information can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>.

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



If you are interested in sending your child to Corpus Christi School please call our school secretary, Mrs. Barb Casee at 215-368-0582 to arrange a tour or set up a time to come in and register your child.

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

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

Corpus Christi School News

We are pleased to announce that Anne McKenzie in grade 8 is the third place winner of the Ancient Order of Hibernians Essay Contest. Anne will receive a scholarship to Lansdale Catholic High School. Congratulations, Anne!

Attention Corpus Christi School Alumni!

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

New Safe Environment Requirement

The Archdiocese recently updated its policies and training curriculum for mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect. Any volunteer or employee who has direct contact with children may be a mandated reporter. Some of you may have met with the Safe Environment facilitator, Trish Keen or you may have read the "Promise to Protect" brochure written by the Archdiocese. If you have not already done so, please contact the Safe Environment coordinator, Connie Langsdorf at the Parish Office, pick up the brochure, read it and sign an acknowledgment form for your Safe Environment file. This needs to be done as soon as possible, as the law was mandated by the state. If you have any questions, please contact Connie at 215-855-1311.



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

Week of 05/10 Team #7: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
Week of 05/17 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 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 18th, June 15th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

Please note: **The paperwork for the child's baptism and certificates of eligibility* MUST be completed at least two weeks prior to scheduling a baptism date.**

Certificates of eligibility* must have a parish seal and cannot be faxed; they must be the original.

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

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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 **3:30 PM 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

7:45 AM TO 6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday from 7:45AM 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. (For more 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.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary are offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, and devotions to honor St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, are offered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 6:30PM in the Chapel. 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 (during Lent) 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: Sundays 7:45AM to 1PM
Library Volunteers Needed

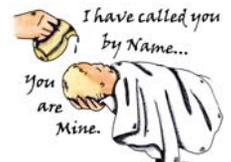
Our Parish Library is need of immediate volunteers. Individuals or couples volunteer for 2 hours one Sunday a month. If you are interested in helping your parish family, please contact our Director of Adult Faith Formation at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.

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

The Sacrament of Baptism

We wish to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish community. Our congratulations and best wishes go out to all the families.

April 2015



- Warren Michael Fernes, son of Kathleen and W. Christopher
- Avery Grace Nelson, daughter of Charity and Ryan
- Allison Eleanor McNamara, daughter of Amy and Christopher
- Samantha Marie McNamara, daughter of Amy and Christopher
- Abigail Jane Kee, daughter of Janeen and Timothy