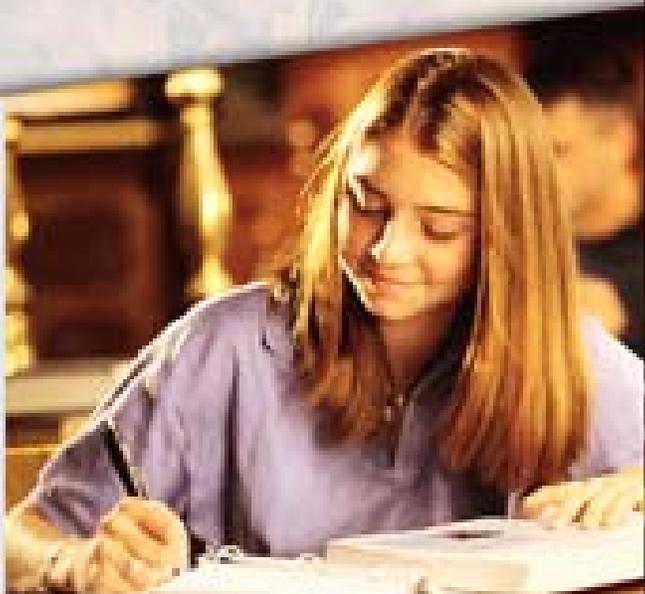


Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pa
August 30, 2015 ~ Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**CORPUS
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PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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

PERMANENT DEACONS

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

PARISH STAFF

Edd Murphy	Business Manager
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Maureen Lafferty	School Principal
Trish Keen	Director, Religious Education for Children
Angela McClellan	Director, Adult Faith Formation
Danielle Gallo	Youth/Young Adult Minister

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CARING & SHARING 215-855-1311 ext 133
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MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES: 7:15AM

SATURDAY MASSES:

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

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

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

HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

CONFESSIONS:

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

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

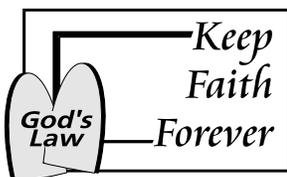
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 Eucharistic Adoration: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
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 215-855-1311
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 Knights of Columbus: Richard Ray 215-822-1479
 Lectors: Deacon Evans 215-855-1311
 Legion of Mary: Helen Walker at 484-681-4868
 M.A.S.S. Drivers: Joanne McDonald at 215-855-5307
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 Prayer Garden: Don Janssen 215-361-8558
 Prayer Line: Anna Marie O'Reilly 215-368-4672
 Pre-Cana Program: Jack & Mary Ann McGowan
 610-584-5569
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 215-855-1311
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 Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008
 Sanctuary Cleaners: Jeanne Linden-Fox 215-513-0347
 Ushers: Deacon Evans 215-855-1311
 Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo
 215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

In today's reading from the letter of James, he tells us that we must not only hear God's word, but that we must put it into action. James tells us, elsewhere in his letter, "... faith without works is dead." In today's Gospel, the Lord tells us that our listening needs to be with more than just our ears but with our heart and soul as well. It is not sufficient just to follow the letter of the law if the spirit of the law is ignored.

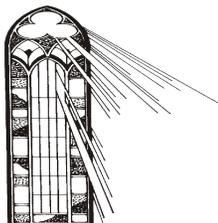
It could certainly be said of the Pharisees in today's Gospel that they heard God's law and put it into action. However, it could also be said that they put only the words of the law into practice, not its intent, not its heart. With great care they made sure their hands and eating utensils were clean, and that they did not violate any of the laws of ritual purity. However, they believed that their external actions justified them before God and were of more importance than their interior dispositions. Jesus tells them that they should have been concerned about keeping their hands and utensils clean because such cleanliness would reflect the clean hearts and souls they were called to have by God's covenant. In fact, they stopped at this external cleanliness, ignoring what it was supposed to signify.



No one should ever ignore the importance of God's laws. Just and moral law is a gift as it sets out the parameters of good relationships among people. Though we might not refer to it as law, we know that in any good relationship there are rules which govern behavior. We may not speak of formal laws of marriage, but the covenant of marriage calls spouses to be faithful, to support one another, and to be attentive to the needs of each other and the families they have. Unfaithfulness, disregard or abuse are outside the parameters of the commitment of married life and love.

Just as human law guides our earthly relationships, obedience to God's law should be seen as expressing our care and concern for our relationship with Him. Divine law, as taught by Jesus, teaches us about relationships with God and with one another. One would, hopefully, see God's law not as a burden, but as an expression of God's goodness and our desire to be filled with love for God and for each other. Although compliance to God's law may at times seem difficult, this difficulty expresses the reality that all good relationships require work, devotion, and faithfulness. The reality of love reciprocated, whether from another person or from God, is a gift which is certainly worth the work and effort involved. All that we do should be motivated by our love for God and each other, even when difficult. Such motivation becomes a sign of our love and commitment to God and to our neighbor.

God bless you,



PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Spirit of God, fill our hearts with a desire to seek truth and rejoice in beauty. Help us to know what is pleasing to You and to understand what is right and good in Your sight. Give us the spirit of learning that we may please You by our thoughts, and love You in Your creation. Give all teachers Your constant encouragement and guide them in their good work. Spirit of God, make us effective witnesses of Your truth to all whose lives we touch. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. +Amen.



Novena to Our Lady for Healing

Here at Corpus Christi, we will have a nine week Novena of Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary every Wednesday evening from **September 2 to October 28** at 6:30PM in the church chapel. All day Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament begins at 7:45AM followed by Benediction and the Novena of Prayer to Our Lady at 6:30PM. For information please call the Parish 215-855-1311. Please come and pray with us. Our Lady is waiting for you. Don't forget your rosary beads!!!



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 as of Friday, August 14th Corpus Christi Parish raised \$94,485 for the CCA from 587 gifts. We are at 73% of our \$130,144 goal.. Thank you to those who have already responded!



Volunteer REC (CCD) Teacher Positions Available!!

We need teachers for Grades 1, 2 and 4 during the 4:30 session and Grade 3 for the 6:45 session on Mondays. Please prayerfully consider how best to serve our Lord and His little ones, then contact the REC Office at 215-362-2292.

Dear brothers and sisters, the Church loves you! Be an active presence in the community, as living cells, as living stones.

(Pope Francis 5/5/13)

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

August 22/23	\$ 24,437
Envelopes mailed	2,411
Envelopes returned	751
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
August to date	\$ 3,869

Saturday,	August 29th
4:30 PM	Donna Thompson Varallo <i>by Linda and George Saba and Family</i>
Sunday,	August 30th
7:00 AM	Anna Hockemeier <i>by Theresa and Gene Ciabattoni</i>
8:30	Joseph Donnelly <i>by Kathleen Agnew</i>
10:00	Ann Kelley <i>by Maureen Bucci and Girls</i>
11:30	Walter and Genevieve Wojcik 50/40 Year Memorial Mass <i>by The Wojcik and Smith Families</i>
6:00 PM	Lawrence Brown <i>by Rosario Clarin</i>
Monday,	August 31st
7:15 AM	Pultorak Family <i>by Dick Pultorak</i>
Tuesday,	September 1st
7:15 AM	Karen Assal <i>by Jim and Anne Assal</i>
Wednesday,	September 2nd
7:15 AM	Skip Lentz <i>by Beth Lentz</i>
Thursday,	September 3rd
7:15 AM	Margaret Smith <i>by Bob Halinski</i>
Friday,	September 4th
7:15 AM	Dan Stercula <i>by Ron and Beth Hegedus</i>
Saturday,	September 5th
7:15 AM	Joanne Gibbons <i>by The Roddy Family</i>
4:30 PM	George Gillespie <i>by Dot Gillespie</i>
Sunday,	September 6th
7:00 AM	Joseph Max Furin <i>by The Marinari Family</i>
8:30	John Rafferty <i>by Eileen Swartz</i>
10:00	Fr. James McLaughlin <i>by The DeSantis Family</i>
11:30	Daniel Algeo <i>by Marilyn Kelly</i>
6:00 PM	Margaret O'Neill <i>by The Tento Family</i>

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 Moses tells the people to always observe the statutes God has given them, without adding or subtracting from these laws. He reminds them that the law is just, and that any nation who heard their statutes would consider them a wise nation.

Psalm: Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 *One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 James discusses the gifts that God has given to all people and implores them to respond by welcoming the words of truth that can save them. He emphasizes that through good deeds and pure conduct, our faith in God is proven to Him.



Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
The Pharisees observed some of Jesus' disciples eating without first purifying their hands and ask the disciples why they are going against their ancestor's traditions. Jesus responds that nothing from the outside can make a person impure. The only true evil, acts such as fornication, murder, and greed among others, come from within and make a person impure.

Family Connection

Children have learned the importance of following rules. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they often bring to our attention the infractions of others. Even parents sometimes get caught off guard by their children's observations: "Why don't you have to go to bed at 8:00?" or "But I saw you eat a cupcake before breakfast once." Our rules for our children are not arbitrary. We establish and enforce family rules with the intention of helping our children grow to be healthy and mature adults. We foster this maturity when we also initiate conversations with our children about the purposes behind family rules and teach them the essential values that rules help us observe.

As you gather as a family, list some of your most important family rules. Together, try to write a single, positive statement that captures the essential value behind your family rules. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus criticize the Pharisees for making their rules about ritual purity equal to the commandments of God's Law. Read today's Gospel, Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23. When we remember the essential element behind our rules, we see that our rules help us be the good people that Jesus wants us to be. Conclude in prayer together that we may always honor God's Law in our words and deeds. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 15.

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

Monday	1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday	Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
First Friday	Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
First Saturday	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially Peter Urbaitis; Frank Barnes, grandfather of Wendy Kelly.

Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in Your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last.



~John Henry Newman

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat: November 16-20, 2015 at Malvern Retreat House. For these urgent times. A mid-week retreat offering participants a life-changing experience physically, spiritually and emotionally. World-renowned preacher, author and minister of healing, Kathleen McCarthy, will direct this retreat. For more information and registration contact www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

Lansdale Catholic SAT Prep Programs -Lansdale Catholic High School Summer Programs:-Lansdale Catholic and Dr. Richard Fuller offer a summer learning experience in four areas: Algebra I enrichment program (grades 5-9); Math Programs: Algebra 2, Geometry, Pre-Calculus & Calculus grades 8-12; "Critical Thinking and Study Skills" program (grades 8-12); and the most comprehensive 35-hour training experience in the area. PSAT/SAT Program has a student teacher ratio of 8:1. For more information call Dr. Fuller at 610-275-9660. Fall SAT/PSAT classes start October 5.

Attention All Couples Planning to Marry Pre-Cana Program Being Offered at

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Phoenixville, PA
Saturday September 12th. Program begins at 8:00AM and ends after the 4:00PM Mass. It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit our website www.stmaryassumption.org click on Parish Information, then Sacraments/PREP there will be a pre-cana registration form to open.

Flame of Love Rosary 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 Friday 7pm – 8pm, in the Corpus Christi Parish Library, Lansdale, PA.** Contact: Diana 215-855-5494 or flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com for more information.

PILGRIMAGE OF MERCY

In March, Pope Francis proclaimed a Holy Year of Mercy beginning this December 8, 2015 and continuing to November 20, 2016.



To mark the solemn occasion of this Jubilee Year, the Vatican, in conjunction with the Congregation of the Causes of Saints has announced the extraordinary pilgrimage of the bodily remains of Saint Maria Goretti. The glass and gold reliquary containing her body will leave her shrine in Nettuno, Italy and begin the Pilgrimage of Mercy Tour in the United States of America this September. This is the first time that Saint Maria Goretti's body will travel to the United States and only the second time that she has left Italy.

It is with great joy to inform you that Saint Maria Goretti Church, Hatfield will be the second stop on the tour and will host the body of their parish patroness and our "Little Saint of Great Mercy" on **Tuesday, September 22, 2015.** Public veneration will begin at 12:00PM. Solemn Mass in honor of Saint Maria Goretti will be celebrated at 7:00PM. When Mass concludes, public veneration will continue until 11:00PM. On Wednesday and Thursday of that week, Saint Maria's relics will travel to the Saint Rita Shrine and Saint John the Evangelist Church in Philadelphia so that those attending the World Meeting of Families may venerate her, as well.

Souderton Adult Day Care Center is now open and accepting participants!

Catholic Health Care Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is proud to now be providing Montgomery County with high quality, compassionate care for frail seniors in this community. Our services include: nursing services, assistance with medication management, activities focused on cognitive, social, sensory & physical needs, full noontime meal and afternoon snacks, gentle physical exercise, individualized care planning and family support group. Souderton Adult Day Care Center is located at 228 Ridge Avenue in Souderton. To learn more about becoming a participant or volunteering at the center, please call Deb Lytle at 267-219-7986.

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, PORTUGAL AND SPAIN 2016 – 13 Days with Father Al Santorsola

Dear Friends, I will be leading a pilgrimage to France, Portugal and Spain in 2016! Pilgrimages are designed to enhance our spiritual lives, increase our devotion and faith, and to bond with our fellow Christians on the journey. The trip will include the cities of Paris, Lourdes, Lisieux, Fatima, the Shrine of Montserrat and Barcelona. **The trip will be hosted by Proximo Travel.** As you know, I have been to Italy and the Holy Land through Proximo Travel and the pilgrims and I have had truly safe, excellent, exciting and wonderful experiences. The hotels and accommodations are superb. I hope you will join me in what will be a memorable trip. **The trip will be from April 21 through May 3, 2016. The cost of the trip is \$4,699 per person, airfare and ALL inclusive.** For more information and/or registration you can call **Proximo Travel's toll-free number at 855-842-8001.** You can access their website at www.proximotravel.com. Flyers can be located on the information desk in the back of church. Many blessings to you now and always as we live the journey!



Are you Unemployed? Underemployed? Want to learn more about networking? How to create an effective resume? Talk to others who are sharing the same experience as you are? At **Joseph's People** we offer support and guidance to those who are unemployed or underemployed. Join us on the **first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the St. Maria Goretti Parish Center Library.**

Come Celebrate Your Marriage at a special retreat just a few blocks from the beach in Cape May Point, New Jersey. *This weekend at the Marianist Family Retreat Center is intended for couples married at least 10 years.* It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. The retreat includes Mass, prayer, small group discussions, reflection, relaxation, socials, fun, and plenty of couple time. **The weekend is September 18-20, 2015.** Cost: \$260 per couple (includes accommodations and all meals). Please call 609-884-3829 for further information or email: afucci@capemaymarianists.org or visit the retreat house website at www.capemaymarianists.org. You can also call the local area coordinating couple, Tony and Sharon Bellitto at 610-222-4548.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Does your marriage need a tune-up? Keep your relationship running smoothly with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. You learn how to communicate at a deeper level, how to rekindle the romance in your relationship, how to renew your dreams for your marriage. It's time away together that really pays off big for your family. The next two weekends are being offered **October 9th-11th** at St. Mary of Providence, 227 Isabella Rd, Elverson, PA 19520 and **November 20-22** at Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at www.wme-philly.org or register online at Applications@wme-philly.org. You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at 610-449-1859.

POPE JOHN PAUL II H.S. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: Pope John Paul II High School and Dr. Richard Fuller offers a comprehensive 35-hour training fall learning experience in a PSAT/SAT Program (grades 9-12) (With an 8:1 student to teacher ratio). For information please call Dr. Fuller 610-275-9660 or Pope John Paul II H.S. at 610-275-2846. **Classes start September 9, 2015.** Spring session starts January 19, 2016.

Breakfast Club - Saint Maria Goretti Church 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

The Breakfast Club at Saint Maria Goretti Church provides a way for people to gather together in friendship following their time spent together in worship and prayer. Coffee, tea, juice, and breakfast refreshments are served along with lots of laughter and conversation. There is no cost to participate in the Breakfast Club and no registration is required. Parishioners and non-parishioners are always welcome. Join us in our church narthex on **Thursday, September 3.** Breakfast Club follows the 8:30 AM Mass.

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, September 1st- 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.



World Meeting of Families is almost here! Philadelphia ~ September 2015!

Some valuable websites to visit if you are planning on attending the Papal Mass in and around the City of Philadelphia.

City of Philadelphia Press Release Re: Security Perimeter and Other Preparations (An explanation of the Security Perimeter and the times it goes into effect are towards the bottom of the press release):

<https://cityofphiladelphia.wordpress.com/2015/08/14/mayor-nutter-discusses-preparations-for-the-papal-visit-as-part-of-world-meeting-of-families-2/>

City of Philadelphia Map of the Security Perimeters <http://www.phila.gov/InformationCenters/pope/Documents/Secure%20Perimeter%20Map%20for%20Papal%20Visit.pdf>

City of Philadelphia Maps of Traffic Boxes and Road Closures <http://www.phila.gov/INFORMATIONCENTERS/POPE/Pages/default.aspx> (Stay tuned to this webpage for regular information about the City of Philadelphia's preparations for the Papal Visit.) General website: www.worldmeeting2015.org

In order to help us prepare for the **World Meeting of Families** and the anticipated visit from Pope Francis, a catechism on family life entitled, **Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive**, has been prepared. Monthly, our parish is reflecting on one chapter from this catechism. You can order a copy of this beautifully illustrated catechism at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com and learn about the World Meeting of Families at [WorldMeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org) or download and read a copy on line at http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/LoveisOurMission_final_pdf.pdf

Choosing Life: God made us for a reason. His love is our life mission. This mission enables us to find our true identity. If we choose to embrace this mission, we will have a new perspective on many issues, not just the family. To live the mission of the domestic church means that Catholic families will sometimes live as minorities, with different values than their surrounding culture. Our mission of love will require courage and fortitude. Jesus is calling, and we can respond, choosing lives of faith, hope, charity, joy, service, and mission.

World Meeting of Families Philadelphia 2015 Gear!

Check out over 200 items available in our store! Click on Shop at www.worldmeeting2015.org For the month of August, Corpus Christi parishioners get a 20% discount using the code **AUG20CCHRISTI** the code will change for September and that is: .

A great way to participate in the WMOF is at The Miraculous Medal Shrine in Philadelphia. The Shrine is hosting a talk given by author and speaker, Dr. Scott Hahn, on **Sept. 24, 2015, at 7PM.** His talk is "Holy Mary, Holy Family: Bringing Our Lady into our Homes." Married with 7 children, Dr. Hahn speaks from a deep faith and experience. **Ticket cost is \$15 pp** and available at www.MiraculousMedal.org or by calling 1-800-523-3674 / 215-848-1010. Seating is limited. The Shrine is at 500 E Cheltenham Ave in Philadelphia with free, secure parking.

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.



Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come



In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins explores Revelation to demonstrate how the Kingdom established by Christ in His Church is intimately connected with the Kingdom of Heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass. You will also learn what all the mysterious figures and images of Revelation represent, as well as what will happen during the Second Coming of Christ, what has already

happened, and what is happening now in salvation history. You will learn the meaning of the mysterious figures and events in the book of Revelation, explore how the Mass is really heaven on earth, see the Second Coming of Christ and the Final Judgment in the context of history, and discover what will happen at the end of time and the establishment of a new heaven and a new earth. Cost of this study is \$30.00. For more information about the study, contact our facilitator, Eileen Dowling at irisheileen@hotmail.com.

Wednesdays: 8:45 AM to 11:00 AM

September 2, 9, 16, 30, 2015

October 7, 14, 21, 28, 2015

November 4, 11, and 18, 2015

OR

6:45 PM to 9:00 PM

Parish Center: Conference Rooms B & C

Please mail registration form and payment of \$30.00 to:

Corpus Christi Parish Center

c/o Angela McClellan

900 Sumneytown Pike

Lansdale, PA 19446

*Please make check payable to Corpus Christi Church. Once you have registered, your study materials will be available at your first session. *Registrations by August 24th would be appreciated!*

"Revelation"

Name _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Phone _____ Parish _____

Morning Session _____ Evening Session _____

Support Group for the Divorced

This twelve week program sponsored by Corpus Christi Church will bring healing and hope to divorced and separated Catholics. The weekly DVD presentations, offered by expert counselors, author Rose Sweet, and others who have suffered through divorce, guide participants from pain and loneliness to hope and healing. Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary. Please note that no registrations will be accepted after the first session.

Thursdays beginning September 3rd

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Corpus Christi Parish Center: Conference Rooms B & C

900 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale

Cost is \$25.00

Please register at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com



Vatican Splendors Exhibit

Works of art including paintings, sculptures and rare artifacts from the Vatican will be on display just in time for the World Meeting of Families and Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia this September. **More than 200 works of art, 40 percent of which have never been shown publicly anywhere, are part of the "Vatican Splendors" exhibit opening September 19th at Philadelphia's Franklin Institute and running through February 2016.**



August 22-23, 2015

Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Office of the Archbishop
222 North 17th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1299

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Exactly one month from this weekend, World Meeting of Families 2015 will begin. Enthusiasm for the congress, both nationally and globally, is very strong. We hoped for 250 congress exhibitors. We now have 428. As of today, we have nearly 15,000 registered participants, and the number may finally reach 17,000. In other words, Philadelphia is *already* the largest World Meeting of Families in history by the number of congress registrations, and it's double the size of the last family congress in Milan in 2012. For the visit of Pope Francis, we hope for somewhere near 700,000 for the Saturday Festival of Families and roughly 1 million for the Sunday papal Mass.

I have one main concern, and I need your help in overcoming it. The only thing standing between an enormously successful World Meeting of Families and one that's "merely" successful is *us, ourselves* – and I mean the whole Philadelphia Catholic community. We can defeat ourselves by *not* registering for the congress, and by giving in to the anxieties and worries that go along with any major effort like this. The media have been wonderful and very positive in covering this event. We're grateful for their help. But as we get closer to September 22, there's always a temptation to focus on possible problems in security, logistics and transportation. And when that happens, people can begin to wonder if the effort of coming to Center City is worth the time and energy. I promise you that it is. This is a moment of grace. Nothing will stop that. Memories will be made. And the World Meeting of Families will be spectacular.

To that end, I'm happy to share some important news about transportation and logistics. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the World Meeting of Families have announced that those buses registered through GO GROUND, the bus company working with the World Meeting, will be able to access roads that are otherwise closed to traffic. Buses and public transportation will truly be the best way for groups to get to the city for the Papal Events.

Pope Francis is one of the most popular and magnetic world leaders in the past century. His visit here is an irreplaceable moment in history. It's a moment that can spark a whole new spirit of life in our region and in our Church. But we need to own that spirit by welcoming him with our joy, our presence and our personal involvement, not just with our words. And we can do that best by joining him in the streets of Philadelphia -- on Independence Mall, at the Festival of Families, and on the Ben Franklin Parkway for his Sunday Mass.

I ask all of you -- I *urge* all of you -- to *personally* register for and attend the family congress, and especially the papal events on the weekend of September 26-27. Your example is vitally important for your children, for the Church and for the wider community. Your personal involvement is crucial for the success of the efforts so many people have made on behalf of the Gospel over the past 36 months.

I'm very grateful for your generosity and your faith. May God bless all of us in the weeks ahead. And I look forward eagerly to seeing all of you at the World Meeting of Families.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

+ *Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.*

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

**CORPUS CHRISTI ALUMNI REUNION
COME OUT AND CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF CORPUS
CHRISTI SCHOOL!**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2015

Cocktail Hour Immediately Following 4:30 Mass.

7:00 Dinner in the Gym ~ Jimmy Mirynowski ('05) as DJ
Beer/wine/setups included (must be 21 to attend - id required)
For tickets, please send a check, **\$30 Per Person** made payable to
Corpus Christi to:

**Corpus Christi Parish
900 Sumneytown Pike
Lansdale, PA 19446,
Attn: Alumni Reunion**

Include your year of graduation and an e-mail address for
confirmation receipt. Keep up to date on our Facebook page:
Corpus Christi All Class Reunion Night. If you would like to
volunteer to help contact all the members of your own grade or
if you have any questions, please e-mail
CorpusChristiLansdaleAlumni@yahoo.com.



KNIGHTS CORNER 9715

RESULTS OF 2015 COLLECTION FOR ARC

– Thank you to everyone who opened their hearts
to help the Knights of Columbus with our annual
collection for ARC. Because of your generous
contributions, this year we were able to donate
\$6,000.00 to this very deserving cause. ARC is

the largest advocacy organization in the United States for citizens
with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their
families. Your kind financial support will benefit many of our
neighbors in the Montgomery, Bucks and Berks Counties!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH PARISH BREAKFAST

– Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall on Sunday
September 13, 2015 for our next Community Breakfast hosted by
The Knights of Columbus from 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Included
are pancakes, waffles, scrambled eggs, Made-to-Order Omelets,
hash browns, sausage, toast, orange juice, coffee, fruit, and our
famous "doughnut buffet"! Cost: ONLY \$8 for Adults, and \$4
for Children.

2015 "COATS FOR KIDS" COLLECTION – The Knights of
Columbus are sponsoring our Third Annual Coats for Kids drive
to benefit the children of our sister parish, Visitation BVM, in the
Kensington section of Philadelphia. The date of this year's
collection in September will be announced soon.

The **Coats for Kids** program accepts donations of new or lightly
used winter clothing items, such as coats, hats, gloves, scarves,
sweaters, etc. and distributes them to children in need. Since
2009, nationally the Knights of Columbus has distributed more
than 125,000 coats to children in need throughout the United
States and Canada.

We encourage you to donate any new or lightly used winter
clothing items you may have to aid our efforts. In lieu of
clothing, we will also be accepting cash donations, the proceeds
of which will be used to purchase coats and winter garments
directly for the **Coats for Kids** program. For additional
information, please contact Kevin Conroy at (215) 872-8747 or
visit the Fr. John E. Doyle Council website at:
<http://www.kofc9715.org>

The **Bereavement Ministry of Corpus Christi** believes in



supporting family and friends who are walking
through their journey of grief after the loss of a
loved one. As part of our care and support, we
are offering free 8-week Bereavement Sessions.
Our next Bereavement Group begins on
Wednesday, September 9 in the Parish House

from 4:00 – 5:30 PM and concludes on Wednesday, November
4th.

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!

You don't have to go through the grieving process alone!

Please be praying for... Florence Linfante, 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 Miller, Annamarie Hutchinson,
Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Wayne
Richards, Jim Thompson, Hayden Spratt, Angelo Rosato,
Gabrielle Stawski, Thomas Roy, Drew Fantozzi.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Thousand Islands and Ottawa, 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 breakfasts and dinners all at the
Inn. Many activities and tours throughout the day.

**Orientation for this Trip is scheduled on Sunday September
20th in the Parish Center Education Rooms B&C at 1:00PM.**

Valid passport is required. (Insurance available at \$80.pp).
Final payment was due August 7th for info call *610-584-1366
Bob and Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA
19446.

Sands Casino, Bethlehem PA - Thursday, December 3, 2015
~ cost \$71.00. *Great American Christmas Show* ~ must show a
valid photo ID to receive Bonus. Round trip motor coach
transportation tax and tips included. Package includes \$20. slot
play, \$5. for food, and admission to the 2PM Tony Orlando
Show. *No refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Departs at
11AM returns at 8PM approximately. For reservations and
information *call 215-393-8786 John and Mary Woodcock, 261
Beth Drive, Lansdale PA 19446.

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

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Moyer Indoor/Outdoor Services has an incentive program. This
program makes a contribution to churches based on the amount
of fuel oil purchased by parishioners for as long as they remain
a customer. So, if you're currently a customer of Moyer Indoor
Outdoor Services, now is the time to call and be included in this
program. For details, call Bruce Limbert at 215-799-2000 ext
3005.

Saturday, October 3rd ~ Corpus Christi Bingo
presents Lunch & Bingo~Doors open at 9AM Bingo
begins at Noon~Admission \$20 covers Lunch and
Bingo. For *advance sales* and table reservations,
call - Laurie Ponticello at 610-584-5694 or email at
geraldponticello@comcast.net

Join us for a fun filled afternoon and most
importantly support your parish and school.

Reserve your table and tickets early!!

**"ON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH" ~Jesus
IS IT TIME TO "COME HOME"?**

Have you ever wondered about our Catholic faith - why we as
Catholic Christians do the things we do? Are you a
non-Catholic on a spiritual journey with our Lord or a Catholic
who has never received all of the Sacraments and would like to
come into full communion with the Church? Maybe our Lord
is tugging at your heart inviting you to "Come Home" to the
Catholic faith – the faith instituted by Him. The Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be starting this fall.
Here you can learn about the faith and possibly become a
member of the church at Easter time. Contact Deacon Frank
Langsdorf at 215-855-1311 x 113 and leave a message if you
feel the Lord is calling you to inquire.

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/>

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.

SCRIP CORNER

SCRIP OFFICE HOURS:

We resume our full-time hours this week.

Scrip Office will be closed for the Labor Day Holiday Friday and Monday, September 4th & 7th.

Look for me in the SCRIP Office every day beginning Tuesday September 1st from 9am - 12:30pm. If you cannot come in during those hours, make sure to call in or e-mail your order to me and you can pick it up at the Parish Business Office Monday through Friday, 9am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-5pm, or arranged in advance, in the Parish Rectory on Sunday mornings between 9am and noon. Thanks for supporting the SCRIP program!

VOUCHERS: At any time you would like to use your credits, call/e-mail/send me a note and I will print off your credit on a green voucher form and send it home to you same day. If you are requesting a check to another Catholic school (Pre-K through University), please give about a 1-2 week notice to process a check through our Accounting department. Thanks for your participation!

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 Erin Miller at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail to cc.scrip@yahoo.com!

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia Young Adults is an active community of Catholic young adults in Montgomery County, Pa. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our Ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events and activities. For more information and events please 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

Upcoming Events:

- September 1 No event
- September 8 Bible study @ Corpus Christi, Lansdale 7:30PM
- September 15 Theology on Tap, @ Appalachian Brewing Company, Collegeville 7:30 PM
- September 22 Holy Hour @ MMR, North Wales 7:30 PM
- September 29 No event

CYO News

New for Fall *Cheerleading*** and ***3rd/4th Grade Soccer*****

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 and \$65 for 3rd/4th grade. 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), Co-ed Junior Varsity (5th & 6th Grade) and Co-ed 3rd/4th Grade Divisions. Varsity plays in the Region 20 Tournament and can qualify for the Archdiocesan Tournament. Registration fee is \$85 for JV and Varsity, \$65 for 3rd/4th Grade.
- **Cheerleading** - Includes Varsity (7th & 8th Grade) and JV (5th & 6th Grade) Divisions. The season runs through both Fall and Winter, as the Cheerleading teams will perform at Corpus Football and Basketball games. The teams will also participate in several competitions. Registration fee is \$75.
- **CYO Open Positions** - Publicity Director. If interested contact cc-cyo@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 administrative assistant, Mrs. Barb Casee at 215-368-0582 to arrange a tour or set up a time to come in and register your child.

Summer is coming to an end!

Family envelopes may be picked up in the Narthex of Corpus Christi Church the weekend of **August 29th**. Your family envelope includes important back to school information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to **contact Mrs. Barb Casee at 215-368-0582**.

- September 1 School Opens for Grades K - 8
- September 2 PreK 4 Orientation
Band Demo Grades 4 - 5 in Classrooms
- September 3 PreK 3 Orientation

Space is still available in grades PK through 8 for the 2015-2016 school year. Please call the school if you are interested in a tour or additional information about what Corpus Christi Catholic School can offer your family.

Reminder-Tuition: School will resume on September 1st. All Payments due July 15 must be paid in order for your child/children to attend classes. If you pay on a monthly basis, the July and August installments must be paid.

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!

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 08/30 Team #7: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
Week of 09/06 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. September 21st, October 19th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

- must be a registered member of a Catholic Parish and receive a Certificate of Eligibility* from that Parish and have attended the Pre-Jordan Baptism class
- must have completed his/her 16th birthday
- must have been Baptized - Confirmed - 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. 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 6:30 PM**



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.

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 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.