

Corpus Christi Parish

UPPER GWYNEDD, PENNSYLVANIA

- www.corpuschristilansdale.org -

September 11, 2016
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mission Statement for the Parish of Corpus Christi

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

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



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



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

PAROCHIAL VICARS

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
Sr. Mary Carroll	
McCaffrey, SSJ	Parish Minister
Maureen Lafferty	School Principal
Trish Keen	Director, Religious
	Education for Children
Danielle Gallo	Youth/Young Adult
	Minister

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MAILING ADDRESS

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ELECTRONIC GIVING LINK:

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

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:

Church: www.corpuschristilansdale.org

School: www.ccslansdale.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:15AM

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

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

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

11:30 AM, and 6 PM

Holy Day Masses: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

Confessions:

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

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Pastoral Council: Steve Finley 267-648-0027

Finance Com: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Flanigan 215-855-1311

Adult Faith Formation: 215-855-1311

Aid for Friends: Barb and Fred MacIntosh 215-256-1161

Altar Linens: Lori Neri 215-828-4763

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Bereavement Group: Eileen McCullough 215-361-0978

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Charismatic Pr. Grp: Kathleen McCarthy 215-740-0349

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Trish Keen 215-362-2292

Club 50 of Corpus Christi: Bob Pecharo 215-368-0198

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CYO Program: Mary Bagnell 215-272-2618

Eucharistic Adoration: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459

Evangelization Coordinator: Randy Pagnotta 610-564-0921

Extraordinary Ministers:

Schedules Masses - 215-855-1311 ext. 133

To Visit Home Bound - Deacon Currie

215-855-1311

Gift Certificate Program (Scrip): Erin Miller 215-362-0104

Girl Scouts: Cathy Roberts 215-393-7891

Greeters: Henry Hartman 215-362-1463

The Guardians - Fathers' Support Group:

Deacon Frank Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 113

Home & School Assn.: Alyson Horcher & Lisa Scaduto

corpuschristihomeandschool@gmail.com

H.O.P.E.: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263

Knights of Columbus: Richard Ray 267-446-8533

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

The Mom Café - Mothers' Support Group: 215-855-1311

Music Ministry: Matthew Klenk 215-855-0670

Parish Library: 215-855-1311

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

Pre-Jordan Program: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311

RCIA Program: Deacons Langsdorf and Currie

215-855-1311

Respect Life: Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160

Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008

Sanctuary Cleaners: Jeanne Linden-Fox 215-513-0347

Ushers: Deacon Evans 215-855-1311

Weekend Parish House Volunteers: Sr. Mary Carroll

215-368-5750

Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo

215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Seeking and finding: when you think about it, there are basically three different settings in which you seek and find. There is losing something, whereby you begin a diligent search to find it. There is the game of "hide and go seek" where you purposely hide so as not to be found. And there is hunting, where you seek someone or something who hides out of fear. Seeking and finding is different for each setting.

The gospel finds Jesus surrounded by tax collectors and the so-called sinners. To share a meal and have conversation while teaching someone is to share your life with them. The Pharisees and Scribes considered it a scandal that Jesus, the great prophet, the good rabbi, an upstanding Jew, was sharing His life and table with such as these. Yet, Jesus goes right into the midst of sinners to be as close as possible to them. He wanted to bring them out of sin and darkness to God. Jesus reveals God as One Who goes in search of those who are lost to bring them back to Himself. When we understand the setting of this gospel, we can then see the context of today's beautiful parables.

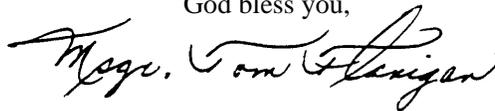
A shepherd leaves his herd and goes in search of the one lost sheep. He doesn't say, "Oh well, I only lost one, no big deal!" No, he searches everywhere to find the one lost sheep. When the sheep is found, he carries it back lovingly to the herd and celebrates.

A woman loses one silver piece and searches and cleans her home, leaving no spot untouched. She was determined to find it as if it were a precious jewel. She finds the lost silver piece and rejoices with her neighbors and friends.

Even the parable of the prodigal son has a different twist when told within the context of today's gospel setting. Rather than focusing on the son, and all the lessons we can learn from his story, we focus on the father. He eagerly looks for his son to return. And when the son returns, he celebrates with a feast beyond comparison. The lost has been found.

These parables reveal God as treasuring us beyond all else. When we sin and lose our way, God searches for us, not to scold us, but to pick us up and carry us home. God never gives up on us. We are like the tax collectors and sinners who came to Jesus as they eagerly listened to His teachings and ate with Him. With the Lord at Sunday Mass, we share our lives with Christ and He shares His life with us. We, like countless prodigal children before us, must come back to our loving God by taking advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In Reconciliation God is present, not to scold and punish, but to console and welcome.

God bless you,



PART TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Position available to supervise the students during lunch in the cafeteria and in the school yard. The hours of employment are 11:00 to 1:15 each day the students are in school. Corpus Christi School parents are not eligible for this position. If interested, please call 215-368-0582.

Help Wanted! We are looking for REC teachers! We are in need of grade 6 in the 4:30 session, please contact Trish Keen 215-362-2292.

It's not too late to sign up for RCIA. Classes have not started yet and God may still be working in your heart, tugging at it for you to decide whether or not you want to receive all of your sacraments. There might also be someone you know who from time to time attends the Catholic Church but is from another denomination but has been asking questions. It's never too late for the Lord! Now is the time to step forward and **contact Deacons Langsdorf or Currie at the Parish Office at 215-855-1311 and leave a message.**



Hello everyone, Please hold **Friday, January 27, 2017** on your calendar for the March for Life in Washington, DC. This date has been selected because of the Presidential Inauguration being held on Friday, January 20th.



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

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

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

- Saturday, September 10th**
4:30 PM Kathleen Stephens
by *The Marinari Family*
- Sunday, September 11th**
7:00 AM Kathy Dougherty
by *Louisa Fenslau*
8:30 Albert Montella
by *Angela Tyson*
10:00 Janet Palladino
by *Dot Gillespie*
11:30 Jack Campanella
by *Bob and Anna Ford*
6:00 PM Alphons and Mary Trecroce
by *The Soltak and Bono Family*
- Monday, September 12th**
7:15 AM David M. Butler, Jr.
by *Ann Butler*
- Tuesday, September 13th**
7:15 AM Ron Lancia
by *Kathleen Lancia*
- Wednesday, September 14th**
7:15 AM Ernst and Barbara Renk
by *The Snyder Family*
- Thursday, September 15th**
7:15 AM Rosario and Eugenia Longhitano
by *Jeanie Leone*
- Friday, September 16th**
7:15 AM Jim Petrino
by *The Harrington Family*
- Saturday, September 17th**
7:15 AM Patricia Altieri
by *The Newman Family*
4:30 PM Rev. James McLaughlin
by *John and Peggy Butler*
- Sunday, September 18th**
7:00 AM Michael Frendak
by *John and Carol Welte*
8:30 Thomas Branigan
by *Maureen Branigan*
10:00 Bob Hilghman
by *Jeanie Leone*
11:30 Deceased Members of the Enright Family
by *John and Kay Smerke*
6:00 PM Harold "Zeke" Pizzo
by *Phyllis and Bill Burke*



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family.

(Reminder: Funeral arrangements at Corpus Christi Church are listed on our website as soon as we are notified by the Funeral Director: www.corpuschristilansdale.org)



"Come to their aid, O saints of God; come forth to meet them, angels of the Lord, receiving their souls, presenting them to the Most High."

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Target for Fiscal Year 2016-2017	\$1,560,000
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2016-17	\$ 30,000
Collection for September 3/4	30,281
Electronic Giving (62 participants) 9/20	\$ N/A
Over (Under) Target Week	<u>281</u>
Over (Under) Target Year To Date 9/4	<u>(40,650)</u>
Facilities Improvement Year To Date	\$ 13,422
Through September 4th	
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,505
Total Envelopes Used (September 4)	778
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,762,749

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 God became very angry with the Israelites for worshiping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it. The people had so quickly violated His commandments that He planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R. (Lk 15:18) I will rise and go to My father.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and His desire to reconcile them with God.



Gospel: Luke 15:1-32 The Pharisees grew angry because of Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"I am grateful to Him who has strengthened me, Christ Jesus our Lord, because He considered me trustworthy in appointing me to the ministry...For that reason I was mercifully treated so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all His patience as an example, by those who would come to believe in Him for everlasting life."

The jubilee Year of Mercy is quickly coming to its close. The word today is a clear reminder for us of God's tender compassion and inexhaustible mercy. Luke 15 is referred to as the chapter of mercy relating the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son, opening the way for the forgiving Father.



Paul's gratitude for the mercy God has shown him, can be our prayer as well. Pope Francis constantly reminds us, that we who have known mercy are better able to extend mercy to others.

Today, September 11th can be a moment of mercy and forgiveness for all the hurts we have experienced. Today, can be a moment of gospel forgiveness to be offered to others.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Mount Saint Joseph Academy ~ OPEN HOUSE

The Mount, a catholic college preparatory school for girls, invites all interested applicants and their parents to an OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday, October 16th from 12:00-3:00**. To pre-register for the Open House online visit our website at www.msjacad.org and scroll down to Quick Links - Open House.

The **Scholarship/Entrance Exam** will be given on **Saturday, October 29th at 8:00AM**. For more information please call the Admission Office at 215-233-9133 or visit us online at www.msjacad.org



All are invited to the **Polish Harvest Festival** at the TK Club at 500 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on **Sunday September 25th from Noon to 6PM**, to support St. Mary Polish American Society, a non-profit organization working to promote Polish heritage and culture in and around Montgomery County, PA. The Polish Harvest Festival will feature live Polka

music from the Naturalistix Polka Band, Polish food, a full cash bar, a 50/50 drawing, a basket raffle, and baked goods for sale. Tickets are \$10 advance sales, \$15 day of event. Tickets include the price of admission, with food not included. **Advance tickets are on sale until Wednesday September 14th**. For tickets, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

St. Titus' Annual

HARVEST & HOLIDAY VENDOR EVENT

Saturday, November 5th, 2016, 9:00am to 4:00pm

Last year we had over 45 crafters/vendors on hand together with some awesome food to enjoy. If you are interested in renting table space for \$30, please contact Eileen Heflin at aheflin618@verizon.net.

Catholic Women's Conference, Saturday, October 29th
8:30AM to 4PM. For details visit:

<http://www.catholicwomensconference.org/>

Men & Women of Malvern

Malvern Retreat House offers traditional weekend retreats throughout the year with our Men & Women of Malvern programs. Each retreat has a name based on the history of their formation, but all teens and adults are invited to attend any group weekend that works with their schedule. The retreats include Mass, confession, presentations and much needed time for reflection. Visit www.malvernretreat.com/malvern for a list of traditional retreats.

On **Sunday September 25th, 2016 from 8AM to 12 noon**, the Knights of Columbus, Pius IX Council will be hosting their monthly - Breakfast with the Knights. It is All You Can Eat buffet including made to order omelets as well as a selection of hot and cold entrees. \$9 for Adults, \$8 for Seniors, \$6 for Children ages 5 to 12. Active Duty Fire, Police, Military and Children under 5 eat Free! Breakfast is held at the St. Stanislaus Mater Dei Cafeteria located at Mater Dei Catholic School, 493 East Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446. Visit www.koc4396.org for more information.

Saint Stanislaus Parish Center ~ G.I.F.T.

Growing In Faith Together

All are welcome to attend the September G.I.F.T. (Growing In Faith Together) program at Saint Stanislaus Parish Center on **Tuesday, September 13th at 7PM**. Our presenter is Msgr. George Majoros, whose topic is *Missionaries of Mercy and the Call to Continuous Conversion*. Earlier this year, Msgr. Majoros received the mandate of Pope Francis to be a Missionary of Mercy for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Msgr. Majoros will share his journey to becoming a Missionary of Mercy, along with highlights of the Jubilee Year, and will discuss the collective call of all believers to a continuous conversion as followers of Christ. All are welcome! There is no cost to attend and registration is not required. The Parish Center is the building behind Saint Stanislaus Church at Lansdale Avenue and Main Street (Rt. 63) in Lansdale.

Come, Pray the Holy Rosary



Clergy and Faithful from all over the Archdiocese are invited to pray together the Holy Rosary on the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday, October 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM

The Holy Rosary will be preceded by a Liturgy of the Word.

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

As the Year of Mercy draws to an end,
let us turn to Our Blessed Mother

—Mother of the Church and Patroness of our Nation—
asking her heavenly help with our many intentions.

- For an end to terrorism
- For an end to abortion and human trafficking
- For God's will to be done during the 2016 elections
- For the sanctification of the Church and an increase in holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life
- For the sanctity and protection of married couples and families

Come as families, as members of the Legion of Mary,
as Pro-Life Groups, as Prayer Groups,
as Young Adult Groups,
come and fill the Cathedral Basilica
as sons and daughters of our Mother in heaven!

LITTLE SISTERS of the POOR RAFFLE



The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to join in their ministry of caring for the needy elderly by participating in their St. Jeanne Jugan Pot of Gold Raffle! Besides helping our 97 residents live in a secure and compassionate home, you have a chance to win one of ten prizes, with a grand prize of \$25,000! Only 2,016 tickets will be sold. This year's honorees are Msgr. Ralph Chieffo and Ray and Judy Coughlin. To purchase a ticket, please send your name, address, and check for \$100. to: Holy Family Home, Dept. PB, Attn: Sr. Veronica, 5300 Chester Ave. Phila., PA 19143. Or visit our website at www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org

Peter Becker Community Health & Wellness Fair, Friday, September 16th 10AM to 2PM. There is no charge for this event. See the flyer posted on the bulletin boards at church or <http://peterbeckercommunity.com/events/253/health-wellness-fair/>

The Regina Nursing Center "Family" invites you to our 2016 Annual Bazaar

Saturday, September 24, 8:30AM to 2PM; 550 E. Fornance St., Norristown, PA. If you want to consider being a vendor, spaces are available at only \$20 per space. Many vendors book early and premier spots sell out quickly so contact Nancy Miley at 610-272-5600 as soon as possible if you wish to sell merchandise at the Bazaar!

The Guardians - Tuesday, October 4th- 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.

Mom Café - Tuesday October 4th 9:30-11AM

Jubilee Year of Mercy – Forgiving Others



Without doubt we rejoice in our belief that God is “rich in mercy” (Eph 2:4). We like to meditate on the wisdom of the saints such as St. Francis of Assisi’s “Let all who approach you meet the eyes of mercy,” and on popular quotes such as “To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was you” by L. Smedes. Then comes the moment when we must exercise our spiritual muscles and actually forgive. Yikes! First we have to face that jumble of emotions, the blend of sad and mad that places us squarely in a state of unforgiveness! Then we need to plunge into the process of forgiving in specific ways.

In light of this Year of Mercy it is fascinating to note when Jesus says, “Love your enemies,” He follows it immediately by saying, “Do good to them,” so that we won’t miss the point. “Doing good” means seeing beyond your pain and their wrongdoing to their humanity. It means seeing them as children of God and understanding that there is something twisted inside (sin) that is linked with what they do. “Doing good” means that you promote and desire their healing despite the way they have treated you. You make the first move. You send the e-mail, pick up the phone, make the contact. You bridge the gap as you “pray it forward” and ask God to bless them. Here’s a little forgiveness exercise: May the LORD bless you and keep you, (name the enemy). May the LORD let His face shine on you, _____. May the LORD look upon you kindly, _____, and give you peace (Num 6:22-26) –Sr. J. Sheila Galligan, IHM, Prof. of Theology, Immaculata University

How to Live It

Spend some time in prayer, if possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament, and ask the Lord to bring to mind the people whom you need to forgive. Write down the names and use the prayer above to forgive each person. Repeat this prayer exercise regularly until you no longer need to. (Remember that forgiveness is an act of the will and we can forgive even if we still feel angry.) Take note of how the work of forgiveness lightens your heart over time.

Quote from Catholic Tradition:

“If I were to meet the slave-traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me, I would kneel and kiss their hands, for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and Religious today...”

–St. Josephine Bakhita

“When the police asked an alcoholic man in one of our homes in Australia, who had been beaten up by another alcoholic man, for the name of the culprit, he refused to give it. When police went away, the Sisters asked him why he did not give the name of the man who had beaten him. He replied, ‘His suffering is not going to make my suffering less!’ He gave until it hurt. He forgave his brother.”

–St. Teresa of Calcutta

To continue reflecting on this theme, consider one of these resources!

• **Recommended Book for the Month:** Forgiveness: A Catholic Approach, Fr. R. Scott Hurd

• **Lighthouse Catholic Media CD:** Anger and Forgiveness by Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald

The Mom's Cafe will be starting up again soon! If you've been looking for a way to meet other moms in the parish, or have wondered what this group is about, come join us at any or all of our meetings. All are welcome, including the children. Have coffee and talk with a supportive group of women discussing all kinds of topics! **Dates are Tuesday mornings October 4, November 8, and December 6 from 9:30-11 meetings are held in the RE room of church. Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com.**



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

2016
Pre-Cana



All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry
PRE-CANA PROGRAM

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish; Phoenixville, PA
Saturday – September 17, 2016

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 St. Mary's Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit their website www.stmaryassumption.org - click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.



Corpus Christi also offers our own Pre-Cana session in the Spring and the Fall of each year. The sessions are designed to help engaged couples to discern their vocation to marriage and family life. They are centered on commitment to God and to each other and address many important everyday issues of sharing life together. Each weekend schedule is Saturday: 9-5:30 & Sunday: 9-12:30. Lunch is included on Saturday as well as snacks and beverages. Next Corpus Christi Pre-Cana class: October 1st and 2nd, 2016 (Cost: \$95 / couple) – Contact: Jack and Mary Ann McGowan, cprecanateam@gmail.com or call (610-584-5569) for more information.

Support Group for the Divorced

This support group consists of a ten week program that brings healing and hope to divorced 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. If you are a divorced Catholic, we invite you to experience this pastoral program. Your life will be rejuvenated, your hope restored, and your faith in Christ and his Church renewed! Fee is \$25.00 and includes workbook, handouts, and refreshments. Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary. **Please note that no registrations will be accepted after the first session.**

Mondays, September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24,
November 7, 14, and 21, 2016
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level

Please register using the form that can be found on St Maria Goretti's parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net
Please mail form along with payment of \$25.00.



Please be praying for... Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Jim Thompson, Thomas Roy, Peter Schumacher, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, George Olden, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Sean Walsh, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Sue Kunze, Virginia Fogerty, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Bill Colonnello, Marena Fedorek, Baby Charlie Riccio.

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

Mohegan Sun Casino, - Thursday, September 15. *Must show a valid photo ID to receive bonus.* Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Cost \$35. Package includes \$25 slot play and \$5 food voucher. Departs 9:30AM returns approximately 6:30PM. *Contact 267-263-2622, Mary Slater, 512 Dock Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446 or Rose Wilson at 215-368-0421.

911 Memorial - New York, NY - Thursday, October 27, 2016, cost \$62. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Admission to the 911 Memorial and Museum 11AM-3PM, There is no food in the Museum. It is suggested you bring food or snacks. There are restaurants and vendors nearby. We will stop (5PM) at Mastori's Restaurant for dinner *on your own.* Departs 7:45AM, returns approximately 8:30PM. *Payment due at sign up.* No refunds after vendor is paid.* Call 215-393-8786 John and Mary Woodcock, 261 Beth Drive, Lansdale PA 19446.

Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA- Wednesday, November 30, 2016, Tony Orlando Christmas Show *Must show a valid ID to receive bonus.* Cost \$72*. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Tickets to the 2PM show *Tony Orlando's Great American Christmas* at the Sands Bethlehem Casino. Casino bonus: \$20 slot play. Departs 11AM return approximately 8PM. No refunds after the vendor is paid in full.*Call 215-368-0945 John and Peggy Butler, 1500 Berkley Way, Lansdale, PA 19446.

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

Virginia International Tattoo, Norfolk & Virginia Beach, VA - Friday, April 28, 2017 to Monday, May 1, 2017. Please pick up a brochure in the Narthex of the church. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver is included, except chambermaids. 3 night's accommodations at an oceanfront property in Virginia Beach. 3 deluxe continental breakfasts at the hotel. 3 dinners in area restaurants. Admission and tram tour of the Norfolk Botanical Gardens. Reserved seating to the International Nato Festival and Azalea Festival Parade. Many, many more attractions. Departs 7:30AM Friday, April 28th returns approximately 8:00PM Monday, May 1st. Call 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale, PA 19446. Cost ranges between \$679.pp double, triple to \$869.pp single, optional insurance \$80pp.

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

The Brother House, a work of the Legion of Mary, works with homeless men in the Norristown area on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. About 30 men take showers and need clean clothes after their shower. We need your donation of the following items: **T-shirts, white athletic socks, underwear, and work pants.** Clothing does not have to be new, just clean.

These items are needed all year round. Bring donations to the Church and leave them in the Church Ministry Room next to the restrooms. We pray daily for our benefactors. God bless your generosity!!



THE KNIGHT'S KORNER - UPDATES FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #9715

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 PARISH BREAKFAST

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall on Sunday September 18, 2016 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.

Results from the Knights of Columbus Annual Collection for "Arc" - Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's ARC collection. Because of your generosity we raised \$4,800 for this important community organization! ARC is the largest advocacy organization in the United States for citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families. Your kind financial support will benefit many of our neighbors in the Montgomery, Bucks and Berks Counties! Thank you to everyone who opened their hearts to help the Knights of Columbus with our annual collection for ARC!

NEW RECORD SET AT THE AUGUST 19TH SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE! - With the recent concerns about the Zika Virus and the reduction of available donors because of the outbreak, the Red Cross was very grateful to those participants of our Summer Blood Drive. Not only did we exceed our goal, the 56 Units collected set a new record for our Corpus Christi Annual August Drive. By the Red Cross' calculations, each unit will save 3 lives, therefore our collection will help a total of 168 patients in our local area hospitals. The Knights of Columbus thank you again for your support!



Fall is approaching, which means that the **Corpus Christi Music Ministry** groups are tuning up to start again! Please consider participating in one of our ensembles for the coming year:

Adult Choir (Wednesday night rehearsals)
- contact Matt Klenk (ccclansdalemusic@gmail.com)

Bell Choir (Tuesday night rehearsals)
- contact Donna Frisch (donnafrisch@gmail.com)

Youth Choir (Sun. morning rehearsals)
- contact Justine Coglianese (justine.coglianese@gmail.com)

Teen Ensemble (Sun. afternoon rehearsals)
- contact Paige Setzer (harpplayer@verizon.net)

Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks!



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

You may contribute to the Catholic Charities Appeal in many ways: • Pledge Gift • Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) • Gifts of Securities • Planned Gifts • One Time Gift • Credit Card Gifts • Matching Gifts. For more information on any of these options please visit our website at www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org, email us at cca@adphila.org or call us at 215-587-5650. So far, Corpus Christi with 570 participants has reached \$89,752 which is 65% of our \$138,803 goal for 2016.



Visit www.CatholicPhilly.com for Catholic news in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia every day. Sign up for a free, weekly email newsletter at www.catholicphilly.com/newsletter.

Youth News

High School Youth Group

Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex, visit us on **Facebook** or on the parish website:
<http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

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

Positively Dangerous Teen Leadership Conference

A fantastic training opportunity for teen leaders entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2016. All teens in grades 9-12 that are hoping to develop solid leadership skills are invited to attend the Positively Dangerous Teen Leadership Conference. Led by Frank Mercadante of Cultivation Ministries (NCYC 2015), the Positively Dangerous event will be your first step to changing the world! It will take place on **Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 8:00am-5:30pm (vigil Mass at 4:30pm)**. Location is Corpus Christi Parish Gym (900 Sumneytown Pike Lansdale, PA 19446).

Cost is \$20 until October 1, cost will then increase to \$25. To register or contact the team for more details, visit <http://2016positivelydangerous.weebly.com>



SCRIP CORNER

SHOPAROO.... Download this free app on your phone. Put in Corpus Christi Catholic School and our account will appear. Follow the instructions and then start snapping pictures of your receipts. (You can even join anonymously.) CCS earns \$\$ for every grocery receipt you enter. It's easy, mindless and **FREE MONEY FOR CORPUS!!** Get your friends and family to do it too (or just get their receipts)

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Remember, it is never too late to join SCRIP and get your friends and family to start ordering SCRIP through you... it takes a village to pay that tuition!!

Mon - Fri - 9am - 12:30pm (when school is in session)

Mondays - 5:30pm - 7:00pm (when REC is in session)

Why join the Boy Scouts?



Scouts learn many useful skills, including first aid, fire-building, knot-tying, canoeing, wilderness survival, pioneering, life-saving, personal management, environmental science, citizenship, cooking and much more. These skills build confidence and can be used for years to come. For more info contact: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333 or joerak@aol.com.



Calling all K thru 5th grade girls to join Girl Scouts please visit

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_08_17_August_Girl_Scout_Letter_16.pdf

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

"Jazz Cats"



Calling all girls in grades 1-5. There are still a few openings on our "Jazz Cats" Dance Team. Soooo much fun! For registration info call: Cathy Tubolino (215) 356-2139 or Tapkat5678@aol.com

Time to turn in your SUMMER HOMEWORK

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



CYO News

CYO Fall Mass – The CYO Fall Mass will be at the Sunday 10am Mass on September 18th. All Fall teams (Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country, Cheerleading) will attend with their coaches and assistants. Players and coaches please arrive 15 minutes early.

- **Soccer Fun Day** – Come out to a day of fun-filled activities at Jake's Lane on Sat Sep 24th. More details to come.
- **Fall Sports** - Registration is still open for some sports at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>.
- **Get our Emails** - Set-up an account in our online system so you receive all of our emails for CYO sponsored events and CYO sports. There is no cost to create an account. You can set-up an account at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.siplay.com/site>

Additional information can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>.

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western 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 out door events. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm unless otherwise noted. Our upcoming events are listed below, contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information, or visit our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults) for more details.

Tuesday, September 13: Bible Study @ Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale, 7:30pm

Tuesday, September 20: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville; Doors open at 7:00pm, Talk Starts at 7:30pm. Topic – Mercy and the Scriptures; Speaker – Kelly Anderson

Tuesday, September 27: Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales, 7:30pm

Friday, October 7: Metanoia goes to Festival of Praise @ St. Norbert's Parish, Paoli, 7:30pm

Archbishop Wood High School Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 21st - Athletics and info night at 7PM. Contact Mrs. McDonald at 215-672-5050 ext. 245 for info.

Sunday, October 2nd - Fall Open House 10AM Mass, followed by a continental breakfast, tours, meet the teachers, and activities fair.

Saturday October 8th and 29th - 8th Grade Scholarship/Entrance Exam 8:30AM. Must register online at www.archwod.org. Contact Mrs. Roschetz at 215-672-5050 x 268 for info.

HOPE 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 09/11 Team #5: Patty Donnelly at 215-687-3779

Week of 09/18 Team #6: Sue Bones at 215-631-9526

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

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, **parents are required to pre-register those attending the session by contacting the Parish Center Office, 215-855-1311.**

Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), **at 7:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month i.e. September 19th, October 17th.**

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 if married marriage took place in the Catholic Church) and celebrating the sacraments regularly. Ideally, this person should be registered and an active member of the parish for at least six (6) months*

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send your bulletin announcements to the Parish Center Office no later than the Friday 8 days prior to publication. It can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center but the preferred method is by e-mail to: corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com 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. The next pre-cana session is October 28-29, 2016. Please contact johnmcgowan3@gmail.com for more information.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary continue through October 28th at 6:30PM in the Chapel. The Novena is preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:45AM-6:30 PM and Benediction. All are welcome to attend and pray for healing. For information please call 215-855-1311.

OUR LADY OF HOPE PRAYER LINE: The Prayer Line may be called if you are in need of prayer. Call Anna Marie 215-368-4672.

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS: Weekdays from **9AM to 12:30PM and 1:30PM to 5PM.** Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

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

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.



August 2016



- James Joseph Schule, III, son of Amy and James
- Lachlan Thore Holm, son of Megan and Johan
- Nathan Olivier Monchais, son of Marian and Patrice
- Lily Catherine Farzetta, daughter of Karen and Michael
- Bellarose Hope Outerbridge, daughter of Amanda and Michael
- Colston Rainn Fickert, son of Traci and Derek
- Kaiya Giuseppa Hoffman, daughter of Rosalia and Troy
- Audrey Jane Hoffman, daughter of Ashley and Gregory