

Corpus Christi Parish

UPPER GWYNEDD, PENNSYLVANIA

- www.corpuschristilansdale.org -

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 13, 2015



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
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

Pastoral Council: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
 Finance Com: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Flanigan 215-855-1311
 Adult Faith Formation: Angela McClellan 215-855-1311
 ext. 122
 Aid for Friends: Judy Jergensen 215-699-9196
 Altar Linens: Lori Neri 215-828-4763
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 Bereavement Support Gr: Eileen McCullough
 215-361-0978
 Bingo: Laurie Ponticello 610-584-5694
 Boy Scouts: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333
 Casserole Project: Kay Smerke 215-855-1783
 Catholic Charities: www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org
 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
 Cub Scouts: Rinaldo Rossi 610-715-7025
 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.: Cathy Roberts 215-393-7891
 H.O.P.E.: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
 Hospitality Ministry: Jean Van 215-855-5834
 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
 The Mom Café - Mothers' Support Group:
 Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122
 Music Ministry: Matthew Klenk 215-855-0670
 Parish Library: Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122
 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
 Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo
 215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Thousands of times in the course of our lives we begin our days, our prayers, and many of our special tasks, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," and as we say the words we make the sign that will be either to our salvation or will become a stumbling block in our hope of final glory: The sign of the cross. It is the sign that marks us as Christians. It is the sign that was traced on our foreheads when we were claimed for Jesus at Baptism. It is the fundamental sign of our faith, and yet in today's Gospel, we hear Peter objecting to the cross. This is a turning point in the education of the disciples, the time for Jesus to speak openly about what He had been trying to tell them from the beginning – that in order for us to live, He must die. And more than that, in order for us to live eternally, we must follow in His footsteps.

We can't fault Peter for objecting. The people of Jesus' time had looked for an entirely different kind of Savior. They looked for a warrior, a king like David, a triumphant ruler. But we who know the full story know that Jesus is the very king and conqueror they awaited. Yet we, too, object to the cross. We believe that Jesus suffered, died on a cross, was buried and rose again in glory. It is the cornerstone of our faith. We trace the sign of that cross on our bodies time after time. What is our problem? Where is our objection? We object to the fact that Jesus tells us to take up our own cross and carry it, just as He did. We don't like to carry crosses. It is not very comfortable. Couldn't God have thought of a better way to save the world?



We know that God does not build crosses; the world does. And the purpose of Jesus becoming one of us was to show us how to deal with the world and its crosses. Jesus had to take the world as He found it. The existence of sin and sickness is a fact of life that we, too, must learn to live with. This does not mean that we do nothing about the spiritual and physical affliction we encounter in ourselves and others, but we must accept the fact that there are certain things that we can do nothing about. This is our cross. It is at times like these that prayer can help us put things into perspective. In other words, we do what we can, and leave the rest to God.

Jesus knew that the time had come when He could do no more to convince the people of the truth of God's love. He had preached a message the world did not want to hear and He knew that the world would punish Him in the most horrible way. He wanted to believe that He had convinced at least some of His followers that He was the Messiah they had looked for, even though His message was not what they expected. Peter's protest, though understandable, was a temptation to give it up, to give in to the world and save himself. But that is not the way of God and it cannot be our way.

There are some evils we must speak out and take action against. We can write letters, or make calls, send e-mails to those in authority or join peaceful protests against abortion and other sins against human beings. We can teach our children the message of God's love for them. We can spend a lifetime trying to convince others of our love, only to be rejected over and over again. But we cannot force others to change. We must accept the cross of our own helplessness at times.

When sickness comes to us or to our loved ones, we are expected to make use of all the knowledge that God has given us to conquer illness, but a time comes when there is nothing we can do to change the course of life or death. It is then that we must accept the cross of our own mortality. We accept the loss of our friends, the loss of our own health. We ask the Lord to give us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change. We then shoulder our cross and follow Jesus. Because we believe in Him, we believe in His words. And He has told us that the way of the cross is the way to salvation and to our own resurrection.

God bless you,



We will not be celebrating 6:00 PM mass on Sunday, September 27th due to the Papal Mass in Philadelphia.

Novena to Our Lady for Healing



Here at Corpus Christi, we continue our nine week Novena of Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary every Wednesday evening until 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, September 4th, Corpus Christi Parish raised \$95,029 for the CCA from 596 gifts. We are at 73% of our \$130,144 goal.. Thank you to those who have already responded!

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

- Saturday, September 12th**
4:30 PM James and Marcella Kelly
by Brian and Donna Aquilante
- Sunday, September 13th**
7:00 AM John Atkins
by Club 50 
8:30 Joseph and James Montisano
by Rose Mullaly
10:00 Ron Lancia
by Kathleen Lancia
11:30 Jack Campanella
by Bob and Annamaria Ford
6:00 PM Tony Siddal
by Marie and Joe Dalton
- Monday, September 14th**
7:15 AM Paul Nieman
by The Sirianni Family
- Tuesday, September 15th**
7:15 AM Robert A. Quinn
by Margaret Quinn
- Wednesday, September 16th**
7:15 AM Jim Petrino
by The Petrino Family
- Thursday, September 17th**
7:15 AM Rev. James J. McLaughlin
by Dan and Gloria DiEmedio
- Friday, September 18th**
7:15 AM Roger Kirk
by The Kline Family
- Saturday, September 19th**
7:15 AM Alice Heaney
by Eileen Spicer
4:30 PM Rev. James J. McLaughlin
by John and Peggy Butler
- Sunday, September 20th**
7:00 AM Jane V. Flanigan
by Msgr. Thomas P. Flanigan
8:30 Jack Radgowski
by The Schiaffino Family
10:00 Maria Vu T. Mung
by Huynh Dinh
11:30 Debbie Gorniak
by The Sirianni Family
6:00 PM Gregory Coppola, Sr.
by Stan and Anita Gawel and Family



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

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

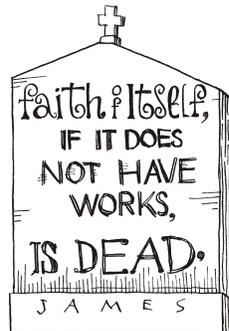


WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

September 5/6	\$ 25,768
Envelopes mailed	2,411
Envelopes returned	794
Mortgage Reduction Collection	
September to date	\$ 2,808

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a Isaiah describes the willingness of the Suffering Servant to submit to the persecution of his enemies. This willingness stems from true faith in God, and the knowledge that the Lord will always be his help.

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-2,3-4 5-6,8-9 *I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.*



Second Reading: James 2:14-18 James states that if some one is hungry and you wish them well but do not help them, you have done them no good. He compares this to stating your faith, without backing it up with your actions. He reminds us that we must show our faith through our good works.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35 Jesus taught His disciples that as the Messiah, He had to suffer much, be put to death, and rise three days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

Family Connection

Peter had expectations about what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We, too, have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter, however, we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more that we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Mark 8:31-35. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that we will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our imagination. Conclude by praying together today's psalm, Psalm 116.

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

Monday	Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday	1 Tm 3:1-13; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday	1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday	1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50
Friday	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday	1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

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.

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.

Alpha in a Catholic Context (Answering the call for the New Evangelization)

Visitation BVM Norristown is hosting the Alpha Course on Thursday evenings in the Visitation BVM School, 190 N. Trooper Rd. (Please use the entrance closest to corner of Chestnut Ave. and N. Trooper Rd). The course begins with dinner on Sept 17 at 6:30 p.m. We offer free babysitting! Alpha is all about the person of Jesus; not about facts but a relationship. It's food, fun, friendships and falling in love with Jesus. Alpha is like a key that unlocks people's hearts to Jesus. Bring a family member or friend who is apart from God. Bring your family. All are welcome – Adults and Youth (7th grade on up) For more information go to <http://alphausa.org/catholic> It would help with meal planning and babysitting if you pre-register. Please call John Doman at 610-513-7227.

Rachel's Vineyard is at the Heart of the Church

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God; grieve your loss; and forgive yourself and others. Retreat dates: October 2,3, &4 at the Spirituality Center in Frazer, PA call 215-906-6337 or 610-399-0890. All contacts are confidential. National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.



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.**

Mercy Suburban Hospital Fall Tobacco Cessation Program

This **free** seven-session program is designed to give you the tools you need to feel successful through the quitting process. Sessions include understanding addiction, behavior change strategies, FDA medication options, coping with urges and stress, healthy lifestyle choices and relapse prevention. Sessions on Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28; November 4, 11, 18. Programs are held in the Cancer Center Conference Room from 6-7:30PM. Registration required please call 610-270-8390.

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! 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.** 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!

A Nearby Parish in Chalfont is Looking for a Full Time Parish Business Manager

Responsibilities include:

- Developing and monitoring a system of internal controls to ensure financial integrity of all financial data.
- Performing required accounting functions according to established guidelines.
- Managing accounts payable, vendor management.
- Processing payroll for a staff of 35 employees as well as serve as single point of contact for employee benefits coordination.
- Performing all facets of personnel management (i.e. hire, develop, appraise) for a staff of 5 employees
- Overseeing the maintenance and improvement of the campus and its facilities.
- Providing revenue generating and expense reducing recommendations to leadership.
- Prepare for, lead and document Parish Financial Council meetings

Anyone interested, please send a copy of your resume to tplynch@us.ibm.com.

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.wmme-philly.org or register online at Applications@wmme-philly.org You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at 610-449-1859.

OKTOBERFEST - Rain or Shine

Saturday, October 3, 12 Noon - 8 pm and Sunday, October 4, 12 Noon - 5 pm. Sisters of the Holy Redeemer Provincialate, 521 Moredon Rd., Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006. German Foods, Beer Garden, Music & Dancing, Craft Tables, Hayrides, Pony Rides, Activities & Games for Children. Raffles. All proceeds benefit the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer Special Projects. No Admission Fee. Parking Donation. For information call Anne Marie Collins @ 215-787-3288, Neal McFeeley @ 215-938-4008 or visit our website: www.sistersholyredeemer.org.

TMIY: That Man Is You!

That Man Is You! is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of a man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man Is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society. The program consists of a 13 week Fall and Spring "semester." Each session has three essential elements: a social gathering over breakfast refreshments, a 30 minute DVD presentation, and opportunity for discussion. Become a man after God's own heart and join us. That Man Is You! Wednesdays, September 16, 23, and 30, 2015; October 7, 14, 21, 28; November 4, 11, 18, 25; December 2, 2015 Saint Maria Goretti Church Narthex; 6:00 AM to 7:30 AM Cost - \$20.00; Register at directoraff@stmariagoretti.net.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Mom Café - Tuesday, October 6th— 9:30 to 11AM
Religious Education Room in Church

The Guardians - Tuesday, October 6th— 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

Check out the official Papal Visit Playbook and learn how you can get the resources needed to enjoy Pope Francis' first visit to the United States!

<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/papal-visit-playbook-homepage/>

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 September, Corpus Christi parishioners get a 20% discount using the code for September and that is: CCHRISTI20.

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 Chelton 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.



RCIA

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. Now is the time to step forward and contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at the Parish Office at 215-855-1311 x 113 or at his email whichisdeaconlangsdorf@gmail.com. It's never too late for the Lord!



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.**

Deacon Langsdorf Prayer Ministry

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

The Parish Library

When individuals strive to grow in the interior life, one of the essential spiritual exercises is spiritual reading. The Parish Library functions as part of the Adult Faith Formation Ministry at Corpus Christi Parish and provides individuals the opportunity to borrow Catholic books and resources that might not be available in public libraries or a typical bookstore. The library is located on parish grounds next to the playground area. It is a fully heated and air-conditioned modular unit with ramp access. It is comprised of unique areas for the faith formation of adults, teens, and children. Books, games, DVDs, and CDs may be borrowed for a period of three weeks and can be renewed upon request. View our library policies and procedures and obtain a complete listing of more than 1,500 books and resources by visiting: www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff/library/.

There's An App for That!



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

The Guardians

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

Tuesdays, October 6, November 3, and December 1, 2015

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

Corpus Christi Church

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

TLC Ministry

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

Recipients may be experiencing a difficult time in their life, undergoing medical procedures, grieving, or family members of fallen soldiers. Do you know of someone who needs a little TLC? If so, contact us at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.

If you are a knitter or enjoy crocheting, new members to our ministry are always welcome. Drop off your item at our Parish Center or Parish Library during regular hours. Please mark the bag "TLC" and don't forget to include your name.

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, Annamaria Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Wayne Richards, Jim Thompson, Hayden Spratt, Angelo Rosato, Gabrielle Stawski, Thomas Roy, Drew Fantozzi, Rich Kupniewski, Elaine Deimeyer, Dave Clark, Debbie Scott.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Thousand Islands and Ottawa, Canada - Monday, September 28-Friday, October 2, 2015.

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). For info call *610-584-1366 Bob and Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale PA 19446.

Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA - *Vatican Splendors Exhibit*, Friday, November 6th ~ cost \$95. Round trip motor coach, tax, tips, admission to the *Vatican Splendors Exhibit* (10:30AM-1:30PM), and choice of 3 entrees for lunch at the Chart House is included: 1. Grilled Atlantic Salmon; 2. Chicken Romano; 3. Coconut Shrimp. Bus departs CC parking lot 9:30AM returns 5PM. *267-263-2622 contact Mary Slater, 512 Dock Drive, Lansdale PA 19446 or Rose Wilson -215-368-0421

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.

Villa Roma Resort, Calicoon, NY (Catskills) - Sunday, April 24, 2016 to Thursday April 28, 2016. Round trip motor coach. 4 nights accommodations at the Villa Roma Resort. Meal package includes 4 breakfasts, 3 lite fare lunches, 4 full course dinners. Complete schedule of daily activities. For full details pick up a BROCHURE in the Narthex of Church or at Club 50 meetings. Cost dbl \$509; single \$649; triple \$509 optional insurance pp \$80. Deposit - \$50 balance due by March 10, 2016.

***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!!



This afternoon, **Sunday, September 13th at 3:00PM**, our choir organist Sean Burns will present a recital of works showcasing the great capabilities of *Corpus Christi's organ*. The program, consisting of works of Bach, Franck, and Vienne, has been prepared as part of Sean's program of study at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ. The recital will be open to the public and free of charge.



KNIGHTS CORNER #9715

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH PARISH

BREAKFAST - Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall today, Sunday September 13, 2015 for our 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 will be October 3-4 and October 10-11, 2015.**

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 meeting is on Wednesday, September 16 in the Parish House from 4:00 - 5:30 PM weekly sessions conclude 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!

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION



The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, September 12/13, after all the Masses. Please leave your donations of non-perishable goods in the room next to the restrooms in the back of church. This room is open after all the Masses. We are always in need of drivers to take the monthly collection to the Patrician Society in Norristown, please call 215-855-1311.

NEW REGISTRATIONS -If you are new to the area don't forget to register to become a Corpus Christi parishioner. To receive the Sacraments of First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony or Letters of Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered parishioner. Come in to register or call the parish office at 215 855-1311 about registering.

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
Monday, September 7th.*

Look for me in the SCRIP Office every day that school is in session 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 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 Coaches**** - CYO Coaches Orientation Class is being held at **St. Jude on Thursday September 17th from 6-9 PM** in the cafeteria. If you have an interest in coaching or being an assistant coach, you will need to attend this class. Registration info will be posted at <http://cyophilly.com/>

- Create an account in our system so you will receive our emails for other youth events throughout the year. Set-up your account at <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sportssignup.com/site>
- 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.

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!

CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS FOR SCHOOL

Many companies have a Matching Gift program that is available for schools. If you've thought about making a donation to Corpus Christi School, and are employed at one of these companies, obtaining a form from the Human Resources Department could add on to your personal gift and would be a great way to support our school. Ask your employer if they have a Matching Gift or similar type program for schools.



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



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) DJ'g 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.



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

Week of 09/13 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877

Week of 09/20 Team #1: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263

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

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, **parents are requested to pre-register for 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. 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!

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS



Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see under Novena). 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: Anne DeSantis at 610-222-9778 or adesantis1@comcast.net.

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 12:00PM (during Lent) and 1:30PM to 5PM.** Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

PARISH LIBRARY Hours: *Sundays 7:45AM to 1PM
Library Volunteers Needed*

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

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

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."~CCC



**Marriages Celebrated at Corpus Christi
August ~ 2015**

Christina Reifsnnyder and Scott Endlein
Veronica Merlini and Colin Pinto
Megan McLaughlin and Johan Holm

**Congratulations and Prayers
from your Parish Family!**