



Corpus Christi Parish

UPPER GWYNEDD, PENNSYLVANIA
- www.corpuschristilansdale.org -



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.




Prayer: The Faith Prayed



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

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**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

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Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

PAROCHIAL VICARS

Reverend Albert J. Santorsola

Reverend Shaji Silva

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Deacon William W. Evans

Deacon Steve Currie

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Maureen Lafferty

School Principal

Trish Keen

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Danielle Gallo

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Minister

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

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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

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215-368-5750

Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo

215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today's gospel passage is part of a series dealing with the crises that are generated when we misuse our possessions, when we are owned by our possessions. Last Sunday's gospel was about the Prodigal Son who demanded his share of his father's estate and then went out and squandered it all. The lesson today involves the clever, but devious, wicked steward who juggles the account of his master's books. He does so in order to win friends who will care for him in his impending unemployment.

YOU
CANNOT
GIVE
YOURSELF



We ought to be as prudent in planning for our spiritual future as was the steward in planning ahead for his worldly comforts. Jesus, clearly, is not commending the wicked steward for his cleverness. He was, after all, establishing a conspiracy to defraud the owner of his property. But Jesus was using as an example the zealous foresightedness of the wicked steward. He taught that his own followers should be at least as enterprising as the steward in caring for the future of their souls.

The immediate question to confront each of us is: How zealous am I in providing for my immediate future? The answer to this question should give us cause to reflect on the consequences of what we are doing or not doing here on earth. We still have a chance to shape the portfolio that we take with us when we inevitably pass through death's door.

Another aspect of today's gospel has to do with what we consider to be our possessions. What we have we do not own; what we have belongs to God. We only hold what we have in trust. It all eventually goes back to God, the true owner of all that we arrogantly believe belongs to us.

There is a story about a woman who went to her parish priest to tell him that she wanted him to refuse to marry her daughter to the young, perspective groom. He refused, telling her that her daughter had to make the decision. The mother tearfully said, "but my daughter is my proudest possession". Our children are from God, they are His, not ours. We only hold them in trust for awhile, then we give them over to find their own way. And not only our children, all that we have is from God, and eventually goes back to God, even our own life. We hold in trust all that we have to be used or developed for the greater glory of God. By doing this our futures will be secured. We can do nothing more, and we should do nothing less.

God bless you,

PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Members of our Pastoral Council will speak at all Masses next weekend, September 24 and 25, to provide a brief update of the council's activities and to announce several new initiatives designed to improve communications within the parish, to strength cooperation between parish ministries and to more fully engage all parishioners in the life of the parish. Members of the council will also be available after all Masses to speak with parishioners, listen to your comments and answer your questions.



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.**

Catechetical Sunday

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

In 1935, the Vatican published *On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education*, a document that asks every country to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Christian community as catechists. For the first few years after Catechetical Sunday was established, national catechetical congresses were held in conjunction with the celebration. Beginning in 1971, the USCCB's Department of Education began producing materials to help parishes celebrate the event at the local level. When the Committee on Catechesis, now named the Committee of Evangelization and Catechesis, was named by the Conference as a standing Committee, it continued to publish Catechetical Sunday materials each year. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the third Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday.

Why do we have a special day set aside to commission catechists?

Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life . . . her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis" (no. 7). This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	September 17th
4:30 PM	Rev. James McLaughlin <i>by John and Peggy Butler</i>
Sunday,	September 18th
7:00 AM	Michael Frendak <i>by John and Carol Welte</i>
8:30	Thomas Branigan <i>by Maureen Branigan</i>
10:00	Bob Hilghman <i>by Jeanie Leone</i>
11:30	Deceased Members of the Enright Family <i>by John and Kay Smerke</i>
6:00 PM	Harold "Zeke" Pizzo <i>by Phyllis and Bill Burke</i>
Monday,	September 19th
7:15 AM	Intentions of the Rizzo/Barbone Families <i>by Carmen and Susan Rizzo</i>
Tuesday,	September 20th
7:15 AM	Jane Flanagan <i>by Msgr. Thomas Flanagan</i>
Wednesday,	September 21st
7:15 AM	Robert Quinn <i>by Margaret Quinn</i>
Thursday,	September 22nd
7:15 AM	Kathy Hayman <i>by Shirley Walsh</i>
Friday,	September 23rd
7:15 AM	Flora Scotto <i>by The D'Orazio Family</i>
Saturday,	September 24th
7:15 AM	James and Catherine Maniscalco <i>by Daughters and Family</i>
4:30 PM	Deceased Members of the McShane Family <i>by Bob and Ellie Hentschel</i>
Sunday,	September 25th
7:00 AM	Ronald Gibson <i>by Carol and Wayne Walton</i>
8:30	Intentions of the Joiner Family <i>by The Menke Family</i>
10:00	Deceased Members of the Ferguson, Papso and Durish Families <i>by Jack and Jo Ferguson</i>
11:30	Bernie Grabowski <i>by Mary Lou Walsh</i>
6:00 PM	Marion Pileggi <i>by Norman and Louise Mercurio</i>



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially William Colonnello, husband of Carol; Nunzio Falorio, father of Maria Sebastianella.

(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-FIFTH 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 10/11	27,811
Electronic Giving (62 participants) 9/20	\$ N/A
Over (Under) Target Week	= (2,189)
Over (Under) Target Fiscal Week 11	(14,999)
Facilities Improvement Year To Date Through September 11th	\$ 14,292
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,505
Total Envelopes Used (September 11)	737
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,762,749

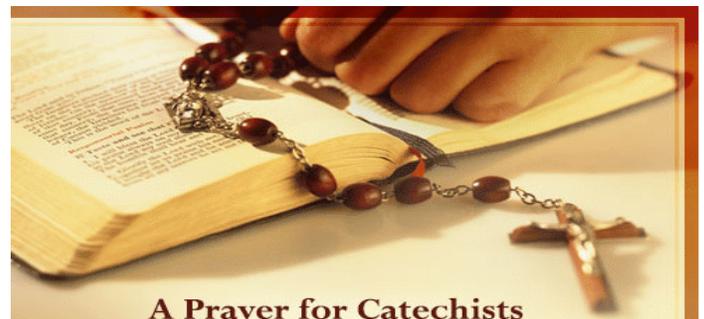
First Reading: Amos 8:4-7 The prophet Amos expressed disgust over people who take advantage of the poor. He describes businessmen scheming to cheat the poor, then declares that God will "never forget the things they have done."

Responsorial Psalm: PS 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

R. (cf. 1a, 7b) Praise the Lord Who lifts up the poor.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Paul urges the Christians to pray for all people, especially those in authority. Paul even asked them to pray for the kings who denounced Christ's teachings, because God wants all people to be saved through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13 Jesus tells a story about a servant who tries to cheat his employer. The owner is impressed because he would do the same thing himself. Jesus then describes the importance of being trustworthy in small matters, as well as in greater ones. He then states that no one can serve two masters faithfully, so people cannot give themselves completely to both God and money.



A Prayer for Catechists

Loving God, Creator of all things,
you call us to be in relationship with you and others.

Thank you for calling me to be a catechist,
for the opportunity to share with others
what you have given to me.

May all those with whom I share the gift of faith
discover how you are present in all things.

May they come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide my heart and lips,
so that I may remain constant in loving and praising you.

May I be a witness to the Gospel and a minister of your truth.
May all my words and actions reflect your love.

Amen.

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.msacad.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.msacad.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 6 pm, 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 \$15. Tickets include the price of admission, with food not included. TAKE OUT FOOD ORDERS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE. For tickets or advance take out food orders, 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.

REBOOT! Live! Wednesday, September 21, 2016 - 7pm

This is the first and only presentation of REBOOT! LIVE! in the Philadelphia Archdiocese. The evening will center around a practical exploration and understanding of the Catholic faith, and all the ways it's meant to impact our lives, including prayer and spirituality, work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more. Musician and recording artist Jon Niven will perform throughout the event. Speaker: Internationally acclaimed speaker and author, Chris Stefanick Location: St. Martin of Tours, New Hope, PA.

For additional info: <http://www.stmartinoftours.org> or to purchase tickets: <http://bit.ly/REBOOTLive> or contact Theresa McCartin, 215 -862 -5472, tmccartin@stmartinoftours.org

ST. JOHN CANTIUS GRADE SCHOOL CLASS OF 1961

(Bridesburg, Philadelphia) We are looking for former classmates to celebrate our 55th "Emerald" Grade School Reunion, Sunday October 16, 2016, 3 pm to 8 pm, at Edgemont Caterers, 4411 Edgemont Street, Philadelphia, PA. Tickets are \$45 per person. For more information, contact Jeanie Hogg Ashton at 215-743-5760, or blondie721@verizon.net by October 3, 2016.



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

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.

Women's Retreat: Living the Devout Life in the Church Today

(Friday, October 14th - Sunday, October 16th): We will explore how Pope Francis and St. Francis de Sales, though separated by four hundred years, share similar goals for living the Christian life today. The writings and styles of the Argentine Pope and the French Bishop will help us to see how we can put the Gospel into practice in our part of the world. The retreat will be given by Father John Kolodziej, O.S.F.S. He is a native of Philadelphia who currently serves as Assistant Principal for Student Affairs at Father Judge High School. The fee for this retreat is \$165 (includes a \$40 non-refundable deposit. Please contact **Sr. Geraldine Whelan at the Mother Boniface Spirituality Ctr., 3501 Solly Ave; Philadelphia, PA 19136** for more information and/or to register by **October 4th at 267-350-1830**.

A **Golf Outing** is to be held on Monday, October 3rd, 2016 sponsored by the K of C, Council 11040, from East Norriton. Where: Hickory Valley, Presidential Golf course, Gilbertsville, PA; Cost: \$85/golfer; Tee Time: 12 noon and buffet dinner at 5:00 pm. For forms and details call: Matt Faust: 610-277-4250.

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

Sign up's are open for this month on the **OUTPOURING of GRACE CALENDAR**. We are praying for literally, everyone that Jesus loves, your neighbors, foreigners, victims, sinners, your family, no one is excluded. He asks for reparation to save all souls. Our goal – to fill each hour of every day of this month with one Corpus Christi parishioner praying. It is easy, you pick when and where to pray - even if you plan to pray at home. In these times, the need for prayer couldn't be more important, and; because intercessory prayer helps save souls; the impact of your effort is eternal. It also gains you, a deeper unity with Our Lord. During the month of September the church points to Our Lady of Sorrows for fruitful meditation; inviting us to think of and learn more of her walk with Christ and to seek her intercession. Use this suggestion; or follow another method of prayer, but please - join us! More information can be found on the flyer at the calendar; or contact:



flameoflovelansdale@gmail.com.

2016
Pre-Cana



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, ccprecanateam@gmail.com or call (610-584-5569) for more information.

An Archdiocesan Pre-Cana course will be held at Corpus Christi on Friday, October 28 6:30PM-9:30PM and Saturday, October 29 9AM-4PM in Conference Rooms B and C of the Parish Center Office. To register, visit www.PhilaMarriagePrep.com



Healing Retreat

Renowned Retreat Director Kathleen McCarthy is returning to Malvern Retreat House in November for her Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat. The mid-week retreat, held November 14-18, offers the opportunity for medical, emotional and spiritual healing. McCarthy has been actively involved in the healing ministry for more than four decades and has changed numerous lives with her documented healings around the world. Her message focuses on the “fire of the Holy Spirit” and the Eucharistic presence of Christ. For more information or to register, please visit www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

Celebrating the Gift of Catholic Womanhood

Malvern Retreat House is hosting a special 24-hour retreat for women on **Friday, September 30 to Saturday, October 1** in the beautiful McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center. The retreat will feature presentations by Pat Gohn, popular Catholic author of the book Blessed, Beautiful & Bodacious. Gohn has given this retreat to over 2,000 women across the U.S. and Canada. During the retreat, Gohn helps women explore their beautiful God-given gifts, including receptivity, generosity, sensitivity, and maternity. For more information or to register, please visit www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

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 9:30-11meetings are held in the RE room of church. Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com.**

NOVENA TO OUR LADY FOR HEALING



Here at Corpus Christi Church we began a nine week Novena of Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary it continues each Wednesday evening, until October 26th at 6:30PM in the church chapel. Benediction and the Novena of Prayer to our Lady begins at 6:30PM. Please come and pray with us. Our Lady is waiting for you!. For information please call 215-855-1311. Don't forget your rosary beads!



Straight Talk about Annulments

The process of having a marriage annulled touches the lives of many couples in the Church today. Did you know that Pope Francis has made several changes to the annulment process? Learn about these changes and hear straight answers to “scratch your head questions” concerning annulments.

Thursday, November 3, 2016

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Saint Maria Goretti Church

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

For more information or to register, please contact:

directoraff@stmariagoretti.net

Mercy in Action!

Archbishop Charles Chaput, in accord with the wishes of Pope Francis, has decreed that the annulment process now exists without cost. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will absorb the \$800.00 fee. Petitioners are only asked to contribute something out of charity according to their means.

Did you know?

If your marriage ended in divorce, you can petition the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for a Declaration of Nullity. The Tribunal is looking to see if something was lacking in the intentions of the parties in regards to children, fidelity and permanence, and/or in their understanding of marriage, and/or in their ability to enter into and fulfill marriage. Anyone can begin the process now from the ease of their own computer. Go to www.archphila.org. On the top right of the web page, under the heading, “How do I”, click on the tab “Start the Annulment Process.” Follow the instructions, fill out the form on the computer, print out the form, obtain the proper documents and send everything to the Tribunal. When your application is received you will be contacted to begin your case with formal testimony. The normal annulment process takes 6 to 8 months.

An Evening of Prayer regarding Addictions A Holy Hour and Benediction

Come to pray for a loved one, for yourself, or even for a stranger who is living in the grasp of an addiction. Come together to support those in recovery and to pray for those struggling with addictions.

Monday, September 19th, at 7:30 pm at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church North Wales, Montgomery County

Presider and Preacher:
Father Douglas McKay
Chaplain, Our House of Ministries, South Philadelphia



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, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Sean Walsh, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Sue Kunze, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Marena Fedorek, Baby Charlie Riccio, Frederick Scheetz.

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

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!!

PAPER RETRIEVER ~ RECYCLING

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



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

Today!!

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.



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!

The **Adult Bell Choir** of Corpus Christi is seeking new ringers.



If you are able to read music notation in either bass or treble clef, and can attend rehearsals on Tuesday evenings throughout the school year, please consider a spot in this music ministry. You do not need to have previous experience in bell ringing, only to be comfortable in reading music. Training sessions will be provided. For more detailed information, please contact Donna Frisch (Director of Bell Choir) at 215-859-7730.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Clothing Drive

Corpus Christi Home & School Association is sponsoring a Clothing Drive on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society **Sunday, October 16th; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM;** Corpus Christi Church parking lot. Please consider donating usable men's, women's and children's clothing and shoes that are new or gently used. Household items, toys and small appliances will also be collected. All items must be clean and in good condition. Look for the Green Drop truck in the rear of the church parking lot, drive up and unload your bags. Tax receipts for donations will be provided upon request. Please contact Lisa Scaduto at liscaduto@yahoo.com with any questions.



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 573 participants has reached \$90,602 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)

AMAZONSMILE.COM.... just go to www.amazonsmile.com and enter Corpus Christi Parish Lansdale. Select our parish and start shopping! All of your Amazon information (Amazon Prime, preferences, and cc information) will be there. Just use the amazonsmile.com portal instead of amazon.com and Corpus will earn .05% back on every purchase you make. It's easy, mindless and **FREE MONEY FOR CORPUS!!** Get your friends and family to sign up too.

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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.

Attention 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys: Check out the 12 reasons to join Corpus Christi Boy Scout Troop 303:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa7243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_08_17_Corpus_Christi_Boy_Scouts.pdf

CYO News

CYO Fall Mass – The CYO Fall Mass is today, 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 Jack'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/>.

Beef N Beer Fundraiser – Mark your calendars, CYO will be holding our 2nd annual Beef N Beer Fundraiser to benefit all sports on **Saturday, November 19th**. Contact Ed Murphy emurphy35@verizon.net if you are interested in helping to organize. Ticket info will be available soon.

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 20: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegetown; 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

All young adults ages 21-39 are invited to a special Theology on Tap with Archbishop Charles Chaput on Tuesday, November 29, 2016, on the second-floor terrace of the *Stove and Tap Restaurant* (329 W. Main Street Lansdale, PA). The event is hosted by Metanoia Young Adults of Montgomery County. Archbishop Chaput will speak about his new book, *"Strangers in a Strange Land"*, about living the Catholic faith in contemporary American culture. Food and drink will be available for purchase beginning at 7PM., and Archbishop Chaput will speak at 7:30PM, followed by time for Q&A. Please visit www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/archbishop for more details and to register.

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. Call Mrs. Roschetz at 215-672-5050 x 268 for info.



GIRL SCOUTS

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

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

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

Week of 09/25 Team #7: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263

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

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, *parents are required to pre-register those attending the session by contacting the Parish Center Office, 215-855-1311*. Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), at **7:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month: i.e. September 19th, October 17th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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



MARRIAGES: Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session. The next session at Corpus Christi is Oct. 1st and 2nd, 2016 (Cost: \$95 / couple) – Contact ccprecanateam@gmail.com for information.

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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.**