

# HONORING ALL who served

But thanks be to God!  
He gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus  
Christ.

1 Cor 15:57

*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania  
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 8, 2015*



**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**

|                                    |   |
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| Edd Murphy                         | Business Manager                              |
| Sr. Mary Carroll<br>McCaffrey, SSJ | Parish Minister                               |
| Maureen Lafferty                   | School Principal                              |
| Trish Keen                         | Director, Religious<br>Education for Children |
| Angela McClellan                   | Director, Adult Faith<br>Formation            |
| Danielle Gallo                     | Youth/Young Adult<br>Minister                 |

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**CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:**

**Church:** [www.corpuschristilansdale.org](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org)  
**School:** [www.ccsllansdale.org](http://www.ccsllansdale.org)

**CARING & SHARING**  
**215-855-1311 ext 133**

**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

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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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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  
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Prayer Garden: Don Janssen 215-361-8558  
Prayer Line: Anna Marie O'Reilly 215-368-4672  
Pre-Cana Program: Jack & Mary Ann McGowan  
610-584-5569

Pre-Jordan Program: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311  
RCIA Program: Deacons Langsdorf and Currie  
215-855-1311

Respect Life: Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160  
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Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Danielle Gallo  
215-855-1311 ext. 118

# PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

We are given the opportunity today to stand beside Jesus as He and His disciples watch inside the temple. As we watch, the well-to-do and the influential pass by. Each one gives something. Some of the wealthy put in sizeable amounts. Now a widow comes in with her meager offering of two small copper coins. The coins themselves are worth very little; but the widow's gift is certainly far from worthless. The Savior called His disciples over and told them, "I want you to observe that this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Here is the strongest encouragement of generous giving, directly from the lips of Jesus. Apparently He was not at all impressed by those who simply skimmed a bit off the top and gave to keep up appearances. The real credit went to the woman who gave even to the point of sacrifice. That generosity did not cease with the widow in the temple. When you visit New York's famous Saint Patrick's Cathedral, remember the gifts of the little people. Long years before the skyscrapers would rise, a people filled with deep faith dreamed and sacrificed. Certainly there were wealthy families giving large gifts. But Saint Patrick's had the prayerful support of immigrant men who worked long hours and women who worked as housekeepers, maids, and cooks. Whatever they gave was from their want not from their surplus wealth.

But what about this idea of contribution? We have many invitations to give. No one can give to every cause which solicits our help. On the contrary, no one can morally sit back and think he or she owes nothing. We dare not do that. There is no question about sharing what we have, sharing it prudently and generously.

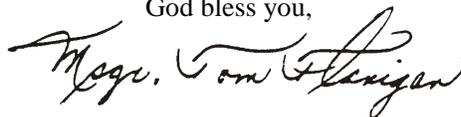
Prudent giving would mean that we choose the better targets for our gifts. Certainly the cause of religion ought to have a high place on our list. The parish, the Archdiocese, the worldwide Church should be of true concern to us. The needs of our hungry and homeless, wherever they may be, should find a response.

Prudence also would indicate good judgment in giving. The popular saying of "you can't give to everything" is correct. But that should never serve as a false reason for not giving. Of course it is true. We cannot give to every cause placed before us. So we should try to aim for the most reliable. We probably will be well advised not to spend too much time searching for the safest organization as a target for our gift. After all, if we give in the name of Christ, we will never lose. On the contrary, we will always be rewarded.

The wealthy people in the temple that day, when Christ was observing them, probably would have considered the widow to have poor judgment. Jesus said she had the greatest reward. Probably the prominent among them would have explained to the widow that she ought to put those coins aside, save them, and not give them. To which Christ might have answered somewhat as He did elsewhere: "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth . . . But store up treasures in heaven, where neither moth, nor decay destroys, nor thieves break in and steal."

No question about it. God does reward the truly generous giver.

God bless you,



## FORTY HOURS

Our annual Forty Hours Devotion will be held on **Sunday, November 15th to Tuesday, November 17th.**

**Fr. James DeGrassa** will be the preacher on Monday and Tuesday evening at 7:30PM. He sends this message in advance:



Historically, the Forty Hours Devotion has been a special forty-hour period of continuous prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. The focus of this devotion is, of course, Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist. As Catholics it is so important to reflect on the importance of the Most Blessed Sacrament in our lives. To pause and be reminded of the treasure we possess. When I *Googled* churches in your area I viewed a map which displayed over a dozen churches. ALL different churches that believe in Jesus Christ as their savior. What makes Corpus Christi different than those other area Christian Churches? The answer is simple and yet at the same time very powerful - the Eucharist! Please join me for these grace-filled days as we pray together and reflect upon the greatest gift that we have as Catholics in this world. May God bless us and empower us to be His instruments in this world.

The schedule is as follows:

**Sunday, November 15th** Adoration after 11:30 Mass until 5:45PM followed by the 6PM Mass

**Monday, November 16th** 7:15AM Mass; Adoration all day; Monday Evening - "**Sit Down and Eat**" - **The Meal**  
7:30PM Benediction

**Tuesday, November 17th** 7:15AM Mass; Adoration all day; Tuesday Evening - "**Get Up and Grow**" - **The Deal**  
7:30PM Benediction

Rev. James DeGrassa is a diocesan priest for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. He grew up in St. Madeline Parish in Ridley Park, Delaware County and attended Cardinal O'Hara High School. He is blessed to have his mother and father, two sisters and brother in his life. He felt his calling to the priesthood at around fifteen years old. Through much prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament, daily Mass and encouragement from family, friends and parishioners he entered St. Charles Seminary. He was ordained in 2010 and his first assignment was to Our Lady of Grace Parish in Pennel, Pennsylvania. His second assignment was to St. Denis Parish in Havertown, Pennsylvania. He is currently assigned to Saints Simon and Jude Parish in West Chester, Pennsylvania. His years as a priest have brought great joy and satisfaction to his personal life, vocation and ministry. He has great hope for the future of our local Church and looks forward to meeting all of you during his visit to the parish.

# MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

|                   |   |
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| <b>Saturday,</b>  | <b>November 7th</b>   |
| 4:30 PM           | Sgt. Allen O'Reilly USMC<br>by Anna Marie O'Reilly          |
| <b>Sunday,</b>    | <b>November 8th</b>   |
| 7:00 AM           | Deceased Members of the Janssen Family<br>by Donald Janssen |
| 8:30              | Catherine and Kenneth Kendig<br>by Pat and Pam Kendig       |
| 10:00             | Peter Illari<br>by The Illari Family                        |
| 11:30             | William Donohue<br>by The Donohue Family                    |
| 6:00 PM           | John Falco<br>by John and Dolores Corrigan                  |
| <b>Monday,</b>    | <b>November 9th</b>   |
| 7:15 AM           | Loretta Santorsola<br>by Marie Dalton                       |
| <b>Tuesday,</b>   | <b>November 10th</b>  |
| 7:15 AM           | Deceased Members of the US Marine Corps<br>by Joe Belcher   |
| <b>Wednesday,</b> | <b>November 11th</b>  |
| 7:15 AM           | Ron Lancia<br>by Kathleen Lancia                            |
| <b>Thursday,</b>  | <b>November 12th</b>  |
| 7:15 AM           | Phyllis Fedele<br>by The McNamara Family                    |
| <b>Friday,</b>    | <b>November 13th</b>  |
| 7:15 AM           | Roger Kirk<br>by Mike and Kathy Johnson                     |
| <b>Saturday,</b>  | <b>November 14th</b>  |
| 7:15 AM           | Jason Borkowski<br>by The Borkowski Family                  |
| 4:30 PM           | The O'Reilly-Callahan Family<br>by Anna Marie O'Reilly      |
| <b>Sunday,</b>    | <b>November 15th</b>  |
| 7:00 AM           | Florence G. Tilden<br>by Brian and Donna Aquilante          |
| 8:30              | Edward and Helen Borkowski<br>by Mary and Ed Borkowski      |
| 10:00             | Donomic Dihn N. Anh<br>by Huynh Dinh                        |
| 11:30             | Edward Colahan<br>by The Colahan Family                     |
| 6:00 PM           | Catherine Whitaker<br>by The Crotty Family                  |

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

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| October 31/November 1                | \$ 31,880 |
| Envelopes mailed                     | 2,439     |
| Envelopes returned                   | 826       |
| <b>Mortgage Reduction Collection</b> |           |
| November to date                     | \$ 2,692  |

**First Reading: I Kings 17:10-16** Elijah asked a widow for a cup of water and a piece of bread. She told him she was almost out of flour, and that she and her son would soon starve. Elijah told her not to be afraid, as God had told him the jar of flour would not go empty. So she did as he had asked and prepared bread from the last of her flour. As God had said, her jar did not go empty, and she and her son had plenty to eat.

**Responsorial Psalm: PS 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 Praise the Lord, my soul!**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28** The high priests entered the sanctuary each year and offered a sacrifice, but not a sacrifice of their own blood. Just as people die once and are judged, Christ was offered up once for the sins of many.

**Gospel: Mark 12:38-44** Jesus expressed disgust over the hypocrisy of some of the scribes for wanting special treatment from the people. He watched the wealthy put large contributions into the collection box, but explained that what they gave was surplus wealth, and not a real sacrifice. He told them the biggest donation was a small amount from a widow, because she had given up the only money that she had to live on.

## Family Connection

Today's Gospel leads us to think about our family's financial contributions to our parish community, the diocese, other Church-sponsored organizations, and other charitable organizations. Good stewardship invites us to share our treasure as well as our time and talent. Sometimes, however, decisions about a family's charitable giving are made without our children's knowledge. Yet we teach more when we invite all family members to be aware of how we contribute to our Church and to other charitable organizations.

As you gather as a family, talk about your family's financial contributions to your parish and to other Church activities. If your family supports other charitable organizations, you might talk about these as well. Talk together about why it is important for us to share our resources with these organizations. Read today's Gospel, Mark 12:41-44. Talk about what Jesus observes about the generosity of the poor widow. Talk also about ways in which your family might also make a sacrificial gift to support your parish or other charitable organization. (Perhaps your family might choose not to go out to dinner but to contribute the money to your parish). Invite all family members to participate in the decision about what action you will take and which organization you will support with your contribution. Conclude in prayer together asking God to help your family be generous like the poor widow in today's Gospel. Pray together the Peace Prayer of St. Francis.

[www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm](http://www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm)



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Joan Dougherty; John Wagner; Geraldine Akers, sister of Leonard Marcinek; Mary Walters; Rudolf Tibilis, father of Laura Thompson.



"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."

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| Monday    | Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22 |
| Tuesday   | Wis 2:23—3:9; Lk 17:7-10                             |
| Wednesday | Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19                              |
| Thursday  | Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25                           |
| Friday    | Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37                              |
| Saturday  | Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8                      |

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

**Lansdale Catholic Fall Open House** – All area junior high students and their families are invited to join us at our Fall Open House, **Thursday, November 12 from 7 – 9PM**. A *special reception to meet the administration and department chairs will begin in our Resource Room at 6:30PM*, with light refreshments served. Student led tours of the school will be ongoing and there will be representatives of all our athletic teams and extracurricular activities to answer your questions on the LC experience.

**Lansdale Catholic Drama Club** – LC presents *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* on Friday, November 13 and Saturday, November 14 at 7pm and Sunday, November 15 at 1pm. Tickets are \$10 for students and senior citizens and \$12 for adults. They are available in the LC Activities Office or at the door, call 215-362-6160 x 126 for more information.

**Lansdale Catholic 8th Grade Shadow Program** – All area eighth graders are encouraged to shadow a current LC ninth grader for a day. Please have a parent/guardian contact Mrs. Allen at 215-362-6160 x 194 or email

[amallen@lansdalecatholic.com](mailto:amallen@lansdalecatholic.com) to set up a shadow appointment.

**Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School Presents: *Once Upon a Mattress***. Friday & Saturday Evenings, November 13, 14, 20 and 21, at 7:00pm; and Sunday Matinees, November 15 & 22 at 2:00pm. Tickets available at [www.gmahs.org](http://www.gmahs.org).

**Craft Fair at Worcester Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, November 14th from 9AM-2PM (rain or shine)** Ladies Auxiliary of WVFD is hosting a Fall Craft Fair. Join us for a day of shopping for the holidays. Our Show features a raffle from the crafters/vendors, free photos with Santa from 11AM to 1PM, a Hoagie Sale (\$7.50 per hoagie) and a variety of other food. For more information please contact the Ladies Auxiliary at [lawvfd@gmail.com](mailto:lawvfd@gmail.com) or 610-584-5159.

### Fall Basket Bingo

Presentation of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1564 Allentown Road, Lansdale, PA holds its annual Fall Basket Bingo featuring filled Longaberger Baskets on Sunday, **November 22, 2015**. Doors open at Noon. Games begin at 1PM. Lunch including homemade pierogies and other dishes are available. Admission is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. For tickets visit [www.PresentationUkrainianCC.com](http://www.PresentationUkrainianCC.com) or call 215-852-3463.

### A Very Special Introductory Conference on November 21, 2015 at Corpus Christi Church An Introductory Conference on the Flame of Love Movement of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



Scheduled on November 21, 2015 at Corpus Christi Church; 900 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446. Beginning at 8:45 AM and concluding at 11:00 AM. All are invited. Free of charge. This special day will open up for you the riches that are contained in the Flame of Love.

**Donations are needed for Thanksgiving:** Catholic Social Services will be providing Thanksgiving dinners for 300 needy families in Montgomery County. We are in need of frozen turkeys, and all the trimmings needed to provide a dinner for a family. We cannot accept the coupon for a free turkey – we ask that you redeem the coupon and donate the turkey. We will also accept donations of grocery store gift cards.

Donations can be dropped off at our office at 353 E. Johnson Hwy., Norristown, PA: Monday, November 16, 2014 through Friday, November 20, 2015 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM or on Sunday, November 22, 2015 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM, or by appointment. If you have any questions please call Catholic Social Services, 353 E. Johnson Hwy., Norristown, PA, 610-279-7372 and ask for Patrick Walsh or any staff person.

The **Shrine of the Miraculous Medal** will host their Annual Solemn Novena (Nine Days of Prayer), **November 16th to 24th** with Fr. Michael Shea, CM. The Theme is: “Central Association of the Miraculous Medal: Glory to God and Honor to Mary.” Mass, homily and Novena prayers at 7AM, 9AM, & 12PM daily except Sunday. Novena prayers, Homily & Benediction in afternoons and evenings. Confessions heard on Mondays and Thursday. Free and secure parking is always available. Visit [www.MiraculousMedal.org](http://www.MiraculousMedal.org) for details.

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

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

### 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 weekend is **November 20-22** at Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at [www.wwme-philly.org](http://www.wwme-philly.org) or register online at [Applications@wwme-philly.org](mailto:Applications@wwme-philly.org). You can also contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at 610-449-1859.

### Malvern Retreat House

Please visit [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com) to see the available retreat weekends or twilight evening mini-retreats. Register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

## Craft Show

Saturday  
November 14, 2015  
9 AM - 3 PM

National Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel  
1663 Bristol Pike, Bensalem, PA 19020

(0.7 mi south of Holy Ghost Prep)

215-244-9900 x380

skdshrine@comcast.net

[www.KatharineDrexel.org](http://www.KatharineDrexel.org)

(Look under National Shrine News & Events)



CALLED BY NAME

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has encouraged all parishes to participate in **CALLED BY NAME**, a program of vocation awareness that begins this weekend. This program offers us an opportunity to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in priesthood. Perhaps you know a single man (16 years or older) who would, in your opinion, have qualities to become a priest. Please recommend this person by filling out the response card found in church. Next weekend, place the completed card in the collection basket or return it to the parish office.

# ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



**Mom Café - Tuesday, December 1st**– 9:30 to 11AM Religious Education Room in Church

**The Guardians -Tuesday, December 1st**– 7PM Religious Education Room in Church. For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at [deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com](mailto:deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com).



**A Free Flame of Love Diary** will be distributed at Corpus Christi on: November 14th and 15th After all the Masses. After reading the Diary please come to the Introductory Conference on Saturday November 21st at: Corpus Christi Church. Schedule:  
8:45 -9:00 Prayers and Introduction  
9:00-9:30 Introduction to the Flame of Love  
9:30-10:00 Flame of Love as a way of life  
10:00-11:00 Prayer Cenacles ~ The Key to Spreading the Flame of Love

### 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/](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff/library/).

**The Brother House**, a work of the Legion of Mary, the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church, is seeking new *male* members to work with homeless men at 510 Green Street, Norristown, PA. Come and ring our doorbell on any Monday evening between 6:45 and 7:00, or contact Leo Couchara at 484-614-0055 for more information. It is a very rewarding spiritual work.

*“for I was hungry and you gave me food...”* (Matthew 25: 35)

### A Special Event for Catholic Families

Living Bridges, a Catholic lay ministry in their 38th year, is sponsoring a great event later next month.

**Mary: Mother of Mercy, Sunday November 29th 12:30PM-6:30PM – a day for families to honor Mary.** Team includes: Fr. Domenic Rossi, O. Praem, Fr. Peter Welsh, Fr. William Gaffney, CSSR, Marty Rotella, Steven Kilpatrick, Bob & Anna Iatesta. This event will be held at Malvern Retreat House. This day includes: Talks, Mass, Confession, Activities and Spaghetti Dinner. Be sure to register early. For more information & registration – contact: Living Bridges, 610-525-4770, [staff@livingbridges.org](mailto:staff@livingbridges.org).

### Cabrini Introduces New M.A. in Religious and Pastoral Studies

As Pope Francis continues to inspire Catholics in the greater Philadelphia area and around the world, Cabrini College announces its plan to serve faith-based professionals through a Master of Arts in Religious and Pastoral Studies.

The 12-course program – 11 courses plus a comprehensive final project or culminating experience – will help religious leaders and educators better serve their community and meet the needs of a changing society and a diverse population. The degree offers specialized tracks in pastoral studies, religious education, and social justice.

Courses will be conveniently offered in online, blended, and face to face formats to help students attend part-time without disrupting their busy lives.

The program is offered at a reduced rate for those in active ministry, religious and theological educators, or professionals in a related field as approved by the director of the program. For more information or if you have any questions, please visit [www.cabrini.edu/MRel](http://www.cabrini.edu/MRel) or contact us at [graduate@cabrini.edu](mailto:graduate@cabrini.edu) and we will get back to you promptly.

### 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.

### 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 which opened September 19th at Philadelphia’s Franklin Institute and runs through February 2016.**



### Advent Wreath-Making

Create an Advent Wreath for your home. Families, seniors, and singles are all welcome. Keep Christ in Christmas by reflecting upon the true “reason for the season.” Bring a pair of scissors and some small decorations to embellish your wreath. Morning refreshments and all other supplies are included with your \$15.00 registration fee. Pre-payment and pre-registration are required for this event. Limited supplies and space are available, so register early so as not to be disappointed! Payment is non-refundable but is transferable to another person.

**Sunday, November 22, 2015**

**Following the 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM Masses**

**Parish Center: Conference Rooms B and C**

Mail bottom portion of this flyer and registration fee of \$15.00 to:

Corpus Christi Parish Center  
c/o Angela McClellan  
900 Sumneytown Pike  
Lansdale, PA 19446



### Advent Wreath-Making

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Place a “1” next to your first choice and a “2” next to your second choice.

Following the 8:30 AM Mass \_\_\_\_\_

Following the 10:00 AM Mass \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Please Note: *If you do not hear from us, please come for the session you indicated as your first choice.*

**Thank you!**

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, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Wayne Richards, Jim Thompson, Hayden Spratt, Angelo Rosato, Thomas Roy, Rich Kupniewski, Elaine Deimeyer, Dave Clark, Debbie Scott, Peter Schumacher, Rosemary Bauerle, Kathy Popiny, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco.



Corpus Christi is in need of more **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** to bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass, including those in their homes and in nursing facilities. If you believe that God is calling to serve your brothers and sisters, please call the Parish Office, 215-855-1311, and leave a message for Deacon Steve Currie.

### CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

**November General Mtg** - will be held on **Thursday, November 12, at 12:00 noon in Mtg rooms A-B-C**. We will have a gentleman speaking about Medicare, and will be making the gift tags for the Giving Tree. We also will begin collecting for our annual Christmas Luncheon at William Penn Inn (Luncheon is available for Members Only!) The luncheon selections are Chicken Marsala - \$28, Tangerine Grilled Salmon - \$30 and Roast Prime Rib of Beef - \$35. Any questions, please contact Janet Stankus at 215-368-1785, or Kathy Kemp at 215-368-4075

### NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

**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."**

### CASSEROLE PROJECT

*Please Be Sure to Mark the Contents and Date Your Casserole Was Prepared on the Cover of the Casserole and to Sign the Sign-up Sheet on the Door of the Big Freezer.*

Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up **Thursday, November 12th**. Pick-up day is always the second Thursday of the month. Each day St. John's provides between 500 and 700 meals to the homeless. Won't you help with this project by taking a pan and filling it with a recipe of your choice? The recipe should have a meat, poultry, or fish base. Please use only the pans that are provided by St John's and are available on the tables with the burgundy covers in the narthex of the church. They are also available in the gray garage next to the freezers. Do not overfill the pans. **Please bring your solidly frozen casseroles to the three-bay gray garage near the former convent by Wednesday, November 11th.** The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.

### MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, November 7/8, after all the Masses. Please leave your donations of non-perishable goods in the room next to the restrooms in the back of church.

### KNIGHTS CORNER #9715



Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall today, **Sunday, November 8, 2015** for our next Community Breakfast hosted by The Knights of Columbus from 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Cost: ONLY \$8 for Adults, and \$4 for Children. Please see pg. 9 for additional details.



Corpus Christi CYO invites the Seniors of our parish to a **Thanksgiving Dinner on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> in the Corpus Christi Gymnasium**. Wine and hors d'oeuvres served at **5:30PM** followed by dinner. Please **RSVP** to Joe and Rose Connors at 215-361-3527 by November 18th. Transportation is available if needed or if you cannot join us, but would like a meal delivered to you, please call Joe and Rose by November 18th. We hope you can join us and let our Catholic Youth Organization be a part of your holiday season!

### Thanksgiving Turkey Trot for The Sisters of Saint Joseph Welcome Center



The Sisters of Saint Joseph Welcome Center are asking for our support in providing immigrant families with turkeys for their holiday meals. We will be accepting frozen turkeys weighing up to twenty pounds along with disposable aluminum roasting pans. **All donations of frozen turkeys will be accepted at the Corpus Christi School only on Monday, Nov. 23rd from 9:00am to 12:00noon.** Checks (made payable to *Corpus Christi School*) and ShopRite gift cards (available through Scrip) can be brought to the Corpus Christi School Office from Nov. 2nd to the 23rd, Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 2:30pm in an envelope marked "Thanksgiving Turkey Trot". Thank you for your generosity this holiday.

### Connect with other parents of children with special needs!

Please join us for a monthly meeting, to share ideas, resources, and support. As we begin to meet monthly, we will create topics for each meeting based on your interests and needs. Below are meeting dates and times for the next several months. We will post upcoming meeting times/dates in the church bulletin and Wednesday envelope. We look forward to meeting you! Please call or email Kathi with any questions: 215-260-1783 or [kathi0908@verizon.net](mailto:kathi0908@verizon.net). Nov. 23 7:00-8:30PM Rm A; Dec. 16 Noon-1:30 Room A; Jan. 11 7:00-8:30PM Rm A; Feb. 17 Noon-1:30 Room B; March 15 7:00-8:30PM Rm A; April 11 Noon-1:30 Room A; May 16 7:00-8:30PM Rm A

### VOLUNTEER MASS AND RECEPTION

In appreciation for your kindness and generosity as a **volunteer** in the Corpus Christi Parish Ministries and Organizations, you are cordially invited to a **Mass of Thanksgiving at 11:30PM** in the Church, followed by a **Reception** at the Father John E. Doyle Social Center, **Sunday November 15th**, please **RSVP by November 10th** by returning this slip to the basket in either the Narthex or the Religious Education Room.

I will attend the Mass and Reception

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry \_\_\_\_\_

or Organization \_\_\_\_\_

# Youth News

# CYO News

## High School Youth Group

For more information contact Danielle, our youth minister [corpus.ym@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:corpus.ym@gmail.com).

## SCRIP CORNER

**SCRIP OFFICE HOURS: Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session) Monday evenings 5:30pm to 8:00pm (when REC is in session)**

- ❖ It's time for **FALL FUN!!!** don't forget to pick up your **FREDDY HILL** gift cards before you go on your hayride and buy your pumpkins & mums!
- ❖ Fall is also a great time for home improvement projects. Get your **LOWES, HOME DEPOT** and **ACE HARDWARE** cards in denominations from \$25-\$100.
- ❖ There is a nip in the air and now is the time for jackets and boots (football and soccer fields get mighty chilly!) Before you head up to the Outlets, make sure you order your **L.L. Bean, Under Armor, Columbia** and **Nike** scrip cards!

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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.ccslansdale.org](http://www.ccslansdale.org) and click on the SCRIP button. If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fund raising program, you can reach Erin Miller at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail to [cc.scrip@yahoo.com](mailto:cc.scrip@yahoo.com)!

## Coming soon, in a school gym far, far away...

Episode XI: The Mother /Son Dance  
Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 303 and Cub Scout Pack 303  
Saturday, November 14th, 2015; 7 – 9PM

**For ALL pre-K – 5th Grade Boys in our Parish:**  
Bring your Mom/Special Lady to the Spaceship Corpus Christi School Gym

Legendary DJ, Keepsake Photo, Raffles, Games  
Casual or Theme Attire

Questions? [Fkmckenzie711@yahoo.com](mailto:Fkmckenzie711@yahoo.com)

\$30 per couple; \$5 per additional guest.  
Please mail check payable to Troop 303 to:

Corpus Christi School  
Mother/Son Dance  
920 Sunnyside Pike  
Lansdale, PA 19446

Please include names of all attending and your e-mail address.  
Thanks for your support!



**Basketball Fundraiser** – Parents night out, January 23rd, volunteers needed for planning committee, contact Brian Lasky [laskybt@gmail.com](mailto:laskybt@gmail.com).

■ **CYO Open Positions** – Boys Athletic Director, Scheduler, Snack Bar Coordinator  
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.

### Corpus Christ Catholic School Celebrating 50 years of Excellence

#### Preschool and Kindergarten Open House



It's not too early to think about preschool registration for next year. Corpus Christi Catholic School (CCS) offers a faith-filled and educational enriched early childhood preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds. Half-day or full day options are available. Recognized as a "Blue Ribbon School of Excellence", a prestigious designation awarded by the U.S. Department of Education, CCS also offers a rigorous academic curriculum for children in grades K through 8.

CCS will host an Open House for those interested in our preschool program on **Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 11:00AM – 12:30PM**. We will be hosting a second Open House for those interested in our preschool and kindergarten programs on **Sunday, December 13, 2015 from 10:00AM – 12:30PM**. Have any questions??? ... Or if would you like a private tour, please call the school office and ask to speak to Mrs. Casee at 215-368-0582. We look forward to seeing you soon.

## 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](http://www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com). Check out our Twitter link on homepage: <http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/> or email [metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com). Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults](http://www.facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults)

### SCRIP

Do you buy groceries? Or do you prefer to go out to restaurants to eat? Do you shop at CVS, Lowe's or Target? Do you drive a car that needs an endless supply of gas? Any of these purchases that you are already making can become the catalyst for actual cash back in your own pocket. Check out the full list of retailers at [www.ccslansdale.org](http://www.ccslansdale.org).

**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 11/08 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877**

**Week of 11/15 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 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. November 16th, December 21st.**

#### **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](mailto: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.

## **KNIGHTS CORNER #9715**



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

**WHY JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS? FIND OUT AT OUR "MEET AND GREET" AT 7 PM ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11TH** - If you are a Catholic Gentleman of 18 years or older in communion with the Holy See, then the Knights of Columbus may be the organization for you. Our members are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in our faith and having access to top-rated insurance protection for our families. Learn more at our "Meet and Greet" with the Fr. John E. Doyle Council #9715 at 7 PM on Wednesday November 11, 2015 in Room A at the Corpus Christi Parish Center. For additional information please contact Rudy Usic, Membership Chairman, at 215-802-0588 or at [rudyusic@verizon.net](mailto:rudyusic@verizon.net).

**ANNUAL NATIVITY ADVENT CALENDAR, GREETING CARDS, AND "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" CAR MAGNET SALE** - Plan now to "Keep Christ in Christmas" in your family's home this holiday season by supporting the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 Annual Nativity Advent Calendars and Christmas Cards Sale. Both will be sold in the Church Narthex after Weekend Masses from November 14-15 through November 21-22, or until supplies run out. Calendar choices are with chocolate, with stickers or with a mailing envelope and are each \$7. Cards will be sold in Boxes of 15 for \$10. Also available are "Keep Christ in Christmas" Silhouette Nativity Car Magnets for \$5. Proceeds earned from this fundraiser will benefit the school children of our Sister Parish, Visitation of the B.V.M. in the Kensington Section of Philadelphia. Please contact Tim Lescoe for Pre-Orders at 215-361-9693 or [lescoe.tim@gmail.com](mailto:lescoe.tim@gmail.com).

**NOVEMBER 27, 2015 "BLACK FRIDAY" ANNUAL PARISH BLOOD DRIVE** - The council will again be sponsoring the Corpus Christi Annual Blood Drive on "Black Friday", November 27th after Thanksgiving in the Corpus Christi Gym. The drive will be held from 2 to 7 PM. Details explaining how to sign up for an appointment will be provided soon. To donate is very easy, takes about an hour of your time, and makes a clear impact on the recipient. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Lendzinski at 215-917-7774 or [matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com).



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13TH - BREAKFAST WITH SANTA!** - Mark your calendar now for the annual Sunday, December 13, 2015 Breakfast with Santa in the Fr. Loughran Hall at Corpus Christi School. Two seatings will be offered: 9:30 - 10:30 AM and 11:00AM - 12:00 p.m.

The price of \$6.00 per person includes Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausages, Juice & Coffee and a special photo with Santa.

For additional information contact Mike Kelly at 484-994-5850 or [wlsmkelly@comcast.net](mailto:wlsmkelly@comcast.net).