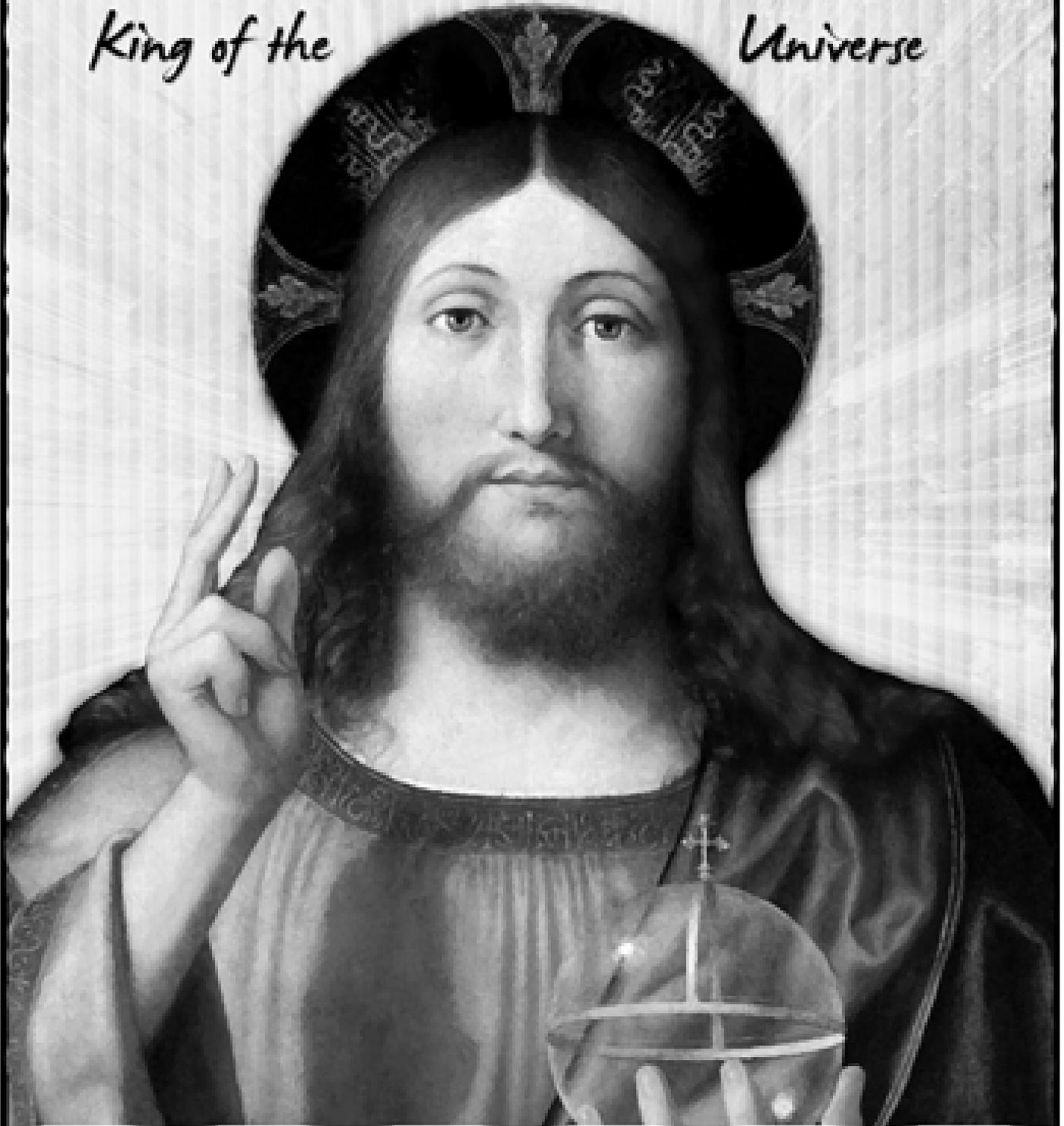


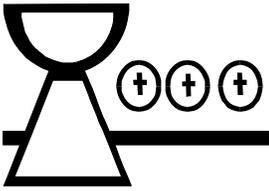
# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

*King of the*

*Universe*



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania*  
*November 24, 2013*



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CHRISTI  
PARISH**

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**Deacon William W. Evans**

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**School:** [www.ccslansdale.org](http://www.ccslansdale.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.

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     To Visit Home Bound - Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 125  
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 Greeters: Henry Hartman 215-362-1463  
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 Prayer Line: Anna Marie O'Reilly 215-368-4672  
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 Pre-Jordan Program: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311  
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# PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Artists and sculptors for centuries, when depicting the crucifixion, have included in abbreviated form the inscription Pilate ordered affixed to the cross above the head of Jesus. We are accustomed to the four letters *I-N-R-I*, which are the first letters of the Latin words for "*Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews*". Saint John's account of the crucifixion notes that Pilate's inscription was printed in three languages – Hebrew, Greek, and Latin – all the languages in use at the time in the New Testament world. This is the stage setting, so to speak, for today's gospel passage.

The Savior-King is mocked three times. This was not done by the common people who had listened to Jesus' teachings and had begun to put their trust in Him. The mockery was by their leaders, by the soldiers who served under Pilate, and by a condemned criminal. We can only imagine the shock and the scandal of the common people at seeing their hoped-for Messiah being crucified like a criminal.



Each sarcastic taunt uses the verb "save". They cried out, "Let Him save Himself if He is the Messiah of God . . . If You are the king of the Jews, save Yourself . . . Save Yourself and us." Saint Luke's account of the temptations, which we heard early in the year on the first Sunday of Lent, had Satan saying to our Lord twice, "If You are the Son of God . . ." So now, like a last temptation, a voice cries, "Aren't You the Messiah? Then save Yourself and us." It is as if, in the last moments of His human life, Christ the King hears that voice again through the pleading of a helpless condemned man.

The other criminal on Calvary, given the name of Dismas in later centuries, either had or had just received the gift of faith. He addresses Christ the King by His personal name, Jesus, which means, "savior". He quietly asks just to be remembered. "Remember me when You come into Your kingdom." The quiet answer of Jesus was unbelievably affirmative: "Today you will be with Me in Paradise."

So our final reading from Saint Luke at the end of this year's liturgical cycle of readings leaves a lasting picture of the Christ he has tried to portray for us throughout his gospel. In the second chapter of his gospel, the Savior-King was first announced to some pretty rough looking shepherds, the lowest class of workers in Palestinian society. The Savior-King is finally recognized by a condemned criminal as Jesus nears His dying breath. This tells us the kind of company this Savior-King keeps. He accepts all of us just as we are, asking only and simply, "Come follow Me." The *I-N-R-I* above His head in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin means that He is King of all peoples regardless of race, nation or status.

Next week begins the season of Advent, and we will begin all over again to adore, celebrate, and listen to the words of Christ the King, Son of God, and our Savior.

God bless you,

## GIVING TREE 2013



Our annual Giving Tree Project began on, **November 16-17**. It benefits the children of Visitation School and REC program and the SSJ Welcome Center in Kensington. Take a tag from a tree in the narthex or the religious education room and purchase an age appropriate gift or gift certificate as indicated on the tag. Gifts should be returned wrapped (no bows) with the tag attached to the package. Please remove the hooks from the tags. There will be a bag marked **Gift Certificates** under each tree. Drop certificates in the bag. Do not wrap them. Indicate the amount on the card. **Gift cards can be purchased through our SCRIP Program at school.**

**Return dates: November 30/December 1 and 7-8. The gifts need to be delivered no later than December 16<sup>th</sup> to Visitation.** The sorting and packing of so many gifts is a huge project so the sooner we get them the better! Corpus Christi has been Santa Claus to many children who otherwise may not have Christmas. The gift certificates help many of the Welcome Center's families celebrate Christmas as well as help the center continue their good work. **If anyone has any questions or would like to help with the sorting, packing, and /or delivering, please contact Kate Motley at 610-584-0510.**

**Announcing the Parish 50th Anniversary Pilgrimage to Italy!** Corpus Christi parishioners and friends are invited to "Enchanting Italy" group tour with Msgr. Flanigan and Curran Travel, Inc. The tour will run from Wednesday, October 8th to Thursday October 16th, 2014. Some of the trip highlights include 7 nights hotel accommodations: 2 nights Venice (Bellini or similar hotel), 2 nights Florence (Grand Hotel Adriatico or similar), 3 nights Rome (Mediterraneo or similar). Sightseeing in a modern air-conditioned motorcoach including Doge's palace, Venice, wine tasting with local specialties at a Tuscan countryside farm, Michelangelo's David, Florence, Basilica of St. Francis, Assisi, Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel, Rome, Forum and Colosseum, Farewell Opera Dinner and illuminated city Tour of Rome. Cost 3630. pp, dbl. occ. Much more information is available in a brochure, which may be picked up in the Narthex on the ministry tables. For questions contact Elaine Koza at 215-699-5559.

**We have a new addition to our website!** You can now update your parish records by clicking onto the [www.CorpusChristiLansdale.org](http://www.CorpusChristiLansdale.org) Welcome tab then Registration & Parish Programs under the first topic, Registration, there is a link to click to update your registration records. This sends an update email to the parish office, easy!

# MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

- Saturday, November 23rd**  
4:30 PM Ray Williamson  
by Wilma Williamson
- Sunday, November 24th**  
7:00 AM William Walsh  
by Rev. Georges Thiers  
8:30 Bill and Anna Geppert, Sr.  
by Marie Steinhauser  
10:00 Christine Shelton  
by Mary Slater  
11:30 Joseph Kraynak, Sr.  
by Porambo Family  
6:00 PM Thomas Smith  
by Albor Family
- Monday, November 25th**  
7:15 AM Beth Ann O'Boyle  
by Steve and Kathleen Currie
- Tuesday, November 26th**  
7:15 AM Edwin Markel  
by Margaret Markel
- Wednesday, November 27th**  
7:15 AM Jane Whitford  
by Daino Family
- Thursday, November 28th**  
9:00 AM Patricia Liney  
by Jane Belcher
- Friday, November 29th**  
7:15 AM Alice Baker  
by Tento Family
- Saturday, November 30th**  
7:15 AM Catherine Baldasano  
by Gorora Family  
4:30 PM Rose Belfato  
by Joanne O'Donnell
- Sunday, December 1st**  
7:00 AM Bernard Ortwein  
by Kris and Kevin Fitzpatrick  
8:30 Renee and Isabelle Mizdail  
10:00 Adam Fox  
by Beth Lentz  
11:30 Joseph Kraynak, Sr.  
by John and Judy Cullen  
6:00 PM Shannon Kathleen Rafferty  
by Rafferty Family



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Regina Hendrick, wife of Thomas.

## Prayer For Those Who Have Died



Father, hear our prayer and welcome our loved ones into paradise with You and all of Your saints. Help us as we comfort one another in the faith that one day we will all meet together again in Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

+Amen

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

November 16/17	\$ 27,512
Envelopes mailed	2,637
Envelopes returned	851
<b>Mortgage Reduction Collection</b>	
November to date	\$ 4,687

**First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3** Samuel describes how all the tribes of Israel went to David in Hebron and said they were his bone and his flesh and it was he who led them back to Israel. The Lord told David he would be a shepherd to His people. David made an agreement with the elders and was anointed king.

**Responsorial Psalm: 122:1-2,3-4,4-5** Enter the house of the Lord rejoicing.

**Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20** Paul explains to the Colossians that God has made them fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light and that through the Son we have redemption and forgiveness of sin. He describes Jesus as the image of the invisible God, the head of the church and in Him all things hold together.



**Gospel: Luke 23:35-43** Jesus is mocked by the crowd as He hung on the cross. Above Him was an inscription that read "This is the king of the Jews." One of the men being crucified with Jesus tells Him to save them and Himself, while the other asks that he be remembered when Jesus is in His kingdom. Jesus said in reply, "Amen I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

## Family Connection

Understanding today's Feast of Christ the King may be particularly challenging. While we may not have a direct experience of kings or royalty, we have some sense of what these mean. We know that royalty have sovereignty over their kingdom. We know that those who are subjects to royalty offer them allegiance and honor. Christ is King in a way that is different from traditional understandings of royalty. Christ's kingship extends to all places, all people, and all times. Christ manifests His kingship through His death on the Cross, in which He offers salvation to all.

Recall with your children stories that you may have read about royalty. Talk with your children about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a king. Talk about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a subject.

Tell your children that this Sunday is the last Sunday in the Church Year, and on this Sunday, we celebrate a special feast called the Feast of Christ the King. Read today's Gospel, Luke 23:35-43. Reflect together on how the various people in this Gospel respond to Jesus on the Cross. Who in this Gospel recognizes Jesus as King? (the thief) What does Jesus promise the thief as a result? (The thief will be with Jesus in paradise.)

Talk about how your family will recognize and honor Christ the King. Pray together the Lord's Prayer and ask God to help your family to act in ways that show you recognize and honor Christ as King.

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

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

### Sisters of Saint Joseph Chance Drive

The Sisters of St. Joseph are grateful for your generous support of our annual chance drive, which benefits the 200+ sisters we care for at St. Joseph Villa. Your kindness is remembered in the sisters' prayers at the villa and throughout the SSJ community. The drawing is December 1st. We hope there will be a winner among us. Good luck and thank you very much.

### The Christmas Candle

A new feature film is focused on the season of Advent. Based on a book by Christian author Max Lucado, *The Christmas Candle* is the first film from former U.S. Senator and Presidential candidate Rick Santorum through his production company Echolight Studios. Please spread the news and promote this family feature to endorse good family movies. See the trailer at [www.thechristmascandlemovie.com](http://www.thechristmascandlemovie.com).

We are pleased to announce the **2014 Archbishop's Lecture Series**. You can also listen to the 2013 lectures on-line. See: <http://www.phillyevang.org/lectures/>

### Praying with Mary - Advent Reflection Day Sunday, December 1st, 9am - 4pm

**Begin preparations for Christmas with the story of Mary.** Join the Sisters for a day of prayer, creativity, and sharing as you take time to reflect on God's presence in your own story. This day is designed for single Catholic women between the ages of 18 - 35 who may be considering Religious Life. Includes Mass and Lunch. There is no fee for the day, although free-will offerings are kindly accepted. Event will be held at the Provincialate of the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer, 521 Moreton Rd, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006. For more information please contact Sr. Ana or Sr. Katharina Maria at 215-914-4109 or [vocations@holyredeemer.com](mailto:vocations@holyredeemer.com); [www.sistersholyredeemer.org](http://www.sistersholyredeemer.org).

**Lansdale Catholic High School to Host a Cell Phone Collection Event** During the month of November, 2013 Lansdale Catholic High School is proud to offer friends and neighbors an alternative to discarding old and unwanted cell phones. They will be hosting a cell phone collection event throughout the month of November on their premises. During this time, all area residents are invited to discard their unwanted cell phones in one of their dedicated recycling bins.

**The Food Cupboard at Catholic Social Services**, 353 E. Johnson Hwy., Norristown is in need of volunteers at our Food Cupboard. The hours are Monday and Thursday from 8:30AM to 11:30 Am. For more information, please call Elizabeth Peteraf at 610-279-7372.

### Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. It gives you the chance to rediscover yourself and your spouse. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. **The next program begins on the weekend of February 7th-9th at the Family Life Center in Malvern PA.** For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit our website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 800-470-2230 or 215-766-3944. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

**Holy Rosary Regional School**, located at 3040 Walton Road in Plymouth Meeting, will host its annual **HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW** on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 4PM and on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 2PM. Browse the displays of beautiful handmade crafts from over 100 vendors and find unique gifts for everyone on your list. Enjoy a delicious breakfast or lunch at Mrs. Claus' Kitchen. Buy chances at the fabulous *Raffle Table* and bring home delicious *Baked Goods* for the family! Free admission and parking. For information call 610-825-0160.

### The Feminine Genius: Every Woman's Gift

**Make plans to attend** The Archdiocese of Philadelphia and Endow are proud to announce the first Archdiocesan Catholic Women's Conference, "The Feminine Genius: Every Woman's Gift", which will take place **Saturday, December 7th, 8:30AM - 4:00PM at the Philadelphia Convention Center**. Speakers include Helen Alvarez, J.D. and Mother Agnes Mary Donovan, Superior General of the Sisters of Life, among others. The conference includes something for every woman, married, single and consecrated. There will also be a youth track for teen girls. Register at [www.CatholicWomensConference.org](http://www.CatholicWomensConference.org).

**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 [amallen@lansdalecatholic.com](mailto:amallen@lansdalecatholic.com) or 215-362-6160 x 194 to set up a shadow appointment.

### Advent Retreats at the IHM Spirituality Center 1140 King Road, Immaculata, PA 19345

Day of Reflection: "The Blue Hue" - December 3, 2013 - 9:30AM - 3PM  
Weekend of Directed Prayer: Dec. 13-15, 2013 - 6pm Friday - Noon, Sunday. For more information and/or registration, contact Sister Barbara Cook at 610-647-4136; [ihmspcenter@hotmail.com](mailto:ihmspcenter@hotmail.com) or visit our website: [www.ihmimmaculata.org/facilities/s\\_center.html](http://www.ihmimmaculata.org/facilities/s_center.html)

### Discernment Retreat December 13-15, 2013 ~ Friday 6PM - Sunday 1PM Villa Maria House of Studies

Young women (18-35) are invited to join us for this retreat which focuses on the IHM Charism and the importance of listening to God's call and discovering the many ways that God speaks to us. Time will be included for personal and communal prayer as well as the opportunity to interact with the Sisters in Formation. (Contact: [ihmvoc@aol.com](mailto:ihmvoc@aol.com) or 610-889-1553)



At **Joseph's People** we offer support and guidance to those who are unemployed or underemployed. Join us on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30PM, in the St. Maria Goretti Parish Center Library. If you have any questions-- please email [jpfhatfield@gmail.com](mailto:jpfhatfield@gmail.com).

### Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose December 14, 2013 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**St. Cyril of Jerusalem, 1410 Almshouse Rd., Jamison, PA**  
Are you thriving or just surviving? Are you ready for more energy? A deeper sense of purpose? More joy? A clearer understanding of God's plan for your life? Join us for one of our Passion & Purpose events. It's not your typical church event! It has been a life-changing event for tens of thousands of people. Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose is presented by internationally acclaimed speaker and author Matthew Kelly and the incredibly talented Eliot Morris. Ticket Price \$39: Includes all retreat materials. For more information or to purchase your ticket: [www.DynamicCatholic.com](http://www.DynamicCatholic.com) or call (215) 343-1288. @5:00pm.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



What am I most thankful for in my marriage for this past year? Make the blessing of your spouse come alive in your life by enriching your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is January 31-February 2, 2014 in Doylestown, PA. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [www.wwme-philly.org](http://www.wwme-philly.org) or contact Al & Mary Liz Heumann at [Applications@wwme-philly.org](mailto:Applications@wwme-philly.org) or 610-449-1859.

**Pope John Paul II High School's Studio 38** presents Joyful Noise. This non-stop high energy song & dance revue, featuring PJP's show choir The Rhapsodies, will keep you entertained from start to finish! With an eclectic set list, Joyful Noise takes you on a musical journey about the beauty of music. Tickets sales will be available soon on [pjphs.org](http://pjphs.org), and they will also be available at the door. Last show Sunday 11/24.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



**Our Lady's Bible Study** - Mondays 8:30-9:30AM  
Parish Library

**Patricians** - Monday, December 2nd  
7PM to 9PM; Corpus Christi Parish Library

**Mom Café** - Tuesday, December 3rd

**The Guardians** -Tuesday, December 3rd- For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at [deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com](mailto:deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com). 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Corpus Christi Church Religious Education Room.

**Mothers' Twilight Retreat** - Save the date Friday, December 6th, 6-9PM Sign up sheet on this page of the bulletin.

Visit us on the web at [www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/aff)

### SOMEONE NEEDS YOUR HELP



Corpus Christi will soon begin a Committee to help families or individuals prepare the liturgy at the time of a loved one's funeral. There will be a training for the volunteers so no experience is necessary. If you feel you have the compassion to help others at this sad time in their lives, and the willingness to learn the funeral rubrics please call Sister Mary Carroll at 215-368-5750. Thank you for reaching out to others in their time of grief.

**Mothers' Twilight Retreat Friday, December 6, 2013**  
~ 6-9PM Corpus Christi Parish Center ~

Retreat to your heart, replenish your spirit, and deepen the understanding of your vocation by participating in this evening of renewal for mothers that includes a catered buffet dinner and a spiritual conference with guest speaker, Danielle Bean.

About Our Speaker: Danielle Bean, a wife and mother of eight, is publisher of Catholic Digest and Creative Catechist magazines. Her books include My Cup of Tea, Mom to Mom,



Small Steps for Catholic Moms, and Momnipotent, an exciting new book and women's study published by Ascension Press (Fall 2013). Danielle also hosts a women's talk show, The Gist, in its third season of production on CatholicTV. Danielle has a special heart for mothers, particularly those who struggle. She encourages women of all ages and stages of life to find humor in daily challenges and the joy God intends for every one of us. It is in her primary vocation to

marriage and motherhood that Danielle finds the inspiration for all her work. Pick up a registration form on the ministry table in the narthex or fill out this form and mail with your check for \$25. to:

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



This retreat fills up quickly, no email or phone reservations can be accepted!

### Mothers' Twilight Retreat

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

### Consultation of the Clergy and Faithful For 2014 Synod of Bishops in Rome

Pope Francis has called for an Extraordinary Synod of Bishops in October 2014 on the theme: The Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelization. The General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops invites consultation on this topic to help with its preparations. A Preparatory Document has been issued by the Holy See to begin this process along with a series of questions. Archbishop Chaput, wishing the clergy and faithful of the Archdiocese to join in the consultation, has approved this instrument for local participation. The information is all contained on the Archdiocesan website at <http://archphila.org/synod2014/synod2014.php#top>. At the bottom of the information page is a link which will take you to the questionnaire to which responses should be returned by **December 2nd**. This is your opportunity to give your input on the status of marriage and family in today's culture.

A summary of the Preparatory Document is located at: <http://archphila.org/synod2014/pdf/SynodPrepDocENG.pdf>

The 41st Anniversary of the **March for Life** will be held on **Wednesday, January 22, 2014**, in Washington, DC. Make plans now to take the day off and join the Respect Life Group and the Knights of Columbus on the Anniversary of the infamous 1973 Supreme Court decision that allowed us to kill our pre-born children. Only one bus has been reserved, so sign up early. More details in next bulletin. Signup board will be in the Narthex.

### LOCAL CATHOLIC RADIO



Tune to **1570AM** to enjoy the best of EWTN and great local programming. Jesus Christ stated WISP's mission when He said "*Go into the whole world and proclaim the good news to all creation.*" (Mark 16:15). To obtain a programming guide, contact **Holy Spirit**

Radio at 215-345-1570 or visit them on the web at [www.holyspiritradio.org](http://www.holyspiritradio.org). (Also, listen on 1420 AM in Chester County!)

### MARY OF NAZARETH

Celebrate the season of Advent with your family at an exclusive screening of the epic film, Mary of Nazareth, at **Pope John Paul II High School in Royersford on Sunday, December 8, 2013**.

Doors open at 1:00PM with the movie starting at 2:00PM and running for 153 minutes. Tickets cost \$10 adult; \$5 students/seniors. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. Group rates available. Call Terry at 610-326-7041 for more information.

Light refreshments will be offered in the school cafeteria throughout the show.

### 'Tis the Season for Our Annual Catholic Book & Media Fair

Celebrate the Advent Season at our annual Catholic Book and Media Fair. Bolster your faith life through exposure to great Catholic books, Bibles, music, movies, gifts, and more! Invite your family and friends to do the same. Resources are available for all age groups: adults, teens, and children. Cash, checks, and credit cards are accepted for purchases. Consider sponsoring a "book with a bow" for the Parish Library, too. We welcome the Daughters of Saint Paul of Pauline Books and Media as our hosts for this event.



Friday, December 6, 2013

(As part of our Mothers' Twilight Retreat)

Saturday, December 7, 2013

Sunday, December 8, 2013

Following All Masses (Except Sunday 6:00 PM)  
Church Narthex



The Sick: Conrad Melton, Ken Slater, Matthew Taylor, Charles Klara, Florence Linfante, Alice Mirynowski, Joseph Taylor, Greg Pavlichko, Terri LaBianco, Matthew Knobel, Francis Hughes, James Kelly, Doris Mager, Will Weigner, Ann Smallwood, Dolores Lynch, Mary Schnee, Linda Masucci, Rosemarie Carson, Susan Stevenson, Elisabeth Highley, Bill Flear, Madeline Lukow, Daniel MacDonald, Matthew Hartman, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Debbie Gorniak, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Bob Skierski, Jeff and Holly Miller, Baby Jace Wojcik, Joe DeRaymond, Agnes Lauman, Charles Reckner, Brian Aquilante, Sr. Cecilia Hervas, R.A., Margaret Barton, Rosemarie Kulp, Barbara Kelly, Maryann Ashton, Joy Stover, Gene Hershey, Josephine Antis, Lucia Caufield.

### CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

**Club 50 Christmas Luncheon** Wednesday, December 11th at the William Penn Inn, 11:30AM to 3:30PM. Enjoy a very special afternoon with Club 50 friends. For more information and to sign up call Kathy Hayman - 215 362 7813 or Mary Day - 267 263 4002. Sign up and payment is due by December 3rd. MEMBERS ONLY

**American Music Theater-Lancaster PA** - 2013 Christmas Show, Friday, December 6th cost \$87pp. Leaves 9:30am luncheon smorgasbord at Bird-n-Hand Restaurant (11:30am), free time for shopping and browsing at Rockville Center Outlets (1:15pm-2:15pm), Show at 3PM. Returns approx. 7:30PM, call \*215-513-1026, Alex and Betty Korsch, 463 Wilshyre Way, Harleysville PA 19438.

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

### CLOTHING DRIVE

**Corpus Christi Home & School Association will be sponsoring a Clothing Drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society SUNDAY, November 24th, 8:00AM – 1:00PM 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. Clothing should be on hangers or neatly stored in bags. Shoes should be tied or bound together. ALL items must be clean, repaired, and in good condition. Please look for the 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 [lisawright12345@yahoo.com](mailto:lisawright12345@yahoo.com) with any questions.

### 50th ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Corpus Christi is presenting a series of concerts as part of its 50th Anniversary Year celebration. The first concert will feature Clifford Bechtel, tenor, and Sean Burns, organist, on **Saturday, December 7 at 7:00PM**. Clifford was honored with a merit scholarship from the Peabody Conservatory. He appears regularly in the USA and Europe, and in recent years has been a soloist with ConcertOPERA, Philadelphia and with other opera companies. Sean is a graduate of New York University and currently holds the position of Assistant Choral Director at North Penn High School. He spent an intensive period of study in Tours, France and enjoys an active schedule as an accompanist for choirs and soloists in the Greater Philadelphia area. The public is welcome. Free will donations appreciated. For more information, call 610-584-1583.

### SUPPORT OUR PARISH

**Moyer Indoor/Outdoor Services** initiated an incentive program whereby they would make a contribution to churches based on the amount of fuel oil purchased by the church members for as long as they remain a customer of Moyer's. **If you're a Moyer customer, why not join fellow parishioners who have already joined? For details, call Bill Jurer at 215-237-3870.**



### THE KNIGHT'S KORNER ... KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JOHN E. DOYLE COUNCIL #9715 ANNUAL NATIVITY ADVENT CALENDAR SALES AND, NEW THIS YEAR, "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" CAR MAGNETS

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 through November 23-24, 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 this year 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 29, 2013 "Black Friday" Annual Parish Blood Drive



The council will again be sponsoring the Corpus Christi Fall Blood Drive on "Black Friday", **November 29th** after Thanksgiving in the Corpus Christi Gym. The drive will be held from 2 to 7 PM and appointments are now available on the Red Cross website by following this link: [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Enter Sponsor Code **0224128**. You can also call 1-800-RED-CROSS to schedule a time. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Lendzinski at 215-917-7774 or [matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.lendzinski@gmail.com)

### CHRISTMAS SEASON CRAB CAKE SALE

The Knights of Columbus will once again be selling Capt'n Chucky's Famous Crab Cakes, Maryland Crab Soup and Crab Critter Appetizers. **ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH FOR DECEMBER 6TH PICK-UP.** Please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus Council #9715" and mail with the completed Order Form to Toma Lazar. No orders will be accepted through e-mail. All orders must be picked up **BETWEEN 4:30 PM AND 7:30 PM ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2013** outside the Fr. Doyle Social Hall at Corpus Christi School. Order Forms are available in the church narthex and on the Knights of Columbus Web Site at [www.kofc9715.org](http://www.kofc9715.org). We thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser to benefit many of our local charities!

### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA- DECEMBER 8, 2013 IN CORPUS CHRISTI'S FR. LOUGHRAN HALL

Tickets are now on sale for the Sunday, December 8, 2013 Breakfast with Santa in the Fr. Loughran Hall. Two seating's are offered: 9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

The price of \$6.00 per person includes Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausages, Juice & Coffee and a special photo with Santa. Reservation Forms are available in the church narthex and on the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 Web Site at [www.kofc9715.org](http://www.kofc9715.org). Instructions are on the forms and payment by check made payable to "Knights of Columbus Council #9715" must be received no later than Tuesday, December 3, 2013 by mail. Seating preference is reserved on a first come first served basis and it is not guaranteed. Every effort will be made to honor requested seating preference. You will be sent a confirmation email indicating your seating time. Walk-ins will be accepted at the door based on availability. If you have any questions call Mike Kelly at 484-994-5850 or send an email to [wlsmkelly@comcast.net](mailto:wlsmkelly@comcast.net).

If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact **John Atkins at 215-412-2459 or at [kofc9715@gmail.com](mailto:kofc9715@gmail.com).**

The **Bereavement Ministry of Corpus Christi Parish** in Lansdale offers monthly support meetings for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. These meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00–8:30PM in the Bereavement Room at the Parish House. Our next session will be on December 4th. Please register for these sessions by either calling Eileen McCullough at 215-361-0978 [eemccullough@gmail.com](mailto:eemccullough@gmail.com) or Eleanor Rinedoller [momdoller99@verizon.net](mailto:momdoller99@verizon.net) or 215-699-1858 - Registration is preferred, but all are welcome!

# Youth News

## High School Youth Group

All 9th-12th grade teens: Public, Private, Catholic, or Home Schooled are all invited! Come join us EVERY Sunday for our 6pm Mass and Youth Group Gathering from 7pm-9pm in the RE Room. The nights include dinner, fellowship, discussions about our faith and prayer. All teens are also invited to join us for all of our events and trips throughout the year.

If you need info on any trips or the youth group happenings, check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on **Facebook** or the parish web at <http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

## Lifeteen Luminaries Sale

**The Annual Christmas Luminaries Sale is back!** Beginning **December 1st** you can purchase luminaries to memorialize those you hold dear. The Youth Group will be lighting the luminaries before the 4:30pm Mass on Christmas Eve and they will stay lit until the Midnight Mass. All proceeds go to helping our teens attend Catholic Heart Work Camp, Steubenville Youth Conference, Generation Phaiht Conference, and our Lifeteen Escape Retreat! Cost is 1 Luminary, \$5/3 Luminaries, \$10



## Steubenville Youth Conference June 27-29 ~ \$250 Per Person

The Youth group will be going to Steubenville next year in late June. All current 8th-12th grade teens are invited to join us for this trip this summer. The cost above includes

deposit, a shirt, hotel stay and the conference itself. Come learn who "GOD IS"! Spots are open now for sign up so reserve yours today with a \$45 deposit to our youth minister.

## Catholic HEART Workcamp July 27-August 1st, 2014

**\$330 per person.**



The youth group will be going back to North Arlington, NJ next year for CHWC! We have 9 spots still available for this trip this year, opened to all current 7th-12th grade teens! The cost above includes deposit, a week of service,

dance parties, ultimate Frisbee, Taco Tuesday, trip to Six Flags, and learning about our faith! Spots are limited so claim it today with an \$85 deposit ASAP to our youth minister.

## LIFETEEN CALENDAR:

[www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-mini-stry](http://www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-mini-stry)

**November** 24th- Social Night/Parent's Night

(7th-8th Grade Youth Group)

All 7th-8th grade teens: Public, Private, Corpus Christi, or Home schooled are invited! Come join us EVERY Monday for our 6:45pm-8pm middle school

gathering. The nights include fellowship, games, prizes, discussions about our faith and prayer. All teens are invited to join us for all of our trips and events throughout the year!

**November** 25th- Gospel of Luke

Bobby Moren, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry  
Corpus Christi Parish, (215) 855-1311 ext. 118 or [corpus.ym@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.ym@gmail.com)

## CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS FOR SCHOOL

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

## SCRIP CORNER

**The scrip office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 28-29! Have a Happy Thanksgiving!**

The SCRIP office (located in the school's gym) is open from 9am-12:30pm every day that school is open, plus Monday evenings from 5:30pm-7:00pm when REC is in session. You may call or e-mail ([cc.scrip@yahoo.com](mailto:cc.scrip@yahoo.com)) your order in.

Please check out [www.ccslansdale.org](http://www.ccslansdale.org) under the SCRIP tab (see the SCRIP Order Form button) to learn what this program is all about. This program benefits anyone who is attending any Catholic educational institution, school or religious education program!! Credits are good for anyone you designate at ANY Catholic school, from PRE-K THROUGH POST-GRADUATE education. You can set up an account to accumulate and save your credits for future use if your children are not yet in school. If you have any questions or would like more information about this major fund raising program, you can reach Mary Ellen McCabe at 215-362-0104 during office hours, or send an e-mail!



## CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

*A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence*

**Corpus Christi Catholic School – Registration for the 2014-2015 School Year – Mark Your Calendars!**

Corpus Christi Catholic School warmly welcomes all new students for the 2014-2015 school year. We offer Pre-K-3 classes through Grade 8. We invite you to visit and take a guided tour of our school at your convenience. Find out why Corpus Christi School was selected to be a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence! For a personal tour, please call Mrs. Barb Casee, the school secretary, at 215-368-0582.

As a kick off to Catholic Schools' Week, we will host an Open House from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. on Sunday, January 26, 2014. Bring your entire family and explore the school, tour the classrooms and meet the teachers. There will be activities, refreshments, and prizes. Registration for the 2014-2015 school year begins on Wednesday, January 29, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in our Science Lab. If that date is not convenient for you, please call Mrs. Casee to make different arrangements.

Congratulations to these 8th grade students who participated in the **Lansdale Catholic Math and Science Bowl** on November 12, 2013 for 8th grade: Matthew Donofrio, Zachary Gordon, Jonathan Gould, Jackson Mackunis, Megan Prue, Marco Rocha, Alex Small and Kyle Wernly. In all, 10 area Catholic grade schools participated in this competition. Congratulations to Jonathan Gould who scored first in our group for science and Zachary Gordon who scored first in our group for math. Also, Jonathan Gould was the Overall Individual Science Award winner of all participants! Corpus is proud to say we were the 3rd Place Award winner in both math and science and 2nd Place Award winner OVERALL! Congratulations to these fine students and their teachers for their excellent performance in this competition.

Our school in a week-long baby bottle change collection, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, raised \$247.00 for this worthwhile charity!

As we prepare for Thanksgiving, the students have been showing gratitude for their teachers' care and attention. Each morning throughout the month of November two students from each classroom have been sharing the reasons they are grateful for their teachers. What a nice tribute for our dedicated faculty!

Please join us on Wednesday, November 27th for our school Thanksgiving Liturgy at 10:30 A.M.

*Correction from November 10th's bulletin: Congratulations to the Corpus Christi Girls Volleyball Varsity Black Region 20 Champions: Colleen Bagnell, Kate Connolly, Corinne Coonahan, Francesca Dolan, Kara Fischetti, Mariagrazia Iervolino, Morgan Patterson, Dianna Pisut, Allison Thomas, Grace Van Thuyne, Talia Watson, and Alaina Zaki*



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 11/24 Team #2: Karen McFadden at 484-552-8129**  
**Week of 12/01 Team #3: Jane Hartman at 215-272-0784**  
 If you have any questions please call Hope Coordinator, **Toby Glaccum at 215-855-6752.** 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. December 16th or January 20th**

**REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS**

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

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

**\*CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY:** *A certificate of eligibility is asking for a priest to sign and acknowledge that the person is 16 years of age or more, confirmed and married in the Catholic Church and celebrating the sacraments regularly. Ideally, this person should be registered and an active member of the parish for at least six (6) months.*  
 Baptism is administered at **12:30 PM EVERY SUNDAY.**

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send your bulletin announcements to the Parish Center Office no later than the Monday prior to weekend of publication by 12 noon. It can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center but the preferred method is by e-mail to [corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com) with the word "bulletin" in the subject line. Thank you for your cooperation!

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

**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**  
**7:45 AM TO 6:30 PM**



**Eucharistic Adoration** is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see below). **Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd.** (Please consider signing-up to be a weekly Adorer. There is a sign-up list in the Chapel if you would like to make a weekly commitment to a specific time each week. For more information, please call Anne DeSantis at 610-222-9778 or email [adesantis\\_1@comcast.net](mailto:adesantis_1@comcast.net) ).

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



**MARRIAGES:** Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session.

**NOVENA DEVOTIONS:** Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary are offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, and devotions to honor St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, are offered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 6:30PM in the Chapel.

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

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

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

**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.**