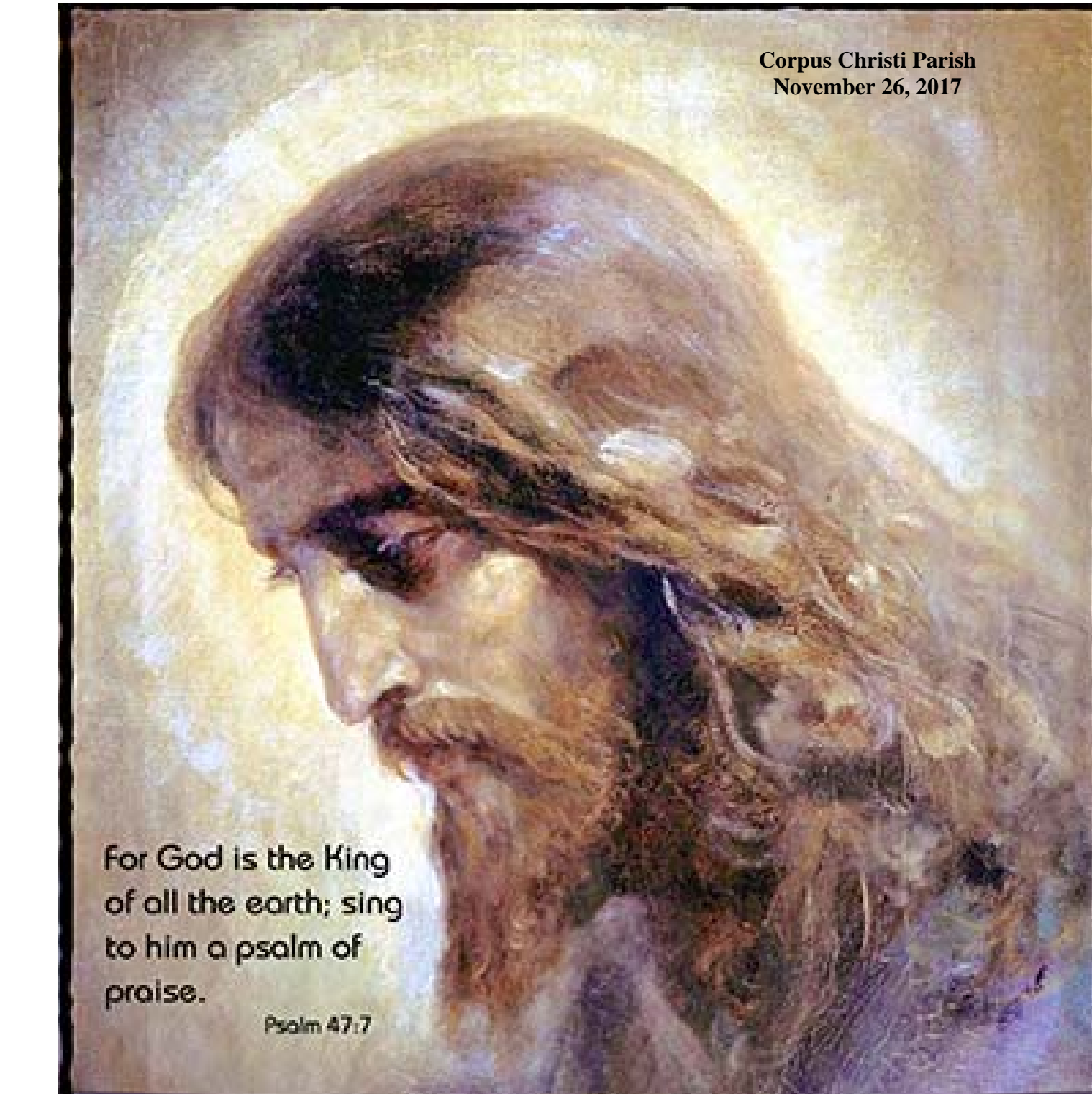


Corpus Christi Parish
November 26, 2017



For God is the King
of all the earth; sing
to him a psalm of
praise.

Psalm 47:7

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



**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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Sr. Mary Carroll	
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Maureen Lafferty	School Principal
Danielle Gallo	Youth/Young Adult Minister

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SCHOOL	215-368-0582
SCHOOL FAX	215-361-5927
REL. ED. OFFICE	215-362-2292
MINISTRY OFFICE	215-368-5750

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ELECTRONIC GIVING LINK:

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

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:

Church: www.corpuschristilansdale.org

School: www.ccsllansdale.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:15AM

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

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

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

11:30 AM, and 6 PM

Holy Day Masses: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

Confessions:

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

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Pastoral Council: Steve Finley 267-648-0027
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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Even when the feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925, kings were out of style in most of the world. After that World War II toppled most of the great dynasties and in the few kingdoms that remained the royal families were mere figureheads.

So what is the significance of the feast of Christ the King? The kingship and sovereignty of Jesus Christ has strong roots in the Scriptures. He is the Emmanuel (God-with-us) King predicted by Isaiah as coming from the royal line of David, as the Christmas Gospel tells us. The Epiphany and the Ascension of the Lord both suggest the royal kingship of Jesus. And if we echo the Gospel of Saint John faithfully, then Good Friday is our kingship feast par excellence.

The objective of Pope Pius XI in 1925 was to reassert the authority of our Lord to rule all nations, and to bring people back to Christ so as to establish "the peace of Christ in the reign of Christ." He could do this because Christ's was a different kind of kingship than the world was used to.

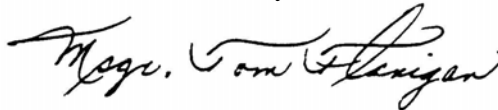
Today's Old Testament reading from Ezekiel testifies to the identification of a king as a shepherd in the ancient world; including Israel. The prophet says that the Lord God will personally take over shepherd duties: "I Myself will pasture My sheep . . . the lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal . . ." This is truly a different king of king, a king who serves His people instead of the other way around.

The kingship of Jesus is different also in that He does not reign "over" His people as much as He reigns "among" them. This is the importance of the beautiful parable in the Gospel. All those people who had served the hungry and the thirsty, the homeless and the sick, the naked and the imprisoned were doing it for Him. This must mean that His love for them was empowering them to serve the King through others, and they were not even conscious of doing so. They were surprised when He rewarded them, saying, "When did we see You hungry or thirsty or naked or homeless?" Only at the end would His identity as the King they served be revealed, when "He will sit upon His royal throne."

The lesson for us is that we serve the King through our service to others. Blessed Teresa of Calcutta put today's gospel in terse perspective when she said, "At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by: I was hungry and you gave Me to eat – I was naked and you clothed Me – I was homeless and you took Me in. Hungry not only for bread, but hungry for love; naked not only for clothing, but naked of human dignity and respect; homeless not only for want of a room of brick, but homeless because of rejection."

It is a king in disguise that we serve, a different kind of a king. He is a King who said He came "not to be served but to serve," a King who reigns among us rather than over us. We are His eyes, His ears, His hands and by grace even a little bit of His heart. We serve Him through the least of His brothers and sisters and thereby help to establish the peace of Christ in the reign of Christ.

God bless you,



GIVING TREE 2017



Our annual Giving Tree Project has begun. 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: December 3-4 and 10-11. The gifts need to be delivered no later than Friday, December 15th 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.**

YOUTH GROUP

Luminaries will be sold after all of the Masses the weekends of **December 2/3, 9/10 and December 16/17**. Honor the memory of a loved one or a special intention by purchasing a luminary and having a candle lit on the parish grounds on Christmas Eve. Cost of the luminaries is \$5 for one $\frac{3}{4}$ for \$10. Proceeds go towards sending our teens to the life-changing Steubenville Conference. For more information contact Danielle, the youth minister corpus.ym@gmail.com. Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex or visit us on **Facebook** or the parish web at <http://corpuschristiyouthgroup.weebly.com/>



MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

Saturday,	November 25th
4:30 PM	Christine Shelton <i>by Ken and Mary Slater</i>
Sunday,	November 26th
7:00 AM	Francis Costello <i>by John and Maureen Lafferty</i>
8:30	Mary Katherine Denny <i>by Steve and Anne Marie Finley</i>
10:00	John Marcante <i>by Mary Illari</i>
11:30	John Motley <i>by Pat, Charlie, Larry, Maureen and Denny Dolan</i>
6:00 PM	Katherine Palo <i>by Maureen Mulholland</i>
Monday,	November 27th
7:15 AM	Regina Spielberger <i>by Jack Spielberger</i>
Tuesday,	November 28th
7:15 AM	Charles Perna <i>by Giovanni DiGioso</i>
Wednesday,	November 29th
7:15 AM	Robert Tozzi <i>by Jerry and Patti Tozzi</i>
Thursday,	November 30th
7:15 AM	W. Lewis Spielberger <i>by Jack Spielberger</i>
Friday,	December 1st
7:15 AM	Mark Bruno <i>by The Szczepaniak Family</i>
Saturday,	December 2nd
7:15 AM	Francis J. Rowland, Sr. <i>by The Pozzi Family</i>
4:30 PM	Dr. John Motley <i>by Rose Blaney and Family</i>
Sunday,	December 3rd
7:00 AM	Richard Glica <i>by Pat and Mike Gavaghan</i>
8:30	Donna Koruba <i>by George and Carol Iredale</i>
10:00	Adam Fox <i>by Beth Lentz</i>
11:30	Elaine Romeo <i>by Stephen and Ann Marie Finley</i>
6:00 PM	John C. Pinder <i>by The Pinder Family</i>

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Target for Fiscal Year 2017-2018	\$1,716,000
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2017-18	\$ 33,000
Collection for November 18/19	\$ n/a at print
Electronic Giving (148 participants) Nov.20	\$ 17,599
Over (Under) Target Week	\$ (N/A)
Over (Under) Target YTD Fiscal Week 21	\$ (N/A)
Facilities Improvement Accumulative	\$ 100,760
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,574
Total Envelopes Used	n/a
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,661,338

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend His flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and "pasture" all.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6
R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28 Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ's resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ's rising means that those who believe in Him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and "God will be all in all."



Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since He is present in all people, whatever they do to "one of my least brothers" they do to Him; and whatever they fail to do to His "least," they fail to do to Him.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you are blessed by My Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave Me food. I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, a stranger and you welcomed Me, naked and you clothed Me, ill and you cared for Me, in prison and you visited Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him and say, 'Lord when...'"

It is easy to recall this teaching, the well known corporal works of mercy. It is easy to place a name and face on friends or agencies who carry out their tremendous works of service. It is easy to offer support through donations to enable others to carry out their mission.

As we reflect upon these signs of compassion and concern, and admire the dedication of those who serve the needs of others, why not ask the question that causes people to be in such vulnerable conditions. A famous Brazilian bishop once declared, 'When I take care of the poor, people praise me. When I ask why they are poor, I am called a communist.' Dom Helder Camara wants us to ask the question which leads me to help alleviate the suffering of others. It may be my active involvement in direct service or maybe indirect service through legislative action, helping understand the issues involved or both.

On this great feast of Christ the King take time to answer the question posed to Jesus and myself 'When...?'



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

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end.
We pray in hope for our families, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA



For a list of events occurring around the Archdiocese of Philadelphia please sign up for the monthly Evangelization Newsletter at <http://www.phillyevang.org/inform/> There are so many activities geared to all age groups! Don't miss out!

St. Maria Goretti Eldercare Assistance Program
1601 Derstine Road; Hatfield, PA 19440
(215) 721-0199, ext. 225 presents events this fall.

December 6 - Geriatric Specialist, Dr. Pearlstein from Suburban Geriatrics to discuss the aging process and understanding dementia.

Above events are free and will be held in the St. Maria Goretti Parish Library from 9:30-11AM.

Contact Jennifer to register for any of the above at 215-721-0199 x225 or rose@chs-adphila.org.

Gaudeamus Music Ministry Presents
26th Annual Christmas Concert
December 17th at 7:00PM

Epiphany of Our Lord Church ~ Plymouth Meeting

Admission is free and open to the public. A free will donation will benefit the charitable works of AMIGOS DE JESUS.

(Amigos de Jesus is a home and bilingual school for orphaned and abandoned children in Honduras.)

BUS TRIP TO SHRINE OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL - SAT. DECEMBER 2ND

The St. Philip Neri Catholic Family Life Center will be sponsoring a bus trip to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal, Philadelphia, PA, on Saturday, December 2, 2017. Please call 215-679-2237 or visit www.catholicfamilylifecenter.com for further information. Registration deadline November 25.



Wednesday, December 6th
7:00 p.m.

Holy Martyrs Catholic Church
120 Allison Road Oreland, Pa

With the Students of Martin Saints Classical High School
www.martinsaintsclassical.org

Lansdale Catholic Shadow Program - LC's 8th Grade Shadow Program is now open for reservations. Please contact Mrs. Elaine Maginnis at 215-362-6160 x133 to set up a date for your 8th grader.

Christmas Shopping Spectacular
at LaSalle College High School
Sunday December 3rd from Noon-4:00 PM.

Ladies, this event is open to all shoppers, so call your girlfriends and come join the fun. Ticket cost is \$25, which includes a spectacular shopping experience and a delicious buffet lunch with drinks!! Tickets for students are \$15. Walk-ins are welcome. Tickets at the door are \$30.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.lschs.org/shopping and then click on the register button. Questions? Please email Eireann Marzarella at eireannmarzarella@gmail.com or Donna Marzullo at dmarzullo4@aol.com.

Hope to see you there!

Natural Family Planning Course

Have you ever thought about what unnatural birth control methods really do to your body? To your marriage? The Couple to Couple League has the answers and more. Attend a short Self-Paced Online course and learn a natural method of family planning that is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. Great for achieving as well as postponing pregnancy. The course starts when it's most convenient for you and you can learn from any device that has a wi-fi connection! Simply visit register.ccli.org and register for a Self-Paced Online course today. For more information, please contact Helene Hollowell: 267-252-6207, hhollowell@ccli.org



Remain in My Love:
Archdiocese of Philadelphia Initiative
for the Renewal of Marriage and Family Life
Visit the Remain in My Love website at:
<http://archphila.org/remain>

Men & Women of Malvern

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

St. Paul's Charismatic Prayer Group will be having a mass on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 11am in St. Paul's Convent chapel located at 353 East Johnson Highway, East Norriton, PA. The celebrant will be Father Edward Hamilton.

College-Age* Retreat
January 5 - 7, 2018

Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This retreat is designed to bring young people together of college-age (17-22). **So whether you are in college or working come join us to renew your spiritual life, deepen your relationship with God and to meet new friends.* Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!

Cost: \$130 per person, double occ.

Register at: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829
Some financial aid is available

* Current Year High School Seniors are welcomed



Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Kathy Donia, Annamarie Hutchinson, Joe Dwyer, Thomas Roy, Frank Griffith, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Robert Shea, James Stento, Antonio Jacinto, Michael Rafter, David Dawson, Mary Rexer, Lily Anna Rose Pagnotta, baby Benjamin Matthew Schuyler, W. Vincent Krout, Joseph Frett, Bertha Spahn, Brian Aquilante, Pete Wilson, Samuel Smith, Theresa Struble, Catherine Imms, John Gabriel, Bernard Kunz, Jr.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA - Tuesday, November 28th.

Must show a valid photo ID to receive bonus, payment due at sign-up. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tip for driver are included. Package includes \$20. slot play, and admission to the "Cirque Dreams Holiday Show" at 2PM.

Departs 10:30AM return approx. 7PM. *Call 215-368-0421 Rose Wilson 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale PA 19446 or 215-393-6779 Mary Slater, 512 Dock Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446.

Members only Christmas Luncheon (at William Penn on Wednesday, December 13 - doors open at 11:30, lunch is at 12:30) you can send a check to either Janet or Kathleen by December 8. Cost is \$20 for Chicken Marsala, \$25 for Crab Cakes, and \$30 for Roast Prime Rib of Beef. - Any questions, please contact Janet Stankus, 1670 Wagon Wheel Lane, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-1785), or Kathleen Kemp, 2141 Old Forde Way, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-4075).

Millennium Theater, Lancaster, PA Sight and Sound "Jesus" Tuesday, March 20, 2018 - \$107. Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tip for driver are included. Luncheon smorgasbord at shady Maple restaurant (11:30AM), admission to Sight & Sound show spectacular "Jesus" at the Millennium theater (3:00PM). Payment due at sign-up, no refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Departs 9:30AM approximate return 7:45PM. *Call 215-368-0945 Peggy Butler, 1500 Berkley Way, Lansdale PA 19446 or 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns.

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

RESPECT LIFE NEWS CORNER

Please consider joining the Corpus Christi Respect Life Committee and bring your new ideas. We meet on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM in the RE Room of Church. We are usually finished our meeting in about an hour and those who are able to stay recite the Rosary before we leave. We look forward to having you join us and find out what we are all about. For more information call Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160

If not able/interested in coming to a meeting, are you willing to be on our call list? What is that? When we do our special projects, we need help manning tables after Mass. For example, in February you might help to distribute the "Mini Diaper Wishes" for the Valentine Baby Shower. We call you ahead of time and ask if you can help us. You are then assigned to the Mass you are planning to attend on Saturday or Sunday. It usually requires about 15 minutes of your time after Mass and as a bonus you meet new parishioners. If interested Call Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160.

Did You Know, that after Conception?

- 18 days a baby's heart begins to beat
- 43 days brain coordinates movement
- 7 weeks a baby can hiccup
- 8 weeks organs can function
- 9 weeks has permanent, individual fingerprints
- 10 weeks can feel pain
- 12 weeks a baby can smile, suck their thumb and make a fist

Over 2 million couples wait to adopt - including children of all races & those with special needs

Any textbook will confirm what every doctor knows:
LIFE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION

Annual Christmas Craft Show

Corpus Christi Catholic School presents our Annual Christmas Craft Show. Join us **December 9th from 9am-3pm** at Corpus Christi School. Over 50 traditional and unique vendors will be there to showcase their talented work. Bring the kids to enter our North Pole workshops filled with games and crafts to decorate our trees. Enjoy our homemade delicious treats for breakfast and lunch and grab a hot chocolate while you shop for your loved ones. A perfect family fun Christmas craft show to kick off the Holiday season.



The Knight's Korner - Updates from the Knights of Columbus Council #9715



Annual Nativity Advent Calendar, Greeting Cards, and "Keep Christ in Christmas" Car Magnet Sale

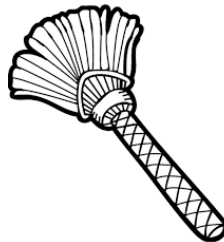
Plan now to "Keep Christ in Christmas" in your family's home this holiday season by supporting the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 Annual Nativity Advent Calendars and Christmas Cards Sale. Both will be sold in the Church Narthex after Weekend Masses continuing now until supplies run out. Calendar 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 and Advent Ring/Wreath with Candles and 11" Advent Calendars, each for \$10. 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.

Also stop by to see the info on ordering the **Home Version of the Silhouette Style Holy Family Lawn Nativity Set** for \$169.99 and also the extension add-on 9 figures for a separate price of \$330. Please contact Tim Lescoe for Pre-Orders at 215-361-9693 or lescoe.tim@gmail.com.

LAST CHANCE FOR C.O.A.L. TICKETS! The Knights of Columbus will be distributing C.O.A.L. (Chance of a Lifetime) Books of 8 Tickets after Mass during the final two weekends in November. Included among this year's 16 Prizes are a 2018 Chevrolet Spark 4 Dr Sedan, a Best of Spain & Portugal 13 Days Vacation, and a Viking Explorer Scandinavia 12 Days Cruise! Drawings will be on December 8th. For additional details please contact Tim Young at tim_x_young@glic.com. **HURRY!!!**

Save the Date: Breakfast with Santa - Sunday, December 10



Volunteers needed to clean church some Saturday mornings. As much or as little work as you feel you can contribute. Volunteering takes as little as a half hour.

Please call Jeanne Linden-Fox at 215-513-0347.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday in our chapel. The Reconciliation Rooms provide the opportunity for either face-to-face confession or anonymity behind the screen. Make room in your heart for the Lord to enter. Take the time to ask God's forgiveness and receive His mercy, unconditional love, and peace. Saturdays following the 7:15 AM Mass and 3:15 PM to 4:00 PM in the Chapel.





**Upcoming
Events**

The Guardians - Tuesday, December 5th-7PM

Religious Education Room in Church. For more information or to register for your first meeting, please contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.

Mom Café -Tuesday, December 5th- 9:30-11AM. The Moms' Café is a monthly group for women of all ages and all stages of motherhood. A typical meeting includes morning refreshments, prayer, and a discussion of selected topics and pertinent readings. Children are always welcome to accompany their mothers to the meetings. The Religious Ed Room is located inside Corpus Christi Church. Please use the doors on the far right side of our church to enter the room. This location also provides ramp access for strollers. *Note: no November meeting due to 40 Hours.* Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com



Corpus Christi Parish Bingo

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY "45" YEARS

Every Tuesday, 50 weeks a year, now in our 45th year!!! Check website *Organizations* for further details! www.corpuschristilansdale.org

Come play or come volunteer your time and help us in the largest fundraiser which supports our parish church and school! For Complete Information Call Laurie Ponticello – 610-584-5694 or email geraldponticello@comcast.net



Attention Violin, Viola, and Cello Players: If you are presently playing in the senior orchestra, alumni of Corpus Christi's String Orchestra, or a member or our parish in a public or private school string group (middle school age and above), you are invited to play at the Christmas Eve Mass in the gym at 4:45pm. A prelude of carols will begin at 4:15pm. **Please arrive at 4:00 for tuning.** Music folders can be found on the top of the filing cabinet next to the organ next weekend. If you plan to play for this Mass please contact Mrs. Frisch at donnafrisch@gmail.com no later than Wednesday, December 19th so a seat can be set for you.

AFFINITY PROGRAM If you do your banking at TD Bank, and are a member of Corpus Christi, you can help raise money for your parish. Through the bank's Affinity Program, they will make a donation to our parish based on the number of accounts participating in the program. For further details or to participate in this program, call TD Bank at 215-361-6048 and ask for Barbara, or email her at barbara.peacher@td.com.

Part Time Development/Advancement Director

Corpus Christi Catholic School ~ Montgomery County
Corpus Christi Catholic School, Lansdale PA has a job opening for a part time (three days a week) Development/Advancement Director. Requests for an outline of the job description can be emailed to barb.casee@corpuschr.org.

Interested and qualified candidates may send resume, cover letter, three letters of recommendation and updated clearances (FBI Fingerprint, Child Abuse and Criminal Background) to the Principal, Mrs. Lafferty via her email address which is ccsprin@corpuschr.org.

Corpus Christi Catholic School has an immediate opening for a permanent part time Spanish teacher. The successful candidate would work 3.5 days a week (M-T-W-Th ½ day) and teach PK through grade 8 students. Interested and qualified teachers please send resume, cover letter, three letters of recommendation and updated clearances (FBI Fingerprint, Child Abuse and Criminal Background) to Mrs. Maureen Lafferty, the Principal, at her email which is ccsprin@corpuschr.org.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Moyer Indoor/Outdoor Services has an incentive program. This program makes a contribution to churches based on the amount of fuel oil purchased by parishioners for as long as they remain a customer. So, if you're currently a customer of Moyer Indoor Outdoor Services, now is the time to call and be included in this program. For details, call June Baker at 215-799-2000 ext 3102.

St. Charles Seminary



We are in the 6th week for the 2017-18 Appeal and Corpus Christi has reached \$16,539 with 1494 donors as of November 9th. If you have not as yet made a contribution you may do so by visiting <http://stcharlesseminaryappeal.org/#>. Thank you for helping to support the formation and education of our future priests, deacons and lay faithful.



The Bereavement Ministry of Corpus Christi believes in supporting family and friends who are walking through their journey of grief after the loss of a loved one. We will be offering quarterly Prayer Services in the Chapel followed by some light refreshments.

All are welcome!

- MMR offers monthly morning bereavement sessions on the second Thursday of the month from 10:00-11:30 AM in the Parish Conference Room. Please contact Mary Coakley at 215-646-4192
- St. Stanislaus offers monthly evening bereavement session on the second Thursday of the month from 7:00 -8:30 PM in the Parish Center. Please contact Jennifer Breen at 215-699-0803
- St. Rose Bereavement Group is held on third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Father Murphy room. As always, all those who are mourning the loss of a loved one are welcome. Please contact Larry Hill at 215-540-0650
- St. Alphonsus offers one-day grief workshops just prior to the holidays on Sunday afternoons. For more information or to register, please contact Dolores Urban at 215-646-8556 or check out their website.

<http://www.urbanfuneralhome.com/2017-holiday-grief-works-hops/>

<http://www.urbanfuneralhome.com/staying-healthy-grief-loss/>

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 11/26 Team #3: Jane Hartman at 215-272-0784
Week of 12/03 Team #5: Patty Donnelly at 215-687-3779

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. December 18th, January 15th .**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

MARRIAGES: Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session. To check on the next session at Corpus Christi— Contact ccprecanateam@gmail.com for information. Please confirm your date with the church before booking your reception.

METANOIA is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events. We meet every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. The schedule is as follows: *First Tuesday*- Social Event (not always on a Tuesday); *Second Tuesday*- Bible Study at Corpus Christi (920 Sumneytown, Lansdale); *Third Tuesday*- Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Company; (Collegeville). *Fourth Tuesday* - Holy Hour at Mary Mother of the Redeemer (North Wales) Contact: metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com or visit our Facebook pages: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/metanoiayoungadults>

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Devotions honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary are offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, and devotions to honor St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, are offered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 6:30PM in the Chapel. For information please call 215-855-1311.

OUR LADY OF HOPE PRAYER LINE: The Prayer Line may be called if you are in need of prayer. Call Anna Marie 267-217-7971.

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

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

PREGNANCY HOTLINE: **800-CARE-002** Twenty-four hours/seven days per week hotline for individuals seeking assistance with a pregnancy. Offers assistance to explore pro-life option, supportive counseling and linkage with needed resources.

REGISTRATION: Our diocese requires that all Catholics should be registered in the parish of their residence. If you have moved into our parish and have not registered with us, it is important that you call the Parish Center Office (215-855-1311) and make arrangements to do so as soon as possible. Certificates of Eligibility to act as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, **cannot be issued** unless you are already (preferably for 6 months) registered with us. **Please be aware that young adults over 21 (25 if in college) should register separately.**