

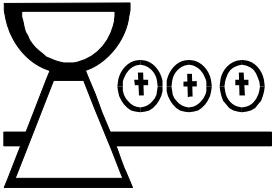


EVERY TREE THAT DOES NOT BEAR GOOD FRUIT WILL BE CUT DOWN.

Matthew 3:10

*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
December 4, 2016 ~ Second Sunday of Advent*





**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

PAROCHIAL VICARS

Reverend Albert J. Santorsola

Reverend Shaji Silva

PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Francis E. Langsdorf

Deacon William W. Evans

Deacon Steve Currie

PARISH STAFF

Edd Murphy	Business Manager
Sr. Mary Carroll	
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Maureen Lafferty	School Principal
Trish Keen	Director, Religious
	Education for Children
Danielle Gallo	Youth/Young Adult
	Minister

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ELECTRONIC GIVING LINK:

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

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITES:

Church: www.corpuschristilansdale.org

School: www.ccslansdale.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:15AM

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

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

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

11:30 AM, and 6 PM

Holy Day Masses: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

7:15AM, and 12:05PM

Confessions:

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

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Pastoral Council: Steve Finley 267-648-0027
 Finance Com: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Flanigan 215-855-1311

Adult Faith Formation: 215-855-1311
 Aid for Friends: Barb and Fred MacIntosh 215-256-1161
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 Boy Scouts: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333
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 CYO Program: Pete VanThuyne 267-337-1548
 Eucharistic Adoration: Barbara Atkins 215-412-2459
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 Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008
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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

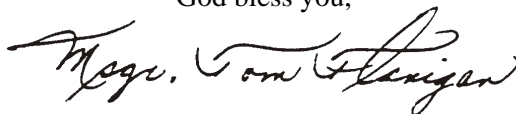
Waiting, whether easy or difficult, is key to our Advent period of preparing for the coming of the Lord now, and at the end of time. Waiting can be used as a time of preparation or a time void of preparation. John the Baptist tells us to prepare for the coming of the Lord by reforming our lives. That means we have to change. There is an old standing joke about how many psychologists it takes to change a lightbulb. The answer is one, but first the bulb has to want to change. Actions that bring about change in us can help us to better cooperate with God's grace in our lives.

ACCEPT
ONE
ANOTHER
AS CHRIST
ACCEPTED
YOU.
R O M A N S

Saint Paul tells us in today's second reading to go to the Scriptures to derive hope, lessons in patience, and encouragement. We can do this. We can also do something different that causes us to stretch a little and grow in faith. Write a letter to a loved one or visit someone who is ill or lonely or say something nice to a stranger. John the Baptist stepped out in faith to be different; to risk being called a wild man or even a lunatic from the desert. Look what he accomplished. He brought about change and so can we.

Be sensitive to others as you become aware of your need to change. They might not recognize or appreciate the new you. This is why, as Saint Paul tells us, we need to receive God's grace in order to accept one another, and to live in perfect harmony. We must prepare ourselves to do this. We need to change to do this. Accept God's grace and be prepared to produce much good fruit for the kingdom.

God bless you,



THE FEAST of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Full of Grace, overflowing grace: Pius IX, in the document, *Ineffabilis Deus*, defining the Immaculate Conception in 1854 wrote: "He [God] attended her with such great love, more than all other creatures, that in her alone He took singular pleasure. Wherefore He so wonderfully filled her, more than all angelic spirits and all the Saints, with an abundance of all heavenly gifts taken from the treasury of the divinity, that she, always free from absolutely every stain of sin, and completely beautiful and perfect, presented such a fullness of innocence and holiness that none greater under God can be thought of, and no one but God can comprehend it."

Reminder: December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Mass schedule is as follows: Wednesday, December 7th 7:30PM; Thursday, December 8th-7:15AM, 12:05PM.



GIVING TREE 2016

Please return gifts and certificates by next weekend to ensure their timely delivery to Visitation and the SSJ Welcome Center. This also allows the committee to evaluate what we may still need and then go out and purchase any needed gifts. Thank you for your support and cooperation with this project.

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.



CYO Sunday brunch at Pizza Time Saloon! **Every Sunday from 9am till 1 pm for the month of December, Pizza Time will donate 10% of your bill to Corpus Christi CYO.** Enjoy a great meal and help out our athletes at the same time!

Just tell your server you're from Corpus Christi.

High School Youth Group

Our youth group will be selling *luminaries* after all of the Masses during Advent. Purchase a luminary, and have a candle lit in honor of a loved one (living or deceased), or for a special intention. The youth group will be praying for your intentions during Advent! Luminaries are \$5 a candle, or you can purchase 3 candles for \$10. They will be placed throughout the parish grounds on Christmas Eve, and remain there until Midnight Mass begins. Thank you in advance for your support!

For more information contact Danielle, our youth minister corpus.ym@gmail.com.



HOLD THE DATE FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE 2017

Please hold **Friday, January 27, 2017** on your calendar for the March for Life in Washington, DC. This date has been selected because of the Presidential Inauguration being held on Friday, January 20th.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	December 3rd	
4:30 PM	John Atkins	<i>by Bob and Ellie Hentschel</i>
Sunday,	December 4th	
7:00 AM	Kathleen Hayman	<i>by Pat and Mike Gavaghan</i>
8:30	John A. McQuaid	<i>by The McQuaid Family</i>
10:00	Maria Diaz	<i>by Tom and Carol Gedman</i>
11:30	John G. Frank	<i>by George and Donna Frisch</i>
6:00 PM	Kathy Hayman	<i>by Rose Blaney</i>
Monday,	December 5th	
7:15 AM	Marge Peterson	<i>by Jeremy and Julie Miller and Family</i>
Tuesday,	December 6th	
7:15 AM	John V. Gottschall	<i>by Shirley Walsh and Family</i>
Wednesday,	December 7th	
7:15 AM	Thomas Mallozzi	<i>by The Hassinger Family</i>
7:30 PM	Capt. Brian Kennedy, USMC	<i>by Joe and Jane Belcher</i>
Thursday,	December 8th	
7:15 AM	Eda Nicolai	<i>by Joe and Ellie DeRaymond</i>
12:05 PM	Mary K. O'Donnell	<i>by Mary Kay and John Woodcock</i>
Friday,	December 9th	
7:15 AM	Jack Shirley	<i>by Pat and Pam Kendig</i>
Saturday,	December 10th	
7:15 AM	Deceased Members of the Peacock and Devine Families <i>by Dolores and Jack Augustine</i>	
4:30 PM	John Atkins	<i>by John and Peggy Butler</i>
Sunday,	December 11th	
7:00 AM	W. Kirtman Plummer	<i>by George and Donna Frisch</i>
8:30	Eleanor and Gregory Coppola	<i>by George and Donna Frisch</i>
10:00	Jeff Oliver	<i>by Lorraine Oliver</i>
11:30	The Intentions of the Lewis Family <i>by The Lewis Children</i>	
6:00 PM	Rosemarie Carson	<i>by The Goepfrich Family</i>



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Robert Pinkos, husband of Kay; Frank Aquilante, father of Brian.



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

SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Target for Fiscal Year 2016-2017	\$1,560,000
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2016-17	\$ 30,000
Collection for November 26/27	31,535
Electronic Giving (105 participants) December	\$ N/A
Over (Under) Target Week	<u>1,535</u>
Over (Under) Target YFiscal Week 22	5,859
Facilities Improvement Year To Date	\$ 27,175
Through November 13th	
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,515
Total Envelopes Used (November 27)	839
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2,743,102

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10 In this beautiful passage, a messianic prophecy, Isaiah exults in the coming of the Lord, who will bring justice and peace for all.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
R. (cf. 7) Justice shall flourish in His time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9 Paul reveals to us the necessity of living in peace and harmony. His words "Accept one another, then, as Christ accepted you, for the Glory of God" are as needed today as they were in Paul's own time.



Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12 John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus. Clothed in a garment of camel's hair, he baptizes the people in the Jordan River, but warns the Pharisees in ringing tones that they must give evidence that they mean to reform.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Not by appearance shall He judge, nor by hearsay shall He decide. But He shall judge the poor with justice and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around His waist, and faithfulness a belt upon His hips... When John the Baptist made his appearance as a preacher in the desert of Judea, this was his theme 'Reform your lives. The reign of God is at hand.'"

Although the prophet Isaiah offers an image of the ideal king to come, we are able to apply his vision to the person of John the Baptist and even better to the future Messiah. Jesus, the Prince of Peace and King of Justice, offers hope to a people in turmoil, at the time of Isaiah, and in our own day.

The theme of John's preaching seems to fall on deaf ears and hardened hearts. The brief period of advent invites us to refocus on what is truly important. If the kingdom of God is at hand, what must I do to make it real in my life? What can I do to build that kingdom now? How often Jesus taught using parables to tell us what the kingdom of heaven, what the kingdom of God is like.

It is found today in our church. Advent summons us to listen and recognize that the kingdom is here and we are to make it apparent. **"Come Lord Jesus."**

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Christmas Season is upon us and that means its
time for Breakfast with Santa

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR BREAKFAST WITH SANTA,
WHICH WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, DECEMBER, 11 TH.
AT CORPUS CHRISTI IN THE FR. LOUGHRAN HALL,
900 SUMNEYTOWN PIKE, LANSDALE, PA

TWO SEATING'S ARE OFFERED: 9:30 A.M.—10:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.

\$6.00 per person
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausages,
Juice & Coffee

Santa's flying in and Ho...Ho...Hopes you'll
join him for a wonderful pancake breakfast.

**What's on your list?
Santa wants to know!**

Don't forget to dress up in you Holiday best and
have your picture taken with Santa.

The photo will be email to the address provided on the reservation form.

We will make every effort to honor your requested seating preference. Seating preference is on a first come first served basis and it is not guaranteed. You will be sent a confirmation email indicating your seating time. Walk-ins will be accepted at the door if space is available. If you have any questions call Mike Kelly at 484-994-5850 or send an email to wlsmkelly@comcast.net

Please retain the upper portion for your records as a reminder.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA RESERVATION

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Number Attending: _____
x \$6.00 per person
Total: _____

Seating Preference:
9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. : _____

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. : _____

Make check payable to — Knights of Columbus, 9715

Form must be received no later than Wednesday, December 7th. Mail completed form with payment to:

Breakfast with Santa
173 Eric Lane
Lansdale, PA 19446

or

You can drop off the completed form with
payment at any of the Advent Calendar Sales
locations after Mass



The Guardians - Tuesday, December 6th-7PM

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

Mom Café - Tuesday, December 6th 9:30-11AM

The Mom's Cafe is back! If you've been looking for a way to meet other moms in the parish, or have wondered what this group is about, come join us at any or all of our meetings. All are welcome, including the children. Have coffee and talk with a supportive group of women discussing all kinds of topics! Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

December Luncheon - Our Christmas Luncheon will be held on **Wednesday, December 7th at William Penn Inn (Members Only!) Doors will open at 11:30**, and luncheon will start at 12:00. Choices are Chicken Francaise \$28, Crab Cakes \$34, and Prime Rib \$36. Checks can be sent to 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). Deadline for receiving checks is November 30th.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!



Southern Caribbean Cruise- Royal Caribbean's Grandeur of the Seas, Monday, February 13, 2017 to Saturday February 25, 2017. For any questions please call 215-513-1026, Alex and Betty Korsch, 1307 Brittany Point, Lansdale PA 19446.

Doolan's Spring Lake, NJ - Thursday, March 16, 2017 St. Patrick's Fest, cost \$92.

Round trip motor coach transportation tax and tip included. Sit-down lunch and St. Patrick's Fest- From Ireland to America. This traditional show stars Irish Tenor Mike Byrne and the famous Green Derby Show Band. The menu includes 1. Corned Beef & Cabbage, 2. Half Roast Chicken, 3. Herbal Salmon. Departs 9AM return, approximately 5:30. *Call 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale, PA 19446.



Virginia International Tattoo, Norfolk & Virginia Beach, VA - Friday, April 28, 2017 to Monday, May 1, 2017.

Please pick up a brochure in the Narthex of the church. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver is included, except chambermaids. 3 night's accommodations at an oceanfront property in Virginia Beach. 3 deluxe continental breakfasts at the hotel. 3 dinners in area restaurants. Admission and tram tour of the Norfolk Botanical Gardens. Reserved seating to the International Nato Festival and Azalea Festival Parade. Many, many more attractions. Departs 7:30AM Friday, April 28th returns approximately 8:00PM Monday, May 1st. Call 610-584-1366 Colette Kearns, 807 McIntosh Way, Lansdale, PA 19446. Cost ranges between \$679.pp double, triple to \$869.pp single, optional insurance \$80pp.



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



Greeting Cards -Novena of Masses

Do you need a special card for a birthday or anniversary? Do you send get well cards, sympathy cards, or congratulations cards? Christmas cards? If so, please have a look at the **Sisters of St. Joseph Guild** website to see our collection of beautiful cards. Donations (\$1.50 per card) go to the St. Joseph Guild to benefit the retired Sisters of St. Joseph at St. Joseph Villa, Flourtown, PA, who pray daily for all those who participate. View our cards at:

<http://ssiphila.org/new/support-our-mission-2/saint-joseph-guild/card-catalog>

You can contact us:

St. Joseph Guild
P.O. Box 36
Flourtown, PA 19031
215-248-7838
sguild19@aol.com



Join others to pray the Rosary over the phone. The Rosary Line offers you the means of calling into a phone number and joining others, whom are praying the rosary. You call the phone number, dial the code number and you'll be able to hear (only) the leader; and pray along. Every participant can hear the leader, all others are muted. You can join in prayer any day during these times: 6am, 12noon, 6pm and 12 midnight. There is no session Saturday midnight. Dial: 712-770-4005; when prompted press; 331973#. Enjoy praying with others!

Any questions contact Diana at diana.kinggates@gmail.com.



Please be praying
for...

Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joan Buchler, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Kathy Donia, Bonnie Maday, Annamarie Hutchinson, Samuel Smith, Joe Dwyer, Anthony Famularo, Jim Thompson, Thomas Roy, Peter Schumacher, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Sean Walsh, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Sue Kunze, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Baby Charlie Riccio, Frederick Scheetz, Susan Miholovich, Robert Shea, Drew Fantozzi, Ken Slater, James Stento, Antonio Jacinto, Michael Rafter.



The **Corpus Christi Youth Choir** is still open to new members as we get ready for Christmas season! Students in grades 3 - 8 are welcome at **any** upcoming rehearsals, and parents can contact **Matt Klenk** at cclansdalemusic@gmail.com for more information.

12/4/16 - Rehearsal in Parish Center Rm A (9:00 - 9:45 AM)
12/11/16 - Rehearsal in Parish Center Rm A (9:00 - 9:45 AM)
12/18/16 - Rehearsal in Parish Center Rm A (9:00 - 9:45 AM)
12/24/16 - Rehearsal in Church (3 PM) and Mass (4:30 PM)
1/1/17 - No rehearsal



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** 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. Please contact Tim Lescoe for Pre-Orders at 215-361-9693 or lescoe.tim@gmail.com.

Available this Year.....Home Version of the Silhouette Style Holy Family Lawn Nativity Set for \$169.99

This year the Knights of Columbus will sell a smaller home version of the silhouette style Holy Family Lawn Nativity Set

- Each set includes the Creche topped with the Christmas Star, and silhouette images of Jesus, Mary, Joseph and two Sheep
 - Assembled dimensions measure 46.5" W x 50" L x 23" Deep
 - Entire set breaks down to store in compact box or area 45" x 30" x 2"
 - Marine grade plastic designed for marine environment - will not rot or delaminate
 - Staking kit (included) allows set to stand up to any inclement weather
 - Simply Slide Together, Assembly Takes Less than 5 Minutes
- Please contact Tim Lescoe for Pre-Orders at 215-361-9693 or lescoe.tim@gmail.com.



The Knights of Columbus **Crab Cake Sale** is back! The attached order form must be returned by **Monday, December 12th**. (Copy and Paste:)

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa/243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_10_12_KOC_Crab_Cake_Order.pdf



Breakfast with Santa, Sunday December 11th!! Click or cut and paste this link for the form:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/40f616aa/243a9fe62b4cc15b/files/2016_11_9_BreakfastwithSantaForm2016.pdf



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 of 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. If you plan to play for this Mass please contact Mrs. Frisch so a seat can be set for you.

CASSEROLE PROJECT

PLEASE BE SURE TO MARK THE CONTENTS AND DATE YOUR CASSEROLE WAS PREPARED ON THE COVER OF THE CASSEROLE.



Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up **Thursday, December 8th**. 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, December 7th.** The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. Be sure that the freezers are turned on before leaving your casserole. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.

The Brother House, a work of the Legion of Mary, works with homeless men in the Norristown area on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. About 30 men take showers and need clean clothes after their shower. We need your donation of the following items: **T-shirts, white athletic socks, underwear, and work pants.** Clothing does not have to be new, just clean. These items are needed **all year round**. Bring donations to the Church and leave them in the **Church Ministry Room** next to the restrooms. We pray daily for our benefactors. God bless your generosity!!



Visit www.CatholicPhilly.com for Catholic news in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia every day. Sign up for a free, weekly email newsletter at: www.catholicphilly.com/newsletter.



MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place next weekend, December 10/11, after all the Masses. Please leave your donations of non-perishable goods in the room next to the restrooms in the back of church. This room is open after all the Masses.

Youth News

High School Youth Group



Our youth group will be selling luminaries after all of the Masses during Advent. Purchase a luminary, and have a candle lit in honor of a loved one (living or deceased), or for a special intention. The youth group will be praying for your intentions during Advent! Luminaries are \$5 a candle, or you can purchase 3 candles for \$10. They will be placed throughout the parish grounds on Christmas Eve, and remain there until Midnight Mass begins. Thank you in advance for your support!

Check out our Youth Group table in the Narthex, visit us on **Facebook** or on the parish website:

<http://corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/>

LIFETEEN CALENDAR: For details regarding each week's activities, visit the youth section of Corpus Christi's website.

www.corpuschristilansdale.org/youth/high-school-youth-ministry

Contact Danielle Gallo, Youth Minister at corpus_ym@gmail.com

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm unless otherwise noted. Our upcoming events are listed below, contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information, or visit our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults) for more details.

Tuesday, December 13: Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish, Lansdale, 7:30pm

Tuesday, December 20: Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Company, Collegetown, 7:30pm (If you wish to eat dinner beforehand please arrive at 7pm)

Tuesday, December 27: No Event

CYO News

Open Positions –Registrar, Uniform Manager, and others. If interested contact cc-cyo@verizon.net

Get our Emails – Set up a free account in our online system to receive all of our emails for CYO sponsored events and CYO sports: <https://corpus-christi-cyo.sipalay.com/site/>.

Additional information can be found at our website at <http://corpuscyo.wordpress.com/>.

Evangelization Newsletter ~ Archdiocese of Philadelphia

To be informed about what presentations are being offered at parishes around the Archdiocese please visit www.phillyevang.org/inform There you can sign up for a monthly email that provides information about many events being sponsored at various parishes and institutions.

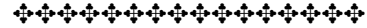


Corpus Christi Boy Scout Troop 303 and Cub Scout Pack 303 wish to THANK YOU for supporting our Scouting for Food drive. About 1600 food items were collected and forwarded to the Patrician Society's food bank.

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS

As Corpus Christi Catholic School prepares for the holiday season, they will hold their **Winter Holiday Concerts**. Please join us for some wonderful entertainment:

- 12/12 (Mon) - Winter Band and Jazz Cat Performance - 7:00 (school gym)
- 12/14 (Wed) - Christmas Pageant - 7:00 (Church)
- 12/21 (Wed) - Strings Concert - 7:00 (Church)



To the School Community: we are grateful to you for all the support you give us each day. Your kindness and generosity is overwhelming. Because of this generosity we were able to provide Visitation Parish in Kensington with 91 turkeys, 40 pans and \$1625.00 in scrip cards. This provided so many families with needed necessities. Thank you also to Mrs. Lori LeFevre for coordinating this donation and to Mrs. Julie Gorniak and Mrs. Tricia Sambrano for delivering the turkeys to Visitation Parish.

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)

Remember to use Scrip Shopping cards for your Christmas Shopping! Make sure you have SCRIP cards to go with that long Christmas list. Don't get caught at midnight, at Toys R Us or Walmart without SCRIP in your wallet. *A reminder that the scrip office is closed on Thursday, December 8th for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.*

Before you head out to go grocery shopping make sure you stock up on your supermarket SCRIP cards. Don't forget Lansdale Meat Market gives you 10% back!!

Check out www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of SCRIP stores available to you.

We are in the season of giving but remember to give back to yourself and please remember IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO START SCRIP!!! 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 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!



CYO Sunday Brunch at Pizza Time Saloon

- Every Sunday from 9am till 1 pm for the months of November and December, Pizza Time will donate 10% of your bill to Corpus Christi CYO. Enjoy a great meal and help out our athletes at the same time! Just tell your server you're from Corpus Christi.

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

Week of 12/04 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877
Week of 12/11 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. December 20th, January 16th.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

- must be a registered, practicing 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 almost EVERY SUNDAY.**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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 **3:30 PM 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 6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday from 7:45AM 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. (For more information, please call 215-855-1311).

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



MARRIAGES: Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session. The next pre-cana session is **October 28-29, 2016.** Please contact johnmcgowan3@gmail.com for more information.

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

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

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.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

We wish to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish community. Our congratulations and best wishes go out to all the families.



November 2016

- Fallon Jade Albright, daughter of Shannon and Walter
- Brigid Colleen Hall, daughter of Kathleen and Brandon
- Claire Faith Miller, daughter of Tracy and Michael
- Lorelei Elyse Troutman, daughter of Fatima and Matthew
- Zachary Blaze Verbrugghe, son of Caitlyn Verbrugghe
- Emma Louise Donathan, daughter of Melanie and Brian
- James Ayres DeCurtis, son of Ann and James
- Gianna Rose Fayer, daughter of Angela and Glenn
- Tyler Matthew Goudreault, son of Dawn and Matthew
- Cormick Thomas Herrity, son of Margaret and Thomas