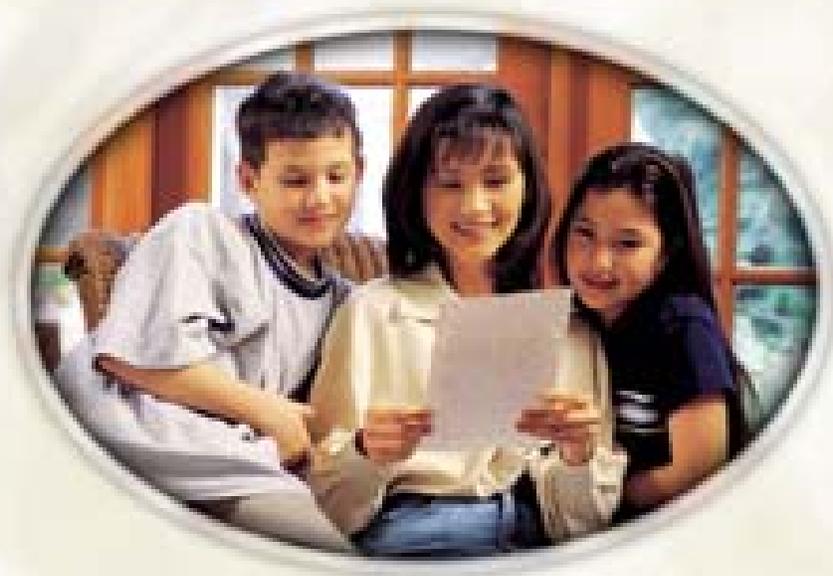


A Special Lenten Fast

Give up harsh words...	USE GENEROUS ONES.
Give up unhappiness...	TAKE UP GRATITUDE.
Give up anger...	TAKE UP GENTLENESS AND PATIENCE.
Give up pessimism...	TAKE UP HOPE AND OPTIMISM.
Give up worrying...	TAKE UP TRUST IN GOD.
Give up complaining...	VALUE WHAT YOU HAVE.
Give up stress...	TAKE UP PRAYER.
Give up judging others...	DISCOVER JESUS WITHIN THEM.
Give up sorrow and bitterness...	FILL YOUR HEART WITH JOY.
Give up selfishness...	TAKE UP COMPASSION FOR OTHERS.
Give up being unforgiving...	LEARN RECONCILIATION.
Give up words...	FILL YOURSELF WITH SILENCE, AND LISTEN TO OTHERS.



*Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
February 25, 2018 ~ Second Sunday of Lent*



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

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Reverend Shaji Silva

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Deacon William W. Evans

Deacon Steve Currie

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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.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

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

The season of Lent has barely begun. Only one and a half weeks of the time that the Church sets aside for our annual retreat has passed. A great amount of opportunity still lies before us. This is a time of reflection on how we have strayed from the Lord. It is a time of resolution to change. We are called to reform our lives so that we might be renewed. Ours is the challenge to be authentic again.

The authenticity to which we are called is that of being Church. All too often we consider ourselves as simply belonging to the Church. But, as the Assembly of Believers occupying this particular time and space when we worship, we bring the Church into being in the here and now. We are privileged to live at a time when we have experienced many new beginnings in the world. New beginnings in life are actually the yearnings of human beings to be real. For us Catholic Christians, that reality has to do with our being associated with Christ in His plan of salvation for God's people.

Abraham gives us a tremendous example of faith and trust. His commitment to be a dedicated instrument of God's will for His people was his motivation. And that is precisely our purpose, as we witness to the presence of the Son of God in our midst.

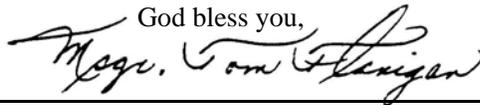
The Gospel reading today relates that scene to which we refer as "the Transfiguration". For Peter, James, and John, it was a revelation of things to come. But it was also a revelation of a reality hidden to normal sight. Even though unsure about the future, they saw that they were connected with the past. They were bolstered for the present. Never again would they be the same; for they, too, were transfigured in some way.

Forty percent of Americans can trace their ancestry through Ellis Island. But, can any one of us even begin to comprehend the hope that welled in the souls of that multitude of individuals, as they landed in what they called the "New World"? After days at sea while crowded in the steerage of a ship, they found themselves on an island among people they did not know being talked to in a language they did not understand. Can we even begin to sense the anxiety that filled their hearts? Yet, forty percent of us are Americans due to their faith and trust in God. We are the nation we are because of them. They made the United States the great country it is.

Lent gives us a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our own journey now and, eventually, into the Kingdom of Heaven. It also provides us with a window for reformation, a rededication of ourselves to be believers who are genuine and authentic. With the faith and trust of an Abraham, we are to allow the Lord to give to those around us a glimpse into a future full of hope. If we, the Church, fail to be the hope for the future, then to whom should those of the future turn?

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that "It is in the Church that Christ fulfills and reveals His own mystery as the purpose of God's plan" (#772). It also reminds us that we are that Church, an Assembly of Believers. Therefore, it is our role to present the Good News of Jesus Christ through our witness.

God bless you,



Corpus Christi Religious Education Program is looking for a volunteer with *Special Education experience* to work with a small group of children who are participating in the Religious Education Program on Monday afternoons between 4:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. If interested please contact the Religious Education Office at 215-362-2292.



*****10th Annual Man Up Philly - Catholic Men's Conference** REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR MAN UP PHILLY 2018! On **Saturday, March 3, 2018 at Neumann University's Mirenda Center**, the men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 10th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference – Christ Crucified – the Power and Wisdom of God. The conference provides an opportunity for men to come together in true Christian brotherhood and to hear inspirational talks from fellow men on the journey of faith. Speakers include: Jim Towey, Don Saleski, Mark Forrest, former Eagle, Seth Joyner and Brian Gail. The day, which will include time for Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, will conclude with Mass. To learn more: Visit the website: <http://www.manupphilly.com>.



Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2018-2019 School Year is currently taking place. Please call Mrs. Barb Casee in the school office at 215-368-0582 to arrange a time to come in and register your child.

Items Needed for Registration:

- ❖ Original Birth Certificate
- ❖ Baptismal Certificate
- ❖ Immunization Records
- ❖ \$100.00 non-refundable registration fee



Novena of Prayer to St. Peregrine for Healing: Corpus Christi Parish's Annual Nine Week Novena of Prayer for Healing to St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, begins every **Wednesday evening, starting from February 28th through April 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel.** The Novena will immediately follow Benediction which begins at 6:30 PM. On **Wednesday, April 25th**, the closing night of the Novena, there will be a **Mass of Anointing of the Sick** following the Novena; the Novena will be at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:30 PM in the Church. The Main Celebrant will be Father Pio Mandato. For more info call 215-855-1311.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

Saturday,	February 24th
4:30 PM	James Thompson <i>by The Crotty Family</i>
Sunday,	February 25th
7:00 AM	James J. Leary <i>by Pat and Ron Monico</i>
8:30	Rosemary Marks <i>by The Patterson Family</i>
10:00	Gino Strippoli <i>by Matthew and Amy Lendzinski</i>
11:30	Carmella Juiliante <i>by Lillian Scheetz</i>
6:00 PM	Kennett Slater <i>by Donald and Dorothy Slater</i>
Monday,	February 26th
7:15 AM	Judy Cullen <i>by Betsy O'Connell</i>
12:05 PM	Bernard Rafferty <i>by Peg and Tim Fitzpatrick</i>
Tuesday,	February 27th
7:15 AM	Jim Thompson <i>by Barb Thompson and Family</i>
12:05 PM	Judy Cullen <i>by The Schmidt Family</i>
Wednesday,	February 28th
7:15 AM	Celia Ballnik <i>by Karen and Ed Price</i>
12:05 PM	Irene Bradley <i>by Pat and Tony Tonto</i>
Thursday,	March 1st
7:15 AM	John Kilrain <i>by Jimmy, Janet and Brian</i>
12:05 PM	Marie Roberto <i>by Dan and Jenn O'Leary</i>
Friday,	March 2nd
7:15 AM	Kathleen Begley <i>by The Sirianni Family</i>
12:05 PM	John Gabriel <i>by Pete and Rose Wilson</i>
Saturday,	March 3rd
7:15 AM	Harry and Cheryl Wallace <i>by The Holody Family</i>
4:30 PM	Edgar Gansz <i>by Dan and Elaine Gansz</i>
Sunday,	March 4th
7:00 AM	L. Bernard Ferguson <i>by Jack and Jo Ferguson</i>
8:30	Theresa V. Walsh <i>by Anna Marie Walsh</i>
10:00	Hue Dinh <i>by Huynh Dinh</i>
11:30	Albert Fennell <i>by Joe and Diane Radvansky</i>
6:00 PM	Michael Andrejczak <i>by The Patterson Family</i>

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Catherine Imms, niece of Kathleen Kuhn.



Prayer For Those Who Have Died

Into Your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life You embraced them with Your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them enter eternal rest. +Amen

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

WEEKLY COLLECTION FINANCIAL UPDATE

Target for Fiscal Year 2017-2018	\$1,716,000
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2017-18	\$ 33,000
Collection for February 17/18	\$ 26,864
Electronic Giving (156 participants) Feb. 20	\$ 18,724
Over (Under) Target Week	\$ 12,588
Over (Under) Target YTD Fiscal Week 34	\$ (14,360)
Facilities Improvement Accumulative	\$ 119,085
Total Envelopes Mailed	2,575
Total Envelopes Used (2/18)	683
Balance Due on Mortgage (as of 2/1)	\$ 2,639,854

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 God ordered Abraham to take his beloved only son to Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham built an altar and took out a knife to sacrifice his son Isaac. But God called out to him and told him of blessings that would be bestowed on him and his descendants because he had been willing to do what God had asked.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19
R. (116:9) I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34 Paul reminds the people that God did not spare His only Son, but gave Him up for the sake of all people. This proves God views us all as His children, and that no person can harm or condemn us because God will protect us.



Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus led Peter, James and John up a high mountain, where He conversed with Elijah and Moses. A voice proclaimed 'This is My Son, My beloved. Listen to Him.' Then Jesus was alone and warned them not to tell anyone what they had seen until He had risen from the dead.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Then Peter said to Jesus in reply 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents, one for You, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them, from the cloud came a voice, 'This is My beloved Son, Listen to Him.' Suddenly looking around they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them."

Today we join the three apostles, the two prophets and Jesus on the Mount of the Transfiguration. A mountain in the bible is where God meets His people. The two great persons representing the law and the prophets, and Jesus, have a new experience of God's presence.

Like Peter today, it is good we are here for worship, or for private time reading, or reflecting on this scripture account. Like Peter we may not know what to say in the awesome presence of the Almighty. Following the voice from the cloud, we pause to listen. What is the Lord asking of me as I begin this second week of Lent? Is He offering me words of comfort and consolation in my life as I struggle to draw closer to Him? Is He wishing that I consider how special it is to spend some time apart to grow in holiness this Lent? As I descend from the mountain is it time for me to invite others to experience the great love Jesus has for us?

**He is the Father's beloved and so am I.
As I look around may I too see only Jesus.**

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. Mary's will hold a pre-cana workshop on **Saturday April 14, 2018, from 9AM—ending after the 4:00 PM Mass.** It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day Program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the Parish Office for an application:



610-933-2526 or visit www.stmaryassumption.org click Forms/PRE CANA.

One Day Retreat with Franciscan Friars of the Renewal: Father Terry & Brother Shawn Wednesday, February 28, 2018: 9 AM —2 PM

The One Day Retreat will include two Conferences, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. The Community of Franciscan Friars of the Renewal was begun in 1987 by eight Capuchin friars desiring to work more definitively for personal and communal reform within the Catholic Church. The life and apostolate of the friars are rooted in the ideals and spirit of the Capuchin reform born in the early 16th century.

To register for an event contact: Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508 olme@olme.org ♦ 610-582-3333 ♦ www.olme.org
All are Welcome! Bring a Friend! Your generous donation will be deeply appreciated.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy Upcoming Admissions Events for Girls in 5th, 6th and 7th grades



Morning Tours: 5th, 6th and 7th grade students are invited along with at least one parent.
Select dates in March and April - 8:00 – 10:30 am
Tour and Q&A

Evening Tours: 5th, 6th and 7th grade along with at least one parent
Select dates Jan–May: 6:30 – 8:00pm Tour and Q & A

7th Grade Practice Test: Saturday or Sunday – April 28th or 29th
Information and registration available at www.gmahs.org.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy

The Mount, a Catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to The Pre-HSPT to be given on **Saturday, March 24, 2018, 8:00 – 11:30AM.** The Pre-HSPT is a 7TH grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. Registration is available online only. Register at: www.msjad.org/practicetest You will receive registration confirmation via email.

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 reserve a date for your 8th grader.

Spring 2018 Freedom Retreat for Catholic Women

You Are Made New Ministry invites women of all ages to the Spring 2018 Freedom Retreat, **Friday evening April 27th and Saturday, April 28th**, at Pope John Paul II High School in Royersford, PA. The theme is based on Rev 21:5 'Behold, I Make All Things New', and includes inspirational talks, music, adoration, healing prayer, personal reflection, food, and more. Our plan is to unleash the power of God through the Holy Spirit and give Him permission to change our lives! **Registration is \$65 before March 15 and \$75 afterward.** For more information and to register, visit www.YouAreMadeNew.com or contact De Yarrison at 610-287-2989.

Visitation BVM, 196 N Trooper Rd, Eagleville, Pa

Offering an interactive workshop to assist Catholics in central Montgomery County with the spiritual and temporal aspects of end of life planning. Speakers include: a priest from the archdiocese, an estate planning attorney, a funeral director, a representative of Calvary Cemetery and a financial planner.
Location: Visitation BVM, 196 N. Trooper Rd, Eagleville 19403, in the Larkin Center

When: **Tuesday evening February 27th 6-9 PM.**

Light refreshments will be served. Seating is limited. To reserve your spot or for additional information please call Tim Seiders at 215-699-6993

Saint Patrick's Cathedral & Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine

There is no better way to travel than to travel as a pilgrim! Join fellow parishioners and friends from other parishes across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for this one day pilgrimage to New York City. We will first tour Saint Patrick's and then celebrate the noon Mass at the Cathedral. Following Mass, we will depart for the Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine where we will enjoy lunch and a tour. Free time will be allotted for personal prayer and visits to the gift shops at each sacred place. **Tuesday, April 3, 2018; Bus Departure: Saint Maria Goretti Church Parking Lot; Approximate Return Home: 7:00 PM**

Cost: \$70.00 per person (includes lunch); Register using the form at www.stmariagoretti.net.

Saints for Life

Each week of Lent we will explore the life of a saint who spearheaded the Church's rebirth after the turbulence and confusion caused by the Protestant Reformation. You'll want to stay friends with these saints for life, even into eternity, as you discover that their call to follow Christ is just as compelling today as it was 55 years ago. Each session includes breakfast refreshments, a 30 to 40 minute DVD presentation, and a brief time of discussion. **Sessions begin at 9:30 AM in the lower level of Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center and conclude by 11:00 AM.** Please join us for all the sessions or for as many sessions as you would like. Please register at angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-0199 (ext. 202).

Tuesday, February 27, 2018: Saint Philip Neri
~ The Apostle of Joy
Tuesday, March 6, 2018: Saint Charles Borromeo
~ The Good Shepherd
Tuesday, March 13, 2018: Saint Teresa of Avila
~ A Study in Perseverance
Tuesday, March 20, 2018: Saint Francis de Sales
~ Pastor of Souls

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

We have an upcoming retreat for healing after abortion. It is designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. It will help you focus on the buried emotions of the past and begin healing in a non-judgmental, safe, loving, and confidential environment. It will give you hope for your future and freedom from the pain within your heart and soul.

March 9, 10, 11, 2018 Malvern-Frazier, Pennsylvania.
For information call Lauren at 215-720-5828 or Priscilla at 215-906-6337. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Financial aid is offered if needed. National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M., Cap. Presiding. This mass is to pray for and with all married couples who are newlyweds, or who have been married 25 years or more, or 50 years or more. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Registration Required, visit: www.phillycatholiclife.org



Bill Flear, Daniel MacDonald, Joanne McDonald, Maureen McGowan, Sara Welsh Krebs, Katelyn Bonner, James Donnelly, Kathy Donia, Annamarie Hutchinson, Frank Griffith, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, Mike McGonigle, Patricia Wright, 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, Samuel Smith, Theresa Struble, Bernard Kunz, Jr., Jeff Kerns, Dorothy Mostowtt, Ann DiLucia.

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

Annapolis, MD Thursday, April 19, cost-\$110. **All passengers must carry a valid Government Issued Photo I.D.** Round Trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver are included. Sit-down luncheon at the Black Wall Hitch (1:00PM), guided riding and walking tour of Annapolis, MD and the U.S. Naval Academy, 40 minute narrated cruise (3-3:40) aboard the Harbor Queen. **Payment due at Sign-Up** *No refunds after the vendor is paid in full. Entree Selections: 1) Lump Crab Linguine Skillet, 2) Eastern Shore Chicken and Grits Skillet 3) Shrimp and Risotto Skillet. Departs 7:30AM, return approx. 7PM. *Call 215-393-6779- Mary Slater, 512 Dock Dr., Lansdale, PA 19446 or Rose Wilson at 215-368-0421.

Vermont Sound of Music Trappe Family Lodge Tuesday, May 15-Friday, May 18. Round trip motor coach transportation, 3 night's accommodations at the Hampton Inn, White River Junction, VT. 3 Expanded Continental Breakfasts with hot choices. Trappe Family Lodge Austrian luncheon. Full dinners at area restaurants. Many more exciting activities and tours. Pick up a Brochure in the Narthex of Corpus Christi Church or at Club 50 meetings. Deposit of \$50. at sign-up, final payment due March 26th. 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."*



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RESPECT LIFE NEWS CORNER

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.
-St. Therese of the Child Jesus

The 40 Days for Life Campaign is a Nationwide life-saving event which runs from 2/14/18 through 3/25/18. This effort consists of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigils outside Planned Parenthood locations. Would you please join us and other local churches to pray for one hour outside the Planned Parenthood in Norristown, PA? **Our scheduled day is**



Monday, March 5th from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Through 40 Days for Life, it is prayerfully possible to change hearts! Sign up sheet and directions are located in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Helen Walker at 484-681-4868. Thank you for helping to build a culture of life! Sign up for daily devotionals at www.40daysforlife.com/norristown

Spiritual Adoption Update:



Your spiritually adopted baby at 5 months now weighs over one pound and His mother can feel his movement. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside wall and dent it - the inside wall has no feeling. We are midway through the pregnancy now. Thank you to everyone who is praying for your baby. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.



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

Father John E Doyle Knights of Columbus Council #9715 invite you on a bus trip to see the show **"Jesus - Live On Stage,"** a Broadway-quality musical at the Millennium Sights and Sounds Theater. This will take place on **Saturday, March 24, 2018.** Bus leaves Corpus Christi Parish at 2:30pm, return is expected around 11pm. Tickets are \$135/adult, and \$85/child 12 years and under. Price includes bus transportation from Corpus Christi, dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord, and the show ticket. Proceeds benefit Corpus Christi Youth Ministry. Please contact Danielle Gallo, the youth minister at Corpus Christi Parish, at corpus_ym@gmail.com for questions and details. Details are also available at the youth group's website: <https://corpuschristiyounggroup.weebly.com/jesus-live-on-stage-fundraiser.html>.

CORPUS CHRISTI LIBRARY

Ash Wednesday has launched the **Lenten and Easter seasons** for 2018. As an aid to your spiritual journey please take advantage of some helpful books and DVDs from our Parish Library. For your convenience, select titles will be transferred to the Narthex until the middle of March. Self-Checkout details are posted near the materials. **You are also most welcome to browse in the library before or after the Masses on Sunday.**



Stations of the Cross Every Friday at 7:00PM with practice for the Good Friday Passion Play immediately following.



Passion Play 2018: Calling all actors, musicians, stage hands and anyone open to trying something new! Casting has begun for all roles for this year's Passion Play. All are welcome to participate; we are open to all ages and encourage family participation. We do ask that children 5th grade and younger have a parent present for all rehearsals and performances. Rehearsals will



begin during Lent, and will take place on Friday evenings in the Church after Stations of the Cross. Our presentation of the Passion Play is on Good Friday at noon in the Church. If you are interested in joining the cast or crew, or would like more details, please contact Amanda Deo at Amanda.g.deo@gmail.com.

THE FOOTPRINT OF GOD video series by Steve Ray - Gain a deeper appreciation for our Savior and the salvation he purchased for the world. All this in a fast-paced, entertaining biography, travel documentary, Bible study, apologetics course and Church history study rolled into one remarkable adventure with Abraham, Moses, David, Peter, Jesus and the Apostolic Fathers! **Each Tuesday of Lent, from 7:00 to 9:00 in Visitation Junior High school library located at 190 N. Trooper Road, Trooper, PA 19403.** Use entrance nearest the corner of N. Trooper Rd and Chestnut Ave. Attend one or all five. No workbooks, no charge. 2/27 - Moses, 3/6 - David/Solomon, 3/13 - Peter, 3/20 - Jesus, 3/27 - Apostolic Fathers

Parish Retreat: The staff of Saint Maria Goretti Parish invites you to join them on their annual retreat. This year, we will travel to Malvern Retreat House. Nestled in the rolling hills of Malvern, Pennsylvania, the retreat center has been a place of prayer, healing, joy and conversion for more than a million people since its beginning in 1912. Our retreat will begin at 9:00 AM and conclude by 3:00 PM and includes breakfast and lunch, a conference, the celebration of Mass, opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament. Come away and rest awhile in His loving embrace. Please register using the form that can be found on our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net. **Thursday, March 15, 2018; Bus Departure: Saint Maria Goretti Church Parking Lot: 7:30AM Return approximately 4:30 PM; Cost: \$30.00 per person; Retreat Director: Father John Meyers.**



Upcoming Events **The Guardians - Tuesday, March 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, March 6th- 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. Questions may be directed to Jess at jesswoehr@hotmail.com

CORPUS CHRISTI LENTEN PRESENTATION

Therese of Lisieux: The Saint We Need in These Days of Spiritual Confusion and Violence Here at Corpus Christi in meeting rooms B and C, 7:30PM



Brother Joseph F. Schmidt, FSC will present a three-evening seminar on St. Therese. The evening will include a Q&A session as well as take home materials.

Monday, February 26 -Therese's Spiritual Vision: Challenge and Consolation In the document proclaiming Therese a Doctor of the Church, St. Pope John Paul II called her an "icon of God," the spiritual teacher for our day. This session will introduce the biography of Therese, also known as The Little Flower, and provide a summary of her rich teaching on God,

Faith, Love, and holiness, - a wisdom that we can be confident is the authentic Gospel teaching in our modern time.

Tuesday, February 27 -Therese's Way of Charity and Our Call to Love as Jesus Loved - Therese is famous for her "Little Way," of spirituality. This session will focus on the characteristics of her little way of spiritual growth especially in helping us to understand and practice how to love ourselves, our neighbor, God, and even our enemy.

Wednesday, February 28 -Therese's Way of Praying and Our Call to Pray -Therese provides us with an example of how a Christian today can understand the Gospel teaching about prayer and our relationship with God. Her example and teaching on prayer is simple, without exceptional or miraculous elements, and yet an inviting, possible way for us to pray.

Pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne de Beaupré

10 018 Avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré (QC), G0A 3C0 CANADA



Join the "Lilyanna Rose Pilgrims" Thanks and Praise Tour, to celebrate St. Anne's feast day July 26th 2018.

The pilgrimage history of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré is one that is marked by extraordinary events, which

continue even to this day. A charter bus and hotel arrangements are being coordinated now and if you think you might be interested in going you can get more information at: www.saintannepilgrimage.myevent.com. A **passport is required. Leaving July 24th returning July 27th, 2018.** As of now approximate cost would be \$150 round trip for bus plus a driver tip and approximately \$115 US (per night) for hotel. Meals are not included. Keep watching for updates as the event gets closer or contact Randy Pagnotta at theevangelist@mctus.net.

"Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John"

Following Christ takes more than simply believing in him or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer — He wants you to be his disciple and friend. **Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John** is your guide to a personal encounter with Christ. Participants will receive a workbook and will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. The eight 30-minute videos will guide you through the *Gospel of John*.

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JTsUlwzIDM>

Wednesdays: March 21 - May 9, 2018 Conference Rooms B/C \$16.95

***Choose **one** **REGISTRATION** link for *Gospel of John*:

- Morning 9:30am-11:30am <https://ascensionpress.com/studies/25933/registrations/new>
- Evening 7:00pm-9:00pm <https://ascensionpress.com/studies/25935/registrations/new>
- Online only <https://ascensionpress.com/studies/25936/registrations/new>

For more information: IRISHEILEEN@HOTMAIL.COM

EXTRA SEPARATE. ONLINE STREAMING ONLY

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24 months to view at your own pace at home. Workbooks included. \$29.95

Church History Taught from a Solid Catholic Perspective

REGISTER online only: <https://ascensionpress.com/studies/25939/registrations/new>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LWF2EnaDnRY>

FIND YOUR GREATNESS

Four Habits That Will Transform Your Life

What are your habits? Are they helping you become the best version of yourself or some second-rate version of yourself?

Our lives change when our habits change. Come learn about four simple habits you can develop that will lead you to becoming the person God created you to be.

Based on Matthew Kelly's book "*The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*," this half-day event will introduce you to four simple habits that will help you reach your full potential.

Come join us for a very special experience that will be spiritually enriching and entertaining.

Featuring – Dr. Allen Hunt, Catholic speaker and author Dr. Allen Hunt is currently serving alongside Matthew Kelly as Vice President for Strategy at the Dynamic Catholic Institute. He is the author of four books including: "Confessions of a Mega-Church Pastor," "Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody," "Life's Greatest Lessons," and "The 21 Undeniable Secrets of Marriage."

Sunday, April 29, 2018

3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Saint Stanislaus Church

51 Lansdale Ave.

Lansdale, PA 19446

Tickets -- \$25. Purchase your tickets at Saint Stanislaus Parish Center or online at www.DynamicCatholic.com/Lansdale or call 859-980-7900

Every attendee will receive an event bag which contains the book "*The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*," an audio CD on "*Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality*," an inspirational journal, and several other great resources. Please note that meals are not served during the event, but feel free to pack a snack to enjoy during the breaks in areas available outside of the Church.

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 215-361-9300 and ask for Deb Bailey, or email her at debra.bailey@td.com.

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 02/25 Team #9: Helen Tobin at 610-584-5871 or Denise Garrigus at 215-256-6877

Week of 03/04 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. March 19th, April 16th.**

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.



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). Exceptions are noted in our activities on page 8 of the bulletin **Youth News**
Contact: metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com or visit us on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/metanoiayoungadults>

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Continuing through April 25th a Novena to St. Peregrine, Patron saint of cancer patients is being conducted. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 7:45AM to 6:30PM concluding with benediction and the novena begins immediately after benediction. **On the last night of the Novena, April 25th, at 7:30PM there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick** in the Church Fr. Pio Mandato will be the main celebrant. For more information please call the Parish Office Center at 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 12:00PM** (during Lent) 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.**