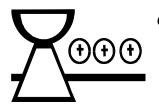


Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Matthew 21:9b

Corpus Christi Parish ~ Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania April 9, 2017 ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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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

Holv Dav 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,

In the Holy Week account in the Gospel of Matthew, three questions vital to all of us are asked by participants in the Passion. Consider the three questions, their answers, and the reaction of the witnesses.

On Palm Sunday in the procession Gospel, as Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred to its depths demanding to know, "Who is this?" The crowd that accompanied Jesus kept answering the bystanders, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee." The first vital question was one of identity, and the response was correct and factual – just the name and address. Those who accompanied Jesus in the procession were cautious and non-committal. Many of them knew that Jesus was marked for death, and nobody went out on a limb for Him.

On Holy Thursday night, at the religious trial after our Lord's arrest in the garden, Caiphas the high priest asked the second vital question, "I order You to tell us under oath whether you are the Messiah, the Son of God." Jesus' answer, "You have said so," sounds to us as only a half-affirmative answer; but the Sanhedrin understood it. "He has blasphemed! . . . You have now heard the blasphemy; what is your opinion? . . . He deserves to die!" The reaction of the Sanhedrin is blind, jealous, full of hate. Jesus is disowned by the leaders of His own religion.

On Good Friday morning, at the civil trial before Pilate, the Roman official asked the third vital question, "Are You the King of the Jews?" For the second time, Jesus' answer is half-confirmation; in effect He says to Pilate, "You have answered your own question." The reaction is that the Roman and the Jewish leaders treat Jesus with sarcasm and ridicule. They spit on Him, robe Him in purple, and in mocking, crown Him with thorns. They genuflect before Him. They treat Him like a fool or a clown. Three questions asked; three answers given. One reaction is non-committal, another is blind religious hatred, the third is political mockery.

Then on Good Friday, around midafternoon in the darkness and terror that accompanied an earthquake, the pagan centurion, who was in charge of the detail of soldiers who crucified Jesus, made this statement: "Clearly, this was the Son of God!" We believe about Jesus of Nazareth what the Roman centurion confessed on Calvary that awful Friday afternoon – that Jesus of Nazareth is the Messiah, the Son of God, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. This belief underlies the way we live, think, and act. This week is a week of reflection, prayer, and grace for us as we re-live in word, ritual, and sacrament in our sanctuary, the great events of our redemption. Make every effort to be here this week to confess Jesus of Nazareth, Messiah and Lord.

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Don't miss this opportunity! Come experience a prayerful depiction of the Passion of Our Lord. Our Passion Play is presented on Good Friday – April 14th Please try to arrive and be seated in the church by 11:45am. A free-will offering will be collected at the conclusion of the play. If you have any questions please contact our director, Amanda Deo at Amanda.g.deo@gmail.com.

The Solemn Service will follow afterward at 3:00PM

REC Job Opportunity – REC Assistant

Part-time paid position 10 – 15 hours weekly. Please contact Mrs. Trish Keen for more details at 215-362-2292.

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 on Wednesday evenings in the Chapel, continuing through April 26th at 6:30PM to 7:30PM. The Novena immediately follows Benediction which begins at 6:30PM. There is also Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday, 7:45AM to 6:30PM.

Mass of Anointing of the Sick: On Wednesday, April 26th, the closing night of the Novena, there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick at 7:30PM in the Church. The Main Celebrant will be Father Pio Mandato. For more info call 215-855-1311.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

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Saturday,		April 8th
4:30	PM	Jack Dwyer
Sunday, 7:00	AM	April 9th Frank Menta by Anna Menta
8:30		Joseph and Frances Montisano
10:00		by Rose Mullaly Peter Illari by The Illari Family
11:30		Owen P. Adams, Jr. by Kevin and Amber Danielson
6:00	PM	Mary and Al Schoenberger, Jr. by Mary and Al Schoenberger, III
Monday,		April 10th
7:15	'AM	James McGovern by the Mangan Family
12:05	PM	Anne Elizabeth Halsey by Kathy Lancia
Tuesday,		April 11th
7:15	AM	Jason Borkowski by The Borkowski Family
12:05	PM	Jeffrey Feulner by Patricia Carroll
Wednesd	av.	April 12th
7:15	ĂM	Mary Craig
12:05		by Shirley Walsh Francis and Frances Ferris
12.00		by Frank Ferris 🦱 When Suppe
Thursday,		April 13th ~ Holy Thursday He took the Co
7:00	PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday,		April 14th ~ Good Friday
10:00 3:00	AM PM	Morning Prayer Solemn Service
Saturday,		April 15th ~ Holy Saturday
10:00 7:00	AM PM	Morning Prayer and Blessing of Food EASTER VIGIL
Sunday,		April 16th ~ Easter Sunday
7:00	AM	All Masses on Easter Sunday
8:30		are for the
10:00		Intentions
11:30		of our
		Parishioners
		NO 6:00PM Youth Mass
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RESTINAPERCE

We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family, especially Joseph McFadden, brother of Sue Evans; Mary Hanisco, mother of Carolyn Smagalski; Thomas Glaccum, husband of Sarah; Richard Glica, husband of Frances.

Lord Jesus Christ,

by Your own three days in the tomb, You This day you will be with me hallowed the graves of all who believe in You and so made the grave a sign of = hope that promises resurrection even as it claims our mortal bodies. + Amen



PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE			
Target for Fiscal Year 2016-2017	\$1,	\$1,560,000	
Weekly Target for Fiscal Year 2016-17	\$	30,000	
Collection for April 1/2	\$	30,697	
Electronic Giving (127 participants) Apr. 2	N/A		
Over (Under) Target Week	\$	697	
Over (Under) Target YTD Fiscal Week 40	\$	56,844	
Facilities Improvement Year To Date	\$	60,507	
Through April 2nd			
Total Envelopes Mailed		2,550	
Total Envelopes Used (April 2nd)		881	
Balance Due on Mortgage	\$ 2	,710,739	



First Reading: *Isaiah* 50:4-7 In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope.

Responsorial: PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 R. (2a) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading: *Philippians 2:6-11* In exultant tones, Paul tells the Philippians to rejoice because Christ became man, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and sits triumphantly at the right hand of the Father.

Gospel: *Matthew* 26:14—27:66 This is the solemn narrative of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew recounts the treachery and betrayal of Judas and then describes the events of the Last Supper, culminating in the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus endures the Agony in the Garden; He is then brought before Caiaphas and Pilate and condemned to death. After His resurrection, the centurions shouted, "Clearly this was the Son of God!'



HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly "The Lord has given me a well trained tongue that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them... The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced, I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame... Rather He emptied Himself."

With the onset of Holy Week, we walk with Jesus through the saving action He did on our behalf. Because of our need, He became one with us, took upon Himself our sinfulness and redeemed us.

Holy Week offers us the opportunity to reflect on our ongoing needs, and the continued love of Jesus for us today. We do not just return to the Holy City to remember the special moments of the Paschal Triduum, but we enter into the saving work which Jesus accomplishes in us today.

The prophet Isaiah wishes to 'rouse' us to seek God's help, knowing that through His passion Jesus redeemed us and continues to shelter us in His love. May this truly be a week of God's grace for us all.

THE TRIDUUM THE THREE DAYS

The Easter Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire Liturgical year. It is not an annual passion play of the events from the Last Supper on Thursday to the empty tomb on Sunday. The Triduum is one single mystery, the Paschal Mystery. Something from long ago and far away yet very close to our own world, our own struggle with living and dying. We need to celebrate the Triduum with our eyes always focused on the total message: The dying and rising of the Lord. We cannot separate the two.

THE PASCHAL MYSTERY - That dying He destroyed our death, rising He restored our lives is at the very heart of our lives. When we pray morning prayer, give thanks at night before eating, when we gather on Sunday morning for Eucharist, when we assemble to bury one of our own, we are part of the mystery. The rhythm of each day and week is marked by the sign of the cross: Dying He destroyed our death . . . Rising He restored our lives.

HOLY THURSDAY COMMEMORATION OF THE LAST SUPPER

To restore the unity of the Lord's Passover and ours, the revision of the order of Holy Week, begun under Pius XII and continued after Vatican II made it clear that the Paschal Triduum begins on Thursday evening after sunset. Lent ends, therefore, on Thursday afternoon.

The central theme of this time is that of the Lord giving Himself for our salvation. The meal is a sacrifice, a prophetic gesture with which the Lord, in obedience to His Father and for love of us all, committed Himself "Unto Death". We should be able to come to appreciate how the Eucharistic Meal is a sacrifice. This is underlined in the Second Reading from 1Corinthians, but also by the Reading of the Exodus account of the eating of the Paschal Meal, whose blood saves the Israelites from the angel of death. The death of the lamb saves the life of the people.

GOOD FRIDAY THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Good Friday is a day of Solemn Fast. It is within this fast that the faithful gather to pray. We gather for the Celebration of the Lord's Passion. We center ourselves on the cross as it sums up the struggle between death and life as we have felt it within our hearts and as it has come to define our existence.

THE EASTER VIGIL THE SACRAMENTARY DIVIDES THE VIGIL INTO FOUR ELEMENTS

A brief **Service of Light**; the **Liturgy of the Word**, when the Church meditates on all the wonderful things God has done for His people from the beginning; the **Liturgy of Baptism**, when the new members of the Church are reborn as the day of resurrection approaches; and the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**, when the whole Church is called to the table which the Lord has prepared for His people through His death and resurrection.

In this night, the apex of the Liturgical year, the beauty and richness of the Vigil celebration is almost overwhelming. Once again, the wealth of our now restored tradition comes alive. As we celebrate it in sign and symbol, we also share it with our newest members.

The Service begins in darkness. The new fire and the Paschal candle are lit. The invitation to keep Vigil in this Passover of the Lord is issued. The Easter Proclamation is sung. And in union with believers throughout the world, once again we tell our story from Genesis and Exodus and the Prophets. It is a story of the God who created us and called us, who led us from slavery to freedom and who cares for us.

The Lord calls us to be part of the new creation, the people of God. He appeals to all the deepest longings of our hearts and reminds us that it is He who loves us, forgives us, and renews our hearts. All that is asked is our heartfelt consent, our willingness to follow, to pattern our lives on the mystery of this night, to die with the Lord so that we, too, might have life.

Now the waiting is over; it is the moment for our Easter Alleluia! Not having heard it since the beginning of the Lenten season, the assembly awaits it with anticipation. The good news proclaimed!

The Baptism follows. The "Elect" symbolically go down under the waters of death, rise up to new life in Christ and are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Our Vigil is not complete without the witness of faith and commitment of the new members. We, in turn, renew our Baptismal covenant.

Now we rise as a body and publicly renew our determination to live out our Baptismal promises, to renounce all that is evil and to live as faith-filled members of the Church.

Easter Sunday is both the final hours of the Triduum and the First of the great Fifty Days which will end with Pentecost.

EASTER TIME

Celebration of the Fifty Days of joy, symbolic of the new age in which we live, conclude with Pentecost

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA

Remain in My Love: Archdiocese of Philadelphia Initiative for the Renewal of Marriage and Family Life



"Archbishop Charles J. Chaput announces a three year project, Remain in My Love, directed to every member of the clergy and lay faithful, and to every parish and institution, to reinvigorate our understanding, practices and celebrations of Christian marriage and family life. There is a serious need to shift our previous approach to marriage and family life..." Read the full text here:

http://tinyurl.com/m5xdwng

Visit the Remain in My Love website at: http://archphila.org/remain

Flyer for the Three-Year plan http://tinyurl.com/kb359vw

The Three-Year Remain in My Love Plan

CanaVox Reading Groups: http://tinyurl.com/lus29un



In honor of **Autism Awareness Month**, The Kinney Center for Autism Education and Support is holding a **Sensory Friendly Mass on Sunday**, **April 23, 2017**. Mass will take place at 9AM in the Chapel of Saint Joseph at Saint Joseph's University. Full details, and registration can be found at http://tinyurl.com/mbbbbtg.

This service is meant to be a welcoming church experience sensitive to the sensory needs of individuals on the autism spectrum.

The Sensory-Friendly worship is open to everyone, including siblings, family and friends. To accommodate the sensory needs of our attendees, we will provide a social story to help individuals on the spectrum prepare for mass and participate as well in a break room.

Also, if you follow this link http://tinyurl.com/lgcctun you will find a list of other activities being offered during the month of April 4th through 30th. All of these events are open to the community, and a majority are free of charge.

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

Divine Mercy Retreat April 21-23

Men and women are invited to immerse themselves in Christ's Divine Mercy at Malvern Retreat House's Divine Mercy weekend retreat April 21-23. This year's retreat will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's Apparitions at Fatima and will culminate with the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday.

The retreat theme will be: *Graces and Mercy: Divine Mercy in the Centenary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima*. Leading the retreat will be retreat directors Rev. Michael Mullan, Rev. Ronan Murphy and Rev. Stephen DeLacy. Please visit www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!



through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program in your area begins on the weekend of April 21 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Another weekend will be held in August. For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at:

www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School events for girls in 6th and 7th grades!

Morning Tours Happening now!

Select Weekdays through May 8:00-10:30am

Evenings at Gwynedd - Limited Wednesday evenings in May. 7th Grade Practice Test

7th Grade Practice Test
Saturday, April 29, 2017 or Sunday, April 30, 2017
9:00am-12:30pm

Tours available after the exam on Saturday

Information Sessions at 9:10am for parents both days

All information is available at:

https://www.gmahs.org/admissions/visit-gwynedd

Mount Saint Joseph Academy invites 7th grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Half day visitations will continue through May 23rd. A parent may go online to arrange a visit. Visit our website at www.msjacad.org for more information.

All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry Pre-Cana Program ~ St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Phoenixville, PA ~Saturday – April 29, 2017 Program begins at 8:00 AM and ends after the 4:00 Pm Mass.

Program begins at 8:00 AM and ends 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 v i s i t o u r w e b s i t e www.stmaryassumption.org - click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.

Upcoming Events

Upcoming The Guardians - Tuesday, May 2nd-7PM

Events Religious Education Room in Church. For more information or to register for your first meeting, e contact Deacon Frank Langsdorf at

deaconlangsdorf@gmail.com.

Mom Café - Tuesday, Tuesday, May 2nd- 9:30-11AM

The Mom's Cafe will be having its *last meeting before summer* break. 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 this or in the fall 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



Volunteers are needed for the Parish House on either Saturday or Sunday morning from 9 to 12:30 or Saturday or Sunday afternoon from 12:30 to 4:00.

It's only once a month for 3 ½ hours. Main responsibilities are answering the phone and giving out keys for the building when there are events.

If interested please contact Harriet Condra. 610-584-4219 or 610-299-6800.

Aid For Friends



As we end the Lenten season and begin Eastertide, please set a place for an unknown guest. Corpus Christi's Aid for Friends provides meals for the homebound of our parish and surrounding communities. Sectional trays can be found in the plastic totes in the narthex and at the side door of the church. Place a tray at your dinner table, and fill it as you would

your own plate. Cover with foil, fill out a menu sheet, place in the plastic bags provided, and freeze. Drop off solidly frozen meals in the freezers marked "Aid for Friends" in the garage near the convent. If you have any questions, please call Barbara MacIntosh 215-256-1161.

Examinations Of Conscience

Before celebrating the Sacrament of Penance, one should prepare themselves with an examination of conscience. An examination of conscience is a "prayerful self-reflection on our words and deeds in the light of the Gospel to determine how we may have sinned against God" (– Glossary, The Catechism of the Catholic Church).

There are various types of examinations of conscience but regardless of which one you use to prepare yourself for the Sacrament it should be rooted in Scripture; particularly, the Ten Commandments and Beatitudes. A few examples of Examinations of Conscience that can help you prepare for the Sacrament are listed at the United States Bishops website. Just follow this link http://tinyurl.com/glsot98 there are several types of examen listed suited to your stage in life.



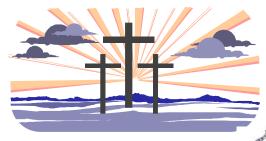
Sacrament of Reconciliation

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 (except Holy Saturday).

Special Easter times: Monday, April 10th ~ 3PM-4PM and 7PM-8PM

Tuesday, April 11th ~ 7PM-8:00PM



CONFESSIONS

Monday, April 10th ~ 3PM-4PM and 7PM-8PM Tuesday, April 11th ~ 7PM-8PM

PASSION ~PALM SUNDAY, April 9th

Saturday, April 8th - Vigil 4:30PM Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30AM (Solemn Procession of Palms), 6:00PM (Youth Mass)

Tenebrae 7:30PM

HOLY THURSDAY, April 13th

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper Exposition until Midnight



GOOD FRIDAY, April 14th

10:00AM Morning Prayer 12:00 NOON Passion Play

Our annual Passion Play will be held in Church.

ALL parishioners are sincerely invited to attend this most memorable, inspirational depiction

of the Stations of the Cross.
3:00PM Solemn Service and Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY, April 15th

10:00AM Morning Prayer and Blessing of Food 7:00PM Easter Vigil Mass

> EASTER SUNDAY, April 16th Masses 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30AM

> > NO 6:00PM Youth Mass



The Corpus Christi Adult and Youth Choirs will present a special Tenebrae Service tonight, *Palm Sunday, April 9th at* 7:30 PM in Corpus Christi Church. The ancient Tenebrae (Latin for "shadows") dates back centuries to the early years of the church. It depicts the flight of the disciples and the approaching crucifixion through the extinguishing of candles in the sanctuary. Start your Holy Week with this beautiful and moving service that recreates the betrayal, abandonment and agony of Jesus Christ whose death brought light to our world. All are welcome!

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, Thomas Roy, Peter Schumacher, Frank Griffith, Mary Hanisco, Pat Mozi, Leonard Balk, Luca Paciente, James Herron, Sr., Mike McGonigle, Sue Kunze, Patricia Wright, Joseph Bintner, Frederick Scheetz, Robert Shea, Drew Fantozzi, Ken Slater, James Stento, Antonio Jacinto, Michael Rafter, Holly Miller, Betty Olden, Kevin Rakszawski, David Dawson, Mary Rexer.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

April General Meeting – The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20th, in Meeting Rooms A-B-C (the 3rd Thursday, because the 2nd Thursday is Holy Thursday). We will play some Easter games, and have a sing-a-long. Lunch will be available for nominal fee. We will also be collecting for our May "Picnic" (for present members only). Cost will be \$10, and food will be provided by Boston Market (menu includes Rotisserie chicken, Sweet potato casserole, Creamed spinach, Corn bread, and St. Louis style ribs.) Any questions, contact Janet Stankus, 1670 Wagon Wheel La, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-1785), or Kathleen Kemp, 2141 Old Forde Way, Lansdale PA 19446 (215-368-4075).

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.

Orientation Meeting for Norfolk and VA Beach-Conference Rooms A,B,&C in the Parish Center Office on Sunday April 23rd at 1:00PM.

Rail & Paddle Wheel, Middletown, PA- Thursday, June 1, 2017. Cost \$90. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tip for the driver included. Scenic ride on the Middletown Hummelstown Railroad (10AM), sit-down luncheon at Alfred's Victorian Restaurant (12NOON), 45 minute sight-seeing cruise aboard the "Pride of the Susquehanna" (3PM)

Choice of Entree: 1) Lump Crab Cake; 2) Cannelloni Bolognese (crepes filled w/veal, chicken & beef, topped w/marinara sauce)

3) Chicken Flake (chicken breast rolled in crushed almond & corn flakes).

Departs 7:15AM returning approximately at 6:30PM.

Payment due at sign-up - No refunds after the vendor is paid in full! Call 215-368-0421, Rose Wilson, 1377 Pickwick Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446 or call 267-263-2622 Mary Slater, 512 Dock Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446.

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



Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Unfortunately, furniture, large appliances, TVs or computer monitors cannot be accepted. For a full list of acceptable items visit <u>www.gogreendrop.com</u>.

Join the Parish Communication Team



Are you a writer, graphics or web designer, in video, communications, advertising or marketing? Have years of experience or just interested in designing and developing our messages? Please share your talents to help Corpus Christi Parish. 1-3 hours a month from home is all we need - a little help from many! Contact Tom McHenry at 215-513-0251

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

The monthly food collection for local food cupboards takes place this weekend, April 8/9, 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.



Looking for that special gift? If you want something that brings lasting joy, why not consider giving each other a Marriage Encounter Weekend? The world we live in seems to get busier each year, to taking the time to focus on each other and to grow in our understanding and love is so important. The next Weekend in this area is July 7-9 at Our Lady of

Czestochowa in Doylestown. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wwme-philly.org. You can also contact Al and Mary Liz Heumann at Applications@wwme-philly.org or call Heumann at 610-449-1859.

<u>Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton</u> Travel as pilgrims to the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Tour the spiritual grounds and historic homes where Mother Seton lived. Pray at her tomb and celebrate Mass in the magnificent mosaic-filled Basilica. Enjoy a delicious lunch in peaceful surroundings. We will also visit the National Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes. This beautiful mountain shrine features one of the oldest American replicas of the Lourdes Shrine in France. This pilgrimage is guaranteed to offer you an occasion for a deepening conversion and a step forward in the journey to God. Allow Mary our Mother and Mother Seton to be your models in faith for that journey. Cost is \$70.00 per adult and \$20.00 per child (to age 17) and includes lunch.

Monday, May 8, 2017 Bus Departure from Saint Maria Goretti, Hatfield: 7:00 AM

Bus Departure from Saint Jude, Chalfont: 7:30 AM Approximate Return Home: 7:00 PM Please register using the form that can be found on the St. Jude parish website at www.stjudechalfont.org Please mail form along with payment.

CASSEROLE PROJECT

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

Casseroles for St John's Hospice will be picked up Thursday, April 13th. 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 convent by Wednesday, April 12th. The truck has been arriving very early on the second Thursday. If you have any questions about this project, please call Kay Smerke, (215) 855-1783.



Visit www.<u>CatholicPhilly.com</u> for Catholic news in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

every day. Sign up for a free, weekly email newsletter at: www.catholicphilly.com/newsletter.

Youth News

High School Youth Group

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. Contact Danielle Gallo, Youth Minister at corpus.ym@gmail.com

METANOIA ~ YOUNG ADULT GROUP

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www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com.Check out our Twitter link on homepage: http://metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/or for more details visit our Facebook Page:

(www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults)

Thursday, April 13: Holy Thursday Pilgrimage beginning at St. Eleanor Parish in Collegeville at 7pm

Tuesday, April 18: Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Company in Collegeville (Dinner/Drinks at 7pm, speaker begins at 7:30pm)

Tuesday, April 25: Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWS



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL ~ a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence ~ **WELCOMES YOU**

Corpus Christi Catholic School New Student Registration Information

Registration for the 2017-2018 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**
- \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee

Have any questions??? ... Or if you would like a private tour, please call the school office and ask to speak to Mrs. Casee at 215-368-0582 or email <u>barb.casee@corpuschr.org.</u>

Saturday, March 25th eighth grade student, **Jason Fennell**, competed in the Catholic War Veterans State Spelling Bee. We are pleased to announce that he took first place and is now the Catholic War Veterans State Spelling Champion. Congratulations to Jason!

Attention Parents of 6th-8th grade students: Is your child struggling with their current courses or are you interested in improving their grades? The Montgomery County Intermediate Unit is offering an online intervention program. Visit here for more info: http://tinyurl.com/j3fhjew.

SCRIP CORNER

CORPUS CHRISTI SCRIP PROGRAM

7 DAYS UNTIL EASTER!!! Take a deep breath, don't panic, SCRIP has got you covered!

First up, helping the Easter Bunny fill those baskets.... Don't head to Target, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens or Rite Aid without grabbing SCRIP first. (Grab an extra card for when you eat all the candy before the big day and you have to go buy it again...that's not from experience or anything!) If the big bunny wants to leave something other than candy, don't forget to grab cards like Bath &Body Works, Claires, Freddy Hill, I-tunes, Chipolte, Chick–Fil-A, Starbucks, Rita's or Toys R Us. I've checked and a gift card fits nicely in those giant plastic



Next up, those adorable, wear one-time, **EASTER OUTFITS....** Of course, we have our in-stock selection of Kohl's, Gap/Old Navy, Land's End, Marshalls & Macy's, but we have so much more!!

For example, The Children's Place, Osh Kosh, Carters, Sears, JC Penny's, Boscov's, Burlington Coat Factory, Gymboree and Crazy 8. And we can't forget about the shoes!! Payless and Famous Footware are sure to have the shoes you need!

Easter Dinner grocery store selections, we have Lansdale Meats



And finally, your **Easter dinner**!! Besides our we have Lansdale Meats (10% back to you) & plenty of restaurants if cooking is not your thing! See what I mean.... SCRIP is always looking out for you!! Time to put some Easter \$\$ back in your tuition basket!

e-mail: cc.scrip@yahoo.com; on the web: www.ccslansdale.org Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am to 12:30pm (when school is in session); Monday evenings 5:30pm to 7pm (when REC is in session) Erin Miller (215) 362-0104

Thank you for using SCRIP to support Corpus Christi!

CYO News:

Save the Date - May 20th - CYO Sports banquet for 7/8th graders. CYO open board meeting - April 11 - 7:30pm.

Spring Cheerleading Clinic The Corpus Spring Cheerleading Clinic is still open to girls in 4th to 8th grades. The sessions run from March to May for girls interested in learning cheerleading basics. It is being held on the following dates from 6:30-8pm: 4/12/17 (Wed), 4/20/17, 4/27/17, and 5/4/17. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Amy Lendzinski: alendzinski@gmail.com.

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

Get our Emails - Set-up an account in our online system so you receive all of our emails for CYO sponsored events and CYO sports. There is no cost to create an account. You can set-up an account at https://corpus-christi-cyo.siplay.com/site/

Corpus Christi CYO is now on Twitter! For information on sign-ups, scores, reminders, alumni news, and more, follow us @CYOCorpus!

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 04/09 Team #2: Karen McFadden at 484-552-8129 Week of 04/16 Team #3: Jane Hartman at 215–272-0784 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, 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 sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), at 7:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month: i.e. April 17th, May 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.



7:45AM TO 6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every Wednesday, from 7:45 AM til 6:30 PM in the Charlest C Benediction is at 6:30 PM. Chapel. (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.

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NOVENA DEVOTIONS: Continuing through April 26th 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 26th, 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 215-368-4672.

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

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 prolife option, supportive counseling and linkage with needed

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.