

CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil of Sunday)4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass (3rd Sunday) 1:00 p.m.
Monday12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 12:10 & 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays (12:45-3:15 p.m.); Thursdays (7:00 p.m.)

MISSION STATEMENT

***As disciples of Jesus, we live our faith
through Word, Sacrament, and Service.***

Rev. Paul D. Becker, Pastor 255-4600 (ext. 203)
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PARISH SUPPORT STAFF

Loretta Arntz, Bookkeeper 255-4600 (ext. 201)
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Bridget Johnson, Administrative Secretary..... 255-4600
Colleen Reinhardt, Receptionist 255-4600



November 19, 2017

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation - Saturdays at 3:00 p.m., Weekdays: 15 minutes prior to Mass or please call the pastor at 255-4600 for an appointment. If you are homebound and unable to come to the Church and need a priest to come to your home for confession, please call 255-4600 to set this up.

Baptism - The Baptism Preparation Program and Baptism Schedule are by arrangement. Please call the parish office at 255-4600 to register prior to your delivery date and the program director will return your call. Parents must be registered at Corpus Christi or have permission from their parish.

Marriage - Couples planning to be married should call the parish office at 255-4600 at least **9 months** in advance. Completion of required paperwork and taking the FOCCUS premarital inventory is also needed this early. **November FOCCUS will be on Thursday, November 30th at 7:00 p.m.**

Natural Family Planning Classes are offered by the Bismarck Diocese. The methods offered are Billings Ovulation Method, Creighton Model Fertility Care System, Marquette Model and Sympto-Thermal Methods. If you have questions about NFP please contact the Diocese of Bismarck at 222-3035 or www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp.

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith may call Tracy Kraft at 255-4600.

PARISH BULLETIN DEADLINE: Articles must be received by noon on Wednesdays (*typed format*).

PRAYER TREE: 255-4600

Each according to their ability. What do you think of when you hear the word “talents”? Do you cringe a little thinking your talents are perhaps a bit shabby? Maybe you think you have no talents at all. If so, it’s time to think again. Most of us associate the word talent with performance or sports: singers, athletes, sculptors, poets. Yet consider the lady who stays with those children back in the nursery Sunday after Sunday and loves it. Isn’t that a talent? What about the person in the congregation who is able to take on a project and organize the tasks and the people, all the while rejoicing because she is enjoying serving the Lord so much? In our parable for this morning, our Lord tells of a man who gave each servant a number of talents according to their ability. Not every one received the same amount, but they received the right amount. Now the parable is speaking of currency, true enough, but it still teaches the same lesson. We are responsible for recognizing and using all the gifts and resources God gives us. He owns those talents and simply lets us borrow them. When He returns He will ask for an accounting: **“What have you done with the gifts I gave you?”** Do you have talents you are not using? Do a little soul searching today and perhaps you’ll discover what the Holy Spirit is calling you to do with those abilities.

Marriage Moments: “When one finds a worthy wife/husband their value is far beyond pearls.” (Proverbs 31:10) Although this scripture traditionally refers to wives, it works equally well for husbands. Pause for a moment and ponder the worth of your beloved.

Parenting Pointers: Even with natural talent, it takes work to develop it. Help your child identify one talent this week, and one way they can improve it. Often this includes the “P” word - Practice. (Mt 25: 14-30) (Susan Vogt....www.SusanVogt.net)

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Nov. 20- Heather Ryberg (12:10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Nov. 21- ✠Ed Lacher (12:10 p.m.)

✠Dorothy Wold (5:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, Nov. 22- ✠Baltezar Martin Family (7:00 a.m.)

People of War Torn Countries (12:10 p.m.)

Thursday, Nov. 23- ✠Gordon Lonning (9:00 a.m.)

Friday, Nov. 24- ✠Rose Gabriel (7:00 a.m.)

Teku/Nago Family (12:10 p.m.)

Saturday, Nov. 25- Phyllis Lentz (4:00 p.m.)

Sunday, Nov. 26- ✠Gordon Lonning (10:45 a.m.)

✠Dennis Notch (6:30 p.m.)

CONTRIBUTIONS (GENERAL FUND) - (2,277 households)

Adult Envelopes (375).....	\$16,017.58
Youth Envelopes	\$ 198.75
TOTAL RECEIVED (November 12).....	\$16,216.33
1st Sunday	\$25,898.16
Electronic Contributions (147)	\$14,304.81
2nd Sunday	\$16,216.33
3rd Sunday	\$ 0
Electronic Contributions	\$ 0
Spanish Mass	\$ 0
4th Sunday	\$ 0
5th Sunday	\$ 0

We appreciate your generosity which is part of being faithful stewards of Corpus Christi.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. Tuesdays 12:45-3:15 p.m. (private, quiet time, incense free) with the chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend time in Jesus’ awesome Eucharistic presence. Eucharistic Adoration (Benediction, rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy) is also available Thursdays with Father Terry from 7:00-8:00 p.m. **There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, November 23.**

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Corpus Christi offers the option of Electronic Contributions as a simple way to contribute. This would allow you the freedom from worry or concern whether you are out of town, on vacation or wondering how to budget your contributions. Please stop by the office to fill out the form.



Your stepping stones back into life....

Lotus (Looking Onward To Understanding and Serenity) is a group for men, women and young adults who have experienced a death. This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month September through May at 10:00 a.m. for men, 1:00 p.m. for women, and 7:00 p.m. for men and women. **Grief shared is grief diminished.**

SOS (Sounds of Silence) is a support group that meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays for those who have experienced the suicide of a loved one. **After a suicide...there are people who understand.**

SOS will meet on **Tuesday, November 21st at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.** at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway. The topic will be: **“Dealing with guilt and regrets”.**



Children's Christmas Program

Children's Christmas Eve Program

Calling all children Pre-school through 5th grade who would like to participate in the Christmas Eve program. This program takes place before our 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service. Practices will be held on Monday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 p.m. in the Community Room starting after Thanksgiving. **(November 27, December 4, 11, 18)**

Snacks will be provided. No registration required.

For more information call Mariah Conner at 255-4600.



Volunteers are needed twice a month to help aid in our Faith Formation Classrooms from 3:30-5:00 p.m. For more information, contact Mariah Conner at 701-255-4600.

SPANISH MASS

The November Spanish Mass at Corpus Christi will be held on November 19th at 1:00 p.m. As always, all are welcome.

SMCHS Silent Auction committee is looking for NEW items to be donated for the SMCHS Carnival; both silent and live auction items. If you can help in any way with new items or assistance with the auction, contact Dick Heidt at 220-8181 or Dave Fleckenstein at 400-5037.

Thanksgiving Mass will be on Thursday, November 23rd at 9:00 a.m.

The office will be closed on Thursday & Friday November 23 & 24 in observance of the holiday.

There will be no 7:00 a.m. or 12:10 p.m. Masses and no 7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday.

What's Going on Here This Week

- Tues. 11/21 Quilting, 9:00 a.m., Community Room
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-3:15 p.m., Chapel
Cantata Choir, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Choir Room
- Wed. 11/22 Children's Choir, 4:30 p.m., Choir Room
Thanksgiving Choir Practice, 6:00-7:15 p.m., Church
Middle School Youth Ministry, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Room 140
- Thurs. 11/23 Thanksgiving Day Mass, 9:00 p.m., Church
- Sun. 11/26 K.C. Breakfast, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Parish Hall

Vocation Views: What are your God-given talents? Help them to grow by sharing them with others. Discover the joy of service in ministry. (Matthew 25:14-30)

Stewardship Thoughts: Stewardship is a way of life, a way of thanking God for all the divine blessings we have received by returning a portion of the time, talent and treasure allotted to us.

K.C. Breakfast at Corpus Christi

Sunday, November 26
(9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)

Serving pancakes, sausage and eggs.



PLEASE CHECK OUT YOUR WEBSITE
@ www.corpuschristibismarck.com

You can listen to the homilies under the "Homily Podcast" tab.

You can check out our Parish Bulletin, Mass Schedule, Youth Ministry, etc.

Bismarck-Mandan Catholic Young Adults' Group

Catholic Young Adults' meetings are now held at a new location: 3090 Manchester St, Bismarck. The next meeting will be **Friday, December 1st**. Fellowship will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the speaker at 6:30 p.m. The group serves young adults 21 and up from all parishes and faith traditions. There is no childcare provided. If there are any questions, contact Bri Weisbeck at 701-426-0456 or visit the Catholic Young Adult Facebook page.

The Holy Father Speaks... In order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, we must be ready to meet with the Lord. It is not sufficient to lead a life of faith; a Christian must also be fueled by charity. In recalling the parable of the ten virgins, one must not wait for "that last moment of our lives to collaborate with God's grace, you must do it now!" In quoting from the liturgical reading in which the Lord said to the foolish virgins, "Stay awake for you know neither the day nor the hour". Jesus is telling us that 'staying awake' does not mean only not to fall asleep: it is an exhortation to be prepared. Charity fuels and safeguards faith. The lamp is the symbol of faith that illuminates our lives. Oil is the symbol of charity which fuels the lamp making the light of faith fruitful and credible. A life that is poor in charity is devoid of true light. If we let ourselves be guided by what appears to be most convenient, seeking only to protect and nurture our interests, our lives become sterile and incapable of giving life to others; in this way we do not store a stock of oil for the lamp of our faith which will be extinguished at the time of the Lord's coming, or even before that. The condition to be ready to meet with the Lord is not only faith, but a Christian life full of love and charity for our neighbor. Always be prepared to meet the Lord. Be vigilant and try to do good through actions of love, sharing and service to our brothers in difficulty so we can serenely await the arrival of the groom. We know that the Lord may come at any time, but even the slumber of death will not scare us if we have a supply of oil that we have accumulated through good works every day. Faith inspires charity and charity safeguards faith.

Welcome! Thank you for choosing to worship with us today and we hope you will return often. If you do not belong to a parish, please consider choosing Corpus Christi as your church home. You may call the parish office at 255-4600 to register.

Date: Nov 25-26		November 25, 2017		November 26, 2017		November 26, 2017		November 26, 2017
		4:00 PM		8:30 AM		10:45 AM		6:30 PM
Hospitality	1	Kayla Klein	1	Donna Schauer	1	Donna Howe	1	Doug Kostuck
	2		2	Elsie Volk	2	Laverne Kaufman	2	
	3		3	Helen Werlinger	3	Mary Siverson	3	
	4		4		4	Bonnie Ziemann	4	
	5		5		5	Sarah Zainhofsky	5	
	6		6		6		6	
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Ushers	1	Bob Clooten	1	Jim Volk	1	Rick Kaufman*	1	Darcy Neigum
	2	Joyce Hinman	2	Jerome Werlinger	2	Donald Williams	2	
	3	Bill Lardy	3		3	Blaine Zainhofsky	3	
	4		4		4	Trenton Zainhofsky	4	
	5		5		5			
	6		6		6			
Lectors	1	Rod Kuhn	1	Ron Torkelson	1	Jane Link	1	Gerri Weisgerber
	2		2		2	Heather Bullinger	2	Jim Luptak
Servers	1		1	Alex Brady	1	Aurora Zainhofsky	1	Braden Roehrl
	2		2	Emma Vallie	2	Christian Wolf	2	Mikayla Brackin
Eucharistic Min		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST
	R-1	William Kopp	R-1	Coralie Fix	R-1	Paul Bienek	R-1	Darcy Neigum
	2	Curtis Carik	2	Danell Becker	2	Lellani Bienek	2	Veronica Fernow
	3	Barbara Carter	3	Joseph Becker	3	Leann Binde	3	
	4	Lorraine Hoffman	4	Patty Kuntz	4	Nathan Kraft	4	
	5	Judith Kopp	5	Tim Kuntz	5	Pat Hermanson	5	
	6	Phyllis Lentz	6	Norita Kress	6	Phyllis Lentz	6	
	7		7	Bess Deutsch	7		7	Father Paul
	8		8	Janice Ziegler	8		8	
	9	Father Terry	9	Father Paul	9	Father Raphael		
	10		10	Francis Ziegler	10			
	11				11			
	12				12			
	LG		LG		LG		LG	
		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST
	1	Alvin Nagel	1	Gerald Mathern	1	Shonda Wild	1	Blaine Nelson
	2	Sharleen Pulver	2	Pamela Mathern	2	Kay Williams	2	Cheryl Nieuwsma
	3	Evelyn Spangler	3	Wayne Triska	3	Kathleen Wood	3	
	4	Gary Yantzer	4	Catherine Williams	4		4	
	5	Joyce Yantzer	5	Francis Williams	5		5	
	6		6		6		6	
	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon
	8		8		8		8	
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	12				12			

Can you help? The blank spaces mean we need more help in that ministry. Please come to the ushers room and sign in on the schedule to help. Thank You.

SEA GLASS

SUPPORT FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN AND TEENS

While any support is important, it is essential to realize that children, tweens and teens face numerous social and emotional challenges in the best of times during their developing years. Adding the pain of loss and the ongoing journey of grief during this time can be overwhelming.

The purpose of the Sea Glass support group is to help children, tweens and teens learn their own ways of smoothing out their grief.

The meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway in Bismarck. For more information, call Brenda at 701-223-7322.



PROJECTOR PROJECT

We would like to thank the 334 families that have generously donated to the purchase of our new projectors. We invite our remaining 1,941 families to prayerfully consider making a contribution. As always, we appreciate your prayers and support.

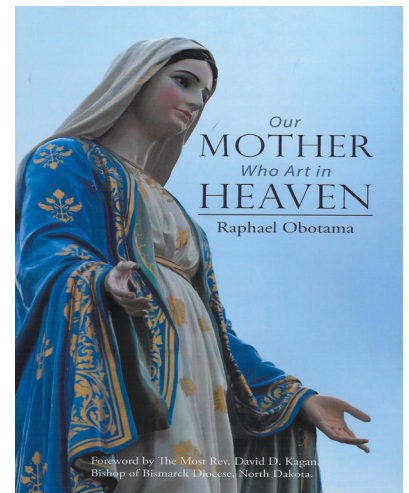
OUR MOTHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN

By Raphael Obotama

There have been many books written about the Blessed Virgin Mary, most with the aim of setting the record straight. While all Christians recognize Mary as the mother of Christ, many do not recognize her role in our salvation history and accuse those who honor her of "worshipping" Mary. This book is a reflection on her activities, as described in the Bible, and her messages during her apparitions on earth. It invites the reader to reflect more on Mary's role, as it is presented in scripture.

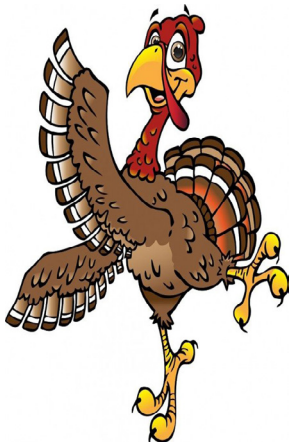
Raphael Obotama is a priest of the Catholic Diocese of Ikot Elpene in Nigeria. He currently serves the Church of Corpus Christi in the Bismarck Diocese. He is the author of two other books - *The Beloved of the Creator* and *But Who Do You Say That I Am?*

This book is available for sale in the Parish Office for \$14.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

He who is generous will be blessed ... Proverbs 22:9



It is time to begin our annual Thanksgiving food pantry appeal to help people in need in our community. The following items are especially needed this year: canned fruit, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jello, puddings, pasta sauce, instant potatoes and rice. Also needed are hand soap, dish soap, shampoo, laundry soap and paper products such as toilet paper, tissue, paper towels, etc.

We will be collecting items from November 18-26. You can bring your contributions any time and drop them off at the table located in the center of the church.

Please join us as we bring good news to the poor and hungry in our community!

Sunday, Nov 19, 2017

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dust off the tradition

Three servants are entrusted with their master's "talents"; the one who fearfully buries his is reprimanded while those who grow theirs earn the "master's happiness" and trust. Today we take the hint. We try to share the gifts God gives us. But earliest versions of the parable repeat the phrase "to hand over," meaning the transmission of religious tradition. And so perhaps it's time to review our portfolio. Is our Catholic heritage a buried treasure, or do we pull it from our pocket regularly? Has our participation in the Eucharist collected dust, like a keepsake of First Communion, or has it grown into a larger way of life?

TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30 (157). "Master, you have handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more."

Monday, Nov 20, 2017

Envision your faith

One of the greatest blessings any of us ever receives is insight into another person's soul—seeing the truth of another's sadness, sensing their loneliness, feeling their pain, understanding what would bring them joy, and then with an open heart offering ourselves in service to that hurting human being. Most of us can call to mind at least one act of compassion on our parts where we knew we had done something genuinely good for another person. At that moment we were true disciples of Christ. Try to regain your Christian vision and see into the souls of others today and every day.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Luke 18:35-43 (497). "Immediately the man regained his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God."

Tuesday, Nov 21, 2017

MEMORIAL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Be present to the Spirit

How did the Virgin Mary come to be a woman "full of grace"? It was her close association with the holy Temple, as today's feast reminds us. Although not recorded in the Bible, an early document attributed to the apostle James tells us Mary was born to Joachim and Anne in a Jerusalem neighborhood near the Temple. According to legend, she was presented in the Temple at age 12 and lived in seclusion there to learn the Law. The meaning of this story is that Mary lived in God's presence until God chose to reside in her. Live mindfully in the presence of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10 (498). "The Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."

Wednesday, Nov 22, 2017

MEMORIAL OF CECILIA, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Let your faith sing

A legend says that during her wedding to a young pagan (who later became a Christian), Cecilia (d. 117) "sang in her heart to Christ." Thus she is the patron saint of music. She was also a martyr, killed in connection with the ministry of giving burial to Christians who had already died for their faith in Roman persecutions. Does your faith feel like something to sing about? Or is it more like uninspiring background music? How can you make your faith more a source of joy?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:11-28 (499). "I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me; hear my word."

Thursday, Nov 23, 2017

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanks are in order

"Imagine a country whose . . . people realize that all human beings belong together as one family and must act accordingly, a country guided by common sense. To the extent to which we show ourselves not hateful but grateful, this becomes reality." Benedictine monk Brother David Steindl-Rast wrote these words shortly after 9/11 transpired. The Pilgrims and Native Americans laid the foundation for such a country in 1621 when they shared in the feast they had gathered and prepared through cooperation and trust. Be cooperative and trusting as you gather for a Thanksgiving meal today. Most of all, practice the art of gratitude. Simple thank-yous are a start.

TODAY'S READINGS: Mass for Thanksgiving Day (943-947): 1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Luke 19:41-44 (500). "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Friday, Nov 24, 2017

MEMORIAL OF ANDREW DŨNG-LẠC, PRIEST, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Give it your all

How much are you willing to give? Some make the ultimate sacrifice and give their very lives. Andrew Dũng-Lạc was a priest and one of 117 saints martyred in Vietnam during persecutions there in the 19th century. Three U.S. archbishops returning from Vietnam in 1989 said, "The church in Vietnam is alive and vigorous, blessed with strong and faithful bishops, dedicated religious, and courageous and committed laypeople . . . The church in Vietnam is living out the gospel in a difficult and complex situation with remarkable persistence and strength."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; Luke 19:45-48 (501). "Jesus entered the temple area and proceeded to drive out those who were selling things."

Saturday, Nov 25, 2017

MEMORIAL OF CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Be a legend in your own time

Catherine of Alexandria was said to be a very learned young woman, a philosopher, and eloquent speaker who persuaded many of the Roman persecutors of Christianity of the errors of their ways. For this, Emperor Maximinus II ordered her tortured to death on a spiked "breaking wheel," but legend says it burst into flames when she touched it. Today, there is a firework named the Catherine Wheel that spins in a circle showering sparks. But underneath all the colorful legendry, there is the witness of someone who "spoke truth to power," even when the personal cost was high.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40 (502). "My friend, I am not cheating you."

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Corpus Christi Proudly Presents:

**Christmas Selections on Organ by
Dr. Beverly Everett, Director of
the Bismarck/Mandan Symphony
Orchestra**

Christmas Cantatas

***For the Glory of the King
Featuring Corpus Christi
Children's Choir***

Go Tell It

***Featuring Corpus Christi Adult Choir
& Orchestra***

Two Performances

Friday, December 1st, 7:00 P.M.

Saturday, December 2nd, 7:00 P.M.

**Place: Corpus Christi Church
1919 N 2nd St. Bismarck**

Free concert. All are welcome.