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NOVEMBER 5, 2017 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Annual Mass of Remembering



One of the deepest parts of our faith is our connection with those who have died. Since our central belief is the Resurrection where Jesus conquered sin and death, we also pray and connect with those who have died in the most positive and wonderful way possible. **Please participate in our Annual Mass of Remembering this Tuesday, November 7, 7:30 p.m.**

This is a special time when we will pray by name for all those who have died within the past year and also for all of our family and friends who have died at any time. We pray for them. We rejoice with God for the gift of their lives and the goodness of their lives. You can always invite your family and friends to this liturgy as well.

Our Annual Concert with Father Alphonse Stephenson

On Tuesday, December 5, Father Alphonse will once again bring his Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea and singers to our parish. They have been here over 25 times. Each year, this is a sellout concert. Tickets will be available in the parish office starting November 3 and in the atrium after the weekend Masses. It is a wonderful way to enter early into the spirit of Christmas.

TWO BY TWO

Richard Rodgers – Peter Stone – Martin Charnin
Based on the play “The Flowering Peach” by Clifford Odets

Broadway and Bible Story Come to Corpus Christi

Two by Two, the Richard Rogers/Martin Charnin/Peter Stone musical version of the story of Noah and his family and their voyage on the ark, will be presented at Corpus Christi on **Saturday, November 18 at 7:30 pm.**

The cast includes parishioners:

Mike King as Noah; Robbi Curtis-Doherty as Esther his wife
Chris Balas as son Shem; Donna Fico as his wife Leah
Cory Herbert as middle son Ham; Ann Marie Ricks as Rachel
Peter Newes as youngest son Japheth; Kristi Bulot as Goldie

The performance will be in the church and last approximately two hours. It will be a wonderful evening for families but is not appropriate for small children.

Admission is free and open to the public.
Donations for the food bank are welcome on the night of the show.

Two by Two is directed by Anne King and Bob Long as part of a new endeavor to build community through musical performances at Corpus Christi.



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

5:00 p.m. Leo Rudnick (*39th Anniversary*)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:30 a.m. Adelaide Vezzosi

9:00 a.m. Dr. and Mrs. Leon Smith, Sr.

11:00 a.m. Luise Fischetti

12:15 p.m. Kathie Noecker

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:30 a.m. Carmine Errico; Jim Vail; Richard Sigtermans

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7:30 a.m. Dr. James Vail; Bernice Holub; Philip Algozzini

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:30 a.m. Maureen Alexander

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

7:30 a.m. Marie and Walter Wos; Adrienne Szigety

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:30 a.m. Thomas Carroll

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

5:00 p.m. Judy Karones

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 a.m. Marylyn Collins

9:00 a.m. Annaclare Mueller Vollherbst

11:00 a.m. Maureen Alexander

12:15 p.m. Ann Hurley

IN REMEMBRANCE

For the week of November 5, Sanctuary Lights burn for a Special Intention. Bread and Wine is offered for a Special Intention. Blessed Sacrament Chapel flowers are in memory of Elaine Claire Tino and Maureen Alexander.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Remember a loved one or offer a Special Intention by having a flower arrangement placed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The cost will be \$50 or more plus a \$10 offering. The Parish Office will coordinate the request with our florist, Carl Lemanski.

PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 4/5

5:00 p.m. Fr. Mahoney 9:00 a.m. Fr. Mahoney

7:30 a.m. Fr. Mahoney 11:00 a.m. Fr. Lem

12:15 p.m. Fr. Lem

PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 11/12

5:00 p.m. Fr. Lem 9:00 a.m. Fr. Lem

7:30 a.m. Fr. Lem 11:00 a.m. Fr. Mahoney

12:15 p.m. Fr. Mahoney

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TODAY

Religious Ed Grades 1—8

9:00 a.m. Childrens Liturgy of the Word

10:00 a.m. Flu Shot Drive

10:30 a.m. Extreme Faith

5:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 6—8

6:00 p.m. HS Catechists Review Dinner

7:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 6—8

7:00 p.m. Special Confirmation Session Grades 9 & 10

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

4:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 1—5

7:00 p.m. Corpus Christi Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. Bible Study

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

10:00 a.m. New Day Bereavement

3:30 p.m. Joyful Noise

4:00 p.m. Penance Makeup

4:15 p.m. Junior Bell Choir

5:00 p.m. Orchestra

6:00 p.m. Extreme Faith

7:30 p.m. Mass for Remembering

8:00 p.m. Confirmation Team 1

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Praying the Rosary

6:30 p.m. Acre Review

7:30 p.m. CAP/Support

8:00 p.m. Confirmation Team 1

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

4:00 p.m. Angel Chime Choir

4:30 p.m. Cherub Choir

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

Envelopes	346
Checks	\$19,651.50
Loose	\$ 2,855.00
Total	\$22,506.50

THANK YOU

For responding with generosity to our financial needs. To give is an act of faith. We promise to be wise stewards with the funds that you entrust to us.

ONLINE GIVING is available for one-time and recurring donations conveniently and securely from our parish website at www.corpuschristi.org. You can make your secure donation via electronic check or debit/credit card by clicking on **ONLINE GIVING** at the top of the home page. **You will need your family ID envelope number to complete the registration.** If you don't know your family ID envelope number, please call the Parish Office.

WELCOME!

New parishioners are asked to register for the parish by going to our website at www.corpuschristi.org. Click on the **Parish Registration** tab at the top of the home page next to **Online Giving**. For more info, please call the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Patty Westerzelt, Jack and LaVerne Washburne, Brian Deasy, Mon Cassius, Pam Koch, Trish Dowling, David Natale, Donald de Castro, Megan O'Neil, Christopher Ciufo, Martin Dubel, James Mulvaney, Melina Hennigan, James Greendonner, Jeffrey Dowling, Donna Conforti, Carolyn Phalon, Wayne Parisi, Debby Conti, James J. Price, Pat Pierson, Florence and John Hefeale, Hank Campbell, Amy Fitzgerald, Mary McHale, Father John O'Brien, Frances Primack, Dorothy M. Torick, Howard Daly, Katherine Brown, Maribeth Washburne, Conor Jennings, Barbara Layman, Peter Pietrucha, Craig Wisdo, John Petite, Raymond O'Connell, Joseph Doria, John Fleming, Donna Kugelman, Jeffrey Hodgeson, Kiran Kenney, Helen Dwyer, Margaret Pittaluga, Tina Errico, Nick McGann, John (Jack) Kaplan, Marie Orgo, Fr. Tony Duffy, Lucy Ryan, Joann Uibelhoer, Beth Abella, Hazel Townsend, Nicholas DeNunzio, Nicholas Ciufo, Peter Elder, Lori Abrams, Brandon Glynnyoung, David Carey, Marylou Perrini, Alan Fischer, John Fitzpatrick, Sarah Addison, Carol Murphy, Michelle Johnson, Adam Goodkind, Loree Goodkind, Likeu Lee, Susan Kosinski, Camille Moran, Michael Turinchak, Dorothy Norton, Sr. Barbara Takacs, Diane Allen, Al Carrier, Nora and Callum Lemanski, Lucas Reiling, Dominic Ursino, Andrew Jenkins, Debbie Dwyer, Bridget Noe, John Cunningham, Mary Beth Driscoll, Denise Phalon Cascio, Abigail Brady, Frances Smith, Claudia Fernandez, Tom Warren, Marty Erickson, Mary Beth Bonkowski, Carey Jenkins, Aurora Tremaroli, Aubrey Baumbach, Christopher Green Cunningham, John VanDam, Ethel Gasda, Patrick Ford, David Kelly, Patrick Murphy, Jr., Helen Huk, Cathy Caputo, Rui Boos, Joseph Todisco, Marie Skurka, Arianna Khelil, Sister Theresina Flannery, RSM, Dorothy Craig, Stephanie Quiroga, Sal Guidone, Judy Broyhill, Tony Rios, Lois McGuire, Gina Pagnotta, Helen Huddleston, Mary Ann Allen, Mary Ellen Wagner, Ed Lord, Gina Pelillo, Thomas Singer, Gregory Malzberg, Kristine Ryan, Luis Gallardo, Maria Caicedo, Susan McGeough, Marianne Conod, Mary McNiff, Joseph Cirella, Jeannette Robey, Gloria Comerford, Donna Gocking, Marti Sullivan, Lauren Gardner, Helen Marie Kravitz, Edward Cameron, Vivian Riley, Marie Viteri, Steven Hensle, Bob Whelan, William Cody, John Keelin, Eileen Ryan, Richard Delaney, Mary Lou Carrier, Bill Kolb, Lydia Oldroyd, Mary Conforti, Charlie Roussel, Jay Conroy, Richard Pelillo, Christopher Crahan, Ryan Lowe, Ellen Bruce, Dominick Canavaro, Larry Califano, Frank Intagliato, Clifford McGuire, Don Stauber, Marie Meister, Marlenes Teixeira, John Crisp, Don Spagnuolo, Mary Incardona, Maddie Niebach, Anthony Careccia, Martine Errico, Henry Von See, Harvey James Jeffries, Julie Mercer, Michelle Benaim, Parker Watson, Kevin and Dorothy Franken.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE GONE HOME TO THE LORD...

Stan Feeley, husband of Mary, and father of Kathy Hawk, Brian Feeley, and Chris Feeley
Anna Pino, mother of Dawn Chiodo



SPIRITUALITY—FAITH DEVELOPMENT



Contact:

Sister Margaret Dincher SCC
973-635-0070 x 714 (phone)
973-635 -5518 (fax)
Email: marga@corpuschristi.org

BIBLE STUDIES

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS



Come join others to explore what God has to tell us in Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans. The letter explores the topics such as faith and its transformative power in the lives of believers in the early church and in the present.

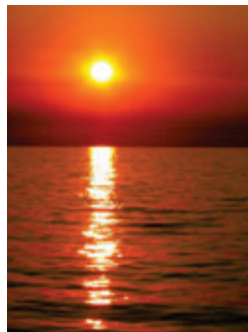
Meetings are held 7:30 pm in the Upper Room on the second floor. The meetings are facilitated by Lee Finch. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, November 6.**

PAUL, "APOSTLE TO THE NATIONS"

The Wednesday morning Bible Study will focus on **Paul, Apostle to the Nations**. The sessions will combine contemplation of the Word of God in biblical study and practical application for living as a follower of Christ today. The sessions are a time to explore, listen, and grow as God speaks in the Word through St. Paul

The study is held in the Atrium Conference Room from 9 am to 10 am. The next meeting will be on November 8.
Facilitator: Sister Margaret

CENTERING PRAYER



"Enter God's Presence" by giving time to reflect upon God's Word as we seek to become a person of prayer. The time is spent on listening and applying God's Word to our everyday lives in silence. We seek to deepen our prayer throughout the day. Let silence be placed around us like a mantle. As we enter into it...where stillness reigns and the Voice of God is ever present.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Come join the Shawl Ministry! Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 10 am in the Atrium Conference Room. All are welcome to join the Ministry either to learn how to make the Shawls or help others to learn. The Prayer Shawls are given to persons who are seriously ill.

VISITING THE SICK

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or is homebound and wishes to receive a visit from a person on staff, contact Sister Margaret or the Parish Office. Because of the privacy laws we depend on family members to inform us when a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound.



SPIRITUAL DIRECTION



Spiritual Direction is help given to another which enables the person to pay attention to God's communication to him or her, to respond to God, and to grow in love with God and others.

For more information contact Sister Margaret.

WEEKLY ROSARY

The weekly rosary is prayed each Wednesday at 10:30 am in Church.

The first Wednesday of each month the rosary is prayed with the residents at Juniper at 2:00 pm.



ABIDE—KEEPING VIGIL WITH GOD'S WORD



Breathe in the Word of God...
Wait before the Word...
Walk as a pilgrim
through the Scriptures...

ABIDE WITH GOD.

Monthly Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month
Oct. 10; Nov. 14; Dec. 12; Jan. 9; Feb. 13; Mar. 13;
Apr. 10; May 8

Meeting in Upper Room—Second Floor—7 to 8:15 pm

Presenters: Diane Radwill & Sister Margaret Dincher

FAMILY/MARRIAGE MINISTRY



Contact: Linda Wass
973-635-0070 x720 (phone)
973-635-5518 (fax)
email: lindawass@corpuschristi.org

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Congratulations! As soon as you have your date set on the parish calendar, please contact Linda Wass to schedule an appointment to begin your preparation for the sacrament of Marriage [8-12 months before your wedding].



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jan 26-28

Princeton, NJ

CONTACT: Ruth & Tom DeFalco 732-904-9636

On a **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

weekend, married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other to deepen, enrich, and grow in their relationship.

www.wwme.org



Retrouvaille Weekend: A Marriage Lifeline

RETROUVAILLE is a weekend program with follow-up sessions to help couples with marriage problems to heal and renew their relationship.

For locations, dates, and information, visit

www.retrouvaille.org



BAPTISM PREPARATION Sunday, Nov 12

10:15—11:45 Conference Room 1, upstairs
for first-time parents

To register, please contact parish office at
973-635-0070 x 710



Take Out Magazine

Family Faith on the Go

Get your **NOVEMBER** issue at the Family Ministry Table in the Atrium.



Milestone Anniversary Photos

are ready for pick up in the Atrium
at the specially marked table.



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Aim high, shoot for the stars.

Don't settle for anything less than your best.

—ANONYMOUS

"It is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life"

St. Francis of Assisi



Mass of Remembering

Tuesday, November 7 at 7:30 pm

Come to remember and pray for loved ones
who have gone home to God, especially those
who died this past year.

Refreshments after Mass in the atrium

A MARRIAGE MOMENT

Ways to Turn Your Beloved Off #4—Let TV trump your spouse as your companion of choice. Yes, you can watch a favorite program together, but beware of TV or videos stealing time from playing together.



A PARENTING POINTER

Death can be scary, especially to children. Try honoring those you know who have died with a dinner prayer, such as: *Dear God, we thank you for the life of _____ who taught us to _____.* Include pets if you wish. www.susanvogt.net



Nov 16
9:30-11:00

moms of all ages & stages
are invited to get together once a month to

CONNECT & REFRESH

Moms meet in Resurrection Meeting Room
Babysitting in the atrium conference room ([RSVP](#))

Discussion Topic:

How Do I Let It Go?

Requested annual donation: \$25

RSVP: lindawass@corpuschristi.org



Nov 5
Nov 19
9:00 Mass

For children 5 to 10 years old.
Under 5 with a parent, please.

Children hear God's Word on their level, connect it to their experience, and respond in dialog, prayer, and song. They return to the main church with the CLW leaders after the Prayer of the Faithful.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- Use your gifts of faith and understanding of children
- Feel the joy of helping children know the Lord
- Team Ministry. Training & materials provided
- CONTACT: lindawass@corpuschristi.org

Caring for Aging Parents



November 8
7:30-9 PM
Emmaus Meeting Room
(room in back of the altar)

Are you caring for your aging parent?

CAP meets monthly (usually 2nd Wednesday),
September to May, for encouragement & support,
information & resources, friendship & faith.

RSVP: lindawass@corpuschristi.org

Bereavement Group

Nov 7

...a 9-week healing journey through grief.

9 Tuesdays, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., Oct 17—Dec 12
Conference Room One (Upstairs)

Session four this Tuesday for those who have
registered.

lindawass@corpuschristi.org 973-635-0070 ext



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact: Kay Hetherington 973-635-0070 x715 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: kay@corpuschristi.org for PreK—Grade 5.
Contact: Brian Duemling 973-635-0070 x740 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: bduemling@corpuschristi.org for Middle School (6-8)
Contact: Psomi 973-635-0070 x718 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: Psomi@corpuschristi.org for Confirmation Prep (9-10)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

November 5/6 PreK—Grade 8
Special Session Grade 9 & 10
November 12/13 NO CLASSES
November 19/20 PreK—Grade 8
November 26/27 NO CLASSES
December 3/4 PreK—Grade 8
Grade 7 Retreat
December 10/11 PreK—Grade 5
December 17/18 PreK—Grade 5
December 24/25 NO CLASSES

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Our Christmas Pageant, parish Sing-a-Long, will take place on **Saturday, December 9th at 11:00 am.** Children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 are invited to participate.

Rehearsals: 3:30-4:30 pm in the church

Wednesday, November 15 Monday, November 27
Thursday, November 16 Wednesday, December 6
Thursday, December 7 (Dress Rehearsal)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS APPALACHIA TOY DRIVE NOVEMBER 10TH AND 11TH

On Friday, November 10 from 8 am—3 pm and again on Saturday, November 11 from 8 am—2 pm the Parcells Council of the Knights of Columbus of Chatham will conduct the 39th Annual Appalachian Toy Drive at **Chatham Moving and Storage, 223 North Passaic Ave., Chatham.**

Each year the Chatham community and its churches send comfort and hope tucked in with new and used toys, clothing for children and adults, housewares, blankets, sheets, towels, children's books and paperbacks, and small appliances to the underprivileged in Appalachia. **(Items in special need this year: Kids clothing and new or used toys in good condition.)**



MUSIC MINISTRY

Contact: Robert Long, 973-635-0070 x716 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax); email: rlong@corpuschristi.org

CORPUS CHRISTI CHOIRS SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS ARE WELCOME FOR **CHRISTMAS!**

ADULT CHOIRS

Corpus Christi Adult Choir rehearsals are on Thursdays, at 7:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Room.

Corpus Christi Handbell Choir rehearses on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Room.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Angel Chime Choir (Grades 1+2) - Thurs., 4:00 - 4:25 p.m.

Cherub Choir (Grades K-2) - Thurs., 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Joyful Noise Choir (Grades 3-8+) - Tues., 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

Junior Bell Choir (Grades 3+) - Tues., 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Orchestra (Grades 3+) - some Tuesdays 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT **FR. ALPHONSE STEPHENSON** **AND THE** **ORCHESTRA OF ST. PETER BY THE SEA**

On Tuesday, December 5th at 7:30 p.m., we offer a wonderful way to get into the spirit of Christmas. Father Alphonse will conduct the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea and their Three Tenors for a magnificent Christmas concert. Cost: adults, \$35; senior citizens, \$25; children, \$10. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office. A can of food for the hungry will be collected at the door as part of the price of admission.

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Attention Senior Citizens: You're invited to a **free final dress rehearsal of the Chatham High School Theatre Department's production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream***, Shakespeare's most-adored comedy on Thursday, November 16th at 3:30 p.m. at the CHS auditorium.

Immediately following the show, seniors are invited to stay for a complimentary dinner. Seating for the dress rehearsal is unlimited; however, dinner reservations are limited to 80. RSVP for the senior dinner, to Debbie Haeringer at debbie.haeringer@gmail.com or call 973-807-8100 by Thursday, November 9. When you RSVP, please include your name, phone number, and/or e-mail address, and the number in your party. Diners will receive a confirmation call or e-mail.



Contact M. A. "Psomi" Psomas-Jackloski;
973-507-8718(desk); 201-572-1608 (cell) 973-635-5518 (fax);
email: psomi@corpuschristi.org; www.corpuschristi.org
www.facebook/chathamyouthministry

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Registration for Confirmation Preparation is ongoing. Current 9th & 10th graders may register, online, through the Corpus Christi website: www.corpuschristi.org. Click on Ministries, and then Confirmation Prep & Registration.



UPCOMING HS RELIGIOUS ED (Sundays 7PM)
Nov 5 Special Session Year 1, 2, & Catholic
and 1 parent

RETREATS

The next two Confirmation Retreats are scheduled for:
Year 1: November 17 Year 2: December 1

ACRE REVIEW

All Year 2 teenagers are asked to sit for a review of what is known about the Catholic faith prior to being Confirmed. Choose one date listed below:
Wednesday, November 8, 6:30—7:30 pm
Sunday, November 12, 7:00—8:00 pm
Wednesday, November 15, 6:30—7:30 pm (added)

EXTREME FAITH

Extreme Faith is the music band/choir that sings the 12:15 mass every Sunday during the school year. We need singers and instruments (piano, electric bass, guitar.) If interested please contact Psomi.



NJ COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS



Because there are so many articles, readers are invited to go online for the latest articles.
<http://www.njceh.org/>



FOOD BANK

11/18

The next Food Bank trip will be on Saturday, November 18th.



ONE GOOD DEED

12/2

We will be going to Elizabeth to work with the Elizabeth Coalition for the Homeless on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 am—4 pm. Our service will begin by serving a lunch meal, and then will prepare winter items for distribution. We are limited to 5 teenagers. Please contact Carmela Polverino at polverinoc@msn.com, or Psomi.

SISTERS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Hope is a Way of Life

by Anne Victory, HM

With all the recent crises—hurricanes, earthquakes, forest fires, senseless gun violence, reckless political maneuvering—these disasters are likely to make the vulnerable more susceptible to human trafficking. Can I—and others who work for justice—make any difference in the face of such chaos?

I was challenged last Saturday when I attended a Walk for Freedom event on Public Square in Cleveland where I staffed my organization's ([Collaborative to End Human Trafficking](#)) informational display. A passerby responded that it's hopeless, that slavery has been going on for centuries, rape is a fact of life, and forced labor is woven into the economy. It's also hopeless to try to change things!

I responded, "Of course, we can make a difference! I believe that things *can* change. I think it's worth the effort. I may never know how my presence, my words, or my actions help another person. That doesn't mean that I should not try. If I—and so many of my colleagues—don't speak out for the voiceless, that's when we fail." Sadly, he walked away unconvinced.

I also recalled the opportunity I had to speak about human trafficking with some refugee women recently at Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services, from Somalia, Swaziland, Congo, Iran, Nepal, and other countries. They were eager to get settled and expected that they would now be safe from harm now that they are in the United States.

As I slowly presented information on human trafficking with the help of interpreters, I watched as their eager faces began to show concern and even fear. They knew the crimes happened routinely in their countries of origin, but they never expected to find it here. They expressed fear, especially for their children and teenagers. My short presentation offered them clues regarding the "red flags," and local phone numbers to call for help. I hoped I had also empowered them with tools and resources that will help keep them and their families safe in their new country.

I also left inspired by the courage of these strong women who have already endured so much, and respected their resiliency, their willingness to start over with nothing but the clothes on their backs, and their immense hope for their families.

I feel compelled to continue speaking out for those with no voice, no power. Like the stories of the Old Testament prophets, I am reminded that a prophet's role is not to be successful but to be faithful. How can I, so very blessed with freedom, faith, education, the support of a loving family and community, turn away in despair over the condition of our world? What about those who suffer every day of their lives because they lack the basics? Who will speak for them if I don't?

I pray, and rely on the Constitutions of my congregation, the Sisters of the Humility of Mary, which challenge me to demonstrate that "hope is a way of life . . ." (Art. 17).



BACK PACK PROGRAM 2017

COLLECTION STARTS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29th

BRING TO CLASS OR DROP OFF IN THE ATRIUM

Grade 6 **Chef Boyardee microwavable meal**
Bag of rice or beans (1 lb bag please)
Ramen Noodles

Grade 7 **Capri Sun Juice Pouches**
Peanut Butter Crackers
UHT Organic Milk Cartons

Grade 8 **Fruit Cups**
Packages of Oatmeal (2 per pack)
Boxed Mac & Cheese

Goal: Collect enough food items to assemble 225 1-gal Ziploc bags at the 7th Grade Retreat on Sunday, Dec. 3rd.

Example food items are in the Atrium at the Food Collection tables.



THANKSGIVING

“TURKEY & THE FIXINGS” FOOD COLLECTION

Please share your holiday bounty with the hungry.

In 2016, our Corpus Christi parishioners continued their long tradition of helping the less fortunate and donated **400+ turkeys** and plenty of fixings. Please be generous again this year.

- NEEDED:** **Frozen Turkeys** and non-perishable food items (dry stuffing mixes, canned vegetables, fruits, soups and gravy, beverages, boxes of mashed potatoes, pasta, etc.). Special touches such as holiday napkins and disposable roasting pans are also greatly appreciated.
- WHEN:** **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th by 12 Noon.**
- WHERE:** Please drop off your donations at the **PARISH KITCHEN** by 12 noon.
- FOR:** Needy families of Paterson diocese parishes of St. Anthony’s and Our Lady of Victory will benefit from your donated items.

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