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AUGUST 19, 2018

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION APPEAL AND 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Once a year, a missionary visits each parish to tell about the work of their religious order or diocese in serving those in the missions. We are scheduled to be visited by Father Clifford Sherwin from the Diocese of Ratnapura in Sri Lanka. He will preach at all the masses. The 2nd collection will be taken up for his diocese. Use the envelopes provided or any envelope. You can make your check payable to Corpus Christi Church - with notation "For the Missions."

A PROFOUNDLY SAD TIME IN THE CHURCH

Last Tuesday, a major report with awful news was issued by a grand jury in Pennsylvania about a systemic failure in the protection of children. Since children read this bulletin, I'm not going to go into the offenses mentioned other than to say this: Children and the vulnerable were not respected by Church ministers and not protected by Church leaders. The report is over 1300 pages. As of today's writing, (Wednesday), I'm only halfway through it. By the weekend, I'll have digested it. It made me feel so angry, ashamed, and outraged at what was NOT done to protect children. What was done by priests and church leaders was simply wrong. Please pray for all the victims. Pray for their healing. This report was just devastating.

We want Corpus Christi to continue to be the safest possible place for children. Like other parishes, there are strong requirements and policies to protect children. We will continue to be vigilant with our training, background checks, and monitoring of our entire facility. Our policies are designed to not only protect children, but also to protect and safeguard all the hundreds of our parishioners who work with our children. It is of no comfort whatsoever to know that the vast majority of victims in the report were from many years ago. It was still wrong. Likewise, we see the lack of protection of children in so many sectors of our society. It is still wrong.

In dark times, think of your own faith. It keeps me going. You are so good. God bless you.

Save
the
Date

Our Lady
of Fatima
Pilgrim
Statue



**Coming to
Corpus Christi Parish
October 11—15
2018**

The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima
will come from her shrine in Portugal to visit our parish
October 11-15 in celebration of 100 years since her Apparitions.

More information is coming to our parish web site in September.

Or CONTACT Father Lem: lcamacho@corpuschristi.org

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

5:00 p.m. Louis Leggiero

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

7:30 a.m. George Eckert

9:30 a.m. Robert Leonard

11:30 a.m. Susan Peritore

MONDAY, AUGUST 20

7:30 a.m. Kenneth D. Havel

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

7:30 a.m. Maureen Alexander

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

7:30 a.m. Cassandra White-Sweeney; Patrick G. Barry;
Charles McCabe

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

7:30 a.m. Marta McDonald; Charles McCabe;
Catherine D'Alise

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

7:30 a.m. Andrew Durkin; Charles McCabe; Marie Conlan

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

5:00 p.m. Anne Higgins

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

7:30 a.m. Josephine Mazzarella

9:30 a.m. Keith English

11:30 a.m. Peter Irish

IN REMEMBRANCE

For the week of August 19, Sanctuary Lights burn for a Special Intention. Bread and Wine is offered in memory of 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 AUGUST 18/19

5:00 p.m. Fr. Lem 9:30 a.m. Fr. Mahoney
7:30 a.m. Fr. Lem 11:30 a.m. Fr. Mahoney

PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE AUGUST 25/26

5:00 p.m. Fr. Mahoney 9:30 a.m. Fr. Lem
7:30 a.m. Fr. Mahoney 11:30 a.m. Fr. Lem

AUGUST 19, 2018 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, August 22

10:30 a.m. Praying the Rosary

PARISH OFFICES SUMMER HOURS!

June 25 through August 31

**Monday through Thursday,
9 a.m.—4 p.m.**

Friday, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.



LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

Checks	\$12,981.50
Cash	\$ 2,745.00
Total	\$15,726.50

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, LaVerne Washburne, Brian Deasy, Mon Cassius, Pam Koch, Trish Dowling, David Natale, Donald de Castro, Megan O'Neil, Christopher Ciuffo, 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 Hefelee, Hank Campbell, Amy Fitzgerald, Mary McHale, Father John O'Brien, Frances Primack, Dorothy M. Torick, Howard Daly, Katherine Brown, 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 Ciuffo, Peter Elder, Lori Abrams, Brandon Glynnyoung, David Carey, Marylou Perrini, Alan Fischer, 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, 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, Susan McGeough, Marianne Conod, Mary McNiff, Joseph Cirella, Jeannette Robey, Donna Gocking, Marti Sullivan, Lauren Gardner, Helen Marie Kravitz, Edward Cameron, Vivian Riley, Marie Viteri, Steven Hensle, Bob Whelan, William Cody, John Keelin, Richard Delaney, Mary Lou Carrier, Bill Kolb, Lydia Oldroyd, Mary Conforti, Charlie Roussel, Jay Conroy, Richard Pelillo, Christopher Crahan, Ryan Lowe, Dominick Canavaro, Larry Califano, Frank Intagliato, Clifford McGuire, Don Stauber, Marie Meister, Marlenes Teixeira, John Crisp, Don Spagnuolo, Maddie Niebach, Anthony Careccia, Martine Errico, Henry Von See, Michelle Benaim, Parker Watson, Kevin and Dorothy Franken, Arnold Weinstein, Adriana Martins, Frances Psomas, Eugene Iannocelli, Peggy Cox, Eileen Matt, Everett Farren, Connie McNamara, Ann Zerga, Peter Sussman.

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



Eric Riso, husband of Laura and father of Alexa, Ava, Leah and Eric

Regina Rescoe, sister of Mary Beth Buniak

SPIRITUALITY—FAITH DEVELOPMENT



Contact:

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

Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know wishes to know more about the Catholic Faith, become Catholic, prepare to receive Confirmation or Eucharist please contact Sister Margaret. Beginning on September 23rd weekly meetings will be held in the Atrium Conference Room at 9:40 am. All are welcome.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS are asked to sign up for serving. If you are unable to sign-in, send the days and times you are available to help to Richard Gentiles at richardg53@gmail.com. Those who do not have computer access can call Sister Margaret with the available dates and times. Additional Eucharistic Ministers are needed. If you are able to volunteer contact Sister Margaret.



WOMEN'S CANCER SURVIVOR PRAYER GROUP

On the second Tuesday of each month beginning October 9, 2018, women of all ages, who are surviving any form of cancer are invited to gather to support and pray for each other and for all who struggle with cancer.

Facilitator: Sr. Marie Pauline Demek, SCC, a cancer survivor.

Flyers are on the Spirituality Board in the atrium.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION



Spiritual direction helps a person recognize and respond to God's ongoing invitation for a closer relationship. Learning how to be attentive or notice God's presence and action in our lives is a big part of what spiritual direction seeks to do. If you wish further information call or email Sr. Margaret.

PASTORAL CARE

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or is homebound and wishes to receive Communion or a visit from a staff member, contact Sister Margaret.



Our priests are available to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick for those who would like to receive the Sacrament. Contact them or Sister Margaret if you or a loved one wishes to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Eucharistic Ministers who wish to become involved in the ministry of Communion to the sick can contact Sister Margaret, marga@corpuschristi.org or call 973-635-0070 x714.

Communion is taken to Juniper Assisted Care Center on Sunday at 8:45 am. to those who are unable to attend Mass. If you are able to volunteer or wish more information for this ministry contact Sister Margaret.

ALTAR SERVERS



Altar Servers are an integral part of the celebration of Mass. At least one server is needed to process with the cross at the beginning of Mass, to lead those who bring the gifts to the altar and to lead the priest to exit at the end of the Mass. On Sunday a second server is needed to assist the priest.

Boys and girls in grades 3 through 8 are encouraged to serve at Sunday Mass. Please call Sister Margaret to receive training during the summer for this important ministry at 973-635-0070 x714 or e-mail at marga@corpuschristi.org

CORPUS CHRISTI CHARGERS

Does your family have games and/or puzzles that are no longer in use. The Corpus Christi Chargers—social and activity program which meets monthly, is seeking games and puzzles: easy jigsaw puzzles 50 or fewer pieces, Apples to Apples, Trouble, Sorry, Memory, Bunco, Old Maid cards, Go Fish cards, Dominos (1—6) dots or pictures. Thank you.

Contact: Sister Margaret

FAMILY/MARRIAGE MINISTRY



Contact: Deacon Sal Bonfiglio
973-635-0070 x720 (phone)
973-635-5518 (fax)
email: sbonfiglio@corpuschristi.org

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Congratulations! As soon as you have your date on the parish calendar, please contact Deacon Sal to begin your preparation for the sacrament of marriage (12 months before your wedding).



PRE-CANA

Corpus Christi Parish provides a Pre-Cana Program in the Spring & Fall as one of the many facets of marriage preparation. Facilitated by our team of married couples, the program helps build a strong foundation for a lasting, loving marriage. **Fall Pre-Cana course: October 27**

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Sept 28-30

Morristown, NJ

CONTACT: Mike & Janet Turco 973-427-7016

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



BreakThrough Online

A powerful online course for those in stressed marriages.

Quality video learning, featuring internationally acclaimed educators and multimedia. Suitable for spouses on their own or couples seeking to overcome relationship gridlock.

Helping couples to:

- *understand the real issues at play in their marriage
- *identify their conflict triggers
- *learn strategies to de-escalate an argument
- *find constructive ways to re-establish connection

www.SmartLoving.org/BreakThrough

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





Five Ways to Keep the Faith in Summer

1. See God in All Things

Catholics have a rich history of seeing the ordinary and perceiving the extraordinary. The sacraments allow us to see ordinary things such as water, bread, wine and oil as doors to the sacred that reveal God. This summer, we can use our "sacramental imagination" to see God in new places as we travel, as we garden, as we spend time outside and even as we watch Little League games. St. Ignatius taught us to: "See God in all things." **Summer is a time when we can slow down, find time for reflection so we can see God in the everyday occurrences of life.**

2. Recharge the Family Batteries

The Gospels tell us that even Jesus needed time to recharge; He would withdraw from the crowds and go off alone to pray. Think of summer as your time to withdraw from crowds and spend time with God. **Do you ever have quiet in your house?**

3. Adjust Your Summer Schedule

How do we continue our faith journey in the summer without regular schedules and religion classes? Of course, God's revelation never ends. The Catholic Catechism says that God's revelation can be encountered in "the great book of creation, and that of history — the page on which the 'today' of God is written". **As we spend time outside and admire the beauty of creation, how can that lead us to conversation (prayer) with God?**

4. Go Outside and Pray

The Celts in Ireland are famous for having their church gatherings outside; you won't find many cathedrals in Ireland. They believed creation was holy, so they worshipped in the "Cathedral of Creation." **Where is your family's "holy ground"?**

5. Find God as a Family

God is always with us, but we can get too busy to notice. Have you ever lost your purse and found that it was on your shoulder? Or your sunglasses and found they were on your head? It's the same for God; he's always with us, but we may be too preoccupied to notice. **Take time to notice God in your world this summer.**

Take Out Magazine, Summer 2014

A MARRIAGE MOMENT

"God created man in the image of himself, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them." (Genesis 1:27) Pronouns can be confusing and so can the differences between males and females. How does your spouse fit gender stereotypes? How not? More importantly, how does he/she reflect something of the Divine to you?



A PARENTING POINTER

"All the things that have happened to me have been important in making me who I am. To wish that certain things didn't happen is to wish that I am not myself." (Anonymous). Help your child unravel the mystery of how mistakes and problems teach life lessons to be used for future success.



by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

Caring for Aging Parents



NEXT MEETING
Wed., Sept. 12th
7:30-9 PM
Emmaus Room
(behind the altar)

Caring for an aging parent?

CAP meets on the 2nd Wed. each month for encouragement & support, information & resources, friendship & faith.

Contact: sbonfiglio@corpuschristi.org



Sept 16 **Welcome Back Sunday** Coffee House
(After 9:00 and 11:00 Masses)

Sept 27 **Moms Morning Out Group**

Sept 30 **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Oct 6 **Milestone Anniversary Mass**

Oct 16 **Bereavement Group begins**

For more information: sbonfiglio@corpuschristi.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact: Bridgette Hanley 973-635-0070 x715 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: bhanley@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 (Grades 6-8)
Contact: Psomi 973-635-0070 x718 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: Psomi@corpuschristi.org for Confirmation Prep (Gr. 9-10)



MUSIC MINISTRY

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2018-2019



Still need to register your child?
Register online at
CorpusChristi.org



Is God calling you to help
the young and share in
this joy?



Help the minds and hearts
of our young people to
grow in faith!

CATECHISTS NEEDED for PreK-5
3 needed for Sunday 8 am
2 needed for Sunday 9:50 am
3 needed for Sunday 11:45 am
6 needed for Monday 4 pm

Contact
Bhanley@corpuschristi.org if
interested



**CATECHISTS NEEDED for
Middle School**
Contact
Bduemling@corpuschristi.org



**CATECHISTS NEEDED for
High School**
Contact
Psomi@corpuschristi.org



"EDUCATION IS A MATTER OF THE HEART"
-ST. JOHN BOSCO

CORPUS CHRISTI CHOIRS SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS ARE WELCOME!

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.

Share your Faith with Young Minds!

Our Middle School students are bright and thoughtful young adults who have a lot of questions and want to know more about their faith. Looking for parents to help lead those conversations at the following times:

6th Grade 11:45 am

7th Grade 5:00 pm

You'll also receive a great gift from being a Catechist and you can ask others who have done it ... your own faith will be strengthened and you'll learn from our young adults.

Contact: Brian at 973-635-0070, x740 or email
bduemling@corpuschristi.org.



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/chatham youthministry

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Registration is now open for all Year 1 (9th grade) and Year 2 (10th grade) on the parish website online.
www.corpuschristi.org—

Ministries—
Youth Ministry and
Confirmation—
Confirmation Prep and
Registration.



Mark This Date

Anyone (all Year 1 & 2) who will be participating in the Confirmation Preparation Program will need to attend an orientation on Sunday night, Sept. 16, at 7:00 PM in the church.



For those being Confirmed on

September 7 or 14, please be advised that rehearsal is the night before, Thursday, at 7:00 PM in the church with your sponsor or a parent. Letters will be forthcoming later in August.

Please contact Psomi with any questions.



Keep the date: Sunday night Oct. 7th, from 6 PM until Midnight open. Last year we

had about 70 teenagers participate in this event, who walked in the night from church to church, learning and doing service for those who are homeless. Registration is online; stay tuned for the link.

RETREAT ADULTS NEEDED 2018 – 2019



We need two adults to help with the Confirmation retreats. Each adult would be needed to be on board for 3 Friday night retreats, and the team meetings. We begin with the start of the school year, and end in February. Please contact Psomi for more information.

Look for God in all that is good!



CATECHISTS

We need Catechists to teach the high school crowd. 10 sessions for the year— five in the fall and five in the spring. Please consider. For more info, please contact Psomi.

Think of us in this way,
as servants of Christ
and stewards of
God's mysteries.



Catholic Health Initiatives Helps Lead Campaign to Create New ICD-10 Codes on Human Trafficking

by [Sisters Against Trafficking](#) ENGLEWOOD, Colo.—



Catholic Health initiatives helped spearhead an 18-month-long effort to create a diagnostic code that will allow medical professionals to identify victims of human trafficking when they arrive at facilities seeking health care.

CHI, one of the nation's largest nonprofit health systems, collaborated with the American Hospital Association's Hospitals Against Violence (HAV) initiative and clinicians at Massachusetts General Hospital's Human Trafficking Initiative and Freedom Clinic to develop and secure ICD-10 codes that will allow providers to document sex and labor exploitation for the first time.

The 29 human trafficking-related codes, published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on June 11, will help providers identify victims and respond appropriately to assist victims. Set to take effect in October, the codes will also provide much needed data to understand the scope of this problem.

"Like victims of child abuse or elder abuse, victims of human trafficking are coming into emergency rooms and health care facilities on a daily basis – and we have to be ready," said Colleen Scanlon, senior vice president and chief advocacy officer for Englewood, Colo.-based Catholic Health Initiatives. "This is a significant step forward. Having these codes will help clinicians adequately classify a diagnosis and plan appropriate treatment."

The new codes will be used to identify and document both confirmed and suspected cases of forced sexual and labor exploitation of children and adults who go to a hospital or medical facility for treatment of an injury, illness or condition. Like other ICD codes, they serve as an official diagnosis to describe diseases, causes of diseases and death.

Over the past several years, human trafficking has become a public health concern that is growing nationwide. Between 2007 and 2017, the National Human Trafficking Resource Center received more than 40,000 reports of human trafficking cases in the U.S.

To read the full story on *Business Wire*: [Click Here](#)

Sunday, Aug 19, 2018

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Smart eating

It doesn't take our annual physical to remind us that we live in a culture of unhealthy eating. What used to be a matter of consuming enough calories for survival has become a national epidemic of obesity. It is tempting to eat when happy or sad, in gatherings or alone, to fight boredom, lift moods, or assuage anxiety. A lot of what appears in our diets isn't even useful for nutrition, and some of it's downright harmful. One thing's for sure: Eucharist is the one meal we can't do without. Better than smart food, it's the table where wisdom is served.

TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58 (119). "[Wisdom] has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table."

Monday, Aug 20, 2018

MEMORIAL OF BERNARD, ABBOT, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

A consummate teacher

Some people just have a way with words. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) was one such man. Through his writing and his teachings, he stands out as one of the major spiritual leaders of the Catholic faith. Here's a quote from Bernard that you might meditate on today: "If you should see a starving man standing with mouth open to the wind, inhaling draughts of air as if in hope of gratifying his hunger, you would think him a lunatic. But it is no less foolish to imagine that the soul can be satisfied with worldly things which only inflate it without feeding it."

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezra 24:15-24; Matthew 19:16-22 (419). "Teacher, what good must I do to gain eternal life?"

Tuesday, Aug 21, 2018

MEMORIAL OF PIUS X, POPE

Commune more often

Because he was the first pope to live in the modern age of technology, we know more about Pope Saint Pius X than many others. His life and ministry make a fascinating story, but today remember him as a leader who stressed simplicity and poverty. "I was born poor, I lived poor, and I shall die poor." He is likewise remembered as the pope who encouraged frequent Communion rather than once or twice a year as was common. His change in practice also encouraged frequent celebration of the sacrament of Penance in preparation for receiving the Eucharist. Participate in these sacraments together soon.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezra 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30 (420). "The Lord is with you, you mighty warrior."

Wednesday, Aug 22, 2018

MEMORIAL OF THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Our most gracious advocate

The mother that bore the child Jesus and reared him into adulthood was, in turn, borne up into heaven by the power of the child. There she was deemed Queen, so that she might share the inheritance of Christ with her people. We cry out to her in the antiphon, "Hail Holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope." In doing so, we name her by her unique kingdoms, not of land but of virtues. For our share in these

virtues we may ask her, who has always concerned herself in our salvation, to intercede on our behalf.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezra 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16 (421). "I will give you what is just."

Thursday, Aug 23, 2018

MEMORIAL OF ROSE OF LIMA, VIRGIN

Flower power

Given her beauty, Rose of Lima (1586-1617) could have had her pick of marriage partners, but she preferred to live a simple life of prayer and live in a small hut set in her family's garden. To help her parents financially, she sold the beautiful flowers she cultivated. Aware of the many poor people in Lima, she opened a room in her family's home to anyone who needed her care, asking nothing in return. Great crowds gathered at her death, and her coffin was carried through the city. Rose was the first saint from the Western Hemisphere, and her feast day is widely celebrated in South America with processions filled with flowers. What beautiful creation can you cultivate in the garden of your own life?

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezra 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14 (422). "Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet."

Friday, Aug 24, 2018

FEAST OF BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

Just one of the gang

In every crowd there are leaders and there are followers. There are characters who stick out and those who simply blend in. Bartholomew was one of those invisible ones. He was so transparent in the gospel accounts that he is also identified as Nathanael. All that we know about his ministry and martyrdom is legend, some of it even based on non-Christian stories. We do know for sure that he was one of the 12 apostles chosen by Jesus. And that is enough. We don't have to be famous to get into heaven, just faithful like Bartholomew.

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51 (629). "Nathanael said, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip replied, 'Come and see.'"

Saturday, Aug 25, 2018

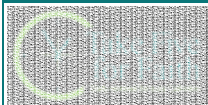
MEMORIAL OF JOSEPH CALASANZ, PRIEST

Just doing his Job

The work of a teacher can be hard. Take the example of Saint Joseph Calasanx (1556-1648), whose great mission in life was educating the urban poor for free, with special attention to the abandoned and homeless children of Rome. He even founded a religious order devoted to this task. By 1611 his school had 1,200 students. But then one of the members of his own community led a revolt against him that resulted in his false arrest and being forced from office. Joseph went through this experience without complaint. Picking up on this fact, Cardinal Prospero Lambertini, who would become Pope Benedict XIV, said Calasanx was a "perpetual miracle of fortitude and another Job." Next time you find yourself in a position to teach someone, remember the great dedication and patience of Joseph Calasanx.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezra 43:1-7ab; Matthew 23:1-12 (424). "The greatest among you will be your servant."

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



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EUCCHARIST

WEEKEND LITURGIES:

Saturday—5:00 p.m.

Sunday—7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES: 7:30 a.m.—Mon. to Fri.

EUCCHARIST FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:

Every first Friday; other times upon request

FIRST EUCCHARIST:

Usually celebrated in 2nd grade for children.

Celebrated at the Easter Vigil for adults.

BAPTISM

Baptisms for registered parishioners are celebrated at 1:15 p.m. on Sundays: monthly during the summer, and twice a month during the rest of the year. A required orientation for first-time parents of babies being baptized is held one Sunday each month, 10:15—11:45 a.m. (July & August by appointment.) Please contact the parish office in advance to register for the orientation and to schedule the Baptism. No Baptisms are scheduled until after the baby has been born.

Adults: participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Through this process, the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation are received. For further information, contact the parish office.

CONFIRMATION

Parishioners of high school age are confirmed following a two-year preparation program, usually culminating with Confirmation in the beginning of junior year. Adult parishioners are usually confirmed at the Easter Vigil. For further information, contact the parish office.

PENANCE

For all parishioners: celebrated on Saturday from 4:15-4:45 p.m. in the Atrium Conference Room; outside of these times, upon request.

Communal Penance services are held in Advent and Lent.

First Penance: Usually celebrated in the 2nd grade.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office one year prior to the wedding. Preparation for Marriage includes: Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter, as well as meetings with the Pastoral Associate for Marriage and Family, the Music Minister, and the Priest who will witness the marriage. Weddings may be scheduled any day Monday through Saturday. No weddings will be scheduled on Sundays, eves of holidays, holidays, or holiday weekends.

ANointing OF THE SICK

This sacrament may be celebrated with any person who is seriously ill. A communal celebration of this sacrament is held periodically. You may request this sacrament at any time, especially in case of emergency. Any parishioner who is in the hospital and wishes to see a member of the parish staff should notify the parish office.

CYO BASKETBALL PROGRAM

See Corpus Christi website (www.corpuschristi.org) or call Jim LeMon at 973-701-1602 or email jlemon@lordabbett.com or Drew McKenzie at 973-635-1342 or email drewmckenz@aol.com.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Priscilla Ursino, Coordinator

Meets first Friday of month at 12:30 p.m.

Liturgy and Lunch October – June

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SESSIONS

The parish offers a comprehensive program in religious education for pre-school, elementary school, middle school, and high school. These sessions are held on Sundays or Mondays. We also offer a program for students who are educationally challenged. Adult education programs are scheduled periodically and announced in the bulletin. For further information, contact the parish office, x 715.

ALTAR SOCIETY

Coordinators: Kathleen Magill and Dorothy Shanahan

MEN'S SOCIETY Meets second Tuesday of the month during the school year at 7:30 p.m.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For those in their 20s and 30s, through social, spiritual and service activities, young adults meet at St. Paul Inside the Walls in Madison (www.insidethewalls.org) and volunteer with the youth here at Corpus Christi. Contact Psomi for further information.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Most youth entering high school become involved in Youth Ministry through a 2 year Confirmation Preparation Program which includes, service, education and retreats. In this three pronged approach, youth learn, experience and grow in their love for self, others and God. After Confirmation, young people are invited into deeper involvement or leadership which includes retreat teams, justice and service, teaching, music and more.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is an international fraternal, family and charitable organization. Locally, the Parcells Council of the Knights of Columbus jointly serves the parishes of Corpus Christi and Saint Patrick. Membership is open to all Catholic men over 18. Visit the Parcells Council on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/parcellscouncil>

For further information contact Dan Otten at 973-335-1435.

AL-ANON MEETING

Al-Anon meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. This is open to any persons in the community who are family members or friends of those suffering from any type of chemical dependency, such as alcohol, etc. The meeting is held in the double classroom area. Enter the parish center through the main doors from the rear parking lot. This is not affiliated with the parish, but the facilities are offered as a service to the community. The participants are to maintain strict confidentiality and require anonymity.

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