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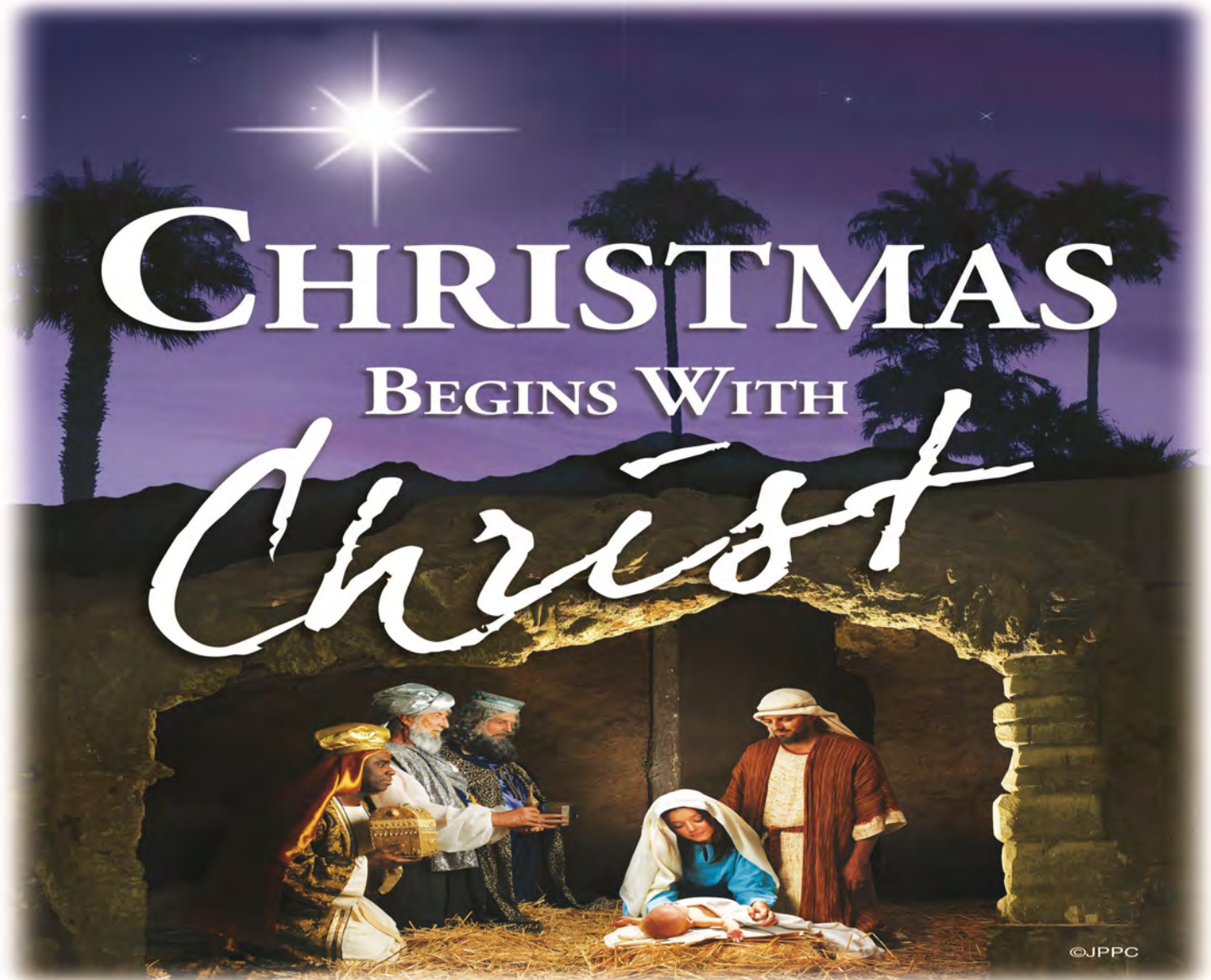
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LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 23

5:00 pm Gerhard Zok; Charlie Goddard

Sunday, December 24

7:30 am Fernando Nicolas

9:00 am For Our Parish

11:00 am Kathleen Flock; Andrew Flock; Charles E. Walsh

Sunday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

3:00 pm Mona Curcio (church)

3:00 pm Mary Jarosz (hall)

4:30 pm Louis and Christopher Leggiero (church)

4:30 pm Francis Agnew, Jr. (hall)

No 6:00 pm Mass

7:00 pm Jaime Pinaire; Genevieve & Walter Taverna;
Chester T. Karr (church)

9:30 pm For the Parish (church)

Monday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

7:30 am Maureen Alexander; Nicholas Storms;
Carol Ann Behre

9:00 am Marie & Leo Rudnick; Marylee Rudnick Ruerup

11:00 am Stan Feeley

Tuesday, December 26

7:30 am Eleanor McManus; Lorraine Martin

Wednesday, December 27

7:30 am Kaye Rittweger; Patricia Crawford

Thursday, December 28

7:30 am Phillip Errico

Friday, December 29

7:30 am Nicholas Storms; Maureen Alexander;
Mary Beth Driscoll

Saturday, December 30

5:00 pm Alice, Patrick, Sr. and Patrick Jr. Redden;
John R. Kratzer

IN REMEMBRANCE

For the week of December 24, Sanctuary Lights burn in memory of Maureen Alexander; Bread and Wine are offered in memory of Alexandra Hardej and Jean Polakowski; Blessed Sacrament Chapel flowers are in memory of Maureen Alexander.

MONTHLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

The collection November was \$121,326

The breakdown is as follows:

	<u>November 2023</u>	<u>November 2022</u>
Sunday Offertory	\$59,656	\$46,209
Online Giving	\$63,631	\$61,509
Less Fees	<u>-\$1,961</u>	<u>-\$2,064</u>
Net Online Giving	\$61,670	\$60,043
Total	\$121,326	\$105,564

We thank you for your generosity and support of your parish home here at Corpus Christi. It is through your generosity that we are able to share our parish vision of Christ's Joy, Hope and Healing Received and Shared.

DECEMBER 24, 2023 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

Lighting of the Advent Wreath at all Masses

Monday, December 25

Parish Office Closed

Merry Christmas!



Wednesday, December 27

1—3 pm Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, December 30

9:30 am Walking in Faith Side by Side



PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE

December 24

Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Kevin (livestreamed)
Sunday	7:30 am	Fr. Kamil
Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Kamil
Sunday	11:00 am	Msgr. Mahoney
Sunday	3:00 pm	Fr. Kevin (church) (livestreamed)
Sunday	3:00 pm	Msgr. Mahoney (hall)
Sunday	4:30 pm	Msgr. Mahoney (church)
Sunday	4:30 pm	Fr. Kamil (hall)
Sunday	7:00 pm	Fr. Kamil (church)
Sunday	9:30 pm	Fr. Kevin (church) (livestreamed)



December 25

Monday	7:30 am	Fr. Kamil (livestreamed)
Monday	9:00 am	Fr. Kevin
Monday	11:00 am	Msgr. Mahoney (livestreamed)

December 30/31

Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Kamil (livestreamed)
Sunday	7:30 am	Fr. Kevin
Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Kevin
Sunday	11:00 am	Msgr. Mahoney (livestreamed)
Sunday	6:00 pm	Kamil

Welcome!

New parishioners are asked to join the parish by going to our **website at corpuschristi.org**. Click on the **CONNECT** tab at the top of the home page.

For more information, please call the Parish Office at 973-635-0070 ext. 711.



All are welcome to
PRAY THE ROSARY
Monday thru Friday
after
7:30 am Mass.

Baptism

We welcome into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism, **Clara Elizabeth Berger**, daughter of Camille Elizabeth Berger.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Kevin Franken, Sr. Adriana Martins, Eugene Iannocelli, Everett Farren, Ann Zerga, Cheryl Maiorini, Alfri Rundio, Barbara Marvin, Beth Cintron, Andrew White, Adeline Lombardi, Caitlin Murray, Giovanna Tagliaferri, Nancy Merola Miller, Ann Gilroy, Stephanie Windsor, Rosemarie Moeller, Connie Prince, Anna West, Patti Mahoney, Robert Bruce, Richard Terranova, Diana Nazelli, Elizabeth Yanis, Peter Paul Perla, Timothy Finnegan, Mary Mulhall, Jim Tsakonos, Denis Schreiber, Carmela Mino, Ron Leonardis, Jonathan Schwanwede, Angie Dincher, Virginia Lutz, Keith Thomas, Max Leyn, Victor Rispoli, JoAnne Felicit, Christine Marinello, John Dory, Margaret DiPopolo, John Savarese, Jade Navarro, Carol Lovelock, Betty Ann and Ron Henning; Nancy McKiernan, Maire O'Donnell, Amy Hefe, Brian Carpenter, Amy Wert, Arlene Winsch, Steve Karasoulis, Terry Stephen, Louis Pannello, John Cristofano George E. Blake, Peter Newell, Ken McCaffrey, Ruth White, Heather Nicole McGuire, Valeria Capurro, James O'Connell, Gina McCarthy, Josephine Dymowski, Eileen O'Boyle, Cathy Hansen, Owen Moran, Jim Haggerty, Jan Kerr, Vince Di Roberto, Kathleen Bekiaris, Bailey Buell, Nancy Thompson, Suzanne Sersun, Ann Martin White, Kris Zingone, Bill Walsh, Matty Constantino, Susan Koole, Debbie Sisser, Deirdre Hatton, Chris Conlan, Deborah DeMarzo, Pat Fitzpatrick, Edward Schuh, Jeffrey Guerriero, Mary Houlihan, Ralph Lopez.

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



PHOTOGRAPHY *Ministry*

This ministry will help highlight all of the amazing things going on at Corpus Christi!

- Option to use your own phone or CC professional camera
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- Good eye for capturing special moments

For more information, contact Alexandra
acarroll@corpuschristi.org

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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Sunday, December 24—Christmas Eve

3:00 pm Mass in the Church Children's Choir and Handbells
Christmas Prelude music begins at 2:30 pm (*livestreamed*)

3:00 pm Mass in the Hall (*in person only*)

4:30 pm Mass in the Church Handbells
Christmas Prelude music begins at 4:00 pm (*in person only*)

4:30 pm Mass in the Hall (*in person only*)

T H E R E I S N O 6 P M M A S S

7:00 pm Mass in the Church (*in person only*)

9:30 pm Midnight Mass in the Church and livestreamed Corpus Christi Choir
Christmas Prelude music begins at 9 pm

Monday, December 25—Christmas Day

7:30 am Mass Quiet Mass in the Church (*in person only*)

9:00 am Mass in the Church (*in person only*)

11:00 am Mass in the Church with Corpus Christi Choir (*livestreamed*)



Monday, January 1—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

7:30 am Mass (*in person and livestreamed*)

9:00 am Mass (*in person only*)

7:30 pm Mass (*in person and livestreamed*)



Holy Day

Advent Wreath Lighting



***DECEMBER
17,
2023***



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Merry Christmas





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NJMentalHealthCares 1-866-202-HELP(4357) is New Jersey's mental health information and referral service.

The NJ Connect for Recovery Call Line: 1-855-652-3737 was established to support two distinct groups across the state of New Jersey: those concerned with their own opiate use; and, those who are experiencing distress related to the opiate use of a friend or family member.

1-855-654-6735 NJ Hopeline: New Jersey's 24/7 Peer Support & Suicide Prevention Hotline.

Crisis Text Line: provides free, 24/7 support via text message. We are here for everything: anxiety, depression, suicide, school. Text HOME to 741741.

Northern New Jersey Alcoholics Anonymous: 908-687-8566

Al-Anon Montclair, NJ: 973-744-8686

Faith Formation

Grades Pre-K to 6

Contact: Alexandra Carroll
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Grades 7—10

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FAITH FORMATION 2023-2024

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
NEXT CLASSES ARE IN 2024:
JANUARY 7TH & 8TH
JANUARY 21ST & 22ND



UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS:

PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY 1/28 AFTER MASSES

ADORATION/RECONCILIATION
FAMILY PRAYER NIGHT
MONDAY 1/29 5:15 PM

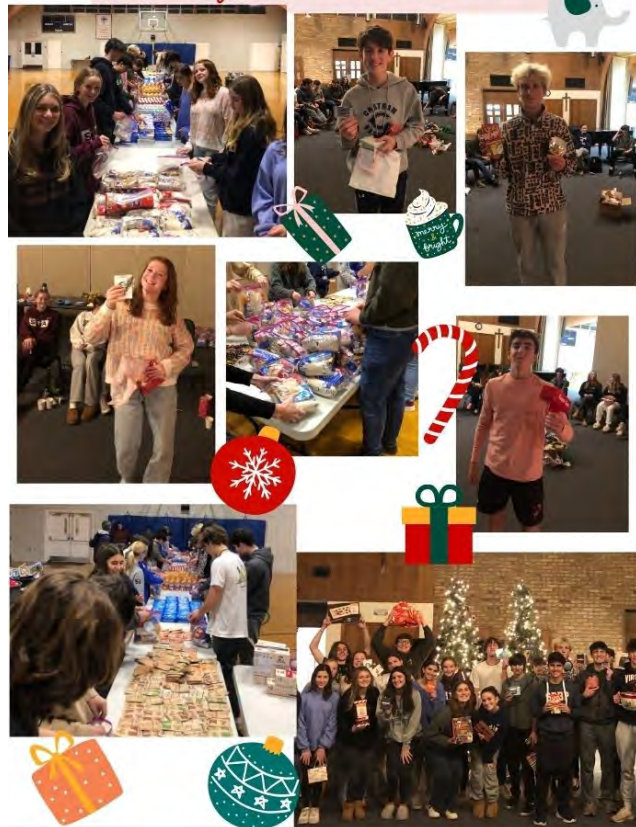
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LOVE



*Brian Duemling
Pastoral Council
Ministry Leader*

"While this time of year can be hectic with all the Christmas preparations, Advent always causes me to slow down and reflect on all the Blessings that God has given me. Family, friends, good health and many enlightening experiences that have gifted me the wisdom to know that true happiness comes through giving of myself to others, especially those who are marginalized in our world. This Advent I hope to share the light of Jesus Christ to others through kindness and charity everyday."

*Abby Bailey
Faith Formation
Ministry Leader*



"In the spirit of Advent, I try to help those around me that might be in need. This could be a family member that needs a favor from me or someone who might not be as fortunate. During this time, I think it is really important to support others and help those around me that might need it."



*Sam Tighe
Faith Formation
Ministry Leader*

"In the spirit of Advent, I pray every day. I try to find someone new to pray for each day. This person might need extra support from Jesus/God or maybe they're going through something but I feel during this time of year, it's vital to think of others and to help others."



*Sofia Espallat
Faith Formation
Ministry Leader*

"The season of Advent is a particularly special time of the year! Not only does my family and I cherish this season because we get to spend time with one another and make memories, but also because we get to celebrate the birth of Jesus. During December, I make the most of Advent by making sure to enjoy time with my friends and family. This includes indulging in all of the Christmas movies, going to church together, and so much more. I also like to make sure to slow things down and enjoy the little moments each day! December is always a busy month managing school and sports as a student-athlete, so making sure to appreciate the little moments God gives me each day is important to me. Advent is such an exciting season, and I'm so grateful to be surrounded by those that I love to spend it with."

4th Sunday of Advent

Reflection

by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The normal routine of most high school days includes the morning announcements. Usually one member of the administrative team does the task.

It always involved the basic needs for clarity and accuracy, lest a whole community fall into disarray. I know from personal experience that delegating a student for the job is risky at best. When I once had the assignment of moderating the students in the TV studio from which the announcements were broadcast at a certain high school, they were for the most part good kids. But one day immaturity punctured the soul of one such student, and he made a pre-planned prank that angered the administration and me. I wore the red face of embarrassment for a while. Clarity and accuracy were replaced by nonsense. The students may have gotten their “jollies” over the incident. I did not.

Raising our minds to the gospel level, we note that the word “annunciation” means an announcement. When we spell that word a capital letter, in religious circles it defines this marvelous meeting of heaven and earth, when an archangel named Gabriel, called such because of the import of his message, visited a beautiful young Jewish girl to tell her something earth shattering. The incident has been described as an “announcement” simply because the presumption of a positive answer from Mary proved to be a guarantee.

Mary, we must remember, was perfectly free to say “No.” That would be understandable when one considers a pregnancy brought on by the Holy Spirit. Add to that the fact of the Baby’s divine nature as God’s Son. Nor can we forget the sudden change to the romance with her beloved Joseph. There was certainly clarity present and the highest of accuracy as well. This really became the most important announcement ever made.

In all truth, our very salvation as the human race hung in the balance with the virgin Mary’s answer. Would any negative reply from Mary provoke God’s wrath? There is no need for such speculation. The pivotal moment came and went, and we as a race remain ever grateful for it. World history would see God’s plan unfold. Christianity would be its lasting effect, although other faiths would remain, each with its own goodness, but incomplete and imperfect.

The formula for the best relationship between God and man was clearly spelled out for those who could accept it. All because a beautiful Jewish teen-aged girl said “Yes” to God!

In these final hours of Advent, as Christmas preparation goes into high gear, such thoughts, I believe, provide a spiritual antidote to any commercial invasion of the facts.

God love you all, and my wish for you and yours is to experience a blessed Christmas 2023!



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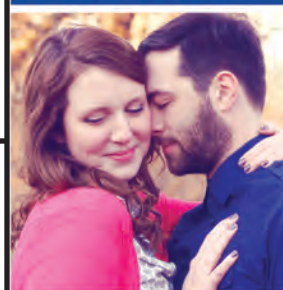
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