

CORPUS CHRISTI

PARISH COMMUNITY

MARCH 9, 2025 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday | 7:30am* Followed by the Rosary

Holy Days of Obligation | 7:30am*, 9:00am, 7:30pm

Federal Holidays | 9:00am*

Saturday

5:00pm*

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am*, 6:00pm

Adoration

Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00pm - 3:00pm*

Confession

Mondays | 7:00pm - 8:30pm During the Lenten Season

*Livestreamed





Christ's Joy, Hope and Healing Received and Shared

Fed by Word and the Eucharist, we are the Body of Christ called to WELCOME, WORSHIP and GROW in relationship with Christ, who leads us to SERVE and INVITE others to DISCIPLESHIP.



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Monthly Offertory Collections

Collection for February was \$135,876

	FEBRUARY 2025	FEBRUARY 2024
Sunday	\$78,733	\$60,901
Online Giving	\$59,255	\$56,939
Less Fees	-\$2,112	-\$1,908
Net Online Giving	\$57,143	\$55,031
Total	\$135.876	\$115.932





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.

LITURGY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER | 03

March 9, 2025 | First Sunday of Lent



Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

5:00pm | Madeleine Ledrappier, Kristine Zingone

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

7:30am | Joseph Calvanelli, Jr.

9:00am | Mary Catherine McGeough

11:00am | Joseph Malloy, Eleonore Farley

6:00pm | For the Youth in Our Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 10 - FR. JAMES

7:30am | Kristine Zingone

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

7:30am (Fr. Kevin) | Marie & Walter Wos, Adrienne Szigety

7:30pm (Fr. James) | Pope Francis (Living Intention)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 - FR. KEVIN

7:30am | Rev. John D. Alexander, S.J.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13 - FR. JAMES

7:30am | Maureen Alexander, Nicholas Storms

FRIDAY, MARCH 14 - FR. KEVIN

7:30am | Justin Gingeleskie, Gabriella Grace Maryles

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

5:00pm | Edwin "Barney" Barber

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

7:30am | Our Parish Renewal

9:00am | Daniel Murray

11:00am | Maureen Cummins

6:00pm | Justin Gingeleskie

Remembrance Offerings

Blessed Sacrament Flowers: Maureen Alexander Offertory Gifts of Bread and Wine: Maureen Alexander Tabernacle Candles:

Calendar of Events

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

9:00am | Family Faith Formation 2nd Grade Retreat

1:00pm | OCIA Retreat

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

8:00am | Family Faith Formation Classes

10:00am | Family Faith Formation Classes

MONDAY, MARCH 10

1:00pm | Adoration and Private Prayer

4:15pm | Family Faith Formation Classes

7:00pm-8:30pm | Confession - Welcome Home to Healing

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

5:30pm | Adult Bells Rehearsal

6:30pm | OCIA

7:30pm | Healing Mass

7:30pm | Men's Society

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

1:00pm | Adoration and Private Prayer

4:15pm | Teen Bells Rehearsal

6:00pm | The Chosen Bible Study (In Person)

6:30pm | BOLD Middle

7:30pm | The Three Pillars of Lent with Fr. James

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

7:30pm | Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

4:00pm | Children's Choir Rehearsal

5:30pm | Walking in Faith Side by Side

7:00pm | Stations of the Cross

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

9:00am | Children's Liturgy

10:00am | Mary's Little Helpers

5:00pm | Confirmation Penance Service

7:00pm | Confirmation Penance Service

Presiders' Schedule

March 8/9 **SATURDAY**

5:00pm | Fr. Kevin (*livestream*)

SUNDAY

9:00am | Msgr. Mahoney

6:00pm | Fr. James

March 15/16 **SATURDAY**

5:00pm | Msgr. Mahoney (*livestream*)

SUNDAY

6:00pm | Fr. Kevin

Mass Cards, **Remembrance Offerings** & Prayer Requests

To request a Mass card, make a remembrance offering, or add a name to our sick list, please contact Krista Daras:

973-635-0070 x711 | kdaras@corpuschristi.org



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Please Pray for the Sick

Alfri Rundio Amy Hefele Amy Wert **Andrew White** Angie Dincher Ann Gilroy Ann Martin White Anna West Arlene Winsch Barbara Marvin **Beth Cintron** Betty Ann Henning Bill Walsh Bill White **Bob Nellis Brian Carpenter** Caitlin Murray Carmela Mino Carol Smith Cathy Hansen

Cheryl Maiorino

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Max Leyn Michael Cino Nancy McKiernan Nancy Merola Miller Owen Moran Pat Fitzpatrick Patricia Bendsen Patti Mahoney Peter Newell Ralph Lopez **Robert Bruce** Robert Cyboran Ron Henning Ron Leonardis Rosemarie Moeller Sarah Shields Sr. Adriana Martins Sean Brown Sean O'Shea Stephanie Windsor Steve Karasoulis

Susan Koole Suzanne Sersun Terry Stephen Timothy Finnegan Tricia Finley Valeria Capurro Vicki Woodard Victor Rispoli Vince Di Roberto Virginia Lutz Vivienne Hosbein

Pray for Those Who Have Gone Home to the Lord

Desmond Browne, Gerald Joseph Devlin, Jonathan Peck, Joseph dePoortere, Kristine Zingone, Lizzie Kenny, Stephen Peck

Text Your Prayer **Intentions**

Text your prayer intentions to 973-845-0416 by 2:00pm each Friday to be included in the intercessory prayers of the following weekend.

Become a **Parishioner**

If you are looking for a spiritual home, we hope you will draw closer to God through worship, programs, and services offered by the parish.

Our goal is to meet your spiritual needs and help you to become an active member of our wonderful parish community.



Scan to Register



The Jubilee of the World of Volunteering

The Jubilee of the World of Volunteering is a significant event within the Catholic Church's Jubilee celebrations, specifically dedicated to honoring volunteers worldwide.

Scheduled for March 8-9, this event recognizes the invaluable contributions of individuals who selflessly serve their communities and the broader global society. If you volunteer at Corpus Christi or elsewhere, thank you!

THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT

YOU ASKED. WE LISTENED.

Your desire to deepen your understanding of the Catholic Faith has been heard. This Lent, join Fr. James for a special three-part series exploring the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Each session will offer an opportunity to reflect on these essential spiritual practices, understanding their biblical roots, their role in the life of the Church, and how they can transform our hearts and deepen our relationship with God. Fr. James will provide an inspirational presentation, followed by an open discussion where participants can ask questions and share insights.

Whether you are looking to strengthen your prayer life, embrace the discipline of fasting, or discover new ways to give in charity, this series will provide practical guidance and spiritual enrichment.



Wednesdays in the Church and livestreamed 7:30-8:30 pm

> March 12 March 19 March 26





STATIONS of the Cross

Fridays at 7 pm in the Church

March 7: Youth Ministry
March 14: Ministry Leaders
March 21: Music Ministry
March 28: Family Faith Formation
April 4: Altar Society
April 11: Men's Society

Also known as the Way of the Cross or Via Crucis, this commemorates Jesus' passion and death on the cross. There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on his journey to Calvary.

Newcomers welcome - a great way to grow in your faith this Lent!





LENT AND THE KNIGHTS

Charity, Unity and Fraternity, the basic principles of the Knights of Columbus, fit perfectly with Lenten self-denial and spiritual growth.

<u>Charity</u> is our guiding principle. The Lenten practice of almsgiving refers to all forms of charitable outreach to those in need—precisely the aid we engage in as Knights.

<u>Unity</u> empowers Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community. For Knights, lent is a time to unite with God, which is attained through a habit of daily prayer.

Fraternity is how Knights value the brotherhood and solidarity we and our families share. We know that sometimes that requires patience, abstaining from a hasty word or angry remark. In a word, we practice fasting from that which undermines our fraternity.

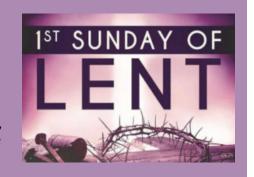
To learn more about the Knights of Columbus in the Chathams, call John Kelly 201-213-6967.

To become a Knight, visit www.kofc.org

A Deeper Look with Fr. Kevin

1st Sunday of Lent

On this first Sunday of Lent, after his baptism, Jesus is driven out into the desert for 40 days. Jesus was tempted to take the easy path, to rely on himself, to use his gifts and powers for himself and his needs only. Jesus resisted these temptations!

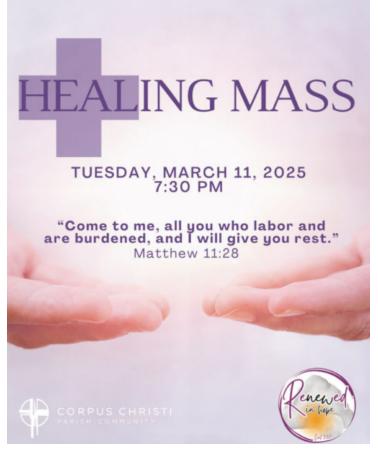


During Lent, we are called to journey together into the desert to be by ourselves and honestly see how we are living, who we are living for, and where God fits into our lives. We are all tempted to just keep doing what we do for the rest of the year and avoid these questions.

Yet when we use all that the Church provides for us during this season, we journey with Jesus through this time in the desert and make great progress in our journey towards heaven. Extra prayer, giving to the poor, going to Confession, reading the Bible, trying to reestablish relationships that are broken, and fasting. All these practices help us to put God back in first place in our lives, put others second and help us to love ourselves appropriately again.

God will reward our efforts! For every step that we take towards God and others, God takes two towards us. Jesus invites us each on this journey for 40 days! Don't miss out on this grace-filled opportunity!

Fr. Kevin





GROWING IN FAITH |

March 9, 2025 | First Sunday of Lent



Welcome to the Catholic Church!







Baptized at Corpus Christi Parish

March 1, 2025

Congratulations to parents Danielle & Michael! May God bless you on this special day and throughout your faith journey!

The "Ministry Minute"

Each first weekend of the month, we will host a "Ministry Minute" at all Masses. There will be a different ministry highlighted each month, and a ministry leader or member will speak about their experience. We hope that this 60 seconds inspires you to learn more about the amazing things going on at Corpus Christi, and encourage you to join a new ministry!

EVA'S VILLAGE

Eva's Village empowers those in need by providing them with hope, support and resources to live stable, healthy and productive lives. Located in Paterson, NJ, Eva's Kitchen was founded in 1982 to help feed the hungry. Today it provides an average of 1,100 meals daily. A group of volunteers from Corpus Christi serves lunch there once a month on Saturdays.







Please scan QR code for more information |



BOLD MEDI



Let's Celebrate

St. Patrick's Day!

All Middle School Students

Wednesday, March 12th

6:30-8:00pm

Corpus Christi Gym

Join us for a night of fun and faith

as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

Wear GREEN and enjoy delicious

homemade Shamrock Shakes!

USERVE MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP

Join us for the ultimate camp experience! Service | Faith | Friends | Fun

All incoming 6th - 9th graders July 21st - 25th 9:00am - 3:00pm **Corpus Christi & Local Service Sites**

uServe Camp will bring campers to local service sites in the morning, then return to parish property for lunch and a variety of fun and faith-based activities in the afternoon. It is sure to be a great way to spend a week, and will help our community, too!





Calling High Schoolers, College Students & Parents



RSVP: boldym.com/ccc/events

Jim Murray 973-370-2532 corpuschristi@boldym.com



SCAN OR CODE FOR REGISTRATION LINKS AND DETAILS ON ALL OUR SUMMER EVENTS



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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

REGISTRATION POSTPONED.

CLASS REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026

WILL BE DELAYED WHILE WE PLAN FOR A NEW

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM FOR

2025-2026



...through their parents, the child experiences their first experience of love, which is "a reflection of the love that God feels for him."

~Pope Benedict XVI, 2007.

ALTAR SERVERS



We are looking for interested, dedicated individuals to be part of our Altar Server Ministry. Please join us!

Altar Servers play a key role during Mass.

Open to those who have received First Holy Communion.

Both children and adults are welcome.

Humble service at the altar, active participation and no public speaking required.

If interested, please scan the QR code to sign up and we will be in touch with you!





Faith at Home Activity

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION PRE-K THROUGH 6TH GRADE



All Family activities are due no later than March 9.

All assignments focus on the Jubilee of the Catholic Church 2025.

Please contact Diane Vezzuto if your student did not receive a white envelope with their grade level assignment.

Family Faith Formation

REMAINING CLASSES FOR 2025

March 9-10 & 23-24 April 13-14 & 27-28



MUSIC MINISTRY | 09

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Music Ministry

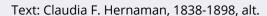
One of my favorite Lenten hymn texts is Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days. It's important to me because it shows the progression of our Lenten journey. The words help us to remember, perhaps, to treat each day a little bit differently during this season and to keep sight of the Easter joy that awaits.

Lord, who throughout these forty days, For us did fast and pray, Teach us to overcome our sins, And close by you to stay.

As you with Satan did contend, And did the vict'ry win, O give us strength in you to fight, In you to conquer sin.

As you did hunger and did thirst, So teach us, gracious Lord, To die to self, and so to live By your most holy word. And through these days of penitence, And through your Passiontide, For evermore, in life and death, O Lord! with us abide.

Abide with us, that through this life of doubts and hope and pain, An Easter of unending joy We may at last attain!



Contact Paul Carroll, Minister of Music, for more information about Music Ministry opportunities at Corpus Christi!

pcarroll@corpuschristi.org



UPCOMING CONCERTS

Tenebrae

Wednesday, April 16 at 7:30pm

Spring Concert

Featuring *Vivaldi's Gloria* Sunday, May 18 at 4:00pm

End of Season Concert

Pentecost Sunday, June 8 at 4:00pm

Music Ministry Highlights

We had a wonderful Cabaret Concert on Sunday afternoon with Jody Mullen and Paul Carroll. Audience members enjoyed some familiar melodies, beautiful singing and piano playing, as well as humor throughout. Thank you to all who attended and thank you to Jody and Paul for a lovely performance!







Teen Bells did a great job playing at the 9:00am Mass last Sunday! Have you considered joining them?





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Get Involved in Our Ministries!

Adoration

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS @1-3PM

Adoration is offered twice a week throughout the entire year, but Lent is a great time to try Adoration if it is new for you. Everyone is invited to pray for any length of time during Adoration. Please also consider volunteering for a half hour slot to be present during Eucharistic Adoration.

Sign up at corpuschristi.org/adoration

CYO Basketball

END OF SEASON BANQUET

The gym was set up to host our end of season CYO basketball banquet, with 50 boys in grades 5-8 participating. Each of our 5 head coaches acknowledged the sportsmanship, competitiveness, and friendship that our players exhibited through the season. We presented two awards - The Tom Murray Sportsmanship award and the JAG Physical Therapy Achievement award to our distinguished players. Many thanks to everyone who volunteered throughout the basketball season!

Media Ministry

The Media Ministry is a group of staff and parishioners who assist with livestreaming for the parish. This includes managing projections for the atrium and church screens, as well as running the livestream in real time for various liturgies and parish events. As we build our Media Ministry to include more of our weekend Masses, we ask you to please consider joining us: corpuschristi.org/media-ministry

Family Ministry MARCH 30 LAETARE SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Join us – parents and children together – to serve our parishioners by organizing family events and activities that build parish community and provide fellowship in the warm and welcoming environment of our church, while also serving others in need. Events include themed Hospitality Sundays, Bagels with Santa, Welcome Back Weekend, and the Mother's Day Pajama Drive. Fill out the form to join: corpuschristi.org/family-ministry





Meet Our Lenten Library!

A NEW OFFERING FOR LENT 2025

Have you seen our Lenten Library in the Atrium? This display is open for perusal throughout the Lenten Season. There are books, resources, and ideas for making the most out of these 40 days. There are options for children and adults, so please help yourself to a book, a sheet, or an item that may inspire a Lenten project. There are books like Chris Stefanick's *Living Joy*, Matthew Kelly's *Holy Moments*, Bishop Robert Barron's *An Introduction to Prayer*, and *The Little Black Book*. We have Lent calendars and words of advice from Pope Francis. We also encourage you to take action this Lent – with our 40 Days 40 Items challenge (donating items you no longer need) and Fill a Bag initiative (to support the Food Pantry). Maybe you have ideas of your own for journeying through this season – perhaps attending Daily Mass, giving Adoration a try, or attending more of our parish programs. I'd love to hear what your plan is for Lent. Maybe you have a tradition that you do every Lent, or maybe you change it year to year. Please send me an email (acarroll@corpuschristi.org) to share your ideas so that we can learn from one another. As the weeks of Lent continue, look for new selections in the Lenten Library. This Lent, I pray that you will be transformed and open yourself to a closer relationship with Jesus. -Alexandra Carroll



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