

## CORPUS CHRISTI

## PARISH COMMUNITY

## MARCH 23, 2025 THIRD 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





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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.



## **Corpus Christi Parish Community**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday | 9:00am - 4:00pm Sunday | 8:00am - 12:00pm

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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 23, 2025 | Third Sunday of Lent



## **Mass Schedule**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 22** 

5:00pm | Leo Rudnick

**SUNDAY, MARCH 23** 

7:30am | Justin Jude Gingeleskie

9:00am | Lisa Gaschler

11:00am | Charles Meuse, Tina Donnewald

6:00pm | Ginny Nixon

**MONDAY, MARCH 24 - FR. JAMES** 

7:30am | Maureen Alexander, Nicholas Storms

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25 - FR. JAMES** 

7:30am | Elaine Grygo

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26 - FR. KEVIN

7:30am | Josephine Plesnik

THURSDAY, MARCH 27 - FR. JAMES

7:30am | Suzanne Cashin

FRIDAY, MARCH 28 - FR. KEVIN

7:30am | Charles Whitmore

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29** 

5:00pm | Michael Cline

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30** 

7:30am | Suzanne Cashin

9:00am | Rachel Dommen, Suzanne Cashin

11:00am | Tom Ryan

6:00pm | For the Renewal of Our Parish

## **Remembrance Offerings**

BLESSED SACRAMENT FLOWERS: Maureen Alexander
OFFERTORY GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE: Maureen Alexander
TABERNACLE CANDLES:

## **Calendar of Events**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 22** 

9:00am | 1st Reconciliation

11:00am | 1st Reconciliation

**SUNDAY, MARCH 23** 

8:00am | Family Faith Formation Classes

10:00am | Family Faith Formation Classes

**MONDAY, MARCH 24** 

1:00pm-3:00pm | Adoration and Private Prayer

4:15pm | Family Faith Formation Classes

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

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25** 

5:30pm | Adult Bells Rehearsal

6:30pm | OCIA

7:30pm | Parish Penance Service

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26** 

1:00pm-3:00pm | Adoration and Private Prayer

4:15pm | Teen Bells Rehearsal

7:00pm | Teen Night Live!

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

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27** 

7:30pm | Choir Rehearsal

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28** 

4:00pm | Children's Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm | Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29** 

9:00am | Young Catholic Professionals Retreat

9:00am | Parish Council Meeting

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30** 

9:00am | Children's Liturgy

## Presiders' Schedule

## March 22/23 SATURDAY

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

#### SUNDAY

7:30am | Msgr. Mahoney 9:00am | Fr. Kevin

11:00am | Fr. Kevin (*livestream*)

6:00pm | Fr. James

## March 29/30 SATURDAY

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

#### SUNDAY

7:30am | Msgr. Mahoney 9:00am | Msgr. Mahoney 11:00am | Fr. Kevin (*livestream*) <u>6:00pm</u> | 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



## 04 | LITURGY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER

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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

Chris Conlan Christine Marinello Colin White Connie Prince Cordelia Street Debbie Sisser Deborah DeMarzo Deirdre Hatton Denis Schreiber Dennis Phalon Diana Nazelli Dylan Grimmer Eileen O'Boyle Elizabeth Yanis Eugene Iannocelli **Everett Farren** George E. Blake Gina McCarthy Giovanna Tagliaferri Hal Zuber

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Max Leyn Michael Cino Nancy McKiernan Nancy Merola Miller Owen Moran Pat Bergen Pat Fitzpatrick Patricia Bendsen Patti Mahonev 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

> If you know of someone on this list that is no longer in need of our prayers, please let us know.

## **Pray for Those** Who Have Gone Home to the Lord

Judy Laaksonen, Margaret Finneran, Suzanne Cashin

## **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.



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## **Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope**

The Jubilee of Hope invites us to renew our faith and trust in God's providence, reminding us that His love and mercy are endless. Through pilgrimages and works of mercy, we can grow closer to God and deepen our commitment to living the Gospel.

A Jubilee Year traditionally includes the opening of a Holy Door in major basilicas, symbolizing the pathway to salvation. May this Jubilee of Hope inspire us to embrace the call to holiness, to serve those in need, and to proclaim the joy of the Gospel to all we meet.

For more information, please visit the Jubilee Table in the atrium.

## A Deeper Look with Fr. Kevin

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

The Gospel this weekend can give us some insight into suffering. Some people mention to Jesus the Galileans whose blood Pilate mingled with their sacrifices. Jesus asks: "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered thus?" And then Jesus answers that they were not. These Galileans were innocent victims who suffered through the faults of others. There were also eighteen people on whom the tower in Siloam fell. We don't know



why the tower fell. It seems that they were innocent victims who died through unfortunate circumstances. They happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

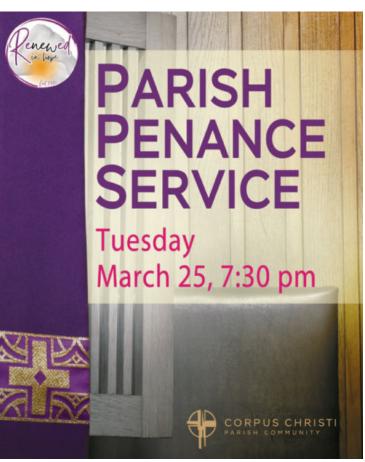
This raises a difficult question: how can a loving God allow the innocent to suffer? Jesus reminds us that it is misguided to think that those who suffer in some way deserved this fate. Sometimes words can be cheap. Jesus responds not with words but with his life. Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem to freely demonstrate the greatest act of love. He allows himself to be taken prisoner, to be stripped of all of his possessions, to be humiliated, tortured, and to die in shame, which reminds us that there are innocent victims and that Jesus walks in solidarity with them.

Yet he also shows us another side. Cruelty and violence will not have the last word. God's love and power are greater than any injustice. Goodness will triumph over evil. With Jesus' death and resurrection, God can take the worst that life throws at us, even death, and transform it into something lifegiving and meaningful.

It is in times like this that we are called to turn to Christ in a deeper way as we try to make sense of what we see in the news. We pray for all those who are victims of injustice, and we do what we can to assist them. In the end, we find hope in the fact that our God has conquered sin and death and ultimately is in control. As we journey through Lent, when darkness can seem overwhelming, we can rest in the knowledge that God's light is greater than the darkness!

Fr. Kevin





## 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



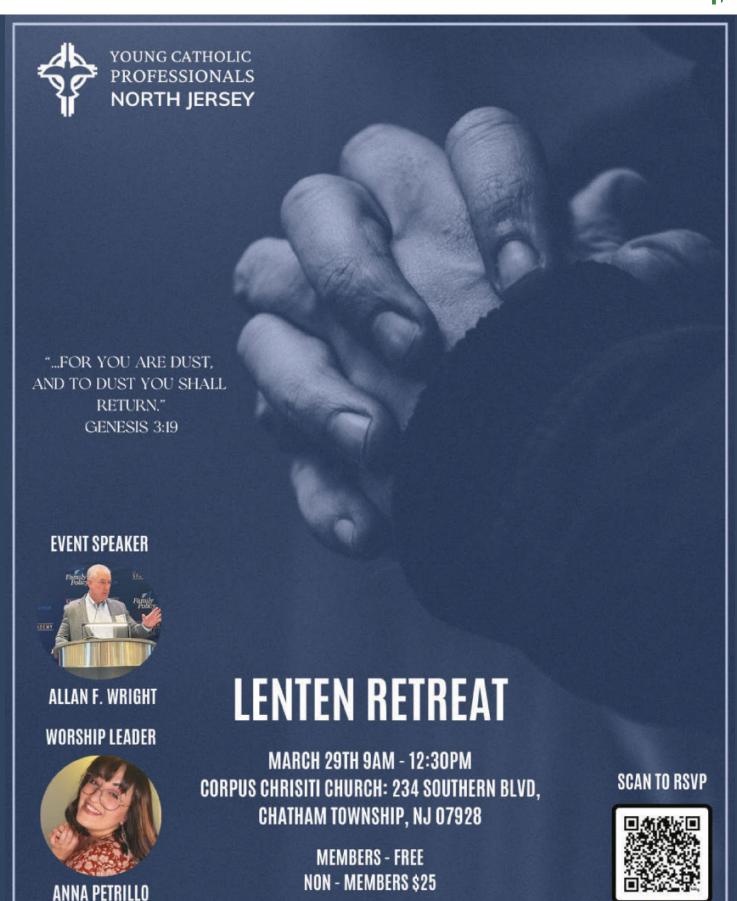
On Sunday, March 9, Corpus Christi had the honor of presenting the names of our three Catechumens—Sean Bauer, Thomas Ho, and Adam Roman—to Bishop Kevin during the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. These men will be baptized and receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil Mass here at Corpus Christi this year. Let us keep Sean, Thomas, and Adam in our prayers as they continue their journey of faith and prepare to be welcomed into the Catholic Church this Easter.





We are blessed at Corpus Christi to have three wonderful young members of our parish, Aiden, Evan, and Francesca, preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion this year. It is a joy and an honor to walk alongside them toward this special milestone in their faith journey. We can't wait to celebrate their Reconciliation at our Parish Penance Service and their First Communion during the Easter Vigil Mass. Please keep them and all the students receiving their sacraments this spring in your prayers!

If you have a child who missed First Reconciliation or First Communion in second grade, please reach out to Diane at DVezzuto@CorpusChristi.org for more information on how they can receive these sacraments.







#### 40 CANS FOR LENT

In September 2010, Dennis Chaput heard God ask him to start a food drive with a simple but effective format: inviting parishioners and other members of the community to donate one grocery item for every day of Lent.

Since then, the idea of a "40 Cans for Lent" food drive has been adopted by K of C councils from Maine to Alaska. Chaput's council alone has collected over 221,000 pounds of food and more than \$56,000 in monetary donations for their Archdiocese's Catholic Charities.

Councils get creative in their drives. One council has theme weekends, designating different Sundays of Lent as "Peanut Butter Sunday," "Mac 'n' Cheese Sunday" and so on. Other councils involve local Catholic schools, teaching the students to give service and demonstrate love for their community.

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/joinus



## 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





### **USERVE MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP**

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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!





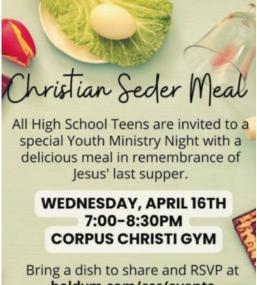
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**Youth Ministry Questions?** 

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## GROWING IN FAITH | 09

March 23, 2025 | Third Sunday of Lent



## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

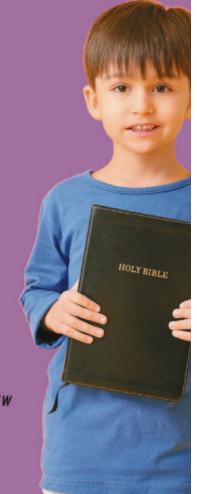
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CLASS REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026

WILL BE DELAYED WHILE WE PLAN FOR A NEW

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM FOR

2025-2026



...the home is the first school of Christian life and "a school for human enrichment." Here one learns endurance and the joy of work, fraternal love, generous - even repeated-forgiveness, and above all divine worship in prayer in the offering of one's life.

-Catechism of the Catholic Church 1657

## **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



The March Family Activity will go home with students in a white envelope on March 23-24.

All assignments focus on the season of Lent and are due back on April 27-28.

Please contact Diane Vezzuto at dvezzuto@corpuschristi.org with any questions.

# Family Faith Formation

**REMAINING CLASSES FOR 2025** 

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



## **Music Ministry**

Tenebrae means darkness or shadows. Using scripture readings and musical reflections we are invited to follow the story of Holy Week and to accompany Jesus in his last hours. Throughout the experience, candles are extinguished until the church is filled with darkness. This gradual darkness symbolizes Jesus' increasing sorrow as the events of Passion Week progress.

Please consider attending this experience of music and meditation on **Wednesday**, **April 16 at 7:30pm**. The musical reflections will be sung by the Corpus Christi Choir and friends.

Contact Paul Carroll, Minister of Music, for more information about Music Ministry opportunities and to join any of our parish choirs or ensembles!

pcarroll@corpuschristi.org



#### UPCOMING CONCERTS

#### **Tenebrae**

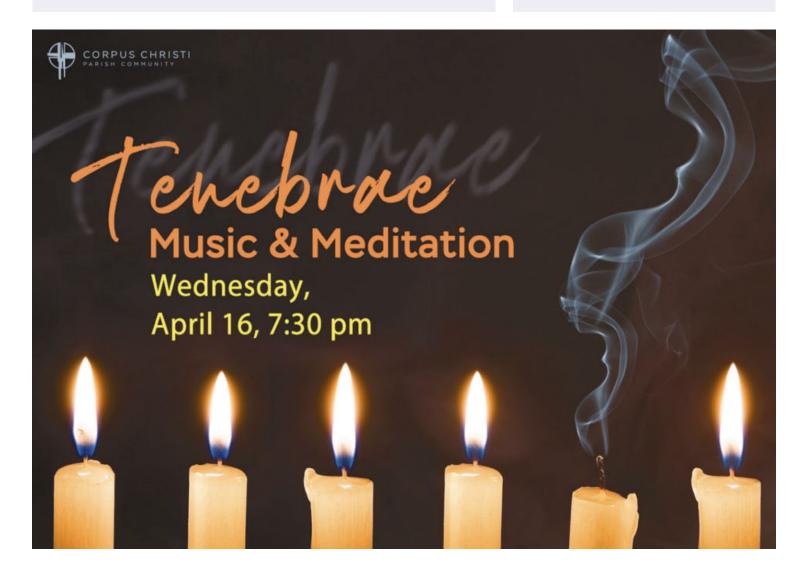
Wednesday, April 16 at 7:30pm

#### **Spring Concert**

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

#### **End of Season Concert**

Pentecost Sunday, June 8 at 4:00pm



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