

Corpus Christi Parish

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July 26, 2020



Bid Farewell to Fr. Patrick

Sunday, July 26

12 Noon - 2PM

St. John Church Parking Lot

Fr. Patrick wishes to say good-bye to all of our parishioners. Stop by for a *Drive-thru Good-bye Party*.

People will be there to direct traffic so you can stop briefly and speak with Fr. Patrick before he moves on to his next assignment.

Please respect proper social distancing by remaining in your vehicles.



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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MASS SCHEDULE

Notre Dame du Perpetuel Secours

116 Silver St. Waterville

Saturday 4:00 & 6:00PM Sunday 9:00 & 10:30AM Tuesday/Thursday 12:15PM

St. John the Baptist

26 Monument St. Winslow

Saturday 4:00PM Sunday 7:30 & 10:00AM Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:00AM

Parish Information

Parish Staff

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Rev. Daniel J. Baillargeon, Pastor
Rev. Patrick Finn, Parochial Vicar
Kim Suttie, Pastoral Life Coordinator
Deb Hebert, Parish Business Coordinator & Director of St. Francis Cemetery
Daja Gombojav, Catechetical Leader for grades K-8
Marge Veilleux, Pastoral Administrative Assistant
Joan Hallee, Pastoral Receptionist

Mass Times & Intentions

MONDAY	July 27, 2020
8:00 AM SJ	Regina Bedard Carberry by Evangeline Bourassa
TUESDAY	July 28, 2020
12:15 PM ND	Christine Beaulieu by Gerry & Leo Goulette
WEDNESDAY	July 29, 2020
8:00 AM SJ	St. Anthony and St. Jude by a parishioner
THURSDAY	July 30, 2020
12:15 PM ND	Marguerite Barnes by the Weeks family
FRIDAY	July 31, 2020
8:00 AM SJ	Richard, Paul, Flora, Jeannette and Paul, Jr., Harold and Marianne Poirier
SATURDAY	Aug. 1, 2020
4:00 PM ND	Annette Therrien by Pat and Rose Poulin
4:00 PM SJ	William Paul Kick by Langlais & Garay families
6:00 PM ND	Raymond Bryand, Jr., by wife, Joanne
SUNDAY	Aug. 2, 2020
7:30 AM SJ	Robert Gagnon by wife & family
9:00 AM ND	Parishioners of Corpus Christi
10:00 AM SJ	Mildred Lagasse by the family
10:30 AM ND	Nancy Arbour by Rick, Marge & family

Keep in Your Prayers

Please remember Arthur Plourde, Sandra Martin
May God's healing touch come down upon our brothers and sisters in faith.

Please call the Parish Office to be included in our Prayer Line.

Please remember in your prayers

Emily Fournier, died July 11, funeral July 16
Sara Gomez-Ramirez, died July 9, funeral July 17

Sanctuary Candle

In thanksgiving by a parishioner (SJ)

Parish Mission Statement



The Mission of Corpus Christi Parish is to share our gifts as the body of Christ through Liturgy, Outreach and Education.

The Week Ahead

All programs and meetings have been suspended until further notice.

Drive-thru Confessions

In the St. John Parking Lot:

Wednesdays 5:00-6:00PM

Fridays 8:30-9:30AM

Saturdays 12:00Noon-1:00PM

This schedule will continue through July 25

Parish Social Media

We will do our best in the next several weeks to keep all parishioners updated through our Social Media pages:

Visit our parish website at:

www.corpuschristimaine.org

Our easy to navigate website is your source for Mass times, ministry schedules, Mass readings and daily prayers, Catholic resources, videos and so much more.

Like us on facebook at:

[https://www.facebook.com/
CorpusChristiMaine](https://www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiMaine)

View photos, videos and get inspired through fellowship with other parishioners!



Parish Instagram Account

Corpus Christi Parish is now on Instagram. Find us at: [@corpuschristimaine](https://www.instagram.com/corpuschristimaine)

Access us on a computer by visiting: <https://www.instagram.com/corpuschristimaine/>



Download Our Parish App!

Our Corpus Christi app is available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected throughout the week with instant notifications. Enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more. To access: text app to 88202



Parish Faith Formation Blog:

Keepin' it Real . . . Catholic

<https://faithformationcorp.wixsite.com/faithformation>
Follow our Faith Formation blog for great ideas for how to grow in faith for children and adults.

Gospel Meditation

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that timepiece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.

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Question for Adults - What would you be willing to "sell" or do without in order to achieve your dreams for yourself or your family?

Question for Kids - What good thing do you want so much that you would give up something else to get it?

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Readings for the Week

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

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Catholic Appeal

Walk Daily with Jesus

Thank you to everyone who has already made a gift to the 2020 Appeal. To date 424 of our parishioners have pledged \$108,530 toward our goal of \$155,925 (70% of the way there). Please prayerfully consider donating at <https://portlanddiocese.org/give>.

2nd Collection Next Weekend - Peter's Pence

Peter's Pence Collection monies are designated for Church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. Thank you for your generosity.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

"Walk-Up" Confessions

Park your car and "walk up" to...
Ramp door toward Monument St. at St. John
Please practice social distancing.

Saturdays 2:30-3:15 St. John Church

Beginning Saturday, August 8

There are no scheduled confessions August 1.
This is the only scheduled time for Confessions.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory for July 19 - \$12,834.42

Average weekly offertory to date - \$13,574.28

Our budget is based on a weekly average offertory of -
\$14,545.70

*Please consider mailing your weekly offering to us,
dropping it off at the parish office or signing up for our new
online giving option WeShare by going to our website.*

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Each week, in order to reserve space for you at either a weekday or a weekend Mass, you must **call the parish office at 872-2281 during normal office hours: Mon. - Thurs. (8-4) and Fri. (8-12).**

Please do not call the Parish Office after Noon on Friday or on Saturday as no one is available at those times.

Please arrive only 15 minutes before Mass and enter via: the Silver Street door at Notre Dame or the Monument Street ramp door at St. John.

We have set forth the following guidelines as implemented by the Bishop in collaboration with the CDC:

1. Wear face coverings during Mass
2. Sanitize hands before entering church
3. Maintain social distancing at all times
4. Receive Holy Communion in the hand
5. Gatherings in the church or hall before/after Mass not permitted

We acknowledge that many of our parishioners will still feel uncomfortable coming to church. Bishop Deeley is continuing the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Please join us virtually:

Corpus Christi Parish live-streamed Mass on our parish Facebook page: Sundays at 9:00AM
Your continued understanding, flexibility, and patience are truly appreciated!

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION & JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

Classes are held at the Faith Formation Center attached to St. John Catholic School, September-May.

**Sacrament 2 Virtual Meeting
Saturday, August 15
8:30AM**

Children registered in Sacrament 2 are invited to join us online for a session preparing you to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist this fall. Your catechists and Father Dan will be there to chat with you and share a little time of catechesis.

For link to join and more information contact daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org.



Q & A - Lighting Candles

Question:

Why do Catholics light candles in church?

Answer:

Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today, we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark.

Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death.

The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration.

As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically "shining a light" on what they held to be sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints.

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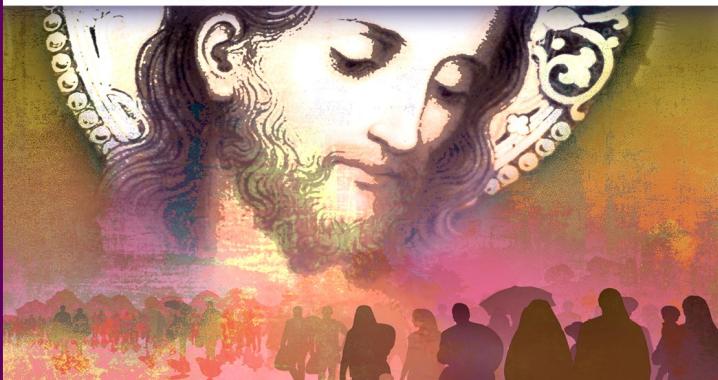
Help Keep Us Updated!

We have noticed that many of the phone numbers we have in our census records have been disconnected. If you have disconnected your landline phone and are only using cell service, please call the Parish Office, 872-2281, with your cell phone number so we can update our records.



In Our Parish and Diocese

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**What's Coming Up
at the St. Joseph Center?**
80 Garland Rd., Winslow
Free and Open to All!

While our face-to-face programs are on hold for now, two groups are still meeting via Zoom. If you'd like info or help with getting on Zoom to take part in either of the below groups, just call the Center at 873-4512 or email us at CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com.

Becoming a Welcoming Community – meets via Zoom the 3rd Wed. of every month at 6:30PM. This group explores how we can better follow the US Bishops' call for parishes to 'reach out in love and service' to the LGBT community and their loved ones and better become a community that welcomes homosexual persons with 'respect, compassion and sensitivity'.

Rose's Room – meets via Zoom the 3rd Wed. of every month at 7PM. Do you care about someone who is in prison or jail? This is a support group for the family and friends of incarcerated loved ones. People of all faiths or no declared faith at all are welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration

The essence of prayer is relationship. It's not primarily about doing something, but about getting to know someone. Fr. John Bartunek: Dynamic Catholic

Get to know the Lord by a weekly hour or half-hour of Eucharistic Adoration at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel 7 days a week—weekdays 8AM-5PM, weekends 8AM-5PM. Call Sr. Kay Kay 872-7072 to choose a time.



Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

What Is God Asking of You?

What are you willing to give for the sake of the kingdom of God? Often, we begin a discussion like this with a story or a few leading thoughts. However, if we are to be serious about who we claim to be as Christians, there should be no beating around the bush. The question is not only important for each of us and our relationship with our God, but it should be important for the relationship each of us has with the entire Body of Christ. Like any good team or family, I need you to have my back, and I need to have yours. If one of us is going to lay it on the line and be all in for our faith, then we *all* need to be as well.

If only all the Christians of the world felt the same way. In some parts of the world, Christians are still being martyred for their faith. Others must worship underground and avoid the government-led police. Then there are those who seem to take faith for granted, and because little is asked by their friends or parish, they give nothing. It is quite a contrast of situations.

On this day, it may seem like little is being asked of you and I by God. Is that because we aren't being asked or because we aren't listening? If you are counting on me and I am on you, we should figure this out sooner than later. Of course, I suspect we actually do know the answer, don't we?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI