

# Corpus Christi Parish

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## February 14, 2021

### Ash Wednesday February 17

*Please call the Parish Office to reserve a spot.*

Liturgy of the Word  
with Distribution of Ashes

7:00AM Notre Dame Hall

Masses

8:00AM Notre Dame Hall

12:15PM Notre Dame Church &  
Live-streamed to Hall and on Facebook

6:00PM Notre Dame Hall

### Ash Wednesday In Times of Pandemic

The Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments has asked priests to take special anti-COVID-19 precautions this year when distributing ashes on Ash Wednesday, including sprinkling ashes on the top of people's heads rather than using them to make a cross on people's foreheads. The priest will say "the prayer for blessing the ashes and then sprinkle the ashes with holy water, without saying anything. Then he addresses all those present and only once says: 'Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.' The priest then cleanses his hands, puts on a face mask, takes the ashes and sprinkles them on the head of each one coming to him without saying anything."



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

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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

Notre Dame Hall: Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:00AM & Tuesday/Thursday 12:15PM

**St. John the Baptist**

26 Monument St. Winslow

Saturday 4:00PM Sunday 7:30 & 10:00AM

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff

**Rev. Daniel J. Baillargeon**, Pastor  
**Rev. Andre-Joseph LaCasse, O.P.**, 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 Feb. 15, 2021**  
8:00 AM ND Mary Ayoob by Martha & Neil Patterson  
& family

**TUESDAY Feb. 16, 2021**  
12:15 PM ND Henry Poulliot by Joseph Lemieux

### Ash Wednesday—February 17, 2021

7:00 AM ND Liturgy of the Word with Ashes  
8:00 AM ND Lois Cooper  
12:15 PM ND Lana Suttie  
6:00 PM ND Gisele Hallee

**THURSDAY Feb. 18, 2021**  
12:15 PM ND Joseph Durant by son & family

**FRIDAY Feb. 19, 2021**  
8:00 AM ND Linda Cole by June & Leo Caron

**SATURDAY Feb. 20, 2021**  
4:00 PM ND Aurora Morrisette by Patrick Routhier  
4:00 PM SJ John Carroll by Marc Sirois  
6:00 PM ND Eva Russell by J. Esther Gagnon

**SUNDAY Feb. 21, 2021**  
7:30 AM SJ James Lajoie by Bob & Rita Plourde  
9:00 AM ND Joseph Donald Giguere by wife, Gloria  
10:00 AM SJ Theresa Preble  
10:30 AM ND Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish

### Please remember in your prayers

Laura Moses died Jan. 25, funeral Feb. 4  
Carmen Lucille Giroux, died Dec. 31, funeral Feb. 10

### Sanctuary Candle

In thanksgiving by a parishioner (SJ)

### Keep in Your Prayers

Please remember Bob & Dot Davidson, Arthur Plourde

*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.

## 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.

## "Walk-Up" Confessions

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

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

## Parish Social Media

**Please visit our Social Media pages regularly  
to keep updated on the latest information  
about the Parish:**

**Visit our parish website at:**

**[www.corpuschristimaine.org](http://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**

Access us on a computer by visiting: **[https://  
www.instagram.com/corpuschristimaine/](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

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.

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**Question for Adults** - Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be Christian? Why or why not?

**Question for Kids** - What can you do this week to be an example to others?

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## Readings for the Week

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

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## 2020 Contribution Tax Letter

Parishioners needing a letter containing their 2020 contributions must CALL the parish office and make this request. Please have your envelope number available when you call.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory for Jan. 31, Feb. 7 & 14 will be in next weekend's bulletin.

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.**

## Fast & Abstinence During Lent

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence (from meat) in the universal Church. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (from meat) in the Church in the United States.

The Law of Abstinence (from meat) applies to Catholics aged 14 and older. The Law of Fasting applies to Catholics aged 18 through age 59 (ending on the 60th birthday).

## 2nd Collection Next Weekend for the Native American and Black Missions

Thanks to the generosity of thousands across the United States, the organizations of the Black and Indian Mission Office are able to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in Native American and African American communities. FMI go to: <https://blackandindianmission.org/>



# Lenten Offerings

## Tree of Hope

The sanctuaries at St. John and Notre Dame will be graced by our Tree of Hope. Upon its branches will be hung your special prayer intentions which will be remembered and offered at our weekend Masses during Lent. Purple circles for your intentions are available at church entrances and the Parish Office.



## Got an Hour a Week? Try the Lenten Sunday Gospel Prayer & Reflection Group

Join us at 7PM on the Tuesdays of Lent and Easter Week for guided prayer and reflection on the Sunday Gospel readings. Each session will last an hour or less. Join us each Tuesday or whenever you can. We begin on Tuesday, February 23 and end on Tuesday, April 6. To participate via Zoom or phone, or if you have questions, contact the Sisters of St. Joseph at [CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com](mailto:CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com) or 873-4512.

## Only have 15 minutes? Try the Mending Our Hearts ~ Mending Our World Prayer Experience

Join us at 6PM on the Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of Lent for a 10-15 minute prayer centered on a verse from the scriptures of the day. Join us every time or whenever you can. We begin on Ash Wednesday and end on Easter Monday, April 5. To participate via Zoom or phone, or if you have questions, contact the Sisters of St. Joseph at [CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com](mailto:CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com) or 873-4512.

## FAMILY FORMATION

For students in grades K-5 and their families

March 7

April 4

May 2

*Because of COVID-19 guidelines limiting gatherings to no more than 50 people, we are utilizing creative methods for Family Formation. Check your email regularly or contact Daja Gombojav at 872-2281 for updates.*

**If you have not yet received your February materials please pick them up at the Parish Office.**

***It's never too late to join our program. For more information contact Daja Gombojav at 872-2281 or [daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org)***

## Lent Photo Challenge

Take a photo of your Lenten Journey every day of Lent!

To share your pictures with the parish on Facebook or Instagram:  
**#corpuschristilentchallenge**

## #corpuschristilentchallenge

(Take a photo a day)

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. ash                 | 21. alone               |
| 2. sorrow              | 22. something important |
| 3. joy                 | 23. warmth              |
| 4. something lost      | 24. cold                |
| 5. something gained    | 25. distant             |
| 6. something loved     | 26. something close     |
| 7. success             | 27. a word              |
| 8. failure             | 28. a verse             |
| 9. peace               | 29. a thought           |
| 10. longing            | 30. a promise           |
| 11. hope               | 31. humble              |
| 12. journey            | 32. strength            |
| 13. community          | 33. weakness            |
| 14. friendship         | 34. something you know  |
| 15. stranger           | 35. unknown             |
| 16. a place of healing | 36. treasure            |
| 17. quiet              | 37. something given     |
| 18. loud               | 38. old                 |
| 19. dark               | 39. new                 |
| 20. light              | 40. transformed         |

Corpus Christi  
Parish  
Lent Photo  
*challenge*



## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

For students in grades 6, 7, & 8

**Sundays 6:00 - 7:30PM**

**Faith Formation Center**

Feb. 21

Mar. 7 & 21

Apr. 11 & 25

May 2 & 16

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

All High School Youth Welcome!

**Sundays 6:00 - 7:30PM**

*We have been meeting virtually and will continue to do so through February. If you are interested in updates or joining our virtual sessions, you can request to join our Corpus Christi Parish Youth Ministry Facebook group OR contact [gayle.martin@hotmail.com](mailto:gayle.martin@hotmail.com).*

# In Our Parish and Diocese



## News from the St. Joseph Center

80 Garland Rd. Winslow

While our in-person programs are on hold, we've turned to Zoom technology to keep our groups connected. Contact us at 873-4512 or [CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com](mailto:CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com) if you would like the Zoom link to take part, or need help getting on Zoom.

**Becoming a Welcoming Community** – meets via Zoom at 6:30PM the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. of every month to explore how we can better follow the US Bishops' call to 'reach out in love and service' to gay and lesbian etc. persons and their loved ones, and better welcome them 'with respect, compassion and sensitivity'. (Quotes from 'Always Our Children', statement of the US Bishops.)

**Rose's Room** – meets via Zoom the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. of every month as a support for the family and friends of loved ones in jail or prison. People of all faiths, or no declared faith, are welcome!

## 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

You are invited to join in the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil on Gabriel Drive in Augusta, across from Maine Family Planning. You can participate by calling Judy Icenogle at 872-6558 or emailing to [ricejuice@twc.com](mailto:ricejuice@twc.com) to schedule an hour, or hours, between 8AM and 8PM at the prayer site in Augusta from Feb. 17 - Mar. 28. More info. is available at [www.40daysforlife.com/augusta-maine](http://www.40daysforlife.com/augusta-maine). Your prayers at the site can save babies' lives.

## Eucharistic Adoration

*"We must never forget that only when love between human beings is put to the test can its true value be seen."*  
St. Pope John Paul II

Deepen your love for God and others in prayer at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 101 Silver St. in Waterville. Open 7 days a week, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8AM - 6PM.

## Redesigning of 2021 Maine Catholic Women's Conference

Pandemic conditions will keep us from holding the 2021 Maine Catholic Women's Conference at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland as originally planned. The conference committee is working to connect Catholic women in Maine in prayer and other ways to support each another in our common faith.

Details about the redesigned conference will be shared before the end of Feb.. Those who "held over" registrations from 2020 will have a chance to either register for the redesigned 2021 conference at no additional cost, designate your fee as a donation, or request a refund. FMI, call the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation at (207) 773-6471.



## Gospel Reflection Group

Due to the rising rates of COVID, the Gospel Reflection group that meets at St. John's Hall is **SUSPENDED** until further notice. Join us at 10AM on Mondays as we share via Zoom. Call 873-4512 or email [CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com](mailto:CSJsofLyon.Maine@gmail.com) for the Zoom link or if you need help connecting. Come break open the beauty and challenge of Sunday's Gospel reading with us!

## This Lent, The Journey Begins!

Discover Jesus in unexpected places this Lent. *The Journey Begins* is a book of Lenten reflections written by and for members of the Maine prison ministry and those currently incarcerated in our jails and prisons. These prayerful reflections will touch your heart in their universal themes of suffering, loss, hope and forgiveness. This Lenten season find God's healing love in *The Journey Begins*. You can receive these reflections daily in your email inbox by sending your email address to: [psm@ccmaine.org](mailto:psm@ccmaine.org) (your email address will not be used for any other purpose). FMI 956-1457.

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## The Happy Quilters - St. John's Crafts

Sewing, knitting, crafting and camaraderie

Serving church and community for over 30 years!  
Meeting Monday 9:00 to 12:00 at St. John's School

Contact us with questions or interests at  
[stjohncrafts6@gmail.com](mailto:stjohncrafts6@gmail.com)



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