

# Corpus Christi Parish

## "Building the Body of Christ"

We strive to radiate the presence of Jesus Christ in our parish and community and invite others to join us on our journey.

**November 22, 2020 • Solemnity of Christ the King**

*A Word From The Heart  
from  
Fr Patrick Gonyean*



### The King of My Heart

Grace and peace to you from our Lord Jesus Christ! This weekend, brothers and sisters, we come to end of the Church's liturgical year, which concludes with the **Feast of Christ the King**. Next Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, we'll begin a new liturgical year in the Church, which begins with the First Sunday of Advent.

There's a beautiful worship song that I heard a few years ago called "King of My Heart." The lyrics make for good meditation (and the song is excellent for prayer!). There are lots of versions of the song available for free on YouTube — just put "King of My Heart" in the search box and enjoy. Here are some of the beautiful lyrics:

Let the king of my heart  
be the mountain where I run  
the fountain I drink from  
oh, He is my song

Let the king of my heart  
be the shadow where I hide  
the ransom for my life  
oh, He is my song

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### Sunday Reflection

Many Americans are fascinated with England's monarchy. For many different reasons, we are drawn to the regal pageantry and all of the protocols associated with royal lifestyles. There is something attractive about being an observer of ritual, pomp, and circumstance. It's almost theatrical.

Is this how we see Jesus Christ, too? We often behave as if Christ is an isolated, enthroned, royal, and even ineffective king. Jesus wants nothing to do with having the status of an earthly king. Jesus also does not want to be watched, observed, or set apart. He wants to get down and dirty with the very stuff of life especially the poor, marginalized, confused, hurting, lost, broken, imprisoned, and forgotten ones. *(continued on page 3)*

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## Christ Our King

by Sr. Therese Mac Kinnon

Happy feast of Christ the King to everyone. This is one of my most favorite feasts because I received the sacrament of Confirmation on this feast. The gifts of the spirit which we receive at Confirmation have always been a source of reflection and inspiration to me. On each feast of Pentecost, the Sisters in our community choose, by lot, a gift of the Spirit for the year ahead. This year I chose the gift of wisdom. All of God's gifts fill us with a spirit of unity and hope.

Usually about this time of year we have the **Journey with Jesus** program, which the children enjoy. Frequently it falls on the feast of Christ the King. As a journey down memory lane, I am including a picture from a few years ago. Hope you enjoy the memories and share them with a friend. Because of the pandemic, we will not be able to have **Journey with Jesus** together but perhaps you can experience some of the ideas from Generations of Faith or come up with some new ways of living your faith because **Jesus is our King, yesterday, today, and forever.**



ENCOUNTER, GROW, WITNESS are the three actions that support us as Disciples of Christ. Corpus Christi website is now divided into these sections. To find Faith Formation information, click on "Get Involved" and then click on "Grow." There you can find trivia on St. John's Gospel. It helps focus the reading of the Gospel.

Looking for some new inspiration? Click on Fr. Patrick's Renewal of the Mind series, under "Encounter" on the web site. Other sources of inspiration and reference: Download "Laudate" on your smart phone. It has the Bible, church documents, prayers, Mass readings, reflections, and more. Want to listen to your favorite church music and see pictures too? Google the name of the song on youtube and enjoy. — *Sr Therese*

## Sunday Reflection *(continued from page 1)*

Jesus is the king who turns the tables on us and wants not only our attention but our engagement and conversion. He wants us to get dirty too.

How we treat other people is at the heart of Christ's kingdom. "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." At different times in our lives we are all counted among the "least" ones. There is a lot of pain and many least ones around us. Stop, look and listen. This is what Christ the King is asking us to do. Look deeply into the eyes and soul of your sisters and brothers, all of them, and see Christ himself.

Being a spectator and observing all of the pageantry isn't enough. Jesus wants us to inherit the kingdom and live the kingdom. It is built on the blocks of love, mercy, compassion, hope, faith, and blessing. It engages those who want it, changes and informs minds, inspires and transforms hearts, converts and renews souls, and sets things right. There is such a great need around us. Are you ready and willing to do whatever you can to serve in God's kingdom?

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## Young Adult News

### **Jesus' Challenge To Young Adults**

Young Adult Bible Study

Weds thru Dec 9 | 6 - 8:30 pm | In Person

— 10 sessions on the Gospels of Mark and Luke and the Acts of the Apostles; teaching begins at 6:30 pm while enjoying great food, followed by small group discussion at 7:30 pm. Held at Lockhart's BBQ in Downtown Royal Oak; doors open at 6 pm. To sign up, visit <https://www.aod.org/events/546>.

### **2020 InstaAdvent Photo Challenge**

— Busted Halo's **InstaAdvent Photo Challenge** is back! This year has been a challenging one, and while our plans for Christmas might look different, the real meaning and purpose of this season remains unchanged. Advent is a time of anticipation and waiting for the birth of Jesus. Post a photo every day during Advent and stay connected to the hope, joy, and occasional peppermint mocha that make this time of year so special. It's the season of giving, so we'll be giving away prizes each week. May the best InstaAdvent photo win! Visit <https://bustedhalo.com/>.

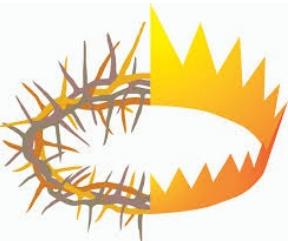


Church of the Home  
FAMILY

### ■ Take Time To Chat

Explore the Sunday Gospel as a family. Choose someone to read aloud **The Judgment of the Nations MT 25:31-46** (find it at [52sundays.com](http://52sundays.com)). Then have a family discussion using these questions:

- How is Jesus going to judge people at the end of time?
- How do people today get to be the sheep that Jesus describes in the Gospel?
- Share a time when you have helped someone in need. Do you realize that when you help someone, you are helping Jesus?



### Family Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,  
whose will is to restore all  
things in your beloved Son,  
the King of the Universe,  
grant, we pray,  
that the whole creation,  
set free from slavery,

may render your majesty service  
and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### ■ Fun Facts and Family Fun

November 22 is the feast day of **St. Cecilia**. St. Cecilia is the patron saint of singers. Her heart sang to God when she was young, desiring to consecrate herself to Jesus. She is almost always shown with a musical instrument in painting, statues, or stained-glass windows.

You can find a recipe for "St. Cecilia Biscuits and Jam Session" at [52sundays.com](http://52sundays.com). Once your homemade biscuits are made, add your favorite jam (like strawberry) to them. You have to sing a song as you spread the jam or else it doesn't count!

Order your guide to help your family learn about the faith every Sunday at [www.4ipi.com/52-sundays/](http://www.4ipi.com/52-sundays/).

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**NOMINATE FAMILIES ONLINE AT [CCSEM.ORG](http://CCSEM.ORG)  
NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 23, 2020**

### ■ Advent Family Prayer Challenge

Your family is invited to enter into the beauty of the Advent season through prayer and reflection on the Scriptural themes of the season. Each day's prayer will reflect on the Evening Prayer Antiphon from the Liturgy of the Hours and how these themes touch our daily lives. Starting on the first Sunday of Advent, participants will receive a daily reminder to pray via email or text. The Advent season gives us the opportunity to prepare our hearts and homes for Christ. This prayer challenge is a chance for families to celebrate this season in a new way. Sign up by texting **ADVENT20** to 33777.

### ■ Everyday Stewardship

Growing up Catholic means I must have heard a million times the passage in Matthew's Gospel about how doing things for the "least of these" means you have done them for Jesus. Okay, that is an exaggeration to make a point. But it has been a slogan for so many social justice activities, from clothing and canned food drives, to letter writing campaigns and peaceful protests.

Growing up I only knew how to help the least of these through the school and church activities of the time. Today, YouTube and GodTube are filled with videos of creative ways people reach out to one another. Have you seen the one about the pizza party for the homeless? How about the fake lottery ticket or the house bought from online donations (*continued on page 5*)



# Stewardship UPDATE



## Collection Report

Weekly Budget	\$ 8350.00
Sunday Offerings 11-15-2020	\$ 9154.00
World Mission Sunday Collection	\$ 210.00
Shortfall for the Budget Year	\$ 27057.40

## Everyday Stewardship *(continued from page 4)*

for a poor man? There are even videos of people paying for the car behind them at the drive-through! The awesome thing about this is that it serves as a witness to others. It is not boasting but instead sharing the Good News. Giving and good stewardship can be contagious!

Our pastor has several times over the years handed out \$10 bills to confirmation candidates and asked them to “pay it forward.” They can keep the money or use it to make a difference in someone else’s life.

As always, there is much to be done. The King is coming soon! Let’s spread the news and some love at the same time! — Tracy Welliver

## Catholic Charities Collection

This weekend, the Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan collection is taken up to support their critical work. You can positively impact the lives of thousands of people served by Catholic Charities right here in our own backyard throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit. Each year Catholic Charities helps more than 20,000 people combat poverty and crisis to move toward a better life. Special collection envelopes are available in the gathering space of the church. You may also donate online at [ccsem.org](http://ccsem.org) or mail your donation to **Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan Annual Collection, 15945 Canal Rd, Clinton Township MI 48038**. May God bless your generosity!



## Please Pray For Those In The Military:

Caija Campbell (Army), Anthony Carson (Army), Thomas Dixon (Navy), Anthony Ford (Army), Nick Goodrich (Army), Anthony Hollins, Jr (Army), Jonah LaTour, Jon LaTour, John Maurer (Air Force), Robbie Mayes (Marines), Christopher Maniere (National Guard), and Lance Walker II (Army).



## Scriptures for the Week

### Readings for the Week of November 22, 2020

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| Sunday:    | Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28<br>Mt 25:31-46 |
| Monday:    | Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4                            |
| Tuesday:   | Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11                               |
| Wednesday: | Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19                                |
| Thursday:  | Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a<br>Lk 21:20-28          |
| Friday:    | Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33                       |
| Saturday:  | Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36                                |

### First Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

## Questions of the Week

### First Reading:

Ezekiel speaks of God as the “shepherd” who will tend to his flock with great care and discerning judgment. What is this teaching us about God’s divine nature?

### Second Reading:

Paul reveals to the Corinthians the divine place of the resurrected Jesus Christ in God’s final plans for salvation history. As Lord of all things, including death itself, Jesus will hand over everything to God at the end of time. Does this revelation bring you comfort or distress?

### Gospel:

In today’s Gospel, Jesus speaks of the final judgment that will accompany his Second Coming and the end of time. Jesus describes the final judgment in the stark and contrasting terms of eternal life or eternal punishment. Why do you think so many people avoid thinking about Judgement Day?

### Monday Night



Join your parish family for a virtual discussion of the Scripture readings for each Sunday. Call 313-231-3542 for the link or for more information.



## Mass Intentions November 23 - 29

Monday	8:30 am	For An Increase In Vocations
Tuesday	8:30 am	For Those Who Are Caregivers
Wednesday		<i>No Mass or Communion Service</i>
Thursday	9:00 am	For Corpus Christi Parents and Guardians
Friday	8:30 am	For Those Who Are Homebound
Saturday	4:00 pm	+ Leslie Pierre-Louis (req by Rolande Pierre-Louis)
Sunday	9:00 am	<i>No Mass</i>
	11:00 pm	For the People of Corpus Christi

Please call the parish office (313-537-5770) to add or remove a name from our prayer lists.

### Please Pray For Our Sick Members:

Tony Baines	Bernadette Foster	Kathy Montgomery	Brendia Thomas	Clairmina Danjou	Margaret Nielsen
Ken Banka	Tom Foster	Shirley Myles	Charlotte Turner	Vivian Dorsey	Shirley Oldenburg
Doris Billon	Connie Gant	Yve Nemeth	Harold Unsleber	Ella Goldsmith	John Onwudinjo
Paul Billon	Gary Greening	Sharon Ortman	Adele Waddell	Sr Rachelle Harper	Sue Padalino
Marcelle Blackmon	Virginia Harkey	Helen Parkman	Kathy Wilson	Ruth Hill	Milford Raines
Faye C-Johnson	Clint Harris	Vernard Plain	Dolores Wodarski	Ronald Hills	Hulda Reed
Jefferie Cook Sr	Irma Horton	Thelma Polley		Sr Stephanie Holub	Isiah Searls
Karen Cook	Lynn James	Sally Rimbert		Mary C. Hustoles	Joseph Shelton
Terrie C-Henderson	John Johnson	Joy Robinson	Etta Bagley	Edward Hustoles	Mary Pat Shelton
Sheri Dargin	Roswitha Jordan	Elyse Ryder	Jackie Bodenhorn	Marie Leonard	Bernice Slaughter
Cid Davis	Fannie Larkins	Michael Sands	Evelyn Brantley	Sharon Lewis	Irene Williford
Kevin DeMatas	Myrna Leonard	Pauline Simpson	Beverley B-Johnson	Bob Lindsay	Joyce Wilson
David Derouselle Sr	Marilyn Lewandowski	Elsie Spencer	Angeline Butler	Clemencia Massey	Audrey Zielinski
Renita Fletcher	Nancy Loper	Donna Storie	Michelle Cagle	Beverly Miller	
Roy Ford	Lori Love	Colletta Sykes	Joseph Cagle Sr	Beatrice Neail	

### Homebound:

### Please Pray For Our Relatives and Friends:

Susan Absher	Jerry Douglas	Jeranne Jackson	Florence Mills	Reginald Phillips	Tom/Dorothy Sobota
Jim Agnello	Chris Downing	Robert Jarey	Willard Mitchell	Anthony Plain	Nicholas Stephens
Duncan Alfes	Elizabeth Downing	Aliyaa John	James Molloy	Erin Plain	Rochelle Stewart
Cynthia Archer-Gift	Lloyd Earl	Arnim Johnson	Karen Momper	David Remo	Trevor Sullivan
Dana Porter Ashton	Memphis Edison	El Caleb Jones	Elizabeth Moore	Sandra Reynolds	Kevin Sweeney
Sue Bates	Virginia Etherly	Dorie Kaiser	Shirley V Moore	Michael Rice	Frances Sykes
Marie Beard	Stephen Farkus	Bill Kelley	Glinda Moorer	Matthew Rich	Patt Taylor-Braxton
Joan Beckley-Fletcher	Barbara Ford	Joe Kieffer	Verita Morris	Viola Richburge	Rick Thompson
Edward Bejesky	Kyle Foster	Kristin Kingzett	Pierce Mueller	Dorothy Roberson	Carolyn Thrash
Kenneth Black	Jerry & Patricia Franks	Katie Lutzo Kissell	Joyce Mulhall	Crystal Roberts	Gerry Tremonti
Malcom Boudreaux	Mavis Frazer	Erin Knight	Mignon Murray	Eugene Rohde	Amy Turner
Bryan Bowman	Barbara Gay	Fred Kolp	Sara Nell-Wallace	Alfredo Rojas	Eleanor Ursulan
Bria Brown	Nestelyn Gay	Emilia Kullman	Margaret Nelson	Patrick Ryder	Robert Vanden Berg
Ron Brown	Elwood Gneckow	Marta Lagos	Ernestine Nimmons	Frank Salem	Al Victors
James Bryant	Becky Goodrich	Antoinette Litzinger	Charles Nutt	Sherry Samuel	Alicia Walker
Ernest Cabule	Marlene Grant	Anthony Lorenger	Charlotte, Donna,	Ethel Mae Sanders	Kelley Walker
Michael Derrick Cade	Morty Green	Shannon Lorenger	John & Tyler O'Neill	Larry Schneider	Lance Walker
Jenny Churchill	Alfonzo Harris	Harold Lowe	Patty Page	Mildred Scott	Brady Wesley
Scott Clinton	Millie Harris	Michael Mathis	Celena Parker	Alice Sheehan	Ruth Wilson
Leah Closson	Sharon Harris	Scott McDonald	Willie Parker Jr	Larry Shelton	Barbara Woods
Perry Conway	Lisa Harston-LeDoux	Anthony McNeal	Paula Parham	Lenny Simmons	Doris Woody
Nancy Copeland	Bob & Jane Hazen	Michael McNeese	Cyndi Pask	Curtis Simpson Sr	Kyle Yanke
Ronald Crane	Donna Hebel	John/Mary Jo Meakin	James Pefley	Donald Sims Sr	
Betty Cross	Summer Henry	Ashley Melonson	Alicia Penman	Emily Smale	
Chuck Davis	Carol Holm	Jerry Mercier Jr	Ethel Person	Kathy Smith	
Natacha Desir	Sullivan Horton	Robert Miller Jr	Marquon Perry	Tyrone Smith	
Shannon Dodd	Jean Houck	Darwin Mills	Matt Phillips	Beverly Sneed	

## A Word From The Heart (continued from page 1)

And let the king of my heart  
be the wind inside my sails  
the anchor in the waves  
oh, He is my song

Let the king of my heart  
be the fire inside my veins  
the echo of my days  
oh, He is my song

To proclaim that Jesus is the king of our lives — the king of our hearts — is to declare that our lives are utterly lived with, in, and for him. Fear not if you don't do this as perfectly as you'd like to! I sure don't, and our king is lavishly merciful, choosing to die for each and every one of us so that we could live with him forever. The key to living in his kingdom, even now, is passionate love — that we would daily seek to be devoted to our Lord Jesus and affectionately attached to his presence truly with us always as we walk in faith.

While we prayerfully navigate trying times in our state, country, and world, let us together with fresh resolve, declare Jesus our Lord, best friend, savior and KING. With intentionality and discipline (all fueled by His grace), we resolve to live our lives joyfully under his reign, remembering that his banner over us is love (Song of Songs 2:4).

Love you and bless you,

— Fr. Patrick

### Holy Homework



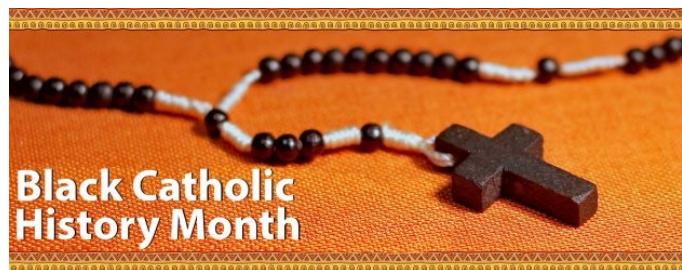
This week, try to carry this simple prayer in your heart and on your lips throughout the week — “**Jesus, please let my life be consumed with yours**” — and spend time reflecting on the wisdom

of St. Teresa of Calcutta.

## Corpus Christi Parish Book of Remembrance November 2020

The custom at Corpus Christi Parish during the month of November has been to place our **“Book of Remembrance”** near the baptismal font so that names of deceased loved ones may be inscribed and remembered in prayer. Due to Covid-19, we will have an “on-line” Book of Remembrance this year. You are invited to submit names your deceased loved ones and friends.

To submit names of loved ones, send an email to [corpuschristimiriam@comcast.net](mailto:corpuschristimiriam@comcast.net) or call the parish office at 313-537-5770. The names will be entered into our on-line Book of Remembrance, which may be viewed at [corpuschristi-detroit.org](http://corpuschristi-detroit.org). At every Sunday Mass during November, as we pray for the dead, our community will especially remember all deceased whose names are listed in our Book of Remembrance.



Tragically, the American Catholic Church did not seriously commit its time and resources to minister to the African-American population during the ante-bellum or post-bellum periods. However, God made a way!!! In spite of insuperable obstacles and opposition, African-American Catholics created a remarkable movement of faith and evangelization. Many courageous people played pivotal roles within church history like Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange, Mathilda Beasley, Daniel Rudd, and the Reverend Augustus Tolton. They witnessed their faith, ministered to their people, and left lasting legacies in the face of prejudice, ignorance, and indifference. One cannot read their stories without feeling tremendous joy, sorrow, and inspiration. They are truly heroic accounts! (next page)

Black Catholic History Month provides opportunities to learn and share the whole history and rich heritage of Christian Catholicism. Ubi Victoria Veritas! The Victory of Truth!

For more information about Black Catholic History, please read **The History of Black Catholics in the United States** by Cyprian Davis. ([www.nbcccongress.org](http://www.nbcccongress.org))



## Behold Thy Mother: Getting to Know the Blessed Virgin Mary

Join Sacred Heart Major Seminary faculty from **November 29 thru December 27** for an Advent retreat experience centered on our Catholic faith's beautiful teachings about Mary. Learn at your own pace and from the comfort of your home. Learn more and register at [shms.edu/mary](http://shms.edu/mary).



# WEEKLY UPDATE

■ With the number of COVID-19 cases of increasing and the approaching colder months, Archbishop Vigneron has decided to extend the dispensation **until Ash Wednesday of 2021**. This extension is given so as not to unduly bind the consciences of those who are greatly troubled by the destructive potency of the coronavirus, and to care for the most vulnerable among us, such as the elderly.

■ The parish buildings are **still closed** at this time. You may continue to contact the parish staff through phone calls to 313-537-5770 or through their emails. Sunday offerings may be mailed to 19800 Pembroke Ave, Detroit MI 48219-2145) or dropped off via the mail slot at the Pembroke door. You may also give online at [www.corpuschristi-detroit.org](http://www.corpuschristi-detroit.org).

■ Plan to **dress warmly** if you are attending Mass in person. As part of our "return to church" planning, we are keeping windows in the church open to allow for better air circulation

■ Please let us know you are coming to a weekend Mass. Your RSVP allows us to be prepared and ready for everyone and also provides the information to do Covid-19 contact tracing in a timely manner if necessary. RSVP via the link on our parish website, [corpuschristi-detroit.org](http://corpuschristi-detroit.org) or, if you do not have a computer or internet access, call the parish office at 313-537-5770.

■ Please call the parish office to **let us know about illness, hospitalization, death, and requests for prayer** or the Sacrament of the Sick. The answering machine is checked remotely each day for messages. Fr. Patrick is notified of urgent requests as soon as possible. All calls will be returned. Please be sure to leave both your full name and phone number and to speak clearly and slowly when leaving a message.

■ The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession) is available from 1 to 3 pm on Saturdays in the Activity Center.

## Generations of Faith 2020-2021



### THE CATHOLIC *faith* EXPLAINED

"Hello Church! **Andrea Baier** here. Our pandemic approach to Generations of Faith includes watching 30-minute videos instead of the high-energy gatherings in the Rainbow Room with our beloved community — however, these videos give us food for thought and nuggets of wisdom to reflect on. The most recent one on "salvation history" got me thinking about saints from hundreds of years ago, as well as present-day saints who share our pews at Corpus Christi. The videos are followed by table discussion with a few Corpus Christi members, which keeps me connected to faith life at our parish until we can resume in person gatherings. I hope you can **TUNE IN** to the next session."

#### TUNE IN starting today

- ♥ to see Who Is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord or our Lives? (34 minutes)
- ♥ to learn more about the Incarnation, the human and divine natures of Jesus, Jesus: model of holiness, living life abundantly
- ♥ to hear a discussion among 5 Corpus Christi young adults about their favorite names/titles of Jesus and much more.

**TUNE IN** by going to the parish website, [corpuschristi-detroit.org](http://corpuschristi-detroit.org) OR [clickoncatholic.com](http://clickoncatholic.com) OR use the link in the parish emails

1. Click the Generations of Faith button on the Welcome Page
2. To print the handout, click on Session Three Handouts/Adults
3. To see the video, click on Generation of Faith Videos
4. Finally, click on SESSION THREE (adults)

**TUNE IN** at the parish in the Rainbow Room on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. PLEASE CONTACT Sr. Therese by email ([tmdc3@yahoo.com](mailto:tmdc3@yahoo.com)) or by phone (414-801-0100) if you want to see the video in person.

#### TUNE IN to other related resources:

A History of the Church of the Nativity in Jerusalem (11 minutes):  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjSKADyQRbU&ab\\_channel=ChristianMediaCenter-English](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjSKADyQRbU&ab_channel=ChristianMediaCenter-English)

A Tour of the Church of the Nativity 2020 (6 minutes):  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7aQVIQzPhk8&ab\\_channel=I206Tours](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7aQVIQzPhk8&ab_channel=I206Tours)

**WORD CLOUD:** Help us build another Word Cloud using the form at the bottom of the Generations of Faith page on the parish website or email Corpus Christi at [corpuschristigenerations@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristigenerations@gmail.com) with your favorite name/title of Jesus.

## Advent Giving 2020



The parish Advent Giving program will begin next weekend. The Christian Service Commission and Social Justice Committee are asking for your help. The beneficiaries of this year's collection will be Corpus Christi households and households in our parish boundaries who find themselves unable to provide for their needs during this blessed Christmas season.

In the interest of keeping things simple and Covid safe, here's what you can do to help:

1. While you are out shopping anyway, PICK UP either a Kroger, Meijer, or Target gift card — any denomination will be put to good use. DROP OFF your donation at the back of church at either the 4 pm or 11 am Mass on the weekends of November 28/29, December 5/6, or December 12/13.
2. If you're not going out, you can MAIL a check to Corpus Christi Parish, 19800 Pembroke Ave, Detroit MI 48219-2145. Make checks payable to Corpus Christi and write "Advent Giving" on the memo line. Donation envelopes will also be available at the back of church.

Your donations will be given to families on Saturday, December 19 so they will be able to shop for food or gifts prior to Christmas. Thank you in advance for your flexibility and understanding of the unique challenges of Christmas giving this year. Continuing thanks and wishes for blessings in abundance to you for remaining Christ's Light in our little corner of the world.



AmazonSmile is a simple, automatic way to support Corpus Christi Parish every time you shop, at no cost to you. Amazon will donate .5% of your total purchase to Corpus Christi. A link to AmazonSmile can be found on the parish website, [corpuschristi-detroit.org](http://corpuschristi-detroit.org). Click on the "Donate" button on the left side of the Welcome page, then scroll down and click on "Amazon Smile."



## What is Eucharistic Adoration?

The practice of Eucharistic Adoration is a centuries old ritual and falls within a broader category of devotions and rituals that are associated with the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In a particular way, Eucharistic Adoration is an extension of the worship and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that occurs in every Mass.

In a long-standing practice, a period of Eucharistic Adoration often ends with “benediction,” the blessing of the faith with the Blessed Sacrament.

Several parishes throughout the United States have introduced the practice of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, while other communities have the custom of shorter periods of Eucharistic Adoration. Care should always be taken that these periods of adoration respect the instructions outlined in *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass*, the liturgical book that gives the instructions for the proper celebration of Eucharistic Adoration.

Although adoration of the Blessed Sacrament can never take the place of Eucharistic Communion, many Catholics find great comfort and consolation in their prayers before the Eucharist enshrined in the tabernacle or when it is exposed in the monstrance (both are equally valid, as the Christ is not more present in one than in the other). But when we consider our eucharistic devotions, it is always important to remember the fundamental connection these acts of devotion have the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass and reception of Christ in Communion.

