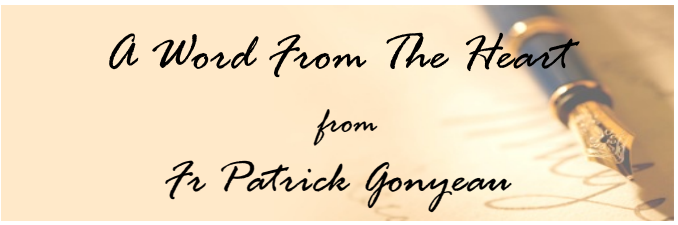
Corpus Christi Parish

"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.

January 3, 2021 • The Epiphany of the Lord



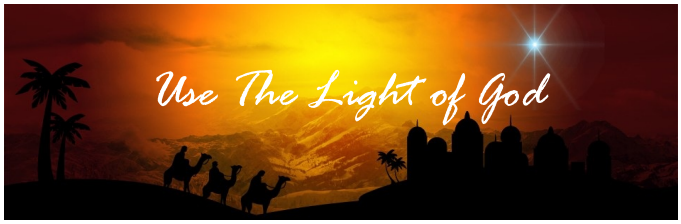
Radiating Christ and Families of Parishes Update

Hello Corpus Christi Family! I pray this bulletin finds you well and overflowing with the love of Jesus in this Christmas season!

Radiating Christ

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany, recalling the miracle of the star that led the three wisemen to the infant Jesus, the newborn King. This wonderful moment had been prophesied long ago, as we read in Isaiah this weekend: **"Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you."** (Is 60:1)

The revelation of the newborn king that the three wise men received was a revelation of the light of God coming into the world through the birth of the Christ-child. As the star proceeded them to the place where Mary, Joseph and Jesus where, we read that the magi **"were overjoyed at seeing the star."** (Mt 2:10) This fulfilled the prophecy in Is 60:5, **"then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow."** Isn't it the same with us today? As we celebrate this Christmas *(continued on page 7)*



Sunday Reflection

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was." The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! *(continued on page 3)*

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Corpus Christi Directory

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All parish buildings remain closed.

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Daily/ Holy Day Masses: See page 6

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Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 1 - 3 pm; by appointment (call 313-537-5770); and during penance services.

Sick Calls: Please call 313-537-5770 to place someone on our sick list and/or to request the Sacrament of Anointing.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Weddings: Please call the Parish Office 6 months before wedding.

Bulletin Copy: Please contact Miriam Hudson by phone or email.

The Week Ahead

Monday, January 4
8:30 am MASS
9:30 pm Parish Staff Prayer

Tuesday, January 5
8:30 am MASS
9:30 pm Parish Staff Prayer
10:00 am Parish Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 6
9:30 pm Parish Staff Prayer

Thursday, January 7
8:30 am MASS
9:30 pm Parish Staff Prayer
3:30 pm Parish Leadership Team Meeting

Friday, January 8
8:30 am MASS
9:30 pm Parish Staff Prayer

Saturday, January 9
9:30 am Worship Commission Meeting
10:00 am SVDP Food Pantry
10:00 am 1st Eucharist Preparation
1:00 pm CONFESSIONS
1:00 pm SVDP Conference Meeting
4:00 pm MASS

Sunday, January 10
The Baptism of the Lord
9:00 am RCIA Class
11:00 am MASS/Rite of Reception and First Promises for Third Order Dominicans
1:45 pm CHURCH DECORATING
1:45 pm Confirmation Preparation

Prayer and Intention
OF COVID-19

Edward Bejesky
Lee Bussie
Christopher Davis
Sr. Elizabeth Flaherty
Dee Hunt
Ed Hustoles
Mary Catherine Hustoles
Cassandra Lowe
Patrick O'Neil
Sean O'Neill
Terry Plain
Michelle Talley
Juan Windham

Star of Hope

by Sr. Therese MacKinnon
Faith Formation Director

Happy feast of the Epiphany! May each of you experience Christ coming into your lives with joy and peace. You are a blessing and I thank God for giving me the opportunity of knowing you and sharing with you as we pursue our Christian journey of love and fellowship. The Magi, filled with hope, followed a star which led them to the Messiah. May hope also fill our hearts as we are filled with the love that Our Savior brought and by that love be motivated to live love to the fullest.

As a church community we celebrate with individuals preparing to receive the sacraments for the first time. Five children have completed their preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation: Ava Bronaugh, Ava Chapman, Andrew Detroyer, Anabela Detroyer, and Christian Lopez. Let us keep them in prayer as they continue to prepare to receive the Eucharist.

During Advent, we celebrated the Rite of Welcome with Samuel Fooks, Damita Jo Harris, and Charles Guss, who are preparing to become members of the Catholic faith and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

As you know, Generations of Faith is having virtual presentations this year that can be accessed on the Corpus Christi website. The previous three sessions can still be viewed on the website by clicking on "Generations of Faith." There are also guide papers and activity pages associated with each session. I hope you have a chance to check out these presentations for your whole family. Hope you can make our upcoming sessions:

GOF Virtual Sessions for Adults

January 24 — **The Paschal Mystery**
February 28 —**The Holy Spirit**
March 21 — **Why Do I Need the Church?**

GOF Virtual Sessions for Teens & Children

Jan. 31 — **That 1 Day**
March 7 — **On Fire With the Holy Spirit**
March 28 — **This is My Church**

— Sr. Therese

Sunday Reflection *(continued from page 1)*

We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God's tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God's salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God's healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for! ©LPi

Young Adult News

Video Reflections Available
https://www.videos.church/advent-made-simple
See God's story unfold in a new but simple way with 2-3 minute video reflections, short written pieces, and daily prayers from an amazing group of Black Catholic speakers, including Fr. Josh Johnson, Chika Anyanwu, Fr. Tony Ricard, Dr. Ansel Augustine, Michael Parker, Santonio Hil, Avera Maria Santo, Deacon Ajani Gibson, and Sister Desiré Findlay.

Avow Discernment Group
Mon Jan 4 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm | In Person
— Hosted by The Women of Jesus' Merciful Passion, Clinton Township. AVOW is a small group for single Catholic women ages 16 to 40, to gather for a pressure-free, heart-to-heart conversation for discerning religious life together. Join Sr. Carla and Sr. Sarah for dinner, discussion and prayer. To register, visit https://www.aod.org/events/568.

FAMILY

Church of the Home

Take Time To Chat

Explore the Sunday Gospel as a family. Choose someone to read aloud **The Visit of the Magi, Matthew 2:1-12** (you can find it at 52sundays.com). As a family, discuss the questions below:

- **What would it be like to encounter the baby Jesus?**
- **To prostrate oneself is to lay flat on the ground, face down in reverence. Why was it appropriate and fitting for the Magi to worship Jesus in this way?**
- **Like Herod in the Gospel, sometimes people tempt us to do something wrong or against God's will. Share a time when you acted in a just way in spite of a temptation.**
- **What are some of the challenges of living a holy life today?**

Unleashing The Gospel In Your Family

The Magi practiced prudence when they avoided Herod and returned to their country by another route. The virtue of prudence helps us decide what is right. Practice the virtue of prudence this week. When faced with a difficult situation, pray about it, and let God help you decide the right thing to do.

Prayer for Epiphany

Dear Jesus,
though you were a
newborn, the wise men
knew your greatness.
On a hint from the heavens,
they traveled far from their
places of comfort so that
they could honor you.

From their belief in your divinity,
they gave amazing gifts, offerings that symbolized
your life, power, and even your death.

And because of a dream in the night, they changed
their plans to return home in order to protect you.

May we be so willing to honor, sacrifice, and obey,
all for love of you, as we meditate
on the meaning of this day. Amen.

Help For Your Marriage

Are you struggling in your marriage or in need of a marriage refresher and not sure where to turn for help? The Marriage Support Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit is pleased to offer the **Marriage Coaching Program** — a couple-to-couple mentoring opportunity designed to assist couples live out God's plan for their marriage.

When differences begin dividing, hurt is hardening the heart, "growing pains"are becoming"regular pains", and the passion and affection is lacking, then your marriage needs help. Like our vehicles that need preventative care, tune-ups, or repairs to prevent major damage, so do our marriages. Trained Coaching Couples will give the support and practical tools needed to help couples restore and realize the fullness they desire for their Catholic marriage. The Marriage Coaching program consists of seven main coaching sessions that are strictly confidential and provided at no cost.

To learn more and get started with the help you need for your marriage, **call 313-237-4680, visit www.aod.org/marriagecoaching, or send an email to familyministry@aod.org**. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Whether you are wanting a marriage tune-up, feeling stalled, or experiencing a downward spiral, you need not settle for anything less than the fullness that God intends for your marriage relationship.

Everyday Stewardship

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which. After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with *(continued on page 5)*

Stewardship UPDATE

Collection Report

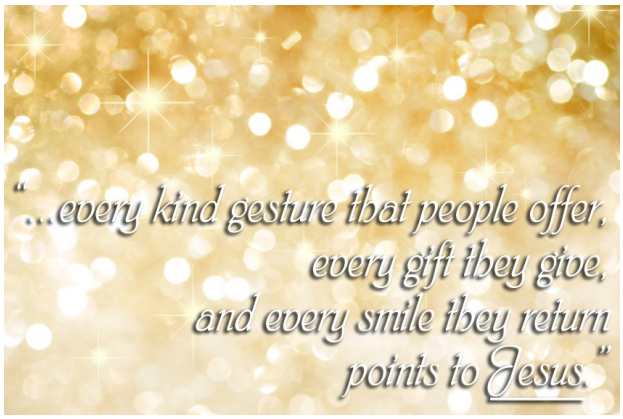
Weekly Budget	$	8350.00
Sunday Offerings 12-27-2020	$	8050.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	$	643.00
Shortfall for the Budget Year	$	21689.90

Everyday Stewardship *(continued from page 4)*

themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility, and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Welliver



Scriptures for the Week

Readings for the Week of Jaunuary 3, 2021

Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	1 Jn/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
or Is 55:1-11/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Questions of the Week

First Reading:
In late 6th century BC, the prophet Isaiah proclaimed an unimaginable future of glory for Israel in the wake of their return from seventy years of captivity in Babylon. What message of hope does our nation need today?

Second Reading:
Paul speaks of God's "revelation" to include Gentiles as "coheirs" and "copartners" with Jews in the divine promise fulfilled in Christ Jesus. How welcoming are you to those you consider outsiders?

Gospel:
The magi's visit to discover the "newborn king of the Jews" caused great anxiety for the religious leaders of Jerusalem, including King Herod. Why do you think some people are not open to the good news of Jesus Christ?

Monday Night

Join a virtual group on Monday evenings to discuss the Scripture readings for each Sunday. Contact Rita Pridgen at 313-231-3542 for details.

Please Pray For Our Deceased Loved Ones:

Gerard Parkman (12/7)
son of Helen Parkman

Beverly Harper Miller (12/17)
member of the parish

Rita Turner (12/21)
friend of Mary Mathis

Roy Grundy (12/12)
father of Julie Poyer

Pauline Riley (12/20)
father of Julie Poyer

Peter Maurer
in-law of Sue Vanden Berg

Mass Intentions January 4 - 10

Monday	8:30 am	+ Fr. Richard Rakoczy (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Tuesday	8:30 am	+ Fr. Ronald Sayes (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Wednesday		*No Mass*
Thursday	8:30 am	+ Fr. Michael Cooney (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Friday	8:30 am	+ Gerard Parkman (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Saturday	4:00 pm	For An Increase In Vocations
Sunday	9:00 am	No Mass
	11:00 am	+ Preston Jowears (req by Gwen McNeal)

Please Pray For Our Sick Members:

Tony Baines
Ken Banka
Doris Billion
Paul Billion
Marcelle Blackmon
Faye C-Johnson
Jefferie Cook Sr
Karen Cook
Terrie C-Henderson
Sheri Dargin
Cid Davis
Kevin DeMatas
David Derouselle Sr
Renita Fletcher
Roy Ford
Bernadette Foster
Tom Foster
Connie Gant
Gary Greening
Virginia Harkey
Clint Harris
Irma Horton
Lynn James
John Johnson
Roswitha Jordan
Fannie Larkins
Myrna Leonard
Marilyn Lewandowski
Nancy Loper
Lori Love
Kathy Montgomery
Shirley Myles
Yve Nemeth
Sharon Ortman
Helen Parkman
Vernard Plain
Thelma Polley
Sally Rimbert
Joy Robinson
Elyse Ryder
Michael Sands
Pauline Simpson
Elsie Spencer
Donna Storie
Colletta Sykes
Brendia Thomas
Charlotte Turner
Harold Unsleber
Adele Waddell
Kathy Wilson
Dolores Wodarski

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Etta Bagley
Jackie Bodenhorn
Evelyn Brantley
Beverley B-Johnson
Angeline Butler
Michelle Cagle
Joseph Cagle Sr
Clairmina Danjou
Vivian Dorsey
Ella Goldsmith
Sr Rachelle Harper
Sr Stephanie Holub
Mary C. Hustoles
Edward Hustoles
Marie Leonard
Sharon Lewis
Bob Lindsay
Clemencia Massey
Beatrice Neail
Margaret Nielsen
Shirley Oldenburg
John Onwudinjo
Sue Padalino
Milford Raines
Hulda Reed
Isiah Searls
Joseph Shelton
Mary Pat Shelton
Bernice Slaughter
Irene Williford
Joyce Wilson
Audrey Zielinski

Please Pray For Our Relatives and Friends:

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

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).

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

Christmas season, encountering Jesus anew in the Christmas mystery, our hearts throb and overflow with the love He has brought us.

This love leads us to radiate the presence of Jesus, to shine his love! At the heart of Christian discipleship, is the invitation to be in a relationship with Jesus, the Father and the Holy Spirit. As we live in the gift of this relationship, Jesus indicates that our fundamental task in the world is to shine his love, "just so your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Mt 5:16) What a wonderful life we are blessed too live as disciples of Jesus, continuing to fall in love with God who made us, saved us, redeemed us, fills us with love and then…to be able to overflow with that love to a thirsty world that the Father so loved, He sent is only begotten son for. (Jn 3:16). Day after day, hour after hour, we are blessed to glow with the love of God, radiate the presence of Jesus and again and again serve as an epiphany star for a wounded world that Jesus wants to continue to infiltrate His mercy with through you and me.

Families of Parishes (FOP) Update #3

As we journey toward becoming a Family of Parishes with Presentation – Our Lady of Victory, SS. Peter and Paul (Westside), St. Juan Diego, St. Mary of Redford, and St. Scholastica, I'd like to share this week about of the FOP **Governance Structure.** The Archdiocese has indicated that there are two models for governance in FOP. Model 1 is **Multiple Family-Pastors In Solidum** and Model 2 is **One Pastor**. Model 1 envisions the priests assigned to the FOP as equals with a Moderator being the first among them and bearing responsibility for the judicial acts of the parishes under the team's care.

The moderator of each family will be appointed by the Archbishop, and will effectively be **the lead** for the team of priests that serve the FOP. Model 2 envisions one priest serving as the pastor for each family and for all the parishes within the family. The other priests of the family serve as associate pastors essentially. As I understand it, each FOP will begin with Model 1 and over time have the option (and in some cases needed necessity) to embrace the one pastor model. Learn more about Families of Parishes at https://www.familiesofparishes.org.

Love you and bless you!

— *Fr. Patrick*

Epiphany Holy Homework

Radiating Christ

Dear Jesus,
help me to spread Your fragrance
everywhere I go.
Flood my soul with Your spirit and life.
Penetrate and possess my whole being
so utterly that all my life
may only be a radiance of Yours.
Shine through me and be so in me
that every soul I come in contact with
may feel Your presence in my soul.
Let them look up and see
no longer me but only Jesus!
Stay with me and then
I shall begin to shine as You shine.
The light, O Jesus, will be all from You;
none of it will be mine,
but will be You shining on others through me.
Let me praise You in the way You love best:
by shining on those around me.
Let me preach You without preaching,
not by words, but by my example,
by the catching force,
the sympathetic influence of what I do,
the evident fullness of the love
my heart bears to You.

Patricia Benedict
Erick Strand
Rosemary Burke

Ambrose Chapman Jr
Ambrose Chapman Sr
Diane Chapman

Jacqueline Simone Anglade
Leatrice Chapman
Puissance Jean
Vena Lafleur Jean
Miche Pierre-Louis
Jinette Chapman

Daisy Adamo
Louis Adamo
Marcia Closson

Curtis Dickerson
Maria Dickerson

Pat and Della DiPierro
Catherine DiPierro

Gerald Flaherty
Katherine Flaherty
Patrick Maughan
Dave McKinnon
Karner McKinnon
Marilyn McKinnon
John Raedy
Regina Raedy
Kathleen Olsen
Bob Stuck
Brian Stuck
Ione Stuck
Terry Stuck
Colleen Flaherty

Albert, Eleanor, and Nancy Dreis
Art and Denise Glinz

Gaynier Family
Greening Family
Gary and Carol Greening

Michele Johnson
Velma Payne
Cheryl Hill

Fr Michael Cooney/Dorothy Hakim
David Hakim/George Hakim
Akram Jabboori/Joseph Jabboori
Naghan Jabboori/David Nelson
Dr. Michael Doyle Ryan
Ilene Jabboori-Ryan

Jones Family
Hardin Family
Martin Family
Ashlie Jones

Neal/Bennett/Moore Families
Stacy Jones-Brown

In Honor of Sue Vanden Berg
Sandra Kalman

Walter Kelser Jr.
Verna Kelser

Deceased Members
of the Knights of Peter Claver
Ladies' Auxiliary IHM Court 247
Knights of Peter Claver
Ladies Auxiliary IHM Court 247

Danny and Margareta Lanton
Patricia Lanton

Wasyl Ohar
Ulana Kushner

Deceased Members
of the Loper Family
Nancy Loper

Geraldine and Murl Pryor
Muriel Murphy

Knox and O'Neil Families
Ernestine O'Neil

Deceased and Living Members
O'Neill Family
Salem Family
Manassah Family
Elaine O'Neill

Deceased Members
of Mon Night Bible Study
Mrs. Gloria Gipson, LPN
Ms. Gloria Graham, RN
Ms. Callie Mitchell, RN
Rita Pridgen

Florence DiPonio
Jack Robinson
Barbara Robinson

Margaret Schmitz
Fred Schmitz
Sr. Ellen Schmitz, OP

Phil Stiverson
Joanne Stiverson
Sr. Heather Stiverson

Wilfred D. Taylor
The Taylor Family

Rita Turner
Mary Power

Norris E. Walker
Renee Walker

Generations of Faith 2020-2021

Happy New Year!

A suggestion for a New Year's Resolution:
Designate a specific time this week to watch one of the FORMED videos you misssed. You might start with the most popular video, SESSION ONE — *The Bible: God's Love Letter To Humanity*, or SESSION THREE — *Who Is Jesus?*, especially relevant during Christmas. Or maybe SESSION TWO appeals to you — *The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall, Redemption*.

Find each of these videos through the parish website:
corpuschristi-detroit.org OR clickoncatholic.com OR use the link in the parish emails.

1. Click the **Generations of Faith** button on the Welcome page
2. Click on **Generation of Faith Videos**
3. Pick whichever **ADULT SESSION** you wish to watch (ONE, TWO, or THREE)

Helpful handouts with a prayer, brief outline of the video, reflection questions, and quotes from the Catholic Catechism can be printed from the website. Click on **Session Three Handouts** Adult or Previous Handouts. A handout can also be emailed to you by sending a request to corpuschristigenerations@gmail.com (Be sure to specify which handout you want.) Blessings on your New Year exploring the Catholic faith.

GOF For Children — Session 3
Check out GOF for children — you will find the life of Jesus on video, and do not miss the handouts that have patterns for the symbols of Jesus. Also, choose a person from the video who you think was a good follower of Jesus. There are many, but you may have a favorite.

GOF For Teens — Session 3
Find out where Mary is in the Bible. Mary is the perfect example of a follower of Jesus. And, by the way, do you know the four reasons that Jesus became man? Be sure to watch the videos and reference the handouts.

SAVE THE DATE!

Wright Museum

Sunday, January 17, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

A Commemoration of the Life and Work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Jesus lived a life of nonviolence, refusing to fight back even against those who came to arrest him or those who tortured and killed him. During the long fight for civil rights in America, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. showed us an example of how the tools of nonviolence can be used to change the world. But nonviolent protest is not easy, as protesters are often met with extreme violence from those they are protesting against.

Have you ever wondered why Dr. King chose that approach? Or how he could have believed it would succeed?

The Corpus Christi Social Justice Committee and the Life, Peace, and Justice Committee of our sister parish, St. Francis of Assisi are coordinating **a virtual presentation by Yolanda Jack**, educator and Youth Programs Coordinator from the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit. Ms. Jack will speak on **Dr. King's Pilgrimage To Nonviolence**, and there will be an opportunity for questions and answers. Information on how to register for this virtual presentation will be forthcoming.

OUR RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Four medical- grade air purifying units have been purchased and are located against two walls along the pew areas; the noise level is minimal.

Archbishop Vigneron extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass **until Ash Wednesday 2021**. The number of persons attending Mass in-person is limited and sign up is required. All parish members and visitors have a temperature check and brief health screening before entering church. Masks are required as well as physical distancing.

The **parish buildings are still closed** at this time. Staff continue to work from home and come in only for essential tasks. Please call the parish office regarding illness, hospitalization, etc. Voicemail is checked daily.

What is the difference between a chastisement and a punishment?

The distinction between chastisement and punishment is, in many ways, a subtle one, but which is still relevant in our Catholic tradition.

First, chastisement is a concept that is grounded in Sacred Scripture. Here, we see chastisement as a response by God to people's actions that is intended to teach a lesson. As St. John Paul II observed, "chastisement appears to be … a kind of divine pedagogy, in which the last word is reserved to mercy: He scourges and then shows mercy, casts down to the depths of the nether world, and he brings up from the great abyss" (Tobit 13:2). The idea here is that in order to capture our attention or to highlight how we have not lived out our covenant-relationship with God as we should, there are times when God uses events in life to draw us back to the quality of relationship or faith that we should have.

The concept of punishment, however, has a different sense. The Catechism of the Church observes that punishment is the consequence of a damaging action that "has the primary aim of redressing the disorder" and to protect the community and the common good from further damage or harm (see no. 2266). Although we always hope that someone who is being punished for a crime or some other harmful action will learn from their actions, punishment isn't necessarily intended to teach a lesson in the same way that a chastisement is.

Ultimately, how we make the distinction between chastisement and punishment is a matter of discernment. As with almost everything in life, our experiences can be an opportunity for grace — or for something less — depending on how open we are to recognizing the movement of God's Spirit within them. ©LPi

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