



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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.



March 19, 2023

During this Holy Season of Lent will you spend some time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration ?

Eucharistic Adoration at Corpus Christi

Tuesday: 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday: 9:15 am - 12:15 pm

(Holy Hour for Priestly Vocations
from 9:15am-10:15am)

Saturday: 1:00 pm - 3:15 pm

The Grace to Worship

What breathing is to the body, worship is to the soul. In chapter 9 of John's Gospel, a man blind from the day of his birth received his physical sight. What happened after that, had eternal consequences for that blessed man. After the healed man is thrown out of the synagogue after a dispute over his healing, we read the following:

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, He found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshipped him. (Jn 9:35-38)

How astoundingly beautiful! After having received his physical sight, he lays eyes on Jesus who reveals who he is to this faithful Jewish man. The term *Son of Man* had significant messianic implications for the Jewish people at the time and when this man hears Jesus says this, he rightly asks, "who is he sir, that I may believe in him?" Carrying the credibility of having opened the blind man's eyes, the words of Jesus are trusted by this faithful Jewish man when Jesus reveals Himself as the Messiah, the Son of God...*the Son of Man*.

The healed man begins to worship Jesus on the spot! That's faith and gratitude on overdrive, that's a man with passion for Jesus, that's an image for us to look at and say, "I want that!" To come before Jesus in prayer and to worship Jesus in thanksgiving and praise...a soul that gets in the habit of doing that A LOT is going to prosper and abound in a life full of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. As we continue our Lenten journey, let's ask for the grace that this man experienced to fill our hearts as well. I believe we will be amazed at what Jesus will do...

God bless you always,

Fr. Patrick

Daily Faith

Question:

What can I do to help our family practice our faith each day?

Answer:

Some families practice their religion together as just another event on their schedule: go to church, observe Lent, help at the parish picnic, go to a meeting, volunteer time, make your confession, use your envelope... But the focus needs to be on who we are—God's people, in relationship with him, loved, forgiven, and redeemed, and called to live and proclaim the Gospel. Our awareness of God's presence and our sense of mission are supported by the daily rituals, celebrations, and traditions that help us stay focused. Sharing our faith strengthens us and clarifies the beliefs and values of Christian living.

Daily family practices include time for prayer—before meals, before bed, before important meetings and activities. Attend Sunday Mass together and discuss the homily afterward. Create family celebrations for holy days and holidays. Make religion a regular part of your discussions. Include others, especially the elderly and the less fortunate, in your activities and charitable efforts. By applying the virtues of faith, hope, and love to each day, faith becomes part of who your family is. It influences how you act towards others, what you value, and how mindful of God you are. Faith is the leaven of life that helps all of us rise to our calling and dignity as God's people.

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Parish Office Hours are Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9 am - 4 pm

Saturday Mass 4 pm **Sunday Masses** 9 am and 11 am

Daily / Holy Day Masses See weekly parish schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 1–3:45 pm; during Penance services; by appointment (call the Parish Office)

Sick Calls/Prayer Requests: Please call the Parish Office to schedule or visit or add someone to parish prayer list

Funerals: Please call the Parish Office before making arrangements with the funeral home.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please call the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding date.

NEW BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send bulletin articles and any additional information to :

(cc.bulletin@corpuschristi-detroit.org)

by **12:00 noon on Tuesday** for consideration in the Sunday bulletin.

Sunday Offertory Report

Weekly Budget 2022 – 2023 \$ 8,115.00

Sunday Offerings 03/12/2023 \$ 5,176.98

Many thanks for your ongoing donations!

The Week Ahead



Monday, March 20

8:30 am **MASS**

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Emmaus Group - Rita Pridgen /
Renee Walker (Rainbow Room)

Tuesday, March 21

8:30 am **Communion Service**

10:00 am - Pastoral Staff Meeting

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Emmaus Group, Dcn Paul and
Elaine O'Neill - Rainbow Room

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm VON and SFE Ministry (Rainbow
Room and Neighborhood)

Wednesday, March 22

8:30 am **NO MASS**

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Emmaus Groups - Sr. Therese (Zoom)

Thursday, March 23

8:30 am **Communion Service**

9:15 am -12:15 am Eucharistic Adoration

9:15 am -10:15 am Holy Hour for Priest Vocations

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Emmaus Group - Mary Power (Zoom)

Friday, March 24

8:30 am **Communion Service**

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Emmaus Group - Fr. Patrick
(Rectory Living Room)

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm Emmaus Group - Marilyn Webb
(Activities Center Room C)

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm Emmaus Group -

Doug/Michelle Buday (Activities Center Rm B and Zoom)

6:00 pm - **Stations of the Cross** (Church)

Saturday, March 25

10:00 am -12:00 pm Image of God Crisis Pregnancy
Center - Activities Center

10:00 am -11:30 am Emmaus Group -Ken Troupe / Jeff
Smale (Zoom)

1:00 pm - 3:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration

1:00 pm - 3:45 pm Confessions - Church

4:00 pm **MASS**

Sunday, March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent

No Coffee and Donuts after each Mass

9:00 am **MASS**

11:00 am **MASS**

12:30 pm - 3:00 pm **GOF** (Rooms 3, 4, Activities Center,
Rainbow Room)

12:30 pm - 1:45 pm Confirmation Class (Activities Center)

Holy Homework

Pray daily, "Jesus please fill me with the grace of what the man born blind experienced in John 9 when he worshipped you after you revealed to him who you were." Then give yourself, and Jesus, the gift of time alone with Jesus to worship!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

March 20 – March 26, 2023

Monday	8:30 am + Rev. Edward Prus
Tuesday	8:30 am All the Sick and Homebound
Wednesday	No Mass or Communion Service
Thursday	8:30 am Intentions of our Parishioners
Friday	8:30 am For the legal Protection of the Unborn and the Corpus Christi Crisis Pregnancy Center
Saturday	4:00 pm + Rev. Edward Prus
Sunday	9:00 am Intentions of our Parishioners 11:00 am + Marilynn Waddell (req by the Corpus Christi Seniors)

Vivian Dorsey Funeral Information

A long time Corpus Christi parishioner and beloved daughter of God passed away peacefully March 9, 2023

Visitation

Friday March 31, 2023 3:00pm - 9:00pm

Vigil Service 7:00pm

James H Cole Funeral Home, 2624 W Grand Blvd, Detroit

Funeral

Saturday April 1, 2023 10:30am visitation 11:00am Funeral

*Please Pray for Joseph Butler, 96 years old son of God
He passed away peacefully March 6, 2023, he is the
Father of Sheila Butler-Robinson*

Please Pray for Our Deceased Loved Ones

+ Fr. Edward Prus
+ Dean Gayle - Son of Winnifred Gayle



Please Remember the Sick in your Prayers Members of our Parish Family...

Shermia Anding, Doris Billion, Paul Billion, Jane Breslin, Michael Busby, Jr., Lucius Davis, Mary Davis, Camille Graves-Douglas, Michael Lanton, Nancy Loper, Pat Mueller, Elaine O'Neill, Sean Ross, Shirley Sands, Jeff Smale

Friends and Family of Parishioners...

Sheila Adams, Sue Deeds, Barbara Gay, Agnes Holt, Pat LaRoy, Harold McRae, Marilyn Waddell, Sara Nell Wallace

Please Remember the Homebound in your Prayers...

Joseph Cagle, Michelle Cagle, Beatrice Hunter, Beverley Brown-Johnson, Joyce Wilson



Prophets:

People Called to Speak and Act
Generations of Faith 2022/23

Anna and John the Baptist: Spreading the Good News

The next session of **Generations of Faith** will look at two prophets from the New Testament: **Anna**: After seeing the infant Jesus at his presentation in the temple, Anna



"spoke about the child to all who were waiting for God to set Jerusalem free." (Luke 2:36-38)

John the Baptist who was the cousin of Jesus, the son of Elizabeth and Zacharias, and was referred to as the forerunner of Jesus. John spoke of Jesus to his followers as "he who is coming after me who is mightier than I." (Matthew 3:11) Jesus said of John: "among those born of women, there has risen no one greater than John the Baptist." (Matthew 11:11) What was John's message to the people of Israel? How did John "spread the Good News" about his cousin, Jesus?

Come learn more about these two prophets at the next **Generations of Faith** Session on **Sunday, March 26** after the 11 am Mass - 12:30 to 1:45 pm.

Place: Adults in the Rainbow Room

Teens in the Activity Center

Elementary Students in Rooms 3 & 4

Lunch (optional): 1:50 pm in the gym. Free will donation. Children eat free.

Register after Mass today or through the parish website, clickoncatholic.com so we know how many handouts to print and how much food to order. Click the **red** Generations of Faith button on the Welcome page and then the banner at the top of the page to get to the Sign-Up Genius.



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Six Cemetery Plots for sale by a Parishioner who no longer needs them.

Ensure that your spouse and/or family is buried together.

Call Doug Buday at the Parish Office for more information: (313)244-0677



Readings for the Week of March 19, 2023

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)
Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10
Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)
Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or
11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

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We need bus drivers to restart our church bus ministry



for the 11am Sunday Mass.

Call Lori S at parish office to sign up
at (313) 537-5770 or in back of
church

The Role of Ushers

Ushers are genuine “people persons” and exercise a true liturgical ministry of hospitality that helps to build community. They are not mere stagehands or money-collectors; instead, their service has become a real blessing to the people and a boost to the quality of worship as they strive for excellence in their ministry. If you would like to join our team here at Corpus Christi then give Lori S a call to sign up—(313) 537-5770 or in back of church



Youth Volunteers needed call office to sign up -

It Is All About You, Lord (IIAAYL)

by Dcn Paul Mueller, Pastoral Associate

Halfway Through Lent!

It might seem like Ash Wednesday was just a few days ago but today we are on the Fourth Sunday of the six weeks of Lent! Since we are all so, so busy, we could use a few pick-me-up suggestions for celebrating, honoring the 40 days of Lent.

The common theme for actions in Lent is “**Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving**”. Since the first 20 days of Lent are already behind us, how about we look at some ideas for the next 20 days of Lent? Here are some ideas on how to perform **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving**.

21. Pick some certain time in the morning and in the evening for those prayers.
22. Pray the “Our Father” and when we get to “Give us this day our daily bread”, admit to God that we already have food BUT, we need help with something else, namely, ... ?
23. Having trouble fasting? How about starting by “OK, no snacks after supper!”
24. Already doing a fine job of fasting? Celebrate that ... but don't eat more!
25. How about abstaining from meat not just on Fridays but another day or two during the week?
26. Already giving in the church collections each week?
27. How about increasing that amount a tad?
28. What about other giving to charities? To SVDP?
29. Giving to some needy person we know ... family? Neighbor? Somebody on a street corner?
30. Have we ever thought of kneeling while saying those daily prayers?
31. Ever do it? Sometimes?
32. Can we find some time to pray more daily than just the Our Father? How about simply talking to the Lord about how the day is going and asking for help with some tough part of our lives?
33. We picked up one of those pamphlets at the back of church. Have we managed to read it EVERY day?
34. Did anything we read there cause us to want to do something? Still thinking about doing it? OK, let's choose a time to get it done!
35. Today, March 19th, is the Feast of St. Joseph, the husband of Mary. Do we recall reading about him in Scriptures? Did we ever see a movie where someone was acting his role? Is there some takeaway from those experiences? Did we change ourselves because of those insights?
36. How about reading the daily Gospel (OK, 4 days a week???) and talking to the Lord about how the message is impacting us?
37. Did we really need to eat THAT much today?
38. And ??? -- Praying
39. And ??? -- Fasting
40. And ??? -- Almsgiving?

Blessings on these next 20 days of Lent!

Lent 2023

CALENDAR

Daily At-Home Lenten Activities for Families

MARCH

SUN 19

"Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ." Mt 1:16

Today is the feast of Saint Joseph, who cared for Mary and Jesus. Ask Saint Joseph to pray for your family and to help you care for one another. Wear red today to honor him!

MON 20

"You changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord, my God, forever will I give you thanks." Ps 30:12

Send a card offering cheer and comfort to someone who is sad or lonely.

TUE 21

"Jesus said to him, 'Rise, take up your mat, and walk. Immediately the man became well, took up his mat, and walked.'" Jn 5:8-9

Offer a family prayer for all of those who need healing. Look for ways to bring God's merciful love to others.

WED 22

"And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus." Lk 16:20

Read the parable of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). Decide on a way your family can reach out to someone who needs comfort and healing.

THU 23

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Th 5:17

Discuss as a family how you can follow Saint Paul's command. How will you keep Jesus in your minds and hearts each day of the Lenten season and always?

FRI 24


"Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son." Lk 15:21

Check your parish bulletin for dates and times of a Lenten Reconciliation service. Make plans to attend, in person or virtually.

SAT 25

"Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'" Lk 1:38

Today is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. Offer a Hail Mary together and look to Mary as a model of faith.



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ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS

A party will be held in your honor on:

Sunday April 16

1 PM to 4 PM

at

Corsi's Banquet Center, Livonia

Sign up for this event will begin next weekend at the back of church and on line. Please see next week's bulletin and/or eblast for more details.

A Corpus Christi tradition returns!!



SAVE THE DATE!!

Holy Thursday

April 6

The Holy Thursday Communal Meal will be held on Thursday, April 6 beginning at 5:45 PM in the Rainbow Room.

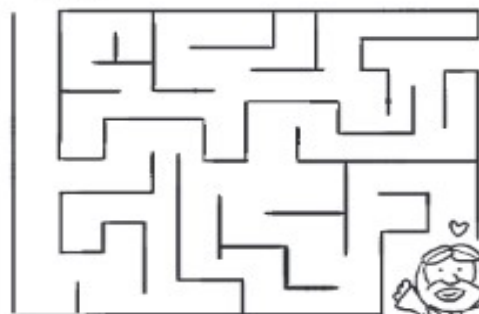
This parish family gathering will feature prayer, song and traditional foods including lamb, matzoh, wine/juice and more. A collection will be taken up during the meal to help defray the cost of the food, estimated at \$5 per person.

Sign up for the meal will begin next weekend in church and on line. Look for more info in next week's bulletin or eblast.

The Meal will be immediately followed by a celebration of the Holy Thursday Liturgy in the church at 7:30 pm.

PUZZLE

Help me to find God!



MISSION

Draw a cross and put it in a place where you can see it and think of Jesus every day.

GROWING WITH THE Gospel

CYCLE A

COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



4th Sunday of Lent • John 9:1-41



GOSPEL

When Jesus saw the blind man, he did not just walk by. Jesus stopped. He knew he could help the man, and honor God at the same time. Showing all of God's love and power, Jesus healed the blind man's eyes. For the first time in his life, the man could see Jesus and believe in him.

PRAYER

Jesus, thank you for helping the blind man believe in you.

DRAW

With your eyes closed, try to draw a picture of Jesus.