

#### Thankfulness: A Key to Humility

In chapter 23 of his gospel, Matthew recounts Jesus teaching that, "whoever exults himself will be humbled, but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." (Mt 23:12) To receive the grace for humility, we turn to Jesus. We are blessed, through prayer, to understand by grace how Jesus loves us. This love brings us to our knees...literally, we kneel as Jesus appears at the altar at every mass. The host is lifted high, and we gaze on Jesus who gazes on us. This love has changed everything in our lives. Being human, there's times we're forgetful of this reality. Maybe we get caught up in the moment, chase a fallen human thought, miss the opportunity to say no to a thought from the enemy (the devil and fallen angels), and just get turned around a bit in our minds. Yet, Jesus is always faithful, and His love always seeks to help us be turned back to Him, to the joy of love in the light of His face.

There, gazing upon Jesus, we experience the thrilling truth of His love for us. In this love, we know it's a gift and that this is something entirely unearned; it's a pure gift from someone who loves purely. In the love of Jesus, the Father's loving presence is discovered...as Jesus continues to reveal Abba to us, true to His word that, "whoever has seen me has seen the Father." (Jn 14:9) In our ability to actually experience the capacity to receive this amazing love we find evidence of the presence of the Holy Spirit. God's overwhelming love being experienced in us is truly a divine reality and the Holy Spirit...God the Holy Spirit...God the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, is within us enabling us to participate in a divine dance of love that flesh alone has no chance of participating in without grace. And more than mere participants, by God's tremendous kindness and favor, we are residents in this place of grace that is God's amazing presence. We are...temples of the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor 6:19) (...continued on page 5)

# 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 5, 2023**



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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 11am

**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 arrange-

ments with the funeral home.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for more

Sacrament of Marriage: Please call the Parish Office at least

six months before the wedding date.

#### Sunday Offertory Report

Weekly Budget 2023 - 2024 \$ 7, 213.00

Sunday Offerings 10/29/2023 \$ 5,345.88

Over/Under for the Budget Year 2,761.37

> Corpus Christi Parish **Central Trinity Vicariate 1 Family of Parishes**

ONE IN THE SPIRIT

Corpus Christi:

Presentation Our Lady of Victory:

SS. Peter and Paul-Westside:

Fr. Jerry Pilus:

Fr. Jaime Hinojos:

presentationourladyofvictory.org

# Tuesday, November 7

Monday, November 6 8:30 am MASS

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10:00 am - 1:00 pm Emergency Food Pantry (Rainbow Room Annex)

10:00 am - 11:30 am Team Meeting

The Week Ahead

7:00 pm Bible Study (Rainbow Room)

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration

#### Wednesday, November 8

8:00 am - 3:00 pm March for Life in Lansing - Bus trip

8:30 am No Mass or Communion Service

4:30 pm - 6:45 pm The Movie: Romero (Rainbow Room)

#### Thursday, November 9

8:30 am MASS

9:15 am - 12:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration

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

10:00 am - 1:00 pm Emergency Food Pantry (Rainbow

Room Annex)

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Stewardship Meeting (Rectory)

#### Friday, November 10

8:30 am MASS

#### Saturday, November 11

Veteran's Day

8:30 am - 12:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

(Rainbow Room)

10:00 am - 11:30 am First Reconciliation Class (Atrium, Rooms 3, 4, Activities Center)

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

1:00 pm - 3:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration- Church

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

4:00 pm - MASS - Mass of Remembrance

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Recovery (Rectory Basement)

## Sunday, November 12

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Coffee and Donuts after both Masses 9:00 am MASS

9:00 am CGS Level 2 (Atrium)

9:30 am OCIA (Rectory Living Room)

11:00 am MASS

11:00 am CGS Level 1 (Atrium)

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

12:15 pm Confirmation Class (Activities Center)



Saint Juan Diego: Saint Mary of Redford: Saint Scholastica:

Fr. Patrick Gonyeau: corpuschristi-detroit.org Deacon Hubert Sanders: ssppdetroit.net stjuandiegoparish.com Fr. Athanasius Fornwalt: saintmaryofredford.church Fr. Jim Lowe: scholastica.church



### November 5 – November 12, 2023

Sunday 9:00 am + For All the Deceased

11:00 am + For All the Deceased

Monday 8:30 am + Father Jim Bjorum

Tuesday 8:30 am For all the Sick and Home-

#### Wednesday No Mass or Communion Service

**Thursday** 8:30 am For an end to violence in our city, state, country and world

**Friday** 8:30 am For the legal Protection of the

Unborn and the Corpus Christi Crisis Pregnancy Center

Saturday 4:00 pm + For All the Deceased

**Sunday** 9:00 am Intentions of our Parishioners

11:00 am + Rance Ulmer (req by his mother Cleo Anthony)



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

Shermia Anding, Michelle Baines, Jane Breslin, Michael Busby, Jr., Lucius Davis, Roy Ford, Connie Gant, Dionne Garner, Camille Graves-Douglas, Michael Lanton, Nancy Loper, Yve Nemeth, Elaine O'Neill, Varnard Plain, Sean Ross, Michael Sands, Shirley Sands, Lois Shepherd

#### Friends and Family of Parishioners...

Sheila Adams, Evelyn Akins, Kelly Davis, Samuel Fooks, Barbara Gay, Agnes Holt, Seretha Howard, Robert Jarey, Pat LaRoy, Harold McRae, Sandi Neely, Jill Stachkunis, Marilyn Waddell, Sara Nell Wallace

#### Please Remember the Homebound in your Prayers...

Joseph Cagle, Michelle Cagle, Beatrice Hunter, Beverley Brown-Johnson, Lucy Lee, Thelma Polley, Mary Thompson, Beverly Walker, Joyce Wilson

# The Eucharist: In the Warmth of His Presence



#### Generations of Faith 2023/24

Looking back: Last Sunday about 70 adults, 14 youth in grades 7-12 and 11 children grades K-6 attended the second Generations of Faith Session where we learned more about the <u>Eucharist Celebrated</u>, the Mass. Specifically, our focus was on

the Liturgy of the Word as we shared our favorite scripture passages. Adults also saw an excerpt from *The Chosen* – the miracle of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes (see John 6:1-13).

#### Looking ahead:

The next Session of Generations of Faith is Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> when adults will learn about the Eucharist Received: The Mystery of His Presence by watching a video teaching by Bishop Robert Barron who is the bishop of the



Diocese of Winona–Rochester, the founder of the Catholic ministerial organization *Word on Fire*, and the host of *Catholicism*, a documentary TV series about Catholicism that aired on PBS. Scripture text for the session: John 6:48-58.

Our Youth will study the Last Supper, John 6, or Jesus as the Bread of Life.

**Register** after all the Masses in the back of church or online through the parish website: *clickoncatholic.org*.

Click the red Generations of Faith button; then the red Sign Up to Attend 2023-2024 Session 3 button to get to the Sign-Up Genius. Follow the directions to sign up!

**BE SURE** to register for lunch if you intend to stay!! What is the cost? A freewill donation to cover the cost of the lunch. (Children eat free.)

Schedule: 12:30 – 1:40 pm In person/video presentations, discussion, and reflection in age groups
1:50 – 3:00 Lunch in the gym (or you may choose to go home)

What is Generations of Faith? Generations of Faith is a parish faith formation program for everyone in the parish. It gives people of every age an opportunity to learn about their faith and to share insights about their Catholic faith and how they experience the challenges and blessings of daily life.

#### 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.



### Readings for the Week of

**November 5, 2023** 

**Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saying Time Ends** 

**National Vocation Awareness Week** Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3

1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday: Weekday

Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36

Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Weekday

Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Weekday

Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the

Church

Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11

Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)

1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131:1,2,3)



#### **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

#### **Everyday Stewardship**

Over the years we have had many great social events in our parish community. We have had socials for New Year's Eve, St. Patrick's Day, Mardi Gras, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Valentine's Day, and so many more. It seems we will use any excuse to have a party and enjoy each other's company. And for more than the last decade, my pastor has been present at most of these events. What always tickles me is to see him in his clerics going around with a tray of entrees or desserts as he seeks to serve his parishioners. We have joked that his clothing does resemble that of a waiter in a fine restaurant. The only difference is no tips! Sorry, Monsignor.

To see a shepherd serve his sheep causes me to reflect on how we are all called to serve one another. We are called to a life of humility and service, giving of ourselves for the greater glory of God. When we seek to serve our brothers and sisters, the Jesus in us meets the Jesus in them.

In our everyday lives we can find ways of serving others if we are mindful of the opportunities all around us. We must never fall into the trap of seeing others in terms of "us and them." In Christ, there is only US. In Christ, there is no Greek or Jew, servant or free. We are one. On this day, who will God place on your path for you to serve? Don't be fooled into thinking that all calls are for something grand. Sometimes, even a little dessert might be all it takes to show others they are loved.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS	Lectors	Ministers of Communion	Servers	Ushers	Greeters	Coffee & Donuts	Sun Bus Driver	Video
November 11 Saturday 4:00pm	Brenda M	Cup - Needed	Server Needed	Alexis A	Greeter 1			Cathy L
		Ciborium –Dionne G	Server Needed Server Needed	Michael J	Greeter 2			
November 12 Sunday 9:00am	Richard K	Cup – Hayden A	Server Needed	Kenneth T	Greeter 1	Pick-up - Needed		Marilyn W
		Ciborium –Needed	Server Needed Server Needed	Joseph N Jim Y	Greeter 2	Server 1 –Muriel M Server 2 –Lori S.		
November 12 Sunday 11:00am	Cleo A.	Cup - Ogechi O.	Server Needed	Joseph N	Greeter 1	Server 1 -Needed	Jeff S.	John S
		Ciborium – Tracy J.	Server Needed	Emmanuel P	Greeter 2	Server 2 -Needed		
		Ciborium - Needed	Server Needed	Greg S				
		Ciborium- Needed						

"Black Catholic History Month"
During the month of November
we remember and celebrate hundreds of
Black Saints and notable Black Catholics

This week we share the story of Sister Mary Antona Ebo, FSM - Sister of Selma



"Bearing Witness for Change" is a PBS Documentary chronicling the story of six brave Catholic Sisters who were known as the "Sisters of Selma". These brave nuns were simply witnesses and

participants in the March on Selma, Alabama with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1965. Of these 6 Catholic Nuns, one was Black and was asked to 'say something' during the speeches given. "I am here as a Negro, a Nun, a Catholic and because I want to bear witness." Also known as "Bloody Sunday" this march across the Edmond Pettus Bridge was a turning point in the struggle and fight for Civil Rights. Those who were marching for LIFE, for a BETTER life, had police, horses, dogs and water hoses released upon peaceful protesters. Sister Antona Ebo took a stand for justice, for peace, for equality. She bore witness to the struggle of a people and the beauty and strength of a people... of a nation. Her simple and obsequious life gave personal testimony and testimony to the encounter of God within Christ Jesus, who gave His life for others who suffered injustices. Let us this day model the life and words of Sister Antona Ebo. and give witness to those who still struggle from systemic racism, who continue to struggle with their identity as a human being of color; let us continue to march toward the change we desire to see in all of God's people.



Our next gathering is **Friday November 17, 2023** in the Rainbow Room. We will each bring our own lunch and beverages. For further information, please contact **Cheryl Hill at 313-534-4707**.

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There is a woman I know who seems to say two words quite frequently whenever we pray. She is always telling God, "thank you." My heart is moved by her witness of faith. We could never tell God thank you, or I love you too much. The language of thankfulness in God's presence is an expression of love to and for God. Being thankful for every single blessing...every single breath...really aligns us properly in God's presence. Humility is a grace, and strangely leads to more and more blessings from God...that's what Jesus teaches, whoever humbles themselves will be exulted. A key to humility is thankfulness, this is grace too. With confident hearts, let's take Jesus up on His invitation to ask, seek and knock (Mt 7:7) and joyfully seek the graces of thankfulness and humility.

God bless you!

Fr. Patrick

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#### Holy Homework

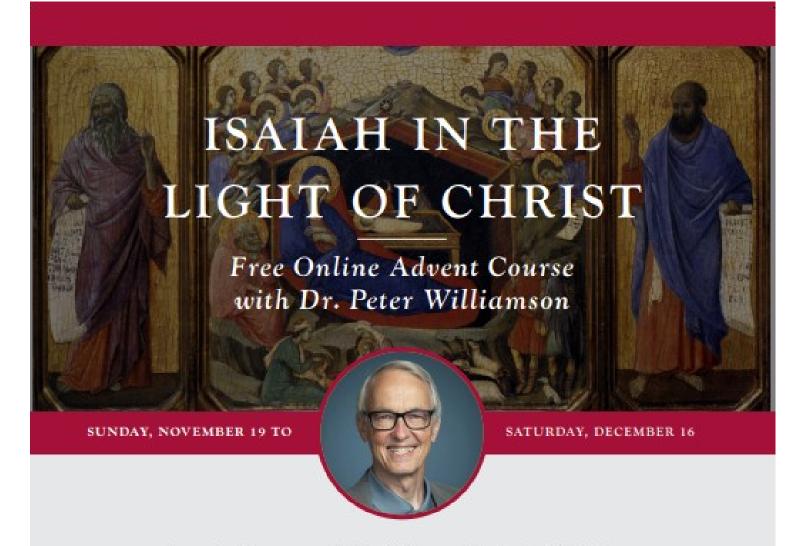
This week, try to carry this prayer in your heart and on your lips: Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto thine.





Clues: I am the size of a box and made of something beautiful, like polished metal that shines brightly! Can you find me? (Look and see if you can find a lock and key, too, so that the Holy Sacrament can be kept safe.)

Fact: The Tabernacle houses the Holy Eucharist, where Jesus is fully present.



Join us this Advent season as Dr. Peter Williamson, Adam Cardinal Maida Chair in Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, explores the writings of the prophet Isaiah in the Light of Christ.

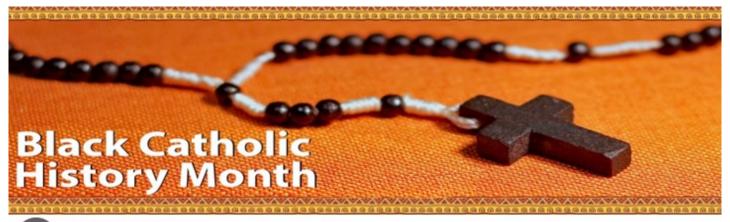
The Old Testament is full of prophecies foreshadowing the coming of Christ Jesus, which is arguably most evident in the prophet Isaiah, read by the Church during the high points of the liturgical year. As we prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of Christ this Advent, we invite you to join us for this FREE online course.

Completing at your own pace, you can use this course as an Advent study or simply to grow deeper in your personal relationship with Jesus.

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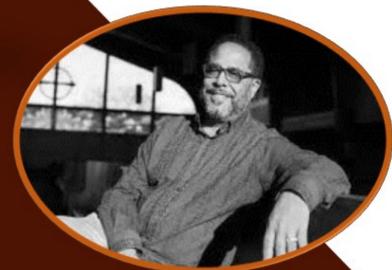
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Two Night Revival November 29 - 30, 2023



Revivalist Fr. Ted Parker November 29th, 7:00 PM Corpus Christi 19800 Pembroke Avenue Detroit, MI 48219

Revivalist Richard Lane
November 30th, 7:00 PM
St. Charles Borromeo
1491 Baldwin Street
Detroit, MI 48214



For more info contact: Vickie Figueroa at (313) 596-7103