



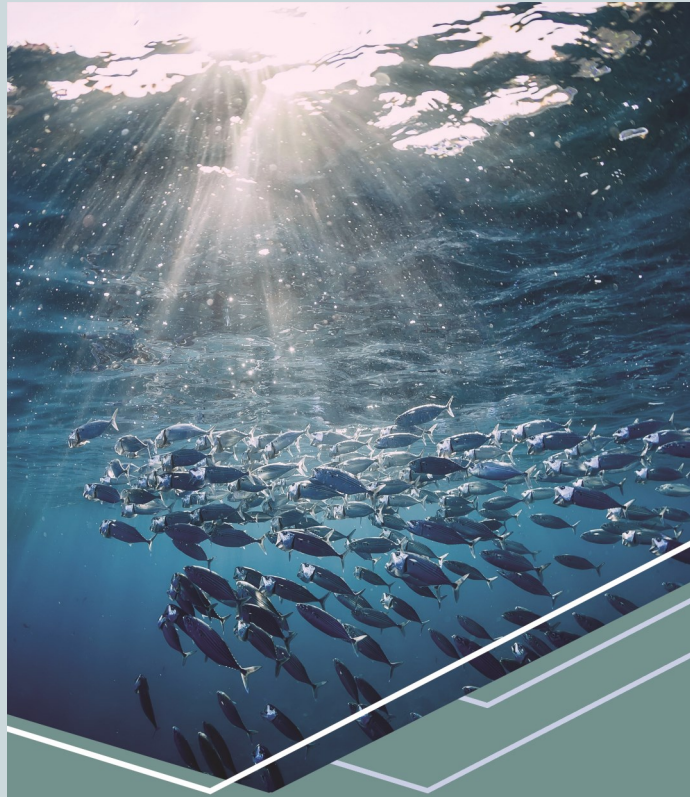
Corpus Christi Parish

"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 10, 2024



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we continue through this Lenten journey, we continue to see in the Sacred Scriptures why Jesus came into this world. He came to save us from sin and death. We anticipate the glory of the resurrection which we celebrate so beautifully each year at the Easter Vigil. In the second reading, we hear about being saved through the grace of God.

In paragraph 654 of the Catechism of the Catholic church, we hear the following:

654 "The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, 'so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.' Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: 'Go and tell my brethren.' We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection."

The Catechism continues to emphasize this point in paragraphs 1987 to 1990:

1987 "The grace of the Holy Spirit has the power to justify us, that is, to cleanse us from our sins and to communicate to us 'the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ' and through Baptism:

But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."
(Romans 6:8-11)

1988 "Through the power of the Holy Spirit we take part in Christ's Passion by dying to sin, and in his Resurrection by being born to a new life; we are members of his Body which is the Church, branches grafted onto the vine which is himself: *[God] gave himself to us through his Spirit. By the participation of the Spirit, we become communicants in the divine nature. . . . For this reason, those in whom the Spirit dwells are divinized.*" (St. Athanasius, *Ep. Serap.* 1,24:PG 26,585 and 588.)

1989 "The first work of the grace of the Holy Spirit is conversion, effecting justification in accordance with Jesus' proclamation at the beginning of the Gospel: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Moved by grace, man turns toward God and away from sin, thus accepting forgiveness and righteousness from on high. 'Justification is not only the remission of sins, but also the sanctification and renewal of the interior man.'"

1990 "Justification detaches man from sin which contradicts the love of God, and purifies his heart of sin. Justification follows upon God's merciful initiative of offering forgiveness. It reconciles man with God. It frees from the enslavement to sin, and it heals."

Friends, today we celebrate the 4th Sunday of Lent, which is called Laetare Sunday. The translation is "Rejoice". We rejoice because through the death of Jesus on the cross, those who believe in Him and are baptized experience the victory of the resurrection over sin and death and share in the very life of God himself, both here on earth, and in heaven. Let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters who will be baptized this Easter, and for the rest of us who are journeying with them, that we will all be open to the fullness of grace and become holy saints of God.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr, Jim Lowe, CC

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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.**Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!***(Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6)***Eucharistic Adoration
at Corpus Christi****Tuesday: 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**
Thursday: 9:15 am - 10:15 am**The Week Ahead****Sunday, March 10, 2024****4th Sunday of Lent**

Coffee and Donuts after both Masses (Rainbow Room)

9:00 am CGS Level 2 (Atrium)

9:30 am OCIA (Rectory Living Room)

9:00 am MASS - Fr. Fred**11:00 am MASS - Fr. Fred**

11:00 am CLOW (Rectory Basement)

11:00 am CGS Level 1 (Atrium)

12:15 pm Confirmation Class (Activities Center)

Monday, March 11, 2024**8:30 am MASS - Fr. George Berendt**

7:00 pm Bible Study (Rainbow Room)

7:00 pm Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Rainbow Room)
Rita P.**Tuesday, March 12, 2024****8:30 am MASS**

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

3:00 pm Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Rectory Liv. Rm.)
Dcn. Paul**6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 pm Evangelization Committee Meeting (R. R.)

7:00 pm Emmaus Faith Group (Rainbow Room) Elaine

Wednesday, March 13, 2024**NO MASS**

1:30 pm Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Zoom) Sr Therese

Thursday, March 14, 2024**8:30 am MASS****9:15 am-10:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration**

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

11:30 am Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Rectory) Fr. Jim

3:00 pm O'Hair Park Community Assoc. Workshop (R.R.)

5:30 pm Stewardship Meeting (Rectory)

7:00 pm Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Zoom) Mary P.

Friday, March 15, 2024**8:30 am MASS - Fr. John McKenzie**

10:30 am Seniors Meeting (Rainbow Room)

11:00 am Prayer Meeting to Praise God (St. Eugene Chap)

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)**Saturday, March 16, 2024****Lenten Meal following mass (Rainbow Room)**

8:00 am CGS Class (Rainbow Room)

10:00 am Emmaus Faith Sharing Group (Zoom) Ken/Jeff

10:00 am Emmaus Faith Sharing Group - Young Adults and
Teens (Activity Center Room C) Marilyn W.

10:00 am Image of God Crisis Pregnancy Center (Activity)

10:00 am First Communion Class (Atrium, Classrms 3 & 4)

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

3:00 pm - 3:45 pm Confessions - Church**4:00 pm - MASS**

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Creole Class (Rainbow Room)

Sunday, March 17, 2024**5th Sunday of Lent****Lenten Meal following mass (Rainbow Room)**

Coffee and Donuts after both Masses (Rainbow Room)

9:00 am CGS Level 2 (Atrium)

9:00 am MASS

9:30 am OCIA (Rectory Living Room)

11:00 am MASS

11:00 am CLOW (Rectory Basement)

11:00 am CGS Level 1 (Atrium)

12:30 pm Parish Mission

12:45 pm Social Justice Committee (Rainbow Room)

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



March 10, 2024 – March 17, 2024

Sunday	9:00 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
	11:00 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
Monday	8:30 am	Peace in our City, Country, and our World
Tuesday	8:30 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
Wednesday	NO MASS	
Thursday	8:30 am	All the Sick and Homebound
Friday	8:30 am	For the legal Protection of the Unborn and the Corpus Christi Crisis Pregnancy Center
Saturday	4:00 pm	Intentions of our Parishioners
Sunday	9:00 am	For all Families
	11:00 am	In Loving Memory of Walter Kelser, Jr.

At Rest in Christ

Please Pray for Our Deceased Loved Ones

+ **Renate Hurd - First Cousin to Maria Dickerson**



Please Remember the Sick in your Prayers

Members of our Parish Family...

Shermia Anding, Paul Billion, 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, Vernard Plain, Sean Ross, Michael Sands, Shirley Sands, Lois Shepherd

Friends and Family of Parishioners...

Sheila Adams, Evelyn Akins, Kevin Curtis, Kelly Davis, Barbara Gay, Kendall Harrold, Agnes Holt, Robert Jarey, Harold McRae, Marilyn Waddell, Sara Nell Wallace

Please Remember the Homebound in your Prayers...

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

PROMISE to Protect  **Pledge** to HEAL

Update on the Virtus Training Program

The Archdiocese of Detroit (AOD) Virtus program is one of the many approaches to protecting children and vulnerable adults. All AOD staff and volunteers are required to complete the training. Corpus Christi staff and volunteers are critical partners in the Protect God's Children/Adults program and are equally critical to the Corpus Christi commitment to our mission statement.

What am I trying to say?? Every liturgy, program, event, committee, outreach, evangelization, and activity at Corpus Christi would not exist without priest, staff, and volunteers. Each one of us play a role in making up the body of Corpus Christi Church. The Virtus training is required for anyone participating in **any** activity at Corpus Christi.

87 members have accepted the challenge and completed the Virtus training. **THANK YOU**

24 members have usernames, received notice of recertification but have not completed the training.

13 members have registered for an account but not selected a class.

Who is required to complete the training? If you volunteer for the following you are required to complete the training: Coffee & Donuts, EMHC, Lector, Choir, Ushers, Women Society, Ladies of St Peter Claver, Catechist, Store Front Ministry, Greeters, Composers of Community Prayers, Evangelization Committee, Environment Committee and decorators, Events volunteers, and any other activity that I missed.

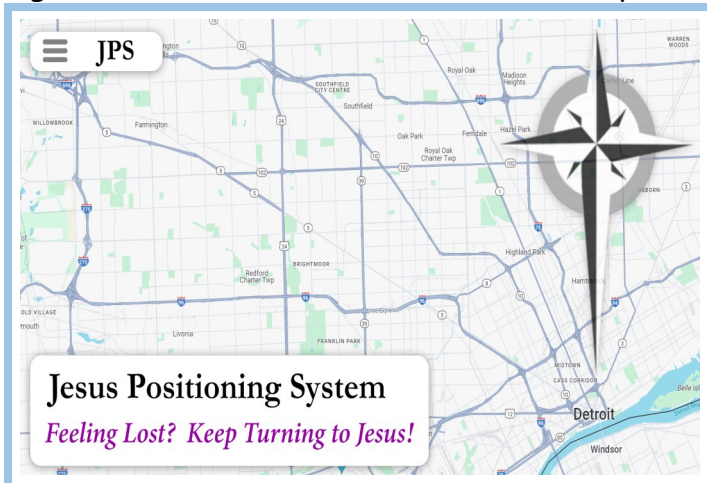
If you have not completed the training..... will you accept the Corpus Christi Virtus Challenge? Register at virtusonline.org.

If you do not have a computer, have a computer but no camera, not comfortable with a computer, no e-mail address, forgot your username, or having difficulty registering, please contact me by phone at 313 237 4682 (Monday or Friday) or email Sheila.Finch@corpuschristi-detroit.org.

If you have competed the training partner with someone in your ministry and assist them in completing the training. Step by step registration flyers will be on the Ushers table at the back of church.

Let's work together to have 100% compliance by the end of April.

Your sister in Christ,
Sheila Finch




Little Bethlehem Christian Group

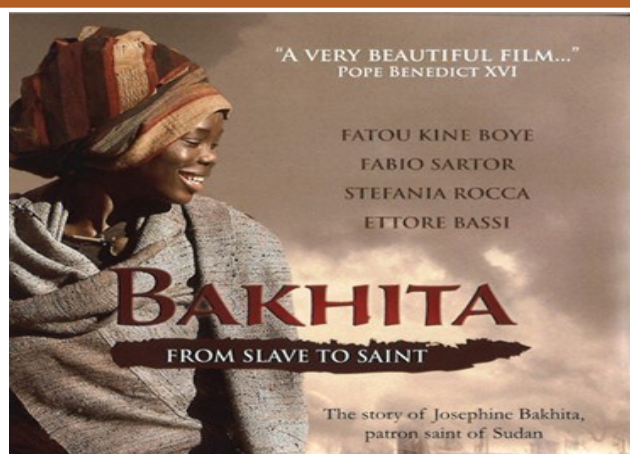
Unique Products from the Holy Land

Handmade in Bethlehem
with Olivewood from the Holy Land

Items for sale after each mass
Saturday March 23rd and Sunday, March 24th

Help support the Christians who are being persecuted in the Holy Land

Support Wafa and her family who were forced to leave the Holy Land, now living in Michigan.



St. Bakhita:

A Wonderful Movie. If you are interested in viewing this movie, you can get it on this link:

<https://archive.org/details/Bakhita> Rai TV link.



SAVE THE DATE:

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

FOR OUR ANNUAL HOLY THURSDAY COMMUNAL MEAL WE WILL GATHER IN THE SCHOOL GYM AT 5:45 PM AND THE MEAL AND PRAYER WILL BEGIN AT 6 PM. THE MEAL WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE HOLY THURSDAY MASS IN THE CHURCH. THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE LAMB, RICE, MATZOH, WINE, JUICE, COFFEE AND TEA. WE ARE COUNTING ON YOU TO PROVIDE SIDES AND DESSERTS. A FREE WILL OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE MEAL. ANY OVERAGE WILL BE DONATED TO THE CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY.

SIGN UP WILL BEGIN MARCH 16/17.

Gospel Weeklies

Pflaum  FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

New editions of Gospel Weeklies for the children are available in the back of church. Pick up your children's copy today!

Sunday Offertory Report

Weekly Budget 2023 – 2024	\$ 7,213.00
Sunday Offerings 03/03/2024	\$ 8,083.91
Over/Under for the Budget Year	\$ 870.91



Readings for the Week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/
Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Scrutiny: 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:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a & 13b/
Jn 4:43-54

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:

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:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/
Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent,

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Scrutiny: 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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The Eucharist:

In the Warmth of His Presence

Generations of Faith 2023/24

Pope Frances: "For in the warmth of His presence, our lives change." (June 19, 2022)

Attendance at last weekend's **Generations of Faith** Session included about 60 adults, 16 youth, and 6 elementary -age children.

The Rainbow Room was filled with the adult voices joyfully singing five Eucharistic songs and sharing their insights about the message in the hymns.

Prayerfully check out the words in these hymns when you have the opportunity:

*Gather Your People O Lord
Let Us Break Bread Together
Gift of Finest Wheat
The Supper of the Lord
Come to the Table of Mercy*



After our individual sessions, the adults, youth, and children went to church to experience our sixteen-youth acting out the parts of the Mass. The narrators were clear and expressive; the parts were interspersed with song; the actors each played their parts well. Kudos to the youth and their director, Marilyn Webb.

Then it was off to the gym for another delicious lunch... so many dessert choices!

A special **thank you** to all who attended one or more of this year's five Generations of Faith sessions; to the dedicated catechists who prepared lessons for each session; and to the many volunteers who helped everything run smoothly.

Upcoming Eucharistic events:

The Corpus Christi Parish Mission:

Sunday March 17th at 2 pm, Monday – Thursday
March 18, 19, 20 at 7 pm
Sign up for lunch on Sunday (12:30 pm) at the parish website – clickoncatholic.com

Archdiocesan Regional Eucharistic Congress:

Saturday June 1 at St. Scholastica (Outer Drive and Southfield Freeway) beginning at 9:30 am.
Archbishop Vigneron will preside at the celebration of the Mass that day.



Parishes across the United States are renewing their faith in the Eucharist and the culmination of this 3-year renewal is a National Eucharistic Congress!

"We know what happens when two or more are gathered in the Lord's name, so what happens with 80,000?! Join your Catholic brothers and sisters at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress."

Dates: Wednesday, July 17 at 7 pm through Sunday, July 21st at Noon in Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis. For details and to register, google National Eucharistic Congress or use this link: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/>

Join the Archdiocese pilgrimage go to: <https://www.aod.org/events/pilgrimage-to-the-national-eucharistic-congress> and at the end of the article, click on "register today."

The Archdiocese is also hosting four local, smaller gatherings. The nearest one to us is on Saturday, **June 1, 2024 at St. Scholastica Parish. Mark your calendars!**



Servant of God Michelle Christine Duppong

Michelle Christine Duppong was born on January 25, 1984. She grew up in a Catholic family who made their living farming and ranching in the rural community known as Haymarsh in western North Dakota. Like all her siblings, she frequently helped the family around the farm, always doing her part from gardening, to herding the sheep and feeding the bottle lambs. From a young age she was intensely interested in her faith but, as she matured, Michelle was not content with simply learning about her faith, she wanted to live it fully and help others do the same. Besides being in numerous extracurricular Church and school activities as a teenager, she was a pro-life advocate, praying at abortion facilities and participating in Right to Life marches.

In her college years at North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota, Michelle continued to grow in her faith and spiritual life, which especially blossomed through the Catholic campus ministry program called FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) at NDSU's St. Paul's Newman Center. After completing her degree in horticulture in 2006, Michelle's desire to bring others closer to her dear Lord was realized by becoming a missionary with FOCUS, seeking to evangelize college campuses, by giving students a chance to learn about Catholicism as well as opportunities to practice their faith together. As a FOCUS missionary, Michelle was responsible for leading Bible studies, mentoring students, and organizing events that promoted Catholicism on four different campuses in three states for the following six years of her life.

Michelle's work as a FOCUS missionary was instrumental in shaping her approach to evangelization and ministry. She saw firsthand the impact that a strong faith community could have on young people, and she committed herself during that time to helping students deepen their relationship with God and the Church. Her passion for evangelization and her ability to connect with young people made her a highly effective missionary, and she was loved by the students she worked with.

In 2012, Michelle discerned that God was calling her to another evangelization ministry, and she accepted the position of Director of Adult Faith Formation for the Diocese of Bismarck under the leadership of the newly appointed Bishop David Kagan. Serving the Church in this role, she coordinated many significant events such as the first **THIRST** conference and made herself available to perform outreach faith instruction to parishes within the diocese using her talents and missionary zeal. Some of her simple, yet inspiring, diocesan podcasts can be found on the website, bismarckdiocese.com, under [News>Presentations/Talks>Parish Formation Series](#), as well as her writings known as the Run to Win column for the Dakota Catholic Action publication, in the years of 2013-2015.

On December 29, 2014, Michelle was unexpectedly diagnosed with Stage 4 abdominal cancer, which began a year-long journey that brought many joys in the midst of sorrows and great suffering. She received everything with a docile spirit, praying that the Lord's will be done and trusting in His Providence for her future. She never asked, "Why me?" but, instead trusted that God would care for her in life and in death. Although she often felt helpless laying in a hospital bed, the last year of her earthly life was spent in complete service of the Lord continuing her most fruitful work as one of God's servants and pouring her love out on those around her. The beautiful soul of Michelle Duppong, 31, passed from this life on Christmas Day, 2015, at the home in which she was raised, surrounded by her loving family.

Michelle will be remembered by those she encountered as a spirited woman of God who loved to have fun and spread joy. Aside from constantly opening her own home to share her faith and enthusiasm for music and dancing, one of her greatest joys was in sharing her love for Haymarsh and the family farm with others. Her joyful personality and authentic interest in others led her to have many genuine friendships. Her work as a FOCUS missionary also lives on in the many students she mentored who have gone on to become leaders in the Catholic Church and other ministries, themselves. Her legacy continues to inspire and guide those who seek to live out their faith daily and make a difference in the lives of others. Her simple life showed that heroic virtue and sanctity is for everyone.

Michelle Christine Duppong's cause for canonization was opened in June 2022 by Bishop Kagan, and she was named a Servant of God on All Saints Day, the same year.



"Come Encounter Jesus"

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
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Sunday, March 17, 2024

Meal in the Gym 12:30 p.m.

Mission Presentation 2:00 p.m.
in Church

*The Multiplication
of the Loaves and Fish*

(For Children and teens: Movie: Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe in the Rainbow Room.)



Key Note Speaker:

Mr. Curtis Simpson Jr.

Mr. Curtis Simpson Jr. is Coordinator of Evangelical Charity at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Detroit, Michigan.

Having found the treasure of Jesus Christ, Curtis lives *sold out* for Jesus seeking to help every person who crosses his path to encounter Jesus.

Monday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.- The Last Supper - (Mass)



Key Note Speaker: Deacon Michael Heard

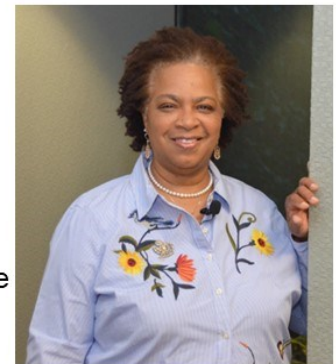
Deacon Michael Heard serves as deacon at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Farmington Hills. He is a native of Detroit and a long time parishioner at Presentation-Our Lady of Victory Parish. He is married to his wife, Rolanda and they have an adult son. "Knowledge and openness to forging a personal relationship with the Lord, which He has written on our hearts from the beginning of time," is essential to his vocation. As a deacon his life of charity and ministry is anchored in ministry of service to Christ's body, the Church.

Tuesday, March 19, p.m. 7:00 p.m.

The Road to Emmaus (Eucharist)

Key Note Speaker: Mrs. Joni Scott

Joni Scott serves as a director of Religious Education at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Detroit. She holds a bachelor's degree in religious studies from Marygrove College and is a wife, mother, grandmother, storyteller, retreat director, and trained spiritual director. She is enthusiastic in her service of the Lord and serves God's people with care and compassion.



Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.

The Upper Room (Pentecost)

Key Note Speaker: Deacon Hubert Sanders

Deacon Sanders currently serves as the One in the Spirit Family of Parishes Deacon at Presentation/Our Lady of Victory Church in Detroit. He is married to his wife Wanda and they are blessed with two adult children. Deacon Sanders states, "*We are all created by God for God. Because of His overwhelming love, He became man to redeem us. He calls us all in some way.*"



Please indicate if you will be attending the meal: Sunday, March 17, 12:30 p.m. in Corpus Christi Gym. Name & Number attending _____

REVEAL Christ's LOVE



After years of tension between Ukraine and the Russian Federation, Russian forces began a devastating war in February 2022 by invading Ukraine. In addition to killing and wounding many, the conflict has forced millions of Ukrainians to flee the country. Many refugees went to neighboring countries in Europe, but many others came to the United States. For decades, the Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) department of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has assisted refugees fleeing wars and persecution, and in 2022 it responded to the Ukrainian refugee crisis with two initiatives to help local communities welcome refugees.

The first initiative, Welcome Circles, is a community-led program that helps local groups work together to provide financial support and connect refugees to services such as health care and education. Although Welcome Circles are locally led, they are certified, vetted, and given ongoing guidance by MRS staff or local affiliate experts. MRS's support and guidance help each Welcome Circle accompany refugees effectively during the resettlement process. As of early 2023, the Welcome Circles program already had 25 circles engaging more than 200 volunteers and had expanded to welcome refugees from Haiti, Cuba, Nicaragua, and Venezuela in addition to Ukraine.

Since 2010, MRS has led the second initiative, Parishes Organized to Welcome Immigrants and Refugees (POWIR), a program that works with select diocesan resettlement programs to empower parishes and local Catholic institutions so they can welcome and assist immigrants and refugees at the diocesan level. From May 2021 to January 2023, this diocesan support helped nearly 10,000 local volunteers, working in Catholic communities in 23 active POWIR

programs nationwide, to spend more than 100,000 volunteer hours working with and on behalf of about 24,000 clients.

Funds received through The Catholic Relief Services Collection allow MRS to help victims of war and oppression begin new lives in welcoming, supportive communities through innovative initiatives like Welcome Circles and POWIR. In addition to MRS, the collection supports other Catholic organizations that aid victims of persecution and natural disasters, provide legal services to poor immigrants, and advocate for the powerless.

Your Donations Help Our Brothers and Sisters . . .

In the United States

Feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees . . . through the **USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)**.

Offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants . . . through the **Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)**.

Reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers . . . through the pastoral work of the **USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church**.

And Around the World

Give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Kenya and Zambia . . . through the humanitarian work of **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**.

Advocate on behalf of Jesus in the poor and marginalized . . . through the public policy work of the **USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development**.

Send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disaster . . . through the **Holy Father's Relief Fund**.



The Catholic Relief Services Collection

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