

Weekend Masses **LITURGICAL** **SCHEDULE**

Confessions Sat. 3:30-4pm
Saturday - 4:30 pm

Sunday - 7:30 & 10:30 am

Weekday Mass

Friday - 8:20am

Parish Office **(and mailing address)**

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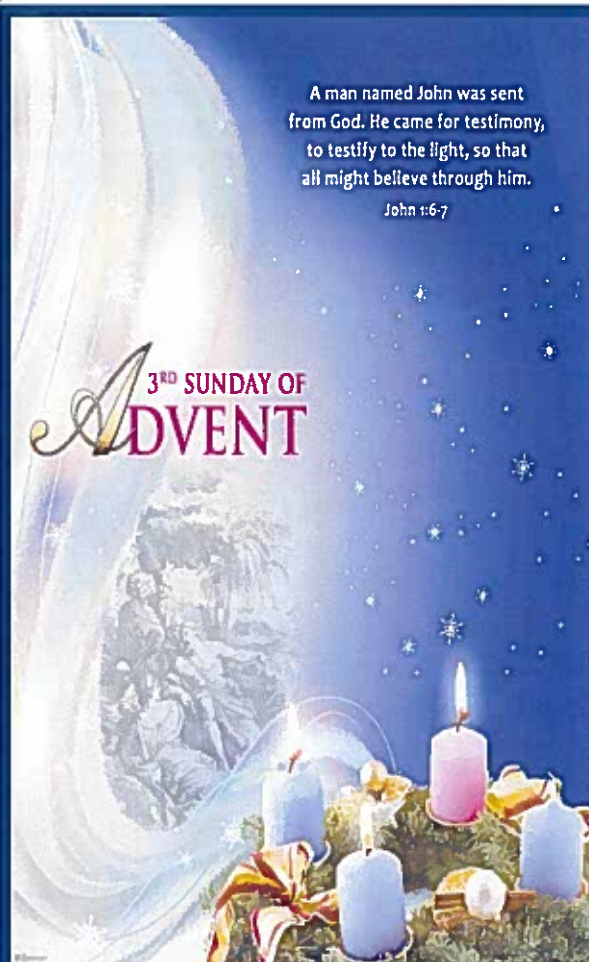
Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Office Closed: 1:30-2:00pm
Friday
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Bulletin Deadline:
Monday by Noon

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Parish Web Site: www.ccp parish.net Email: office@ccparish.net



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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism:

Baptism preparation classes are held by appointment.
Please call the parish office to register for classes.

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 pm
Penance Services are held in Advent and Lent.
Personal Confession: By appointment with Father.

Marriage:

The common policy of the Catholic Diocese in Wisconsin requests a 6 month notice before the date of marriage. Please contact the office.

Anointing of the Sick:

Notify the Parish Office in case of serious illness.
Anointing Services are scheduled twice per year.

OUR FRONT ENTRANCE IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**Saturday – December 12 Retirement Collection**

3:30-4:00pm Confessions

4:30 pm † Barbara J. Schmelzer

Sunday – December 13 Retirement Collection

7:30 am † Jenna Baranczyk

10:30 am People of Corpus Christi

Wednesday – December 16 Private School Mass

8:20 am † Louise & Walter Nault

Friday – December 18

8:20 am † Gary Barta

Saturday – December 19

3:30-4:00pm Confessions

4:30 pm † Kathleen Kerscher

Sunday – December 20

7:30 am People of Corpus Christi

10:30 am † Margaret Wilbanks

†-Mass Intention/Deceased

Advent Penance Services: Dec. 15th

Come spend some quiet time with our Lord! A night of prayer, scripture readings, reflection, examination of conscience, adoration, and reconciliation. Join us on Tues. Dec. 15th 6:30-8pm. Can't make this evening? Holy Name of Mary will have a service on Tues. Dec. 22nd 6:30-8pm.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass Times**Thurs. Dec. 24-Christmas Eve:**

Corpus Christi: 4pm & 6:30pm

Holy Name of Mary: 4pm

St. Joseph: 1pm, 4pm & 9pm

SS Peter & Paul in Institute: 6pm

Fri. Dec. 25th-Christmas Day

Corpus Christi: 9am

Holy Name of Mary: 9am

St. Joseph: 10am

SS Peter & Paul in Institute: 8am

Thurs. Dec. 31st-New Year's Vigil

Corpus Christi: 4pm

Fri. Jan. 1st-New Year's Day

Corpus Christi & Holy Name of Mary; Both Masses at 9am

Scripture Readings: 3rd Sunday of Advent**Sunday** Isaiah 61:1-2A,10-11, Luke 1:46-48,49-50,53-54, 1Thessal.5:16-24, John 1:6-8,19-28**Monday** Numbers 24:2-7,15-17A, Psalm 25:4-5AB,6&7BC,8-9, Matthew 21:23-27**Tuesday** Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13, Ps. 34:2-3,6-7,17-18,19&23, Matthew 21:28-32**Wednesday** Isaiah 45:6C-8,18,21C-25, Ps. 85:9AB&10,11-12,13-14, Lk 7:18B-23**Thursday** Genesis 49:2,8-10, Ps. 72:1-2,3-4AB,7-8,17, Matthew 1:1-17**Friday** Jeremiah 23:5-8, Psalm 72:1-2,12-13,18-19, Matthew 1:18-25**Saturday** Judges 13:2-7,24-25A, Ps. 71:3-4A,5-6AB,16-17, Luke 1:5-25

-Taken from website bible.usccb.org

PARISH REPORT

Deposit week:	Nov. 30-Dec. 06
Parish Support	\$4,438.00
Offertory Collection.....	\$206.00
Votive Candles	\$37.00
Technology & Capital.....	\$175.00
Donations	\$195.00
Reflection Garden.....	\$50.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....	\$5,101.00
Budgeted Expenses for the Week.....	\$10,419.96
Weekly Shortage	(\$5,318.96)

Corpus Christi Catholic Parish Support 2019 and 2020 Calendar Year Comparison		
Parish Support	Jan. 1 – Dec. 07 2019	Jan. 1 – Dec. 07 2020
Support Envelopes	\$321,986	\$257,494
Loose Collection	\$43,342	\$17,344
Online Giving	\$46,272	\$60,836
TOTAL	\$411,600.00	\$335,674.00

\$CRIP REPORT

Looking to purchase gift cards for the "Giving Tree Card Drive"? Purchase them through this scrip program.

12/01-12/06/2020 Sales: \$5,633.18 Profit: \$239.05

Scrip will be available to purchase before and after Masses on the weekends and in the parish office Thurs.11:30-1pm.

PARISH NEWS**Retirement Collection: Dec. 12 & 13**

This weekend, through the Retirement Collection, we are able to Share in the Care of our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests through the National Retirement Fund for Religious, as well as of the senior priests of our own diocese. Envelopes can be placed in the regular collection using the envelopes that were provided. Please be generous in helping those who have given so much over the years.

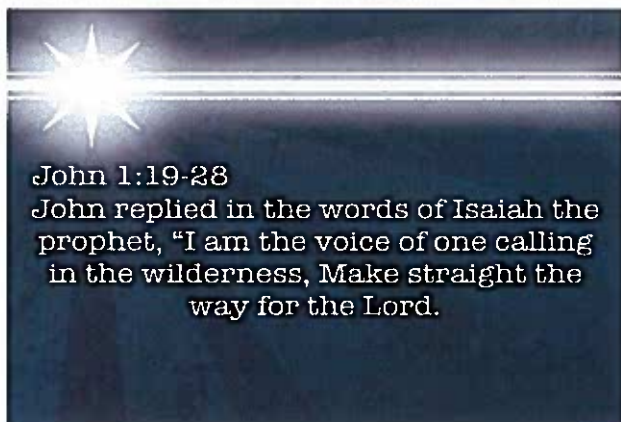
Mass Collections

We will have a collection at all Masses. If you are unable to attend-you may mail in your givings/donations, or give online at ccparish.net or go to the Catholic Foundation www.catholicfoundationgb.org. Locked drop boxes are also available at all church entrances and the 2 entrances of the parish office (just lift the labelled drop box top lid and drop in the first slot). Thank you!

Update with Us!

Soon the end of year mailing will be happening! So, if you have a new mailing address and/or phone number please update with us. You can call us at 743-4716 or email us at office@ccparish.net.

time to
UPDATE

PARISH NEWS

John 1:19-28

John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, "I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, Make straight the way for the Lord."

PARISH & OTHER NEWS**Welcome to Our Parish Family**

Welcome to our parish family Watson James Dietrich who was baptized last Sunday. Please pray for him and his parents Eric & Nicole.

End of Year Givings

The end of the year is approaching. If you wish to get in your givings for 2020, please get them in no later than Thursday Dec. 31st-all mail must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31st as well. (Please be aware that the parish office is closed Dec. 24th, 25th, 31st & Jan. 1st.)

Peninsula Charities: Door County Toy Drive

Still time yet to help us help families in our area. Donate a new unwrapped toy for a child-boy or girl. Please place in the labelled box. We will collect until Dec. 18th-in time for distribution to the area families for Christmas. Contact them at 920-746-3641 for any questions. Thank you!

Food Pantry @ Holy Name of Mary in Maplewood

In need of food? Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 8-10am Holy Name of Mary's food pantry will be open. Stay in your car upon arrival and call ahead for a pickup time 920-493-5055 or 920-493-6867.

Prayer of the Week**Advent Prayer**

For the desert places in which we walk, the streets we roam, the paths we cross: Guide our feet. Take us to places where you would go. Give us words that you would use, that in this Advent season of promise and preparation we might point the way with John the Baptist to the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! Amen.

**Edge and Life Teen****Middle & High School Religious Education and Youth Ministry**

If you want to purchase a gift card for those in need this Christmas season, you can! All gift cards (increments of \$10-\$100) are due by December 13th. We are looking for grocery gift cards, local restaurants, gas stations, and Wal-Mart or Target gift cards. You can drop off at Mass (please put Gift Card Drive) on the envelope, or at Corpus Christi's drop box or you can mail into Corpus Christi (where Sarah's office is: 25 N. Elgin Ave). Thank you for your support!

Can you do our Confirmation class a big favor? Please pray for them. This year's Confirmation is challenging since it's virtual. They don't get their big retreat day, which is always the highlight of the entire prep. They are doing great, they have great attitudes, but Confirmation is a milestone in their lives and this is just another thing that they aren't getting as they should. **We have a few special ideas up our sleeves where we will need YOUR support, so please stay tuned on how you can make the Confirmation 2021 class feel welcome into the Catholic Church!**

Edge meets weekly Wednesdays from 4-5pm and 6-7pm on Zoom. Life Teen meets every Sunday from 4-5pm and 6-7pm. Confirmation meets weekly on Wednesdays from 7:15-8:15pm. If your son/daughter hasn't been part of our Zoom ministry, it isn't too late! Email Sarah today to get more information!

Please go "like" Sturgeon Bay Edge and Life Teen on Facebook today! And if you have an Instagram account, go follow @sturg_youth_ministry

Please pray for our newly virtual youth ministry!

PARISH & OTHER NEWS**Genesis Religious Education-Gr. 1-5**

Another way to stay in touch with what is happening with the Genesis Program. FAITH FORMATION Information and videos are being posted weekly. Take a moment to follow, like, comment and share the Genesis/Tri Parish Faith Formation Facebook Page with your families and friends!

Reporting Sexual Abuse

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is now under the age of 18 by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, please contact the Office of Safe Environment at the Diocese of Green Bay at 1-877-270-8174 (toll free). We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities. YOU MATTER TO US-THERE IS HOPE!

Patience and Hospitality

Mass Readings: Isaiah 61:1–2a, 10–11 / 1 Thessalonians 5:16–24 / John 1:6–8, 19–28

Learning from John the Baptist

The Old and the New: Last Sunday, we heard of Isaiah's prophecy and Mark's account of Saint John the Baptist. Like a good mother, the Church sometimes repeats herself. As such, we hear again from the Prophet Isaiah this Sunday, but we are given John's account in the Gospel. As with every Sunday, we can see a rapport between the Old Testament and Gospel reading. The heavily messianic text of Isaiah 61 is presented, in which the Scriptures speak of anointing, being sent, and doing the works of the kingdom of God. In the Gospel passage, the Baptist engages in a back-and-forth with some Levites. He will not allow himself to be boxed in. He instead points his interlocutors to someone who is coming after him and who is greater than him.

Our Response: In the repeat introduction of John the Baptist, we can learn many lessons. In particular, the Baptist, as the last of the Old Testament prophets, is fulfilling his call by instructing us to wait and anticipate the coming of the Messiah. In many respects, Advent is the season of John the Baptist, not only because we are told so much about him, but because we are called to imitate him in his patience and in his openhearted hospitality to the coming of the anointed Savior. In the second reading, Saint Paul exhorts us to be "preserved blameless" as we wait for the coming of Jesus Christ. With this admonition in mind, how can we nurture the patience and hospitality of John the Baptist in our own hearts today?



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PRAYER

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord."

~ Luke 1:46



O long-awaited Messiah,
You come to us in our need.
You bless us. You raise us up.
Guide us as we wait for you.
Bless us with patience and hospitality,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR REFLECTION

Our fallen world tells us to live only for ourselves. The Prophet Isaiah proclaims that the Messiah will serve the poor and forgotten. John the Baptist modeled this way of life, as he prepared the way of the Lord. How can I make straight the way of the Lord in my life?

Saint Lucy

December 13

Saint Lucy was a young Sicilian maiden who lived in the late third/early fourth century. Her father was of Roman nobility, but he died when she was young. Following a respected custom among Christian young woman at that time, Lucy patiently waited for the return of the Lord, and she consecrated her virginity to God. Hence, she distributed her wealth to the poor. Eventually she was accused of being a Christian, which was a capital crime in ancient Rome, was tortured, and killed. In her torture, Lucy's eyes were plucked out, but they were later miraculously restored. Because of this divine action, Lucy is the patron saint of eyes and of those with eye troubles. In our own faith, we can learn a lot from Lucy's perseverance, patient waiting, and bravery. This Advent season, we ask Saint Lucy to pray for us that God will open the eyes of our hearts as we wait for him.



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DAILY LIVING

"Pray with great confidence, with confidence based upon the goodness and infinite generosity of God and upon the promises of Jesus Christ. God is a spring of living water which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray." ~ St. Louis de Montfort



FAMILY FOCUS

On this Third Sunday of Advent, the Church encourages us with the inspiring image of John the Baptist. The holy man called us to repentance and to preparation for the coming of the Messiah. Like him, we must nurture a patient waiting and open hospitality in our hearts. We are invited to have a joyful hope in our hearts. This is why the Church also calls today Gaudete Sunday, which refers to a Latin command that means, "Rejoice!" This special Rejoice Sunday marks the middle of the Advent season and a shift in focus. Now, as we rejoice, we turn from patient waiting to active kindness and hospitality.

Today we light a rose candle. The color rose represents hope and joy. As we light the third candle, let's think of the following:

- What greater acts of kindness can I show to my loved ones?
- How can I broaden my heart to be more hospitable to others?
- How can I imitate the witness of John the Baptist in my life?

CATECHISM CONNECTION

When the Church celebrates the *liturgy of Advent* each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming. By celebrating the precursor's birth and martyrdom, the Church unites herself to his desire: "He must increase, but I must decrease."

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 524

**"Make straight the way
of the Lord."
— John 1:23**

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