March 11th – 4th Sunday of Lent

Something to Look Forward To!!!!

MEN’S CLOTHING COLLECTION NEXT TWO WEEKS

Catholic Charities asked our help in collecting men’s clothing for their residents and clients. Bring them to the atrium over the next two weeks. It will make an immediate difference in people's lives.

Lenten Individual Confessions—Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. in atrium conference room.
You’re invited…

To celebrate a Christian Seder

Wednesday March 21, 2018
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Corpus Christi Hall

Reservation for Seder Meal

Name____________________________________________________________________________
Cell Phone________________________________ e-mail__________________________________
Additional Names_________________________________________________________________

Deadline—Sunday, March 18, 2018
Donation: Adults $20 — Children under 12 - $10
Liturgies for the Week

Saturday, March 10
5:00 p.m. Dolores Dewling

Sunday, March 11
7:30 a.m. Clifford Gaschler
9:00 a.m. Felicia Leon-Driscoll
11:00 a.m. Dolores Dewling
12:15 p.m. Grace Lee

Monday, March 12
7:30 a.m. Rev. John D. Alexander, S.J.

Tuesday, March 13
7:30 a.m. Maureen Alexander; Jim Garrett

Wednesday, March 14
7:30 a.m. Charles Stanley

Thursday, March 15
7:30 a.m. Peter Irish; Dr. John Welsh

Friday, March 16
7:30 a.m. Mary Bruce; Kay Makaluso; Edward Emler

Saturday, March 17
5:00 p.m. Janet Mauro

Sunday, March 18
7:30 a.m. Stephen Faughnan
9:00 a.m. Anthony Spinella
11:00 a.m. Frances Colicchio
12:15 p.m. Lawrence Tormey

March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Calendar of Events

Today
Religious Ed Grades PreK—8
10:00 a.m. Extreme Faith
5:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 6—8
6:30 p.m. CC Chargers
7:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 6—8

Monday, March 12
4:00 p.m. Religious Ed Grades 1—5
7:00 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells
7:30 p.m. Parish Penance Service
7:30 p.m. Bible Study (ends this week)

Tuesday, March 13
9:30 a.m. Lenten Renewal
3:30 p.m. Joyful Noise
4:15 p.m. Junior Bell Choir
6:00 p.m. Extreme Faith
7:00 p.m. Abide with God’s Love
7:30 p.m. Family Ministry Committee Mtg.
8:00 p.m. Passion Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Men’s Society

Wednesday, March 14
9:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Praying the Rosary
7:30 p.m. CAP/Support
8:00 p.m. Passion Rehearsal

Thursday, March 15
4:00 p.m. Angel Chimes
4:30 p.m. Cherubs
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir
7:30 p.m. Lenten Renewal
8:00 p.m. Passion Rehearsal

Friday, March 16
4:30 p.m. Youth Orchestra

Saturday, March 17
9:00 a.m. First Communion Renewal

In Remembrance

For the week of March 11, Sanctuary Lights burn for a Special Intention. Bread and Wine is offered in memory of Maureen Alexander. Blessed Sacrament Chapel flowers are in memory of Maureen Alexander.

Flower Memorials
Remember a loved one or offer a Special Intention by having a flower arrangement placed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The cost will be $50 or more plus a $10 offering. The Parish Office will coordinate the request with our florist, Carl Lemanski.

Presider’s Schedule
March 10/11
5:00 p.m. Fr. Lem 9:00 a.m. Fr. Lem
7:30 a.m. Fr. Lem 11:00 a.m. Fr. Mahoney
12:15 p.m. Fr. Mahoney

Presider’s Schedule
March 17/18
5:00 p.m. Fr. Mahoney 9:00 a.m. Fr. Mahoney
7:30 a.m. Fr. Mahoney 11:00 a.m. Fr. Lem
12:15 p.m. Fr. Lem

Last Sunday’s Collection
Checks $13,630.50
Cash $3,780.00
Total $17,410.50

Thank you for responding with generosity to our financial needs. To give is an act of faith. We promise to be wise stewards with the funds that you entrust to us.

Online Giving is available for one-time and recurring donations conveniently and securely from our parish website at www.corpuschristi.org. You can make your secure donation via electronic check or debit/credit card by clicking on Online Giving at the top of the home page. You will need your family ID/envelope number to complete the registration. If you don’t know your family ID/envelope number, please call the Parish Office.
Welcome!
New parishioners are asked to register for the parish by going to our website at www.corpuschristi.org. Click on the Parish Registration tab at the top of the home page next to Online Giving. For more info, please call the Parish Office.

Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer for those who have gone home to the Lord...
George Cullinan, husband of Jennifer, son of Eileen and brother of Christine Krill
Jack Washburne, husband of LaVerne

Spirituality—Faith Development
Contact:
Sister Margaret Dincher SCC
973-635-0070 x 714 (phone)
973-635-5518 (fax)
Email: marga@corpuschristi.org

Paul, “Apostle to the Nations”
The Wednesday morning Bible Study continues its focus on Paul, Apostle to the Nations. The sessions combine contemplation of the Word of God in biblical study and practical application for living as a follower of Christ today. The sessions give time to explore, listen, and to grow as God speaks in the Word through St. Paul. The study is held in the Atrium Conference Room from 9 am to 10 am.

Centering Prayer
“Enter God’s Presence” by giving time to reflect upon God’s Word as we seek to become a person of prayer. The time is spent on listening and applying God’s Word to our everyday lives. The prayer is held Tuesday Mornings - 9:00 to 9:30 am. During Lent, Centering Prayer is discontinued until after Easter.

Spiritual Direction
Spiritual direction helps the person seeking direction to recognize and respond to God’s ongoing invitation for a closer relationship. Learning how to be attentive or notice God’s presence and action in our lives is a big part of what spiritual direction seeks to do. If you are interested knowing more about spiritual direction, call or email Sister Margaret
**Abide—Keeping Vigil with God’s Word**

Breathe in the Word of God…
Wait before the Word…Walk as a pilgrim through the Scriptures…

**ABIDe WITH GOD.**

Monthly Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month
Mar. 13; Apr. 10; May 8
Meeting in Upper Room—Second Floor—7 to 8:15 pm
Presenters: Diane Radwill & Sister Margaret Dincher

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**Marriage Preparation**

Congratulations! As soon as you have your date set on the parish calendar, please contact Linda Wass to schedule an appointment to begin your preparation for the sacrament of Marriage [8-12 months before your wedding].

**Pre-Cana**

Fall 2018 date TBA

Corpus Christi Parish provides a Pre-Cana Program each year in the Spring and Fall, one of many facets of marriage preparation. Facilitated by our team of married couples, the program helps the engaged to build a strong foundation for a lasting, loving marriage. Fall 2018 date TBA.

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**Marriage Encounter**

April 20-22
Somerset, NJ

CONTACT: Ruth & Tom De Falco 732-904-9636

On a **Marriage Encounter** weekend, married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other to deepen, enrich, and grow in their relationship. www.wwme.org

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**Retrouvaille Weekend: A Marriage Lifeline**

**Retrouvaille** is a weekend program with follow-up sessions to help couples with marriage problems to heal and renew their relationship.

For locations, dates, and information, visit www.retrouvaille.org

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**Baptism Preparation**

March 18
10:15—11:45 *Conf. Room 1*, upstairs

for first-time parents

To register, please contact parish office at 973-635-0070 x 710

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**Take Out Magazine**

**Family Faith on the Go**

Get your **MARCH** issue at the Family Ministry Table in the Atrium—Ideas for the second half of Lent, with a poster of family activities for Holy Week.
Family Activities—Fourth Week of Lent

Theme: LIGHT of LOVE

GOSPEL SHARING:  John 3: 14-21. Jesus tells Nicodemus, who is wondering if Jesus really is the Messiah promised by God, that he will bring the world the gift of eternal life with God. He says he’s like a light for the world to help people see God’s love.

Family Discussion:

* What do you think is the light?
* How do people of the light feel?
* How do they treat others?

FAMILY PRAYER:  Lord, we want to love each other and you. Shine your light on us. Help us to see the signs and gifts of your love with us and all around us. Help us to shine the light of your love on others. Amen.

FAMILY RECONCILIATION

1. Each member of the family writes on a paper one behavior for which they’re sorry and one thing they’ll do to change this behavior.
2. Using a fireplace, burn each paper as a sign of letting go of the behavior and guilt.
3. Say an act of contrition together
4. End with a big family hug and special treat.

PRAYER PERSONS OF THE WEEK

◊ At a family meal, talk about people in the news and personal situations, and consider who might be in need of prayers.
◊ Make a list of the people named.
◊ Each day, pray for those named at your family meal.

For more ideas, pick up a copy of
40 Days: Family Guide to Keeping Lent at Any Age
at the Family Ministry table in the Atrium.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.

Proverbs 16:3

A MARRIAGE MOMENT

There are two sides to every argument, but practicing this truism can be difficult. Next time you reach an impasse, discipline yourselves to try to state the other’s side as neutrally as you can.

A PARENTING POINTER

Challenge yourself and your children to go 24 hours without media. What will you do instead? What will you learn?

www.SusanVogt.net

Family Ministry Committee Meeting - Mar 13
7:30 pm in the Atrium Conference Room
We will be planning Spring 2018 events. Interested parishioners, please join us!  RSVP to Linda Wass

Moms Morning Out

9:30-11:00  Mar 22

moms of all ages & stages
are invited to get together once a month to
CONNECT & REFRESH
Moms meet in the Resurrection Meeting Room
Babysitting in the Atrium Conference Room (RSVP)
RSVP: lindawass@corpuschristi.org

Children’s Liturgy Word

March 18
9:00 Mass

For children 5 to 10 years old.
Under 5 with a parent, please.

Children hear God’s Word on their level, connect it to their experience, and respond in dialog, prayer, and song. They return to the main church with the CLW leaders after the Prayer of the Faithful.

March 14
7:30-9 PM
Atrium Conference Room
(hallway near Baptism Font)

Join us for support, encouragement, resources.
ALL ARE WELCOME!
RSVP: lindawass@corpuschristi.org
Religious Education

Contact: Kay Hetherington  973-635-0070 x715 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: kay@corpuschristi.org for PreK—Grade 5.
Contact: Brian Duemling  973-635-0070 x740 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: bduemling@corpuschristi.org for Middle School (6-8)
Contact: Psomi  973-635-0070 x718 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax) or email: Psomi@corpuschristi.org for Confirmation Prep (9-10)

Religious Education Classes

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First Communion Renewal
The children preparing to receive First Holy Communion will gather in the gym on:
Saturday, March 17
Time: 9:00 am – 1:30 pm

Lenten Project for the Poor
During the season of Lent the children in the Religious Education Program are asked to help feed the hungry by bringing in food during the weeks of Lent.
The items below are a suggestion to give variety.
Any food items are appreciated.

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Corpus Christi Men’s Society
Annual
Parking Space Raffle

Tickets are being sold after all masses this weekend.
Speed Sales: Buy your tickets; write your name in the Log Book; write your # on the back of your tickets.

Drawing on March 25th after the 12:15 mass
Chances are 3 for $5, 7 for $10 or Jumbo 20 for $20.
If you win, you can pick your spot anywhere in any lot!!!

Music Ministry

Contact: Robert Long, 973-635-0070 x716 (phone); 973-635-5518 (fax); email: rlong@corpuschristi.org

Corpus Christi Choirs
Singers and Instrumentalists are welcome!

Adult Choirs
Corpus Christi Adult Choir rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Room.
Corpus Christi Handbell Choir rehearses on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Room.

Children’s Choirs
Angel Chime Choir (Grades 1+2) - Thurs., 4:00 - 4:25 p.m.
Cherub Choir (Grades K-2) - Thurs., 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.
Joyful Noise Choir (Grades 3-8+) - Tues., 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.
Junior Bell Choir (Grades 3+) - Tues., 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Orchestra (Grades 3+) - some Tuesdays 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

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Special Palm Sunday
“Ham and Eggs-tras”
Food Collection for Needy Families

Needed: Canned hams, frozen turkeys and non-perishable food items. We can also use Easter baskets/grass and plastic pails and shovels for the children.

When: Palm Sunday, March 25th by 12 noon.
Where: Drop off donations at the parish kitchen. Members of the Men’s Society will be available to help unload.
For: All items will be used in Easter food packages for the hungry of our diocese at St. Anthony’s and Our Lady of Victories parishes.
P.S. If you’re going to be away on Palm Sunday, please ask a friend or neighbor to drop off your donations.
St Patrick's Day Bake Sale
Woops—we made a mistake. Our second and last bake sale will happen next weekend, March 17/18, after all the masses. If teens still need hours, this is the opportunity to make sweets — cookies, brownies, or cupcakes. Please contact Psomi.

Passion Play
The Passion Play is coming up during the weekend of March 24-25, and we need actors. All the parts are very short. Although this is a predominantly high school event, we welcome those from 7th & 8th grade as well. We have six practices, each one hour long. Please contact Psomi.

U.S. Sisters Against Trafficking
“Look at Me! See who I really am.” by Jeanne Christensen, RSM
My name is Emma and I am living a nightmare. Someone said it is Lent. What does that mean? I think it’s something about God being tortured and dying so I can be saved. I can tell you that I have been tortured and suffered pain while I was waiting to be rescued. Who would save me? Is there such a savior? I didn’t expect to be rescued, saved, but I was. One of my “tricks,” a compassionate social worker, gained my trust after a few “visits.” We pretended to have sex, but we just talked. Then one day when my trafficker was too drunk to notice, my savior took me away from the dingy motel where I worked. We went to a safe house where the bed was clean and warm and no one could force their way into my bed or my body. They said I’d been saved.

But what happens to me next? I don’t have skills, I was only 13 when my trafficker lured me away from home and school. I have been gone for so many months I’ve lost count. If I get sober, will I be able to stay clean when I’m rejected by others? Or when I remember, and want to forget, what I’ve been through?

I can’t go back to school; no one would understand. Can I even go back home? Will my family want me back? Will they blame me? When I’m older, who would want to date or marry me? Will I ever be good enough to have and protect a child of my own? Exploited kids aren’t supposed to be thought of as criminals, we’re victims!

Will my savior answer my questions? Find me the help I need? Can my savior protect me when my trafficker hunts me down? Do saviors hold you when the nightmares come? I hope so—the nightmares take away my breath!

Question: If you met Emma, what would you say to her? What is she saying to you?
“Abide in me, as I abide in You”
Meeting in the Upper Room - Second Floor
7:00 to 8:15 pm

Breathe in the Word of God...
Wait before the Word...
Walk as a pilgrim through the Scriptures...
Abide with God.

Meeting on the Second Tuesday of the month

March 13, April 10, May 8

Presenters: Diane Radwill and S. Margaret Dincher, SCC

Book - Abide - Macrina Wiederkehr - $10.00 to Corpus Christi
Sacraments • Parish Organizations

**Eucharist**
- **Weekend Liturgies:**
  - Saturday—5:00 p.m.
  - Sunday—7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.
- **Weekday Liturgies:** 7:30 a.m.—Monday to Friday
- **Eucharist for the Sick and Homebound:** Every first Friday; other times upon request
- **First Eucharist:**
  - Usually celebrated in 2nd grade for children.
  - Celebrated at the Easter Vigil for adults.

**Baptism**
Baptisms for registered parishioners are celebrated at 1:15 p.m. on Sundays: monthly during the summer, and twice a month during the rest of the year. A required orientation for first-time parents of babies being baptized is held one Sunday each month, 10:15—11:45 a.m. (July & August by appointment.) Please contact the parish office in advance to register for the orientation and to schedule the Baptism. No Baptisms are scheduled until after the baby has been born.

Adults: participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Through this process, the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation are received. For further information, contact the parish office.

**Confirmation**
Parishioners of high school age are confirmed following a two-year preparation program, usually culminating with Confirmation in the beginning of junior year. Adult parishioners are usually confirmed at the Easter Vigil. For further information, contact the parish office.

**Penance**
For all parishioners: celebrated on Saturday from 4:15-4:45 p.m. in the Atrium Conference Room; outside of these times, upon request.
Communal Penance services are held in Advent and Lent.
First Penance: Usually celebrated in the 2nd grade.

**Marriage**
Please contact the parish office one year prior to the wedding. Preparation for Marriage includes: Pre-Cana or Marriage Encounter, as well as meetings with the priest who will witness the Marriage. Weddings may be scheduled any day Monday through Saturday. No weddings will be scheduled on Sundays, eves of holidays, holidays, or holiday weekends.

**Anointing of the Sick**
This sacrament may be celebrated with any person who is seriously ill. A communal celebration of this sacrament is held periodically. You may request this sacrament at any time, especially in case of emergency. Any parishioner who is in the hospital and wishes to see a member of the parish staff should notify the parish office.

**St. Anthony’s, Our Sister Parish**
Our parish is linked with our sister parish, Saint Anthony’s in Passaic. Our Men’s Society joins with Saint Anthony’s in various projects. If you are interested in helping, please contact Fr. Lem Camacho at lcamacho@corpuschristi.org.

**CYO Basketball Program**
See Corpus Christi website (www.corpuschristi.org) or call Jim LeMon at 973-701-1602 or email jlemmon@lordabbett.com or Drew McKenzie at 973-635-1342 or email drewmckenz@aol.com.

**Senior Citizens**
Priscilla Ursino, Coordinator
Meets first Friday of month at 12:30 p.m. ~ Liturgy and Lunch
October – June

**Religious Education Sessions**
The parish offers a comprehensive program in religious education for pre-school, elementary school, middle school, and high school. These sessions are held on Sundays or Mondays. We also offer a program for students who are educationally challenged. Adult education programs are scheduled periodically and announced in the bulletin. For further information, contact the parish office, x711.

**Altar Society**
Coordinators: Kathleen Magill and Dorothy Shanahan

**Men’s Society**
Meets second Tuesday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

**Young Adult Ministry**
For those in their 20s and 30s, through social, spiritual and service activities, young adults meet at St. Paul Inside the Walls in Madison (www.insidethewalls.org) and volunteer with the youth here at Corpus Christi. Contact Psomi for further information.

**High School Youth Ministry**
Most youth entering high school become involved in Youth Ministry through a 2 year Confirmation Preparation Program which includes, service, education and retreats. In this three pronged approach, youth learn, experience and grow in their love for self, others and God. After Confirmation, young people are invited into deeper involvement or leadership which includes retreat teams, justice and service, teaching, music and more.

**Knights of Columbus**
The Knights of Columbus is an international fraternal, family and charitable organization. Locally, the Parcells Council of the Knights of Columbus jointly serves the parishes of Corpus Christi and Saint Patrick. Membership is open to all Catholic men over 18.
Visit the Parcells Council on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/parcellscouncil
For further information contact Dan Otten at 973-335-1435.

**Al-Anon Meeting**
Al-Anon meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. This is open to any persons in the community who are family members or friends of those suffering from any type of chemical dependency, such as alcohol, etc. The meeting is held in the double classroom area. Enter the parish center through the main doors from the rear parking lot.
This is not affiliated with the parish, but the facilities are offered as a service to the community. The participants are to maintain strict confidentiality and require anonymity.