

Corpus Christi Parish

February

17

2019

Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time



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ASH WEDNESDAY
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SCHEDULE

Parish Information

Corpus Christi Parish

70 Pleasant St., Waterville ME 04901

Business Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Fri 8:00AM - Noon

Phone: 872-2281 Fax: 877-0675

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St. Francis Cemetery

78 Grove St., Waterville, ME 04901

Phone: 872-2770 Fax: 872-2770

Email: stfrancem@myfairpoint.net

Website: www.portlanddiocese.org/stfranciscemetery

Parish Staff

Rev. Daniel J. Baillargeon, Pastor

Rev. Patrick Finn, Parochial Vicar

Kim Suttie, Pastoral Life Coordinator

Deb Hebert, Parish Business Coordinator &

Director of St. Francis Cemetery

Theresa Poulin, Business Administrative Assistant

Marge Veilleux, Pastoral Administrative Assistant

Joan Hallee, Pastoral Receptionist

Valerie Wheeler, Principal St. John Catholic School

The Week Ahead

Sun., Feb. 17	8:00AM ND	KC Breakfast
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting
Mon., Feb. 18	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	9:00AM SJS	Hands of God
	2:00PM ND	Prayer Group
	6:00PM FFC	Lord, Teach Me to Pray
	7:00PM SH	KC #341 Meeting
Tues., Feb. 19	7:00PM FFC	Al-Anon
Fri., Feb. 22	7:00AM SJ	Adoration & Confession
Sun., Feb. 24	10:00AM ND	Coffee Hour
	12:00PM ND	Spanish Mass
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Mon., Feb. 18 for President's Day.

Ash Wednesday Liturgy Schedule

Wed., Mar. 6

7:00AM	- Liturgy of the Word with Ashes - St. John
8:00AM	- Mass - St. John
12:15PM	- Mass - Notre Dame
6:00PM	- Mass - St. John

Mass Times & Intentions

MONDAY	February 18 2019
8:00 AM SJ	James VanDerveer by Wife, Nancy and family
TUESDAY	February 19, 2019
12:15 PM ND	Jean Noel DeBlois by the DeBlois family
WEDNESDAY	February 20, 2019
8:00 AM SJ	Rose Woronicz by The Wildes family
THURSDAY	February 21, 2019
12:15 PM ND	Scott Brown by his family
FRIDAY	February 22, 2019
8:00 AM SJ	Robert (Bob) Lane by Williams High School Class of 1946
1:45 PM Woodlands	Lucille Giroux by Carmen and Lucy
SATURDAY	February 23, 2019
4:00 PM ND	Faylene Charland by Daughters, Nancy and Donna
4:00 PM SJ	Reggie Fortin by sister Nancy and family
6:00 PM ND	All enrolled in the Corpus Christi Memorial book
SUNDAY	February 24, 2019
7:30 AM SJ	Arland Johnson by Marsha and Ted
9:00 AM ND	Susan Surette by Daniel and Brenda
10:00 AM SJ	Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish
10:30 AM ND	Richard Plourde by his family
NOON ND	Spanish Mass
4:30 PM CC	Carl P. Cote by Ellen and James Grenier

Keep in Your Prayers

Please remember Ann Duval, Robert Buccellato
May God's healing touch come down upon our brothers and sisters in faith.

Please call the Parish Office to be included in our Prayer Line.

Please remember in your prayers

Joseph L.N. Vigue, died Feb. 6, funeral Feb. 12
Debra Gagne, died Feb. 9, funeral Feb. 16
Virginia B. Rodrigue, died Feb. 11, funeral Feb. 23

CORPUS CHRISTI MEMORIAL FUND

Raymond Mathieu, Jeannette Pare,
Holy Souls in Purgatory, Roland and Lorraine Roy,
John McQuillan, Jeannette Charette, Wilfred Barley,
Joseph Martin, Charles Patrick, Steven A. Roberge
Sr. Cecile Chagnon, Robert Bourget and
Bernard and Pearl Care

Sanctuary Candle

In thanksgiving by a parishioner (SJ)

Nursing Home Mass Schedule All Masses at 1:45PM

2nd Friday, each month at Lakewood, Waterville
3rd Friday, each month at Oak Grove, Waterville
4th Friday each month at Woodlands, Waterville

Sunday by Sunday

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHOOSE LIFE!

In the verses before today's Gospel, Jesus has just chosen his twelve apostles and is coming down the mountain with them. Accompanying them is a large crowd. The people are all jostling to get close to Jesus because they have heard of his miraculous powers. Some have already been cured of unclean spirits and diseases and the rest want to touch him and be healed. Never has there been a more captive audience. It is the perfect setting for one of Jesus' most often-quoted and charismatic sermons.

THE GREAT DISCOURSE

Imagine the comfort and affirmation felt by the crowd when Jesus tells them that they will be blessed in their weakness, their hungers, and their tears. Imagine the surge of courage that courses through them when he tells them that to be hated, ostracized, and insulted in his name will be honorable, a blessing, and a reason to rejoice.

If we can place ourselves on that plain at midday, part of the large crowd surrounding Jesus and the apostles, we may feel some of the excitement and anticipation that they must have felt. Imagine reaching out your hand to touch his cloak. Look into his eyes and sense his energy and his compassion. Hear him speak the words that you know by heart, for the first time.

Like the apostles and the crowd on the plain, we are also commissioned in the Beatitudes to choose life. By our baptism, we are given the choice of being that tree whose "leaves stay green" and that "fears not the heat when it comes," for the heat will surely come if we choose this path. If we "[delight] in the law of the LORD" (Psalm 1:2), we will be able to withstand life's dry spells and still remain fruitful, and our fruits will be savored long after we have "fallen asleep in Christ" (1Corinthians 15:18).

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Today's Readings:

Jeremiah 17:5-8 - True wisdom

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 - The resurrection and faith

Luke 6:17, 20-26 - The great discourse

Question for Adults - In what way are you serving the poor, as Jesus did?

Question for Kids - When have you helped bring God's love to someone who was sad, or hungry, or whom others made fun of?

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2018 Contribution Tax Letter

Parishioners needing a letter containing their 2018 contributions must CALL the parish office and make this request. This information is not automatically generated and mailed out. Please have your envelope number available when you call.

Did you know that we offer Electronic Transfer?

Electronic Transfer allows you to have your offertory taken directly from your bank account on a monthly basis. This is a safe and convenient means of making your weekly contributions to the parish without having the worry of writing checks and scrambling for your envelopes each week. For more information, call Deb Hebert at the parish office at 872-2281.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory for Feb. 10 - \$14,627.50
Average offertory to date - \$16,248.42

The budget is based on a weekly average offertory of
\$16,257.37 per week.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Prayer of the Week

The Memorare

Remember,
O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that any one who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help or sought thy intercession,
was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence,
I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins my Mother;
to thee do I come,
before thee I stand,
sinful and sorrowful;

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me,
Amen.

Please Keep Us Updated

Have a new name/address/phone number or email? Want to receive offertory envelopes? Please keep the parish updated with your current information by calling or dropping by the parish office at 872-2281 or 70 Pleasant St., Waterville, ME 04901

In Our Parish and Diocese

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Classes are held at the Faith Formation Center attached to St. John Catholic School, September-May.

It's never to late to start coming to class!

If you have not yet registered your children for Faith Formation please call Kim Suttie at 872-2281.

Faith Formation Schedule

Grades K-5

Sunday 8:30-9:45AM

Faith Formation Center

Mar., 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Apr. 7, 28

May 5

Grades K-5

Monday 3:30-4:45PM

Faith Formation Center

Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25

Apr. 1, 8, 29

May 6

Junior High Ministry

Sunday 6:00-8:00PM

Faith Formation Center

Mar. 3, 17

Apr. 7, 28


May 5

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

South Garand St., Winslow 872-7115

www.stjohnschoolwinslow.org

March Madness Fundraiser

 Thank you to everyone who has already participated in St. John Catholic School March Madness Fundraiser. If you have not already entered it is not too late. Calendars are still available for purchase, through the school office. The cost to enter is \$10.00. One name will be drawn every day throughout the month of March. If you are a lucky winner your name will be placed back into the drawing. This gives everyone who enters the chance to win 31 times plus one bonus drawing on April 1st.

For more information call the school office at 872-7115.



Procession of the Bread and Wine During Mass

We welcome family members of the person for whom the Mass is intended to process with the bread and wine during the Offertory. If you would like to take part in this ministry when a Mass is being offered for your loved one please inform the collectors before Mass begins so that role can be reserved for you.

Visit our parish website at:

www.corpuschristimaine.org

Our easy to navigate website is your source for Mass times, ministry schedules, Mass readings and daily prayers, Catholic resources, videos and so much more.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Evenings 6:00 - 8:00PM

Youth Ministry Room on the 2nd Floor at St. John School
(enter by the Grotto)

**High School Students: join us for food, fun and faith.
Come as often as you can, or only come once in a while.**

SENIOR MINISTRY

Ministry to, for and by our
Corpus Christi Senior Parishioners

Senior Club

2nd Tuesday of the month after the 12:15PM Mass.
Gather in the hall at Notre Dame for coffee, tea & cookies.

Tues., Mar. 12 - Jillian Roy - How Hospice Can Help

Tues., Apr. 9 - Movie Day - St. Paul the Apostle

Tues., May 14 - Ken Walsh, CEO, Alford Youth Center -
Personal Safety In and Outside of the Home

*Funded by a grant from the Catholic Campaign
for Human Development*

Sew for a Cause

Do you want to make a difference in someone's life? You don't need to know how to sew. If you can cut, iron, sort, and/or make phone calls come and join us! We will be making baby quilts, lap quilts, fidget quilts and pillowcases to donate to a variety of charities.

Thursday: Feb. 28

10AM-4PM - come for part or the whole day

St. Bridget Center - 864 Main St. Vassalboro

FMI: 616-3148, stbridgetcenter@gmail.com or

[facebook@stbridgetcenter](https://www.facebook.com/stbridgetcenter)



DID YOU KNOW?



There is a coffee half hour after the 9AM Mass at Notre Dame in the church hall. All are welcome! It is a wonderful time to share fellowship. Won't you join us?

Hands of God

*The Lord will watch over your coming and
going both now and forevermore.*

Psalm 121:8



Anyone who would like to gather in a positive Catholic atmosphere for fellowship as we knit, sew, craft, etc., is welcome. Join the parish quilters (enter through the front door of the school and sign in at the school office) on Monday mornings at 9AM. Bring your ideas, your coffee, and your love. For more info contact June Caron 453-6883 or jbwc04@gmail.com.

In Our Parish and Diocese

Lord, Teach Me To Pray

Lord, Teach Me To Pray is a prayer series based on Ignatian Spirituality. Part 1, *Praying Christian Virtues*, helps deepen prayer life, and discover what to do for dryness and obstacles in prayer. It also introduces the different methods of Ignatian prayer, meditation, contemplation and Consciousness Examen. Small groups will meet with trained facilitators for 2 hours once a week for 12 weeks to pray and faith share. Part 1 begins on Mon., Jan 28 from 6:00-8:00PM in the Faith Formation Center in Winslow.



For more information: Rose Desrosiers - 649-2457 or Dan Desrosiers - 449-6705.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Knights of Columbus Council #13486 invites all parishioners to attend our February 17th breakfast
Notre Dame Church Hall 8:00-10:00AM
Eggs, pancakes, sausage, fruit cups, baked beans, etc.
Donations: Adults \$6.00, Children \$4.00, Families \$15.00
We look forward to serving you and hope you'll enjoy all our events this year.

Eucharistic Adoration

"No one can come to Me unless the Father draws him." Do you feel the Lord tugging at your heart? The **Blessed Sacrament Chapel** (101 Silver St., Waterville) is open 7 days a week from 8AM- 6PM with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**. You are welcome to stop in for a few moments of prayer anytime.

Vocations

"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord." Are you being called to deepen your trust in the love of the Lord by serving Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact Fr. Seamus Griesbach
207-773-6471
Email: seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org
Website: www.portlanddiocese/vocations



Facebook Page for Young Adult Catholics in Maine

The Office of Lifelong Faith Formation is helping young adults connect through the Young Adult Catholics in Maine Facebook page (www.facebook.com/YoungAdultCatholicsMaine). The page features upcoming opportunities for Catholic young adults to gather as well as information about faith and discipleship. Please share this resource with Catholic young adults in your area!

Precious Innocents Update

The Rite of Blessing for our Precious Innocents Memorial Bench took place on October 28th. For those of you who couldn't join us on that rainy, cold day, Fr. Dan performed a beautiful ceremony at St. Francis Cemetery attended by close to 100 people. Our MC was Marc Sirois, Grand Knight of KC Council 7300. After the blessing, the celebration was moved to Notre Dame Parish Hall for beautiful singing by Randa Veilleux and the Corpus Christi's Men's Chorale Group which consisted of Leo Caron, Dan Quirion, Kevin O'Connell, and Andy Perry. Frs. Finn and Dolbeck joined us to listen to guest speakers, Pastor Bill Cripe of Faith Free Evangelical Church, Carroll Conley, Director of the Christian Civic League of Maine and Aline Poulin, Founder of Precious Innocents.

Precious Innocents Saved Six Babies from Landfills

Although six may not sound like many in the 500,000 who are sent to landfills every year in the United States, it's six who received dignified handling and free cremation from our organization. Our goal is to educate more women in 2019 and instill the compassion needed in those who tend to mothers who are miscarrying, that they begin to treat babies under 20 weeks of gestational age with the end of life dignity, respect, and treatment they deserve as children of God.

A personal thank you for all of your support over the past year. We ask that you continue to keep us in your prayers.

Aline Poulin/Founder
Precious Innocents, Inc

Vassalboro Emergency Fuel Fund Spaghetti Dinner

A Great Meal for a Great Cause

Sat., Feb. 23 4:30-6:00PM

United Methodist Church, Vassalboro

Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks, and homemade pies (vegetarian sauce available)

Adults: \$7 Children under 12: \$4
Children under 3: free
50/50 Raffle during dinner



The Emergency Fuel Fund is administrated by the Vassalboro Ministry Association. The VMA is supported by contributions only.

Vassalboro Ministry Association Seeking New Members

The Vassalboro Ministry Association is currently seeking one or more Vassalboro residents who would be interested in joining our group to help with our mission of providing fuel assistance for Vassalboro's needy residents.

We meet once monthly, with additional meetings when we are preparing for one of our fundraising events.

Join us at on of our meetings to find out more about our group and what we do.

For more information please call Rose Fortin at 873-1342 or Eileen Ronco at 616-9558.