

Corpus Christi Parish

August

25

2019

Twenty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time



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ACTIVITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL
YOUTH MINISTRY

Parish Information

Corpus Christi Parish

70 Pleasant St., Waterville ME 04901

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Parish Staff

Rev. Daniel J. Baillargeon, Pastor

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Daja Gombojav, Parish Catechetical Leader for grades K-8

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Valerie Wheeler, Principal St. John Catholic School

Parish Mission Statement

The Mission of Corpus Christi parish is to share our gifts as the body of Christ through Liturgy, Outreach and Education.

The Week Ahead

Sun., Aug 25	10:00AM ND	Coffee Hour
	12:15PM ND	Spanish Mass
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting
Mon., Aug. 26	9:00AM SJS	Hands of God
	2:00PM ND	Prayer Group
Tues., Aug. 27	7:00PM FFC	Al-Anon
	6:00PM SH	Baptism Prep Class
Fri., Aug. 30	7:00AM SJ	Adoration & Confessions
Sun., Sept 1	10:00AM ND	Coffee Hour
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting

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

New Parishioners

Welcome packets are available in the back of both of our churches. Please pick one up or stop by the office to introduce yourself and get one.

Mass Times & Intentions

MONDAY	Aug. 26, 2019
8:00 AM SJ	Dennis Dunbar by wife and family
TUESDAY	Aug. 27, 2019
12:15 PM ND	Tony Marin by wife, Pat
WEDNESDAY	Aug. 28, 2019
8:00 AM SJ	Albertine Herard by Rachel and Fred Preo
THURSDAY	Aug. 29, 2019
12:15 PM ND	Maurice Gagne by son, Rodney Gagne
FRIDAY	Aug 30, 2019
8:00 AM SJ	Roger Talbot by Yvonne and Raymond Lefebvre
SATURDAY	Aug. 31, 2019
4:00 PM ND	Sabrina Cote by her grandmother
4:00 PM SJ	Florence Kioalovitch St. Peter by husband, Joseph
6:00 PM ND	Philip Routhier by wife, Estelle and family
SUNDAY	Sept. 1, 2019
7:30 AM SJ	Roland Michaud by Evangeline LaCroix
9:00 AM ND	Robert Carrier by wife, Pauline
10:00 AM SJ	Jim Meserve by mother and brothers
10:30 AM ND	Gilbert B. Rossignol by Ron and Shirley Rossignol
12:00 PM St. H.	Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish

Keep in Your Prayers

Please remember Kathy Moses, Jean Chaude, Rita Fortin

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

Shirley Thomas, died Aug. 12, funeral Aug. 17
Mary (Lucille) Cliché, died Aug. 8, funeral Aug. 22

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

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.

Sunday by Sunday

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

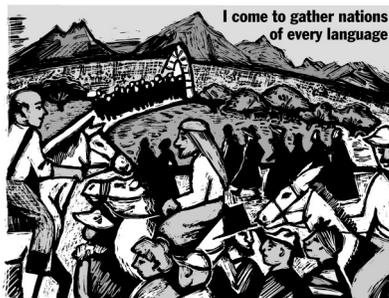
WE NEED A LITTLE EPIPHANY

Today's first reading from Isaiah hearkens back to passages we hear from that same prophet as the Christmas season draws to a close on Epiphany. The message at that point in the Christian year is essentially the same as today: the redeeming grace of God knows no bounds. It is so marvelous that our human geographical regions or institutions cannot contain it. When it is revealed, the sheer wonder and magnitude of it draws people from all places, from unexpected places, from places that are sometimes considered undesirable by those who would like to contain or control the saving power of God. And then, in an ebb and flow of divine glory, the good news of God's steadfastness, kindness, love, and faithfulness that has caused myriads of people to come to God will turn about, and the message of it will return to all nations and all peoples, as today's psalm sings.

BUT RIGHT THIS VERY MINUTE?

The end of time, Jesus explains today, is going to be full of surprises. The undergirding surprise is the unknowability of the precise time of the coming of God's anointed One in glory. To those who were anxious about the number to be saved, Jesus replies not with a head count, but with a description of them: those who have been disciplined in the Lord to enter through the narrow way to heaven. Some will assume that they "know somebody" on the inside, and so are permitted a life of evil. Their insider status, Jesus says, will be for naught. The master at the door will not be able to recognize them through the veil of sinful living that covers them. Those who thought that their "good blood" in the patriarchal covenant would be a guarantee of joining the patriarchs and prophets will be grinding their teeth, not eating at the banquet table in the kingdom. All who erected boundaries and perpetuated status, according to Jesus, will see their imaginary celestial borders shattered, and the highest reserved places given away. Want a seat at the banquet table? Start living like somebody the other guests would like to have there.

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Today's Readings:

- Isaiah 66:18-21 - Gathering of the nations
- Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 - The discipline of God
- Luke 13:22-30 - The narrow door

Question for Adults - What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be recognized at the doorway of the reign of God?

Question for Kids - What good habits are you practicing in order to be a good Christian?

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Prayer of the Week

Prayer for a New School Year

Gracious God,
as the summer begins to fade,
new possibilities lie on the horizon.

Bless all those who are beginning or returning to their roles as teachers or catechists as well as those who lead and support them in their efforts.

May this school year be a time of grace and potential as they teach, share, and challenge others to grow in faith, knowledge, and wisdom.

Bless children and youth, along with their parents, as they begin a new school year.

May their minds be open to learning and the wonder of discovery and insights.

Be with us all as we embark on this new year. Amen.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory for Aug. 18 - \$14,165.00
Average offertory to date - \$15,325.01

The budget is based on a weekly average offertory of - \$15,970.65

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - \$2,659.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

The Taste of Corpus Christi Parish!

Sun., Sept. 8 11AM-2PM
St. John Church Campus

Mark your calendars for this year's event!

Groups and organizations from our parish will sponsor food booths for parishioners to visit (all free of charge!) while we listen to some great music.

Menu items include bean-hole beans, hotdogs, chips, watermelon, pies, cupcakes, ice cream and more!

Bring a chair and a friend!

If you would like to get involved contact Kim Suttie, 872-2281 or kim.suttie@portlanddiocese.org

In Our Parish and Diocese

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION & JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Hello Corpus Christi Families!

By now I hope I have been able to meet most of you and introduce myself, your new Parish Catechetical Leader. If not, please introduce yourself, stop by the office, or drop me an email! I am here to serve you! Our new season of Faith Formation is about to kick-off! We are excited for how the Holy Spirit will lead us in this coming season. May we have eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts that are attentive to the Holy Spirit's moving, being drawn ever deeper into Jesus' Sacred Heart, through the loving intercession of Our Lady!

Mark your calendars for these dates:

September 8, Taste of Corpus Christi! Your parish catechists and I will be there in a birthday booth for Mama Mary! Come have a cupcake and celebrate the Nativity of Our Lady! 11AM - 2PM at St. John's.

September 15 & September 16, our first Faith Formation classes of the new year. Come meet your parish catechists! Sundays are at 8:30; Mondays at 3:30. All classes held at the spruced up Faith Formation Center. If you haven't registered your child yet, there is still time! Registration packets are available through the office or by emailing me: daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org.

September 22, Family Life Kick-off! Food, conversation, and encouragement for your family's faith formation journey! Please join us at 3PM at Notre Dame. There will be activities for the kids, too!

I want to encourage you all with this: Faith Formation is more than just what Catholics do to prepare for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We don't believe salvation is a one time event, when we check the boxes, and then we are set for eternity. Rather, we believe in the continual conversion of our hearts and lives. Faith formation is a lifelong pursuit for a Catholic. Romans 12:2 tells us, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect." This transformation and renewal should be a continual process, knowing that we *were* saved, we *are being* saved, and we *hope to be* saved.

To help in that we have started a blog for the formation of the faithful. There you will find ideas and inspiration for living a vibrant, joyful faith, following the Church's Liturgical cycle. Check it out: <https://faithformationcorp.wixsite.com/faithformation>

Also, if you have a question about the Faith, the Sacraments, or raising faithful Catholics, you would like answered in this bulletin column or on the blog, shoot me an email! If I don't know the answer, I will find it for you!

With prayers for continuing conversion,
Daja Gombojav
Parish Catechetical Leader
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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 Youth: Mark Your Calendars!

We will start the year off on Sept. 15th from 6-8PM at St John's School! Don't miss out on this chance to be with other Catholic teens!

Other dates for youth ministry: Aug. 25 from 6-8PM. This is a planning session. This is your chance to be part of the action! Bring your calendars, questions, and great ideas!

September 8th: We are manning the sweets table at the Taste of Corpus Christi! Bring a treat, help pass them out, or just visit us!

For more information about youth ministry, contact gayle.martin@hotmail.com.

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.

No Senior Club for the month of Sept. - Come to the Taste of Corpus Christi Parish on Sept. 8 instead!

Tues., Oct. 8 - Prayer with Fr. Dan

Tues., Nov. 12 - Watercolor Painting with Dorene Hebda

Funded by a grant from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Elders Coffee & Camaraderie

All elders are invited to gather for coffee at Eric's Restaurant on the 1st Monday of every month at 9:30AM. The next gathering is July 1. Please RSVP to Pat O'Keefe, 872-7094 so Eric's can be ready for the group.



Cantors Needed

We have a need for cantors for the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday mornings. You don't have to join the choir if you don't want to commit to this Mass every week—just agree to sing once a month etc.. Contact Kathy Potelle by phone 238-6317, via email at kathymp@roadrunner.com, or see Kathy after or before the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday.



Liturgical Ministers Needed

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Lectors, at all of our Parish Masses. Even if you can only serve one weekend each month we can fit you into the schedule. If you are interested please contact Kim Suttie 872-2281 or kim.suttie@portlanddiocese.org.



In Our Parish and Diocese

ASL-Interpreted Masses for Deaf or Hearing-Impaired Catholics in Maine

American Sign Language interpreters will be in attendance to sign Masses at parishes in Scarborough, Portland, and Falmouth. The interpreted Masses are part of the Diocese of Portland's effort to enhance ministry to deaf and hearing-impaired Catholics who are living in Maine. Here is the weekly schedule of interpreted Masses:

1st Sunday of Each Month

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church at 10:30AM
150 Black Point Road, Scarborough

2nd & 4th Sunday of Each Month

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 10AM
307 Congress Street, Portland

3rd Saturday of Each Month

Holy Martyrs of North America Church at 4:00PM
266 Foreside Road, Falmouth

Deaf and hearing-impaired Catholics in Maine who are unable to attend the above Masses can visit www.facebook.com/deafmass to watch a livestream of an ASL Mass each Sunday at 11:30AM or watch a replay of the Mass at any time. FMI about opportunities for deaf or hearing-impaired Catholics in Maine, contact Deacon Peter Bernier at 321-7845 or peter.bernier@portlanddiocese.org.

Clean Out Your Cupboards and Donate Your No Longer Needed Cookware!

Catholic Charities Maine is collecting your no longer needed and gently used cookware for the refugee families served by their Refugee and Immigration Services program. We are especially looking for large cooking pots and pans that will be used to prepare family-size meals. Drop off your cookware at the collection container located in the church by Sept. 1. Please, no dishes, glassware, silverware, cups or mugs. Thank you! Questions: 956-1457.



We want your old TV's, no longer needed computers and leftover electronics!

Join us for the 3rd Annual Free E-Waste Collection Day on Sat., Sept. 7 from 8:00-11:00AM at the Notre Dame parking lot. We will be accepting all TVs, computers, monitors, printers, VCRs, microwaves plus electronic parts and wiring. Open to everyone from any surrounding community. Everything collected is responsibly recycled for parts. All computer hard drives are destroyed. Sponsored by Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry. Drop off of your e-waste is free. You can, if you want, make a donation onsite to Catholic Charities Maine. Questions? 956-1457



Endowments for Corpus Christi Parish

Endowments for Corpus Christi Parish include the **Corpus Christi Parish Endowment**, the **St. John Regional Catholic School Endowment**, and **Tuition Assistance for St. John Regional School in memory of Evelina and Joseph O. Lachance**. Anyone can make a gift, in any amount, to these endowments, and anyone can start a new endowment. Neither donations to, nor grants from endowments are subject to assessment and donations can be of cash, stock, insurance, property, or a bequest. Your gift will make a difference and assist the needs of the school or parish in perpetuity. The Foundation makes distributions annually to the school or parish as directed, and the funds are used as designated by the endowment. Checks should be made out to the Catholic Foundation of Maine, noting the appropriate endowment.

For more information about how you can *leave a legacy* through a gift to any of these endowments, contact Elizabeth Badger, Executive Director, at the Catholic Foundation of Maine, www.catholicfoundationmaine.org or 207-321-7820.

Our Parish has Mass in Spanish!

The next Mass in Spanish will be celebrated on Sun, Aug. 25, 12:15PM at Notre Dame Church. There will be Mass in Spanish every 2nd & 4th Sun., at 12:15PM, at Notre Dame.

Awakening the Future of Our Faith 2019 Catholic Appeal



*"Ask Jesus what he wants from you
and be brave - Pope Francis*

Your generous gift to the 2019 Catholic Appeal will be felt by people all across Maine as ministries like these continue to serve those who need it most.

www.portlanddiocese.org/appeal

To date 530 Corpus Christi Parishioners have pledged \$129,691 - 80% of our goal!
If you have not yet donated to this year's Appeal please prayerfully consider how you can participate.