

# Corpus Christi Parish

September

8

2019

Twenty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time



# Parish Information

## Corpus Christi Parish

70 Pleasant St., Waterville ME 04901

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

Fri 8:00AM - Noon

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## St. Francis Cemetery

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Phone: 872-2770 Fax: 872-2770

Email: [stfrancem@myfairpoint.net](mailto:stfrancem@myfairpoint.net)

Website: [www.portlanddiocese.org/stfranciscemetery](http://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

Daja Gombojav, Parish Catechetical Leader for grades K-8

Theresa Poulin, Business Administrative Assistant

Marge Veilleux, Pastoral Administrative Assistant

Joan Hallee, Pastoral Receptionist

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

<b>Sun., Sept. 8</b>	10:00AM ND	Coffee Hour
	11:00AM SJ	The Taste of Corpus Christi Parish
	12:15PM ND	Spanish Mass
	1:00PM ND	Secular Franciscans
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting
<b>Mon., Sept. 9</b>	9:00AM SJS	Hands of God
	2:00PM ND	Prayer Group
<b>Tues., Sept. 10</b>	6:00PM SJ	KC #7300 Meeting
	6:00PM ND	St. Theresa Guild Meeting
	7:00PM FFC	Al-Anon
<b>Fri., Sept. 13</b>	7:00AM SJ	Adoration & Confessions
<b>Sat., Sept. 14</b>	1:00PM SJ	Wedding-Renee Violette & Tyler Cote
<b>Sun., Sept 15</b>	10:00AM ND	Coffee Hour
	5:00PM SJ	AA Meeting

## 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

## Mass Times & Intentions

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 9, 2019</b>
8:00 AM SJ	Leonette Michaud by Lee and Rachel Hersey
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 10, 2019</b>
12:15 PM ND	Richard Besson by wife, Gail
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 11, 2019</b>
8:00 AM SJ	All who suffered a loss on 9/11 by a parishioner
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 12, 2019</b>
12:15 PM ND	Lydia and Pam Poulin by the Poulin family
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 13, 2019</b>
8:00 AM SJ	Richard Chamberlain by Rita and family
1:45 PM Lakewood	Lucienne Lorrette Caron by Cliff and Diane Morin
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 14, 2019</b>
4:00 PM ND	Earl Rancourt by Gerry and Leo Goulette
4:00 PM SJ	Lucille Giroux by Joyce, Dana, Judy and family
6:00 PM ND	Mary Reny Buck by son, Michael
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Sept. 15, 2019</b>
7:30 AM SJ	Robert Gagnon by wife, Irene
9:00 AM ND	Carroll Denis by sister, Glenna
10:00 AM SJ	John Nadeau by his family
10:30 AM ND	Mary Ayob by Martha Patterson and Sadie Anne Bernard
4:30 PM CC	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 Buzzell, died Aug. 24, funeral Aug. 30

Germaine Drake, died Aug. 24, funeral Sept. 6

## Sanctuary Candle

In thanksgiving by a parishioner (SJ)

## 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.

# Sunday by Sunday

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

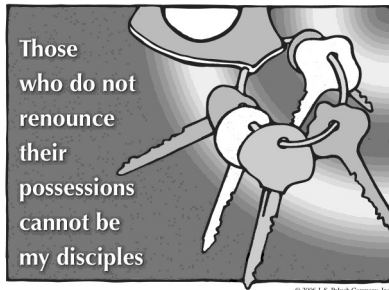
### ALL IN THE FAMILY

The term “family” gets used quite often today to describe a series of close bonds that are (or ought to be) present among various groups. Parishes, schools, scout troops, work groups, many different kinds of organizations commonly refer to themselves as “family” members with each other. How shocking it will be for us today, in our nuclear families or parish families, to learn from the lips of Jesus himself that it is in the renouncing of family relationships and the rending of family ties, even the despising of our own God-given life, that we will come to know and understand what it means to be a disciple, a follower of Jesus Christ. Is all of this to be taken literally? Yes and no. The Gospel today is telling us that in order to progress as a disciple, to follow Christ more closely, it is Christ and his gospel that alone can be the heart and center of our lives. Will most of us be called upon literally to leave our family members? Most likely not. But if we are disciples, we must be ready to do so.

### A FAMILY GUIDED BY PERFECT WISDOM

The first reading from Wisdom states, in its own way, this very same principle. All that we know of this life, all that we hold dearest, that we love and cherish most, all of this is still not of the unsearchable and unknowable riches of divine wisdom. Jesus’ extreme description of what we must reject establishes the same sort of chasm between God’s ways and our ways as the author of the Wisdom passage does. But both teachers also instruct us that God can and God does, through the spirit of grace from on high, come to us and reveal to us the ways of heaven. We do not or cannot search them out for ourselves in our earthly things or human relationships. But we can, with God’s help, set aside our own limited natures and come closer in the loving bond God has for us and is prepared to spread among us.

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### Today’s Readings:

Wisdom 9:13-18b - Solomon’s prayer  
Philemon 9:10, 12-17 - Plea for Onesimus  
Luke 14:25-33 - Sayings on discipleship

**Question for Adults** - How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?

**Question for Kids** - When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do? Who helps you know?

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## Prayer of the Week

### Prayer for My Grandparents

Dear God, thank you for Grandma and Grandpa and for the special way that they make me feel when I talk to them or visit them.

Help me to remember that they were my parent’s Mom and Dad, and helped Mom or Dad to grow up just as they help me.

Keep them safe until I see them again and help them to know how special they are to me.

Thank you for my aunts and uncles and cousins too, and for all the people who love me.

Amen.

*Sept. 8 is Grandparents’ Day*

*We wish all God’s blessings for our grandparents*

## Stewardship of Treasure

The offertory for Sept. 1 and the 2nd Collection totals were not available at press time. They will be printed in next week’s bulletin

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

**Thank you for your continued support of our parish.**



### 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.

# 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.

Families, be sure to stop by the Faith Formation booth at Taste of Corpus Christi on the Feast of the Nativity of Mary, Sept. 8 for a cupcake and celebrating the birthday of Our Lady!

Also, mark your calendars for the beginning of our new Faith Formation season, Sept. 15. There is still time to register your children. For more info. or a registration form email [daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:daja.gombojav@portlanddiocese.org).

Lastly, check out the Faith Formation blog [faithformationcorp.wixsite.com/faithformation](http://faithformationcorp.wixsite.com/faithformation) for inspiration and help with Keeping it Real...Catholic.

## Turkey Supper

Please support the Fairfield Knights of Columbus Turkey Supper on Sat., Sept. 21 from 4:30-6:30PM in the hall at Notre Dame Church. All proceeds go to support Rev. William Clark's Jamaican Fund.



## Sew for a Cause



All are welcome as we work on a variety of projects for those in need. Come for part or the whole day.

Thurs., Sept. 19 & Oct. 3 10AM-4PM

St. Bridget Center - 864 Main St. Vassalboro  
FMI: 616-3148, [stbridgetcenter@gmail.com](mailto:stbridgetcenter@gmail.com)  
or [facebook@stbridgetcenter](https://www.facebook.com/stbridgetcenter)

## St. Theresa's Guild of Corpus Christi Parish

The Guild will hold it's next meeting on Sept. 10 at 6:00PM in the hall at Notre Dame Church.

## Our Parish has Mass in Spanish!

The next Mass in Spanish will be celebrated on Sun, Sept. 8, 12:15PM at Notre Dame Church. There will be Mass in Spanish every 2nd & 4th Sun., at 12:15PM, at Notre Dame.

## Secular Franciscans

Come and See! Please join us for our Secular Franciscan Fraternity gathering on Sun., Sept. 8, 1 - 3PM in the Notre Dame Prayer Room. We invite you as a "Friend of Francis" or come to explore your own calling to follow the way of St Francis: Bringing the Gospel to Life and Life to the Gospel. The main topic of discussion and instruction will be the Stigmata of Saint Francis. He was the first Saint to receive this supernatural blessing. Dan Spofford will be the presenter. All are welcome. FMI, please call Kay Spofford, OFS at 872-6919.

## 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!

September 8th: We are manning the watermelon table at the Taste of Corpus Christi! Help pass it out, run or compete in the seed spitting contest, or just visit us!

For more information, contact [gayle.martin@hotmail.com](mailto: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.

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

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

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for Human Development*

## Visit our parish website at: [www.corpuschristimaine.org](http://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.

## Sacramental Information

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3:00PM at St. John Church, Winslow and Notre Dame Church, Waterville

### Sacrament of Baptism

Families who would like to have their child baptized need to attend our Baptism Preparation Program. Classes are offered on the last Tuesday of most months.

**Registration is required**, please call the parish office.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should make arrangements by calling the parish office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date and before making reception plans.

### Anointing of the Sick

Anyone wishing to receive the Sacrament of the Sick is asked to call the parish office. If you or a loved one are admitted to MaineGeneral Medical Center please contact the Hospital Chaplain's Office. If you are at Inland Hospital please call the parish office.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 7:00-7:45AM St. John Church

# In Our Parish and Diocese



## Upcoming Programs Offered by the Sisters of St. Joseph

### Being Neighbor with our Gay and Lesbian Brothers and Sisters

Wed., Sept. 25 6:30 to 8PM

St. Joseph Center 80 Garland Rd, Winslow

Fr. Paul Sullivan S.J. and Sr. Judy Donovan will facilitate a conversation about how we can continue to become the loving community that the Gospels and Church teachings call us to be. Join us for this pastoral invitation to dialogue and encounter.

### Mental Illness: Our Families and Our Community

Wed., Oct. 23 6:30 to 8PM

St. Joseph Center 80 Garland Rd, Winslow

Marc Sirois, a Corpus Christi parishioner and manager of Outpatient Behavioral Services for Maine General Medical Center, will share on the reality and diversity of mental illness, how mental illness affects families and community life and how we can help those with mental illness and their loved ones feel more at home in our parish.

### When Marriage Doesn't Work Out: A Pastoral Approach to Canon Law

Wed., Nov. 13 6:30 to 8PM

Notre Dame Church Hall 116 Silver St, Waterville

Shannon Fossett, a canon lawyer for the Diocese of Portland, will lead this conversation about divorce, remarriage, and annulments, with a special focus on Pope Francis' 2015 changes to the annulment process. She will look at some of the barriers that discourage people from seeking an annulment as well as times when an annulment may not be necessary. Regardless of your marital status, come listen and learn together so that we can become a better informed and more compassionate and welcoming community to all.

## Gospel Reflection Group

A weekly, guided Gospel Reflection Group will be starting again on Mon., Sept. 9. All gatherings will be from 10:00-11:00AM at the St. Joseph Center, 80 Garland Rd. in Winslow. Participation is free and open to all.

## Vocations Office Fall Fishing Weekend

September 13-15

Birch Island on Holeb Pond, near Jackman, ME

All Catholic high school aged young men and their dads are welcome to this enjoyable and relaxed weekend.

The schedule is somewhat flexible. Arrive as early as possible on Fri. in order to ferry over to Birch Island before it gets dark. Sat. will be filled with exploring and fishing. Sun. will include Mass at camp and a big breakfast.

Bring: Warm outdoor clothing, hiking footwear, water bottles, fishing gear and license, tents, sleeping bag and pillow, life jacket and canoes or kayaks if you have them.

FMI: Fr. Seamus Griesbach, 207-773-6471

Email: seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org

## Eucharistic Adoration

*"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white host."* Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament daily at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 101 Silver St., Waterville.

Come let us adore..

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Put God first in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sept. 14-15, in Medway, MA and Oct 18-20 in Laconia, NH. For information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

## Vocations

"None of you can become My disciple if you do not give up all your possessions." Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact: Fr. Seamus Griesbach 207-773-6471

Email: seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org

Website: [www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations)

## U.S. Sisters Against Human Trafficking

The beginning of the school year is an opportunity for predators to prey on children. Talk to teachers and school personnel to inquire about the education in human trafficking for students.

Learn more at [sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org).

*The U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a faith-based, national network that offers education, supports access to survivor services, and engages in advocacy in an effort to eradicate modern-day slavery.*

## 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](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/appeal)

**To date 543 Corpus Christi Parishioners have pledged \$131,086 - 80% of our goal!**

**If you have not yet donated to this year's Appeal please prayerfully consider how you can participate.**