



Corpus Christi Parish

"Building the Body of Christ"

We strive to radiate the presence of Jesus Christ in our parish and community and invite others to join us on our journey.

February 14, 2021 • Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Word from the Heart

The Kindness of Jesus Families of Parishes Update #8

— Fr. Patrick Gonyeau



Hello brothers and sisters in Christ! As I write this bulletin title, I get the sense I wrote about the kindness of Jesus not long ago, yet it touches my heart afresh with this weekend's gospel (Mk 1:40-45).

The Kindness of Jesus

In this weekend's gospel passage, we come to the tender moment when a person with leprosy approached Jesus and asked to be healed. Leprosy is a terrible sickness to bear, and, in the days when Jesus walked the face of the earth, it was particularly difficult. Those with leprosy were to stay far from others and were considered ritually unclean as well, meaning they were to stay away from places of worship (most especially the temple). The faith and courage of this person who approached Jesus is richly rewarded by the Lord, who in His gracious mercy looked upon the leper and said, "I do will it, be made clean." (Mk 1:41)

Sometimes our lives are messy, sometimes we make regretful mistakes, and yes, sometimes we sin. And yet, the countenance of Jesus is always inviting, always full of grace, compassion, healing, and kindness. What has been difficult or heavy in your life? What has weighed you down? Whatever it is, as you (and I) turn our attention and affection to Jesus and approach Him prayer ... he awaits. His heart is full of love for you, He does will it. He does will that you and I encounter His mercy afresh again and again and be transformed continually by the love of the one we gaze at in faith, hope, and love. In his eyes our inestimable worth is found, not in the opinions of others (no matter how grand or dire). It's His kindness that brings us home to the place of love in God's presence that is our identity as disciples of Jesus, beloved sons and daughters of a perfect heavenly Father who never tires of loving His family.

Families of Parishes Update #8

A brief but important point to note this week about Families of Parishes. When it comes to assignments, the Archdiocese has indicated that **all priests in a family will be assigned to all parishes in the Family**. So, while there will be a **lead priest** (either in the capacity of **moderator** or **pastor**) of the whole family, all of the priests in the family will form a team to serve the family together. Likewise, if there is a priest who has been with a community for a while and he is assigned to be in a family that includes that community, it is foreseen that priests in that situation would continue to serve **principally** in that assignment, while also working with the other priests and parishes to help leverage the blessings of being on a team that serves a family.

Love you and bless you! — **Fr. Patrick**

(Holy Homework may be found on page 3)

The bulletin is still under "construction." Thanks for your patience!

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Corpus Christi Directory

Parish Office Hours:	All parish buildings remain closed		
Weekend Masses:	Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am		
Daily / Holy Day Masses:	See weekly parish schedule		
Parish Address:	19800 Pembroke Ave Detroit MI 48219-2145		
Parish Phone:	313-537-5770		
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Parish Website:	www.corpuschristi-detroit.org		
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Sick Calls/Prayer Requests: Please call parish office “

Sacrament of Baptism Please call parish office “

Sacrament of Marriage Please call parish office at least six months before the wedding “

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 15

8:30 am MASS
9:30 am Parish Staff Prayer
7:00 pm Bible Study

Tuesday, February 16

8:30 am MASS
9:30 am Parish Staff Prayer
10:00 am Parish Staff Meeting
7:00 pm Parish Finance Council Mtg

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday

8:30 am MASS
9:30 am Parish Staff Prayer
7:00 pm MASS

Thursday, February 18

8:30 am MASS
9:30 am Parish Staff Prayer
10:00 am American Legion Food
Distribution (parking lot)
7:00 pm Parish Pastoral Council Mtg

Friday, February 19

8:30 am MASS
9:30 am Parish Staff Prayer
1:30 pm Parish Leadership Team Mtg
6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

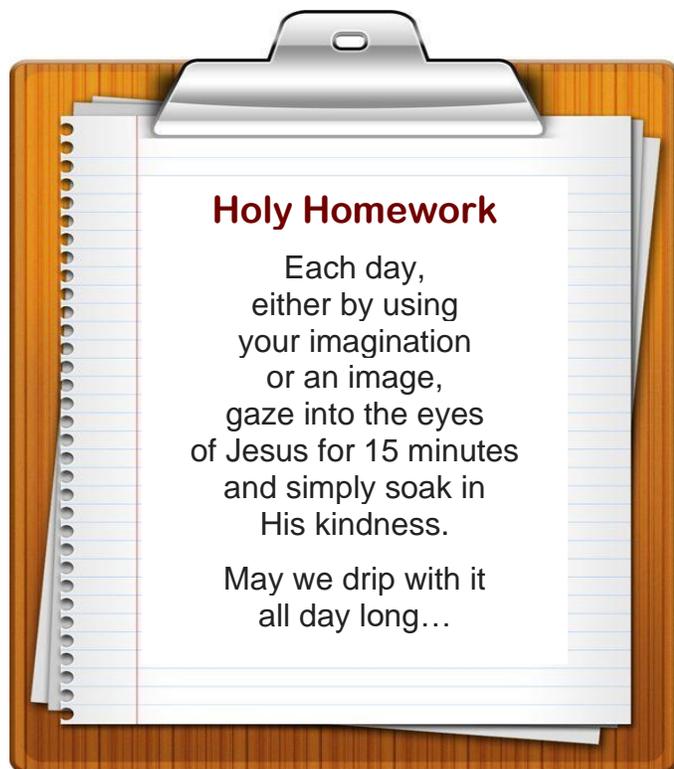
Saturday, February 20

10:00 am 1st Eucharist Preparation
1:00 pm CONFESSIONS
4:00 pm MASS

Sunday, February 21

1st Sunday of Lent

9:00 am RCIA Class
11:00 am MASS
1:30 pm Social Justice Committee
Meeting



Holy Homework

Each day,
either by using
your imagination
or an image,
gaze into the eyes
of Jesus for 15 minutes
and simply soak in
His kindness.

May we drip with it
all day long...



**SENT ON
MISSION**
FAMILIES OF PARISHES

Trinity Vicariate Family #1

Corpus Christi Parish

<http://www.corpuschristi-detroit.org>

Presentation/Our Lady of Victory Parish

<http://presentationourladyofvictory.org/>

SS. Peter and Paul Parish (Westside)

<http://www.ssppdetroit.net>

St. Juan Diego Parish

<http://www.familiamdei.com>

St. Mary of Redford Parish

<https://saintmaryofredford.church>

St. Scholastica Parish

<https://scholastica.church/>

Young Adult News

Refiner's Fire

"Optimizing Team Talents"

Wed Feb 17 | 12 noon cst | Virtual

— YCP's brand new virtual monthly micro-interview series Refiner's Fire features Catholic business leaders from diverse industries sharing professional and spiritual wisdom in short, 30-minute live sessions. Grab your lunch or a cup of coffee, invite some co-workers to join you, and enjoy a conversation with Tim Busch, President and CEO of The Busch Group about "Optimizing Team Talents." For more information, visit:

<https://www.aod.org/events/680>

Fridays at the GRC – Why Catholics Do That

Fri Feb 19 | 6:00 – 9:00 pm | In Person

— All college students are invited to meet friends and grow in faith together at the Gabriel Richard Center, 5001 Evergreen Rd, Dearborn. More information available at:

www.grcnewmancenterdearborn.org
yamc@aod.org

Course Start Date: Sunday, February 21, 2021

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10 am – 12 noon via Zoom

(10 non-consecutive weeks)

Cost is \$40.

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Sunday Reflection

We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place

they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision. ©LPi

The Power of the Gospel Today

by Sr. Therese MacKinnon, Director of Faith Formation

The Power of the Gospel Today is our theme for the Lenten Emmaus faith sharing groups. The Gospel of Jesus gives us the strength, hope and love that we need in our lives. The faith sharing groups will be meeting virtually. The source and guide that we will be using are the Scripture readings for the Sundays of Lent as found in **52 Sundays**, which includes the Sunday readings, prayers, reflection questions, ideas for putting the Gospel message into action, a brief biography of a saint, and even a recipe. In addition to the text we will have a short video clip to stimulate and enhance our discussion. Most of the group leaders are the same as last year. Email and contact information will be available on the Corpus Christi website.

Please register at corpuschristi-detroit.org by clicking on the "Emmaus" button and filling in your information. If you are unable to register that way, please call or email Sr. Therese (therese.mackinnon@corpuschristi.org, 313-434-8112) or call the parish office at 313-537-5770.

Here are some sample reflection questions for the First Sunday of Lent, Mark 1:12-15.

1. What emotions do you think Jesus felt while he was in the desert?
2. What do you think he thought or prayed about when he was there? *(continued on page 7)*

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40 LBS FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION

For Veterans,
Seniors, and Families
in need of food.

**THURSDAY, FEB 18 | 10:00 AM
UNTIL GONE
CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH
PARKING LOT
19800 PEMBROKE AVE
DETROIT, MI 48219**

In partnership with Gleaners Community Food Bank
there will be 600 food boxes to be distributed. No
contact distribution, stay in vehicle.



Take Time to Chat

Explore the Gospel as a family. Choose someone to read aloud **The Cleansing of a Leper (Mark 1:40-45)**. This gospel story can be found at 52Sundays.com. Discuss the following questions as a family:

- Consider the leper in today's Gospel story. How strong was his faith in Jesus? How easy or hard is it to have faith today?
- Why do you think Jesus didn't want the leper to tell anyone except the priest that he was healed?
- Why do you think the man told everyone anyway?

Family Prayer

Sunday, February 7, was the National Day of Prayer for the African American Family. The following prayer was composed by Fr. Jim Goode, OFM, who in 1989 founded the day of prayer.

God of mercy and love,

we place our African American and African Families before You today.

May we be proud of [African-American history] and never forget those who paid a great price for liberation.

Bless us, one by one, and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground.

Help us to live for you and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life.

Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives and friends.

Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way

that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do.

Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate,

especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely.

Bless our departed family members and friends.

May they be led into the light of Your dwelling place where we will never grow old,

where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity.

This we ask in the Precious Name of Jesus, our Savior and Blessed Assurance. Amen.

Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.

St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus

St. Joseph's tender heart, along with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, form the prototype of the nascent Church, Christ and his body. These three hearts beat as one and become the pattern of love established for our families, both ecclesial and domestic.

St. Joseph is not simply a sentimental figure playing a secondary and supporting role in the Father's plan, a stand-in to be trotted out for Christmas pageants. He is a man of courage who spends himself for the sake of Jesus and Mary, a man who became, and is, an expert in the contemplation of the face of Christ, a teacher of the faith and an example of a righteous one who answered his family's need with the sweat of his brow, one whose juvenile pupil was none other than the living incarnate God. St. Joseph is a man, not of words but of action who with your permission will help you also take Jesus and Mary into your home that these three hearts might bring your hearts into a sacred cadence with this sacred triumvirate.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the loving heart of good St. Joseph draw your parish and your family to the celebration of Easter with a new and profound sense of love, acknowledging the grandeur of your vocation, your identity in Christ and your share in his mission to re-establish all creation in himself.

(excerpted from an UTG article written by Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby, published February 8, 2021. Read the entire article at <https://www.unleashthegospel.org/2021/02/st-joseph-setting-families-apart-for-christs-mission-2/>)

Sunday Offertory Report

Weekly Budget	\$ 8350.00
Sunday Offerings 2-7-2021	\$ 6022.00
Solemnity of Mary Offerings	\$ 10.00
Shortfall for the Budget Year	\$ 28,288.82

"What shall I render to the LORD For all His benefits toward me?"

Psalm 116:12

Everyday Stewardship

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Readings for the Week

Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
Monday:	Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

February 21, 2021 — First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Ancient Israel isolated those with leprosy fearing the disease would spread to others. In what way can this be seen as a form of compassion?

Second Reading:

Paul places a high value on avoiding unnecessary conflict. Why do you think this is an important virtue for a Christian?

Gospel:

The man healed of leprosy disobeyed Jesus' command not to share with others what had happened. Why do you think the man did so?

COVID-19 UPDATE

Obligation To Attend Mass

Archbishop Vigneron announced that the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days **will expire on Saturday, March 13, 2021**. In its place, he is granting a number of particular dispensations for the faithful who may find themselves in specific circumstances. The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the anticipatory Mass at 4:00 p.m. *(continued on page 7)*)

Mass INTENTIONS

February 15 - 21, 2021

Monday	8:30 am	+ Sr Mary Finn HVM (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Tuesday	8:30 am	+ Quay Hardeman (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Wednesday	8:30 am	+ Nicole Smith (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
	7:00 pm	+ Charles Jack McDonald (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Thursday	8:30 am	+ Robert Vanden Berg (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Friday	8:30 am	+ Micki Grossman (req by Corpus Christi Parish)
Saturday	4:00 pm	+ Deacon Kevin Breen (req by Paul and Pat Mueller)
Sunday	11:00 am	For the People of Corpus Christi



Obligation To Attend Mass

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or later on the previous day) is to be reinstated in the Archdiocese of Detroit **effective Saturday, March 13, 2021**. Considering the grave obligation we have of being physically present with our brothers and sisters at Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation for the Eucharist, each of us is asked to make a good and sincere judgement as to whether these circumstances apply or not. Where doubt or confusion persists, consult any priest for clarity.

While the general dispensation is removed, there are specific instances where the dispensation will continue, as well as those circumstances where there is no obligation in the first place. One does not have an obligation to attend Mass on Sunday in eight circumstances. For information about these specific dispensations and visit aod.org/comehometohope.

The Power of the Gospel Today

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3. Today's Gospel says that angels ministered to Jesus. Have you ever felt the presence of angels in your life?
4. Jesus said, "This is the time of fulfillment." What does he mean by this?
5. What would it be like to be a missionary to people of other faiths and cultures?

Check out 52 Sundays at www.52sundays.com. If you can click into the Emmaus Groups that would be great. You can also check out the weekly references and share your insights with a family member or friend. Give someone a phone call. Take some time to share the blessings and insights God has given you. The power of love that Jesus shows us in the Gospels is for us personally and for all those whom we meet.

— **Sr. Therese**

Journey To Sainthood

The Tolton Ambassadors of Detroit ask for your continued support to help the **Cause of Canonization of Venerable Augustus Tolton** by

- praying daily the special prayer for his canonization
- telling the story of Fr. Tolton to your parish members, children, and grandchildren
- attending events sponsored by the Tolton Ambassadors for the promotion of the cause

Learn more about Fr. Tolton at <https://tolton.archchicago.org/the-cause/tolton-ambassador>



Please Pray for Our Deceased Loved Ones:

Micki Grossman (1/19) Corpus Christi supporter
 Charles Jack McDonald (1/21) father of Eric McDonald
 Patrick Flaherty (1/22) uncle of Colleen Flaherty
 Sr. Lisa Rieman (1/22) former member of the parish
 Deacon Kevin Breen (1/22) AOD associate director
 Sr. Margaret Swallow (1/22) former member of the parish



Please Pray for Our Sick Members:

Tony Baines • Ken Banka • Doris and Paul Billion • Marcelle Blackmon • Faye Chennault-Johnson • Jefferie Cook Sr
 • Karen Cook • Terrie Craighead-Henderson • Sheri Dargin • Cid Davis • Mary Davis • Kevin DeMatas • David Derouselle Sr
 • Renita Fletcher • Roy Ford • Bernadette and Tom Foster • Connie Gant • Gary Greening • Virginia Harkey • Clint Harris
 • Irma Horton • Lynn James • John Johnson • Roswitha Jordan • Fannie Larkins • Myrna Leonard • Marilyn Lewandowski
 • Nancy Loper • Lori Love • Felicia McPherson-Watts • Kathy Montgomery • Shirley Myles • Yve Nemeth • Sharon Ortman
 • Helen Parkman • Vernard Plain • Thelma Polley • Sally Rimbart • Joy Robinson • Elyse Ryder • Michael Sands
 • Pauline Simpson • Paula Springer • Donna Storie • Colletta Sykes • Brendia Thomas • Charlotte Turner • Harold Unsleber
 • Adele Waddell • Kathy Wilson • Dolores Wodarski

Please Pray for Our Homebound Members:

Etta Bagley • Jackie Bodenhorn • Evelyn Brantley • Beverly Brown-Johnson • Angeline Butler • Joe and Michelle Cagle
 • Clairmina Danjou • Vivian Dorsey • Ella Goldsmith • Sr. Rachelle Harper • Sr. Stephanie Holub • Ed and Mary Catherine Hustoles
 • Sharon Lewis • Bob Lindsay • Clemencia Massey • Beatrice Neail • Margaret Nielsen • Shirley Oldenburg • John Onwudinjo
 • Sue Padalino • Milford Raines • Hulda Reed • Isiah Searls • Joseph Shelton • Mary Pat Shelton • Bernice Slaughter
 • Irene Williford • Joyce Wilson • Audrey Zielinski

Please Pray for Our Relatives and Friends:

Susan Absher • Jim Agnello • Duncan Alfes • Gloria Alexander • Cynthia Archer-Gift • Dana Porter Ashton • Jackie Baines-Brabson
 • Sue Bates • Marie Beard • Joan Beckley-Fletcher • Kenneth Black • Laurie Bogart • Malcom Boudreaux • Bryan Bowman • Bria Brown
 • Ron Brown • James Bryant • Ernest Cabule • Michael Derrick Cade • Jenny Churchill • Scott Clinton • Leah Closson • Perry Conway
 • Nancy Copeland • Ronald Crane • Betty Cross • Chuck Davis • Natacha Desir • Shannon Dodd • Jerry Douglas • Chris Downing
 • Elizabeth Downing • Anita Eans • Lloyd Earl • Memphis Edison • Virginia Etherly • Joseph Evans • Stephen Farkus
 • Barbara Ford • Kyle Foster • Jerry and Patricia Franks • Mavis Frazer • Barbara Gay • Nestelyn Gay • Elwood Gneckow
 • Becky Goodrich • Marlene Grant • Morty Green • Jerry Grondin • Alfonso Harris • Millie Harris • Sharon Harris • Lisa Harston-LeDoux
 • Bob and Jane Hazen • Arvin Heath • Donna Hebel • Summer Henry • Carol Holm • Sullivan Horton • Jean Houck • Jeranne Jackson
 • Robert Jarey • Aliyaa John • Arnim Johnson • El Caleb Jones • Dorie Kaiser • Fr. Larry Kaiser • Bill Kelley • Joe Kieffer
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 • Antoinette Litzinger • Anthony Lorenger • Shannon Lorenger • Harold Lowe • Michael Mathis • Lisa Renee McCrary
 • Scott McDonald • Ethan McMaster • Anthony McNeal • Michael McNeece • John and Mary Jo Meakin • Ashley Melonson
 • Jerry Mercier Jr • Marilyn Mills • Ben Miller • Robert Miller Jr • Darwin Mills • Florence Mills • Willard Mitchell
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 John and Tyler O'Neill • Patty Page • Celena Parker • Willie Parker Jr. • Paula Parham • Cyndi Pask • James Pefley
 • Alicia Penman • Ethel Person • Marquon Perry • Matt Phillips • Reginald Phillips • Anthony Plain • Erin Plain
 • Robin Rau • David Remo • Sandra Reynolds • Michael Rice • Matthew Rich • Viola Richburge • Dorothy Roberson
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 • Larry Schneider • Mildred Scott • Alice Sheehan • Larry Shelton • Lenny Simmons • Sierra Simmons • Curtis Simpson Sr.
 • Donald Sims Sr. • Annice Sisco • Bee Smale • Emily Smale • Kathy Smith • Tyrone Smith • Beverly Sneed • Tom and Dorothy Sobota
 • Nicholas Stephens • Rochelle Stewart • Trevor Sullivan • Kevin Sweeney • Frances Sykes • Patt Taylor -Braxton
 • Rick Thompson • Carolyn Thrash • Johnny Townsend • Gerry Tremonti • Amy Turner • Eleanor Ursalan • Al Victors
 • Alicia Walker • Kelley Walker • Lance Walker • Andrea Weaver • Alonzo Wesley • Brady Wesley • The Wheeler Family
 • Ruth Wilson • Barbara Woods • Doris Woody • Kyle Yanke

Please Pray for Those in the Military:

Caija Campbell (Army) • Anthony Carson (Army) • Thomas Dixon (Navy) • Anthony Ford (Army) • Nick Goodrich (Army)
 • Anthony Hollins Jr. (Army) • Jonah and Jon LaTour • John Maurer (Air Force) • Robbie Mayes (Marines) • Christopher Maniere
 (National Guard) • Lance Walker II (Army)

Generations of Faith 2020 – 2021



Do you have a favorite cross or crucifix hanging in your home? The cross is our symbol of the Paschal Mystery, Jesus's Death and Resurrection — one of the central **teachings** of the Catholic faith. The Paschal Mystery is also the content of the current Generations of Faith video. It's not too late to watch it!

As a response to this month's video, we invite you to send in a photo of your favorite cross or crucifix. We will use them to create a photo collage for Lent and display the photos on the bulletin board at the parking lot entrance of the church. All types are welcome: cross or crucifix, a family heirloom or newly acquired, ornate or unadorned, wood or metal, etc. Send your photo to corpuschristigenerations@gmail.com or text the photo to 248-891-9386, preferably by Mon, Feb 15th.

Find the video *The Paschal Mystery: The Mystery of Jesus's Death and Resurrection* **on the parish website:** corpuschristi-detroit.org OR clickonatholic.com OR use the link in the parish emails:

1. Click the **Generations of Faith** button on the website's Welcome Page
2. To print the handout: Click on **Session 4 Handouts/Adults**
3. To see the video: click on **Generation of Faith Videos** then on **ADULTS 2020-2021 SESSION FOUR**

Respond:

This month, instead of creating a Word Cloud, we will create a photo collage of your favorite crosses (the Christian symbol of the Paschal Mystery). Send them to:

corpuschristigenerations@gmail.com

Related Additional Resources:

1. The Paschal Mystery in the Sacraments and everyday life (Archdiocese of Chicago)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btd88eBh21s>

2. Two virtual Tours of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. The site is recognized since the 4th century as the place where Jesus died, was buried, and rose from the dead in Jerusalem:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZ6ZdT5GOWc&ab_channel=AlJazeeraEnglish

— 16 minutes showing the church with readings from the Passion accounts in the Gospels

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TCnwrqawDfM&ab_channel=ChristianMediaCenter-English

— 1 min 34 sec overview of National Geographic's longer

AOD Pastoral Care Regarding The Vatican's Note on Baptism

In August of 2020, the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith issued a response to questions regarding the use of the words, “We baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” instead of the proper form of “I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”. The Vatican ruled that the form “We baptize” does not convey the Sacrament of baptism.

In the Archdiocese of Detroit, we are aware that between 1986 – 1999, potentially invalid baptisms occurred at St. Anastasia Parish in Troy, conducted by Deacon Mark Springer using the improper form. We are in the process of contacting those individuals who may be affected and we are asking for your help.

If you or someone you know was baptized at St. Anastasia Parish during this time period or you have any questions or concerns about the validity of your sacrament(s), we invite you to visit the website aod.org/sacramentsupdate for more information and to submit questions or concerns using the online form.

Help Wanted

St. Suzanne/Our Lady Gate of Heaven Parish (19321 West Chicago, Detroit, MI 48228) is looking to fill 2 part-time office positions (can be one person or two) — Office Manager and Bookkeeper. For more information or job description, contact Fr. Vic Clore at vclore@hotmail.com.

Legatus, a membership organization for Catholic CEOs, is seeking a full-time Advertising Sales Account Manager who can assist the organization with developing and nurturing existing and potential advertisers and sponsors in the Catholic community. Candidate must have 2 – 5 years of sales experience and live near or be willing to relocate to Ann Arbor, MI. For more information, visit [//www.legatus.org/joinourteam](http://www.legatus.org/joinourteam).

Empower – Restore – Inspire Livestream Panel Discussion on Women's Health and Wellness

Friday, February 26, 8:00 pm via Zoom

Featuring Dr. Lydia Rayes, local physician
Vickie Figueroa, Black Catholic Ministries
Nicole Joyce, Fertility Care Practitioner
email Figueroa.Vickie@aod.org for link

Why Do We Do That? – Catholic Life Explained

Question:

In today's digital world, do we really need to be face-to-face with a priest to confess our sins? Would Facetime or Zoom ever be allowed?

Answer:

The question of whether or not Catholics can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation virtually (via social media, by phone, or in some other way) is a question that has actually been around for several years. The recent COVID-19 pandemic brought the question back in a new way, especially as many parishes were forced to introduce a sort of "social distanced" confession, with the sacrament being celebrated outdoors.

In reflecting on this question, however, there are a couple points that we want to keep in mind. First, as the Code of Canon Law observes in different places, the faithful have a right to the sacraments of the Church and the Church's ministers have a responsibility to make them accessible. At the same time, however, we always have to be sure that we respect the nature of the sacraments themselves.

Although modern forms of technology and communication can help us in our work of evangelization catechesis, the Pontifical Council for Social Communication has reminded us that, "Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh and blood human community. There are no sacraments on the internet" (The Church and the Internet, no. 9).

Although our encounters with others on the internet and via social media can be considered "real" in one sense, in the sacraments we encounter Christ in a personal and ecclesial way. It is never just a private experience but is always grounded in the life of the Church and this means that it must truly be personal, including the contact between the confessor and the penitent. While the convenience or ease of online celebrations might be appealing for many reasons, at heart, we always want to keep in mind the fullness of the Church's tradition and the meaning of the sacraments.

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