

We who gather at Corpus Christi are called into the Body of Christ. Alone we acknowledge our incompleteness; together we experience our wholeness as a people of God. Our journey of faith opens us up to opportunities for collaborative ministry, the pursuit of justice, and the celebration of our diversity. Strengthened by the Spirit, we accept our calling to be a church that affirms the grace of our baptism into Christ's death and resurrection. We acknowledge that we share in the transformation of the world through Eucharist, reconciliation, and prophetic witness to God's justice and peace."

(Corpus Christi Mission Statement 2001)

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The Community of

Corpus Christi

Welcome, Visitors!

If you are visiting us, the Corpus Christi community welcomes you! Please take a moment to introduce yourself to one of our ministers. And, please, visit us again.

Interested in Registering?

If you would like to register as a member of Corpus Christi parish, please pick up a registration form in the back of the church and return it to one of our ministers, the rectory, or drop it in the collection basket.

Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday: 4:00 P.M. & Sunday: 10:30 A.M. Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday–Friday: 12:10 P.M.

Confessions: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

Corpus Christi Grocery Program

Located at SFNC, 2405 Linden Avenue * Baltimore, Maryland 21217 For program information or to volunteer, call 410-523-4161

Faith Formation for Children

Faith Formation classes are held on Sundays, 9:15 A.M.-10:15 A.M., for K-8th grade. Students must have a year of faith formation before beginning sacramental preparations. If you would like more information, or to register, contact the parish office.

Baptism for Infants and Children

Parishioners should call the parish office to schedule a baptismal preparation meeting. Baptismal preparation is required for first-time parents. Ordinarily, both godparents are Roman Catholic. If there is at least one Catholic godparent, a baptized Christian of another denomination may serve as a Christian Witness.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the parish office when someone is hospitalized or homebound, and a staff member will visit. A parishioner who is ill can request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion either at the hospital or at home. When someone cannot attend mass because of illness, notify the parish office and Communion may be brought to the home.

Marriage

Any couple is welcome to be married at Corpus Christi, provided at least one party is Catholic. Registration in the parish is not required. Call the parish office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is for non-Catholic adults who wish to become Catholic and for Catholic adults who may have been baptized but have not received other sacraments. Call the parish office for more information.

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council * Liturgy Committee * Children's Liturgy * Faith Formation * RCIA * Artscape Weekend * Gays And Lesbians At (GALA) Corpus Christi * Hospitality * Marriage Preparation * Sister Parish * Small Christian Communities * and others.

Corpus Christi Tidings

Interested in receiving parish information by email? Send your email address to corpuschristinewsletter@gmail.com to receive the TID

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30 - 31 2016 Sunday Lectionary Readings

This Week's Readings: Ecclesiastes 1: 1, 2: 21-23; Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11; Luke 12: 13-21 Next weekend's Readings: Wisdom 18: 6-9; Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19; Luke 12: 32-48

Scripture Reflection

Today's Gospel message about possessions isn't new, but it has special meaning for us in our consumer society. How do we tame our own wants and those of our children? How do we reconcile our concerns about financial security in a capitalist society with the warnings we hear today? Paul challenges us to discern whether we have taken off our old selves and put on our new selves in Christ!

Let Us Pray For Those in Need of Prayer

Michael Previdi, Gillian Riddle, Marco Glorioso, Brennan Meadows, Kenneth E. Bates, Lilian Mary Nabuline, Bob Trimble, DeWitt Crews, Dick Ullrich, Patrice Cromwell; Kim Maerkl, Sarah Murphy, Dennis Murphy, Kurt Berger, Valerie Dimmer, Nancy Sherri Potter, Amanda Anderson, Tony Preston, Kristine Chiong, Rufino Labindao, Arthur Weaver, Julia Smith, Eloisa Santos, Francois Smets, Thomas Klein, Mary Romano, Keith Hargraves, Rosalie Labindao, Nina McKnight, Lilia Labindao, Frazier Brice, Vivonne Cooper, Colette Danek, Sarah Delcamp, Kathleen Ward Dragovich, Judith Zoellner, Jordan Crews, Joe Pezzi, Caylee Crews, Pat Kane. *Names will be listed for 6 weeks. If you would like a name listed for an additional 6 weeks, please notify the rectory).*

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 30, Jeff Dechert, deceased Sunday, July 31, Carmela D'Agostino, deceased Monday, August 1, Pastor's Intentions, *special int*. Wednesday, August 3, Cathy DeAngelis, *special int*. Friday, August 5, Ruth & James Rooks, *special int*. Saturday, August 6, Frazier Brice, deceased. Sunday, August 7, Tom Ward, *deceased*

Collection Update

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$2,138.05 Budgeted: \$4,524.33

Last Weekend's 2nd Collection -\$ 491.00

This Weekend's 2nd Collection will benefit our Community Outreach Programs

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection will benefit the Black and Native American Missions

Attendance: July 23 - 24 - 4:00 pm —19 -- 10:30 am – 100

This Week at Corpus Christi			
Sat., Aug. 6, - 10:30 am	Baptism	Church	
Sun., Aug. 7 – 10:45 am	CLOW	Church	
Sun., Aug. 14 – 10:30 am	Baptism	Church	
Fri., Aug. 19 – 5:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Church	
Sat., Aug. 20 – 5:30 pm	Wedding	Church	
Sun., Aug. 21 – 10:45 am	CLOW	Church	
Sun., Aug. 21 – 11:45 am	Parish Mission Readiness Focus Group Mtg	Church	
Fri., Aug. 26 – 5:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Church	
Sat., Aug. 27 – 5:30 pm	Wedding	Church	
Mon., Sept. 5	Labor Day – Parish Offices Closed		
Sun., Sept. 11 – 9:00 am	Parish Mission Readiness Team Mtg	Rectory	
Mon., Sept. 12 – 7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting	Rectory	
Fri., Sept. 16 – 4:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Church	
Fri., Sept. 16 – 5:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Church	
Sat., Sept. 17 – 10:30 am	Wedding	Church	
Sat, Sept. 17 – 5:30 pm	Wedding	Church	
Sun., Sept. 18 – 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School	
Sun., Sept. 18 – 10:45 am	CLOW	Church	
Mon., Sept. 19 – 7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Rectory	
Check out our Parish Website – <u>www.corpuschristibaltimore.org</u> for more information			

CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS

Dear Parishioners.

Here we are at the end of the month of July – seven months into this calendar year. I was recently in some stores and they are all gearing up to sell Back To School items – what with the opening of school less than a month away. Summer has certainly slipped by fast.

But believe it or not – one of these stores had not only the Back to School items for sale – but they also had at least one aisle dedicated to Christmas items already. That nearly blew my mind! I know shows like the shopping shows on cable TV celebrate Christmas in July with sales on Christmas items from candles to candles to decorations and lights. However, I guess I am old-fashioned – the Christmas items need to wait until November. But I guess my wish is not going to happen. In fact, I would venture to say that many stores will have some of their Christmas items out in September – October, if not sooner

Oh well, I guess the old saying is so true – time flies when you are having fun!

Peace,

Fr. Marty

ARTSCAPE

ARTSCAPE has come and gone – it was a great success. The concerts were beautiful – the Odell pipe organ sounded amazing – thanks to David Storey. Our parish choir, cantor and music director did a fantastic job at the weekend Masses. Thanks to Kristine Smets and Lin Romano for volunteering their time. Believe it or not we had more people in attendance – mostly visitors – at Mass on ARTSCAPE weekend than we have on our parish weekends since the beginning of June. And thousands of visitors came into our church to check it out and to listen to the beautiful music! What a wonderful way to evangelize! Well, ARTSCAPE 2016 is over – now we need to look to the future – to ARTSCAPE 2017 – so mark your calendars – the dates for next year will be July 22, 23 and 24. Onward to next year!

Faith Formation

Pre-registration forms have been sent to current faith formation students for the 2016-2017 school year. This convenient form just needs to be verified, not filled out again! Please let Kristen know if you need a copy for your student. Forms for new student registrations can be found in the back of the church. Forms and payment can be returned to the rectory via mail, dropped off, or placed in an envelope label "Faith Formation" with the offertory.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) All Summer!

We have CLOW twice a month all summer long. Our remaining dates are August 7th & 21st. CLOW will then resume following the Faith Formation schedule on September 18th.

Children's Worship Bulletins

Our younger parishioners have their very own worship aid for Mass each week. On the back table, pick up a copy of Catholic Kids. There is a handy order of Mass, activities relating to the readings, and information to help children learn about Mass.

Food Program – Week of July 18 - July 22, 2016

Grocery Bags	Mon	24 bags
Lunches at the Door	Mon/Wed/Fri	74 lunches

Grocery Bags

In addition to the regular bag of groceries everyone enjoyed a selection of extra canned goods as well as plenty of bread, bagels, muffins, pies, cornbread, strawberries and raspberries from Whole Foods.

Make Corpus Christi part of your Summer Plans

We all need reminders sometime, perhaps especially now as we are making vacation plans. The summer months often interrupt our regular weekly routines, including our regular mass attendance. But we mustn't forget the commitment we made last fall during our stewardship drive to provide regular financial support for our various church ministries. Therefore, make a larger donation this week to make up for missed envelopes during the summer months. Or better yet, set up weekly or monthly direct payments from your checking or savings account, which allows you to fulfil your pledges even when you are unable to attend weekly Mass due to travel or other circumstances. If you are new to the parish, make the decision now to become a regular giver. Finally, on those weeks when you remain in town this summer, remember that your presence at Corpus Christi on Saturday or Sunday remains one of the greatest gifts we can give to one another.

Archdiocesan Planning Survey

You may recall last fall either going online or filling out a survey called "Be Missionary Disciples". Over 100 of our parishioners did this, in fact. The results are in. Our parish leadership has seen the results.

The next step will be to put together a Parish Mission-Readiness Team. Kevin Kostic will chair the team. The following individuals will be a part of it: Cyndi Tifft, Mike Booth, Kristen Bowden, Sister Theresa Lamy, Melanie Alfano,

Fritz Bauerschmidt, John Gray and Fr. Marty.

This team will study the survey results and are being asked by the Archbishop to prepare a 2-3 page statement that discusses the parish's mission-readiness. This will be done over the summer and time will be given to obtaining reaction to the statement by parishioners before it is presented to the archdiocese. This will need to be done by September 30.

Then the second phase of this process will kick in – the parish cluster phase – more about that as we are informed by the Archdiocese. The Team has set a Parish Focus meeting for Sunday, August 21st after the 10:30 am Mass. All parishioners are encouraged to stay and participate in this session that will help the Team to tweak our Parish Mission Readiness Document.

RETROUVAILLE MARRIAGE WEEKEND

The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from disillusionment or misery please contact Retrouvaille. Our next weekend is **September 9 - 11**, 2016. All calls and inquires are confidential. To register or obtain more information visit our website

at: <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.com</u>, call <u>(443) 400-7017</u>, or email: 3015@retrouvaille.org.

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