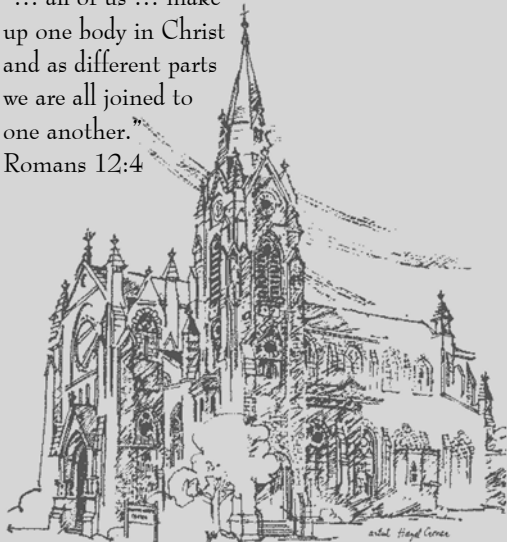


"... all of us ... make up one body in Christ and as different parts we are all joined to one another."
Romans 12:4



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

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For program information or to volunteer, call 410-523-41616

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 * Small Christian Communities * and others.

Corpus Christi Baltimore E-mail Communication Group

Interested in receiving parish information by email? Send your email address to Sarah Bujno at Sarah.Bujno@archbalt.org

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 25 - 26, 2017

Sunday Lectionary Readings

This Weekend's Readings: 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5: 8-14; John 9: 1-41

Next Weekend's Readings: Ezekiel 37: 12-14; Romans 8: 8-11; John 11: 1-45

Scripture Reflection

As we continue our journey through this season of Lent, we are met with the question of who is worthy in God's eyes. Based on false expectations the Israelites and the Pharisees never thought David would be chosen king or that Jesus would heal the man born blind. Worthiness may be found not in reputation or pedigree or appearance, but in one's heart. Let us ever keep this important idea in mind.

Let Us Pray For Those in Need of Prayer

Marilyn Anderson, Christopher Kauffman, Alfredo Panico, Sister Jane Coyle, Kim Palowitz, Michael Previdi, Gillian Riddle, Marco Glorioso, Brennan Meadows, Kenneth E. Bates, Lilian Mary Nabuline, DeWitt Crews, Dick Ullrich, Patrice Cromwell, Kim Maerkl, 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, Vivonne Cooper, Sarah Delcamp, Kathleen Ward Dragovich, Judith Zoellner, Jordan Crews, Joe Pezzi, Caylee Crews, Pat Kane, Francis Saba, Sr. Jean Marie Hobbs, Mary Lou Palazzolo *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, Mar. 25, 4:00 pm, Deacon Don Miller, *deceased*

Friday, Mar. 31, Daniel Bonner, *deceased*

Sunday, Mar. 26, 10:30 am, Florence & Frank Styka., *deceased*

Saturday, Apr. 1, 4:00 pm, Umberto Muscio, *deceased*

Monday, Mar. 27, 12:10 pm – NO MASS

Sunday, Apr. 2, 10:30 am, Ellen T. Myers, *deceased*

Wednesday, Mar 29, 12:10 pm, Edward Mazurczyk, *deceased*

Collection Update

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$2,858.00 Budgeted -- \$4,524.33

Last Sunday's 2nd Collection: \$659.00

This Weekend's 2nd Collection benefits the Catholic Relief Services

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection benefits our Community Outreach Programs

Mass Attendance – March 18 - 19 – 4:00 -- 28 10:30 – 134

Coming Up at Corpus Christi

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| Sunday, March 26, 9:15 am | Faith Formation | School |
| Sunday, March 26, 10:45 am | CLOW | Church |
| Sunday, March 26, 11:30 am | Hospitality | Church |
| Monday, March 27, 10:30 am | Seniors Group | Rectory |
| Sunday, April 2, 9:15 am | Faith Formation | School |
| Sunday, April 2, 9:15 am | Confirmation | Rectory |
| Sunday, April 2, 10:45 am | CLOW | Church |
| Monday, April 3, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Council Meeting | Rectory |
| Sunday, April 9, 10:30 am | Palm Sunday Mass | Church |
| Monday, April 10, 10:30 am | Seniors Group | Rectory |
| Monday, April 10, 7:00 pm | Liturgy Committee Meeting | Rectory |
| Thursday, April 13, 7:30 pm | Mass of the Lord's Supper | Church |
| Friday, April 14, 12:10 pm | Stations of the Cross | Church |
| Friday, April 14, 7:30 pm | Service of the Passion of the Lord | Church |
| Saturday, April 15, 8:00 pm | Easter Vigil | Church |
| Sunday, April 16, 10:30 am | Easter Sunday Mass | Church |
| Monday, April 17 | Easter Monday – Holiday – Parish Offices Closed | |
| Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 pm | Finance Committee Meeting | Rectory |
| Sunday, April 23, 9:15 am | Faith Formation | School |
| Sunday, April 23, 10:30 am | Mass – St. Francis Neighborhood Center Visits | Church |
| Sunday, April 23, 10:45 am | CLOW | Church |

Visit our parish website at www.corpuschristibaltimore.org for more information

CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

Rejoice – Rejoice – this is Laetare Sunday – we are half-way through the season of Lent – Easter is just around the corner. So maybe we need to stop of think about where we are on our Lenten journey – how have our conversations been with the Lord? Are they leading us to conversion – like the Samaritan woman and the man born blind? Hopefully they are – if not let's work on it now.

Peace,
Fr. Marty

RCIA Prayers

Please keep our catechumen, Anne Dutton, and our candidates – Kevin Meadows, Marcus Mosley, and Julie Nanavati – in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

Lenten Regulations

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstaining from meat. All the other Fridays of Lent are meatless as well. These regulations apply to the following: Fasting – all Catholic between the ages of 18 and 59 are to fast. Abstaining from meat – all Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat.

Clergy Day of Reflection

The Archdiocese is holding a Day of Prayer and Reflection for the clergy of the Archdiocese on Monday, March 27, beginning at 12 noon. Fr. Marty will be attending this event at the Seminary. **Because of the pastor's absence, there will be no 12:10 pm Mass on Monday, March 27th.**

Mark your Calendars – Plan Ahead – Lenten Series

The Bolton Hill Tri-Church Education Series will continue this week. Light supper at 6:30 pm and presentation at 7:00 pm. The dates are as follows: all Wednesdays – March 29, and April 5.

The Education sessions will zero in on the following question: What would you like to see from the Christian community in light of the current political environment? We do hope that many of our parishioners will take the time during Lent to attend this series.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Easter is just 40 days from this Wednesday – that means it's time to think about the Easter Flower Memorials. Envelopes for the Memorials can be found on the tables in the back of church. **Please have your names and donations in no later than Sunday, April 9th.** Thanks for helping us to create a beautiful environment for our Easter celebrations!

Farewell Hospitality on March 26

Please join us after mass on Sunday, March 26 to send off Sarah Bujno, our Coordinator of Communications and Evangelization, with a farewell hospitality. Sarah and her husband Peter have relocated to Philadelphia. Sarah will continue as *Tidings* editor remotely until the position can be filled. Thank you, Sarah and Peter, for your contributions to Corpus Christi.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal Report

Corpus Christi's goal for this year's Appeal is \$21,200. As of 3/20/2017 – the parish has given 21 gifts. These gifts amount to \$7,920.00
Many thanks to those who have given!

Food Program – Week of 3/13 – 3/17, 2017

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| Grocery Bags | Mon | 9 bags |
| Lunches at the Door | Mon/Wed/Fri | 52 lunches |

Grocery Bags

The grocery bags this week were filled with cereal, beans, vegetables, soup, fruit, tuna, pasta, peanut butter and jam. A variety of additional canned goods were out for people to choose from. Once again, there was plenty of fresh bread, rolls, bagels, muffins and cookies from Whole Foods for everyone! Beginning this past Monday and for the next three weeks everyone will be given a \$25 gift card to Giant to help with groceries for their Easter celebration. As an extra treat there's a bag of chocolate eggs for all.

Calling All Corpus Christi Seniors!

Our seniors group meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 10:30 am in the rectory. The next meeting will take place on Monday, March 27. Please bring a bible. Coffee and tea are provided. If you or someone you know is interested in joining, please call the rectory at 410-523-4161.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Parishioners ages 3 through 1st grade are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy at the 10:30 AM Mass on Faith Formation Sundays. Children are called to the altar to receive a special blessing, then go to the sacristy to hear the Gospel and learn in an age-appropriate setting. Each session includes a craft or activity related to the Gospel. There's no need to register or sign up, just come forward when Father Marty gathers the children.

Catholic Kids Bulletins

Each Sunday, Catholic Kids Bulletins are available for our youngest parishioners to help them learn more about our Catholic Mass. Bulletins can be found on the table in the back of the church. Each week's bulletin contains coloring pages for a saint and activities based on the Gospel, as well as a handy order of Mass checklist for children. To see samples, visit the Catholic Kids Bulletin website at: catholickidsbulletin.blogspot.com

Hersheypark Discount Tickets

Today is the deadline for ordering Hersheypark discount tickets! Please turn in all order forms by March 26th.

Holy Angels Bull and Oyster Roast

The Holy Angels Catholic School is having its annual Bull and Oyster Roast on Saturday, April 1 (it is not a joke!) from 7 pm to midnight. Early bird tickets are available from March 1-17 and are \$40; \$50 after that date. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the School and features food, games, silent auction and a DJ. If you have questions or would like tickets, please contact Mary Anne Wylie: walker.wylie@verizon.net

Chili Dinner Fundraiser

The MRJA Churches and Schools Committee is sponsoring its second annual Chili Dinner Fundraiser on April 19 from 5-8 pm at Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and Lafayette. Come and enjoy delicious home made chili (vegetarian available) corn bread, bake sale and raffle. Ticket price is \$10 per person with children 12 and under free. This fundraiser is in support of Mount Royal Elementary/Middle School week-long outdoor educational program that allows all sixth grade students to attend a camp that is focused on environmental science and character education program. **See Fr. Marty if you want a ticket.**

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