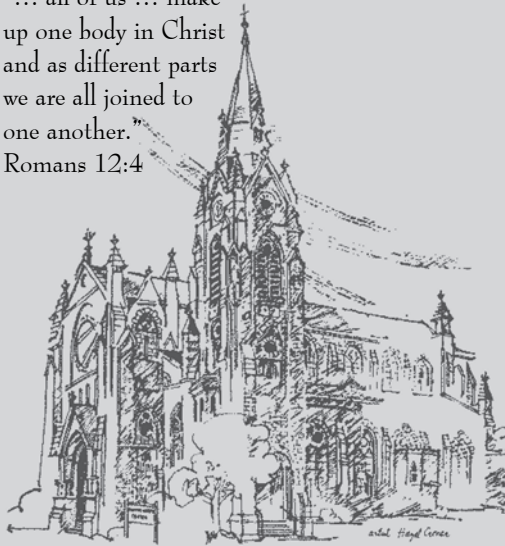


"... all of us ... make up one body in Christ and as different parts we are all joined to one another."
Romans 12:4



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)

Pastor: Rev. Martin H. Demek

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Kristen Bowden

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Beth Steinrock, Coordinator

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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 TIDINGS

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 9 - 10, 2016

Sunday Lectionary Readings

This Week's Readings: Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11; Titus 2: 11-14, 3: 4-7; Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

Next Weekend's Readings: Isaiah 62: 1-5; 1Corinthians 12: 4-11; John 2: 1-11

Scripture Reflection

John tells us that this sign of Jesus' power took place at the beginning of his ministry at a wedding feast at Cana. Jesus' ministry – from the very start – occurred in real life, addressing real-life concerns. And he continues to enter our real lives as he offers himself to us in so many ways, especially in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Yes, He generously provides what we need to exercise our own gifts for others.

Let Us Pray For Those in Need of Prayer

Marco Glorioso, Brennan Meadows, Kenneth E. Bates, Lilian Mary Nabuline, Bob Trimble, Father Joseph Dworak, DeWitt Crews, Dick Ullrich, Patrice Cromwell; Jim Harris, Kim Maerkl, Sarah Murphy, Dennis Murphy, Mary Lou Palazzolo, Penny Tresca, Ken Cullin, 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, Jan. 9, Helen R. Anderson, *deceased*

Sunday, Jan. 10, Parishioners Intentions, *spec. int.*

Monday, Jan. 11, Dr. Kiefer Mitchell, Sr. *deceased*

Wednesday, Jan. 13, Joseph Lazazzero., *deceased*

Friday, Jan 15, Deborah Kachelries., *deceased*

Saturday, Jan. 16, Elizabeth Vizzini, *deceased*

Sunday, Jan. 17, Norma Alonso, *deceased*

Collection Update

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$ 3,378.00 Budgeted: \$ 4,524.33

Last Weekend's 2nd Collection -\$ 728.00

This weekend's 2nd Collection benefits our Community Outreach Programs

Next weekend's 2nd Collection benefits the Archdiocesan Collection for the Special Care for Diocesan Priests

Attendance: January 2 - 3 – 4pm –28 --- 10:30 am - 103

This Week at Corpus Christi

Sat., Jan 9, 9:00 am	Lenten Liturgy Planning	Rectory
Sun., Jan. 10, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., Jan. 10, 9:15 am	Confirmation Class	Rectory
Sun., Jan. 10, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Mon., Jan. 11, 7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Rectory
Sun., Jan. 17, 12:15 pm	Baptism	Church
Mon., Jan. 18	MLK Celebration – Office closed and No 12:10 pm Mass	
Weds., Jan. 20	Finance Committee Meeting	Rectory
Sun., Jan. 24, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., Jan. 24, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Sun., Jan. 24, 12:15 pm	Baptism	Church
Sun., Jan. 31, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., Jan. 31, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Mon., Feb. 1, 7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting	Rectory
Sat. – Sun., Feb. 6-7	Souper Bowl of Caring	Church
Sun., Feb. 7, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., Feb. 7, 9:15 am	Confirmation Class	Rectory
Sun., Feb. 7, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Mon., Feb. 8, 7:00pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Rectory
Mon., Feb. 10, 12:10 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass	Church

Visit our Parish Website at www.corpuschristibaltimore.org for more information

CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS

Food Program – Week of Dec. 28 – Jan 1, 2016

Grocery Bags	Mon	closed
Lunches at the Door	Mon/Wed/Fri	closed

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend the Church celebrates the Baptism of the Lord. In just a few weeks we have gone from worshipping the baby Jesus to seeing the adult Jesus being baptized in the Jordan River. Wow! So much in so little a space of time! This weekend also officially ends the Christmas season – next weekend we will enter into Ordinary Time.

During this weekend's liturgy we should all be reminded of our own baptism – of the commitment that was made for us if we were infants or of the commitment we made as adults. We should also ponder the responsibilities that are ours as a result of being Christians. We should also take the time this weekend to recommit ourselves by renouncing evil and sin and professing our faith in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

May this weekend's celebration remind us of who we are and what we are called to be and do now and until we see our God face to face in the Kingdom.

Peace,
Fr. Marty

Christmas Collection

The final tally for the Christmas Collection 2015 amounts to \$6,954.00. This figure is less than last Christmas – one reason might be the fact of the weather and that there were less people in church this year for the Christmas services.

Stewardship Commitment Card

Please remember to send in your Stewardship Commitment Card as soon as possible. Remember to fill in your Offertory pledge and also to fill out your willingness to serve in some capacity. Remember this information will help us with our future budget and with building up the parish.

THANK YOU!!!!!!

A huge thank you to all of our parishioners for all of their holiday generosity for our grocery bag program. For Thanksgiving you shopped for and we packed 80 bags filled with extra food items to help make a delicious dinner. Christmas came with a new idea to sponsor a family by shopping for and packing a bag of groceries and this was met with great success. The families who participate in our grocery bag program were thrilled with all the wonderful extras that filled their bags. We couldn't have done it without you!

Sandwich Alert

We need your help. McDonogh school has begun donating sandwiches once again which is such a blessing. We are seeing a steady number of guests coming for lunch and with the colder weather around the corner that number will most likely go up. Please help us restock our freezers so we can continue this important ministry to feed the hungry. If you have any questions please contact Beth Steinrock at 410-615-7771 or beth.steinrock@archbalt.org

Grocery Bags

The bags this week contained the usual items of rice, cereal, cans of vegetables, fruit, tuna & soup, peanut butter and preserves. Fresh items in the bag this week were bananas, apples, carrots, and potatoes. Bonus food items were beets or black beans.

Faith Formation

Parents, please be reminded that we do not have classes next weekend, January 17th. Classes resume on January 24th for K-8th graders, and February 7th for Confirmation students.

Souper Bowl of Caring February 6th & 7th

On February 6th & 7th, at each Mass, students will be collecting soup and monetary donations as a part of the 2016 Souper Bowl of Caring. The Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group 25 years ago:

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since that day, more than \$110 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring, and \$1000 for our programs here at Corpus Christi. It is a powerful movement transforming the time around the Big Game into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, our young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world – as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need. Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Every dollar raised goes directly to our food programs at Corpus Christi.

Coordinator of New Evangelization and Communications

What: Part-time (19 hours a week)

- develop evangelization and communications strategy
- manage all print and electronic communications and social media presence
- develop evangelization activities
- nurture relationships with the community
- help to foster the faith life of the parish community, etcetera

Where: Corpus Christi Catholic Church
110 W. Lafayette Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21217

When: starting January, 2016

Who: Man or woman, Catholic,

-- with BA or MA in Theology, Religious Studies, or Pastoral Ministry; or a M.Div., or a BA or MA in Marketing with some background in Theology

-- need to have excellent communication, interpersonal and organizational skills

-- need solid computer skills and understanding of social media tools

If interested, email letter of introduction and resume to

Fr. Marty Demek at mdemek@archbalt.org

Archdiocesan Survey

As of December 28, 2015, our parish had responded to the Archdiocesan Survey 96 times. Sincere thanks to all who responded. Now we wait until we receive a report from the Planning people downtown with the results of the survey. This together with our Council's input will assist us in putting together a plan for the future, which the Archdiocese is asking us to do.

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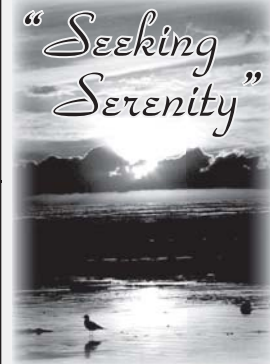
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