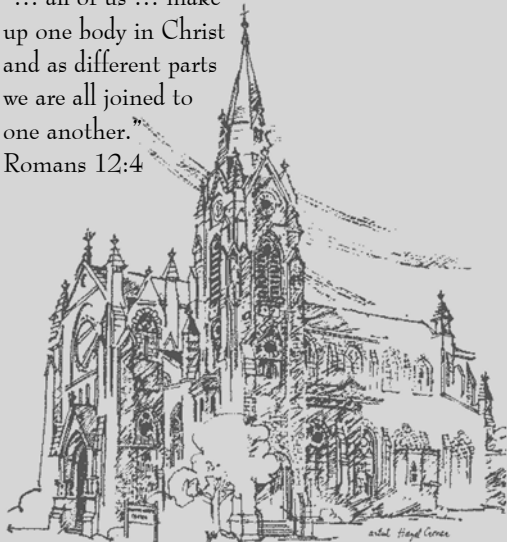


“... all of us ... make up one body in Christ and as different parts we are all joined to one another.”
Romans 12:4



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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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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 5 - 6, 2016

Sunday Lectionary Readings

This Week's Readings: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21; Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Next Weekend's Readings: Isaiah 43: 16-21; Philippians 3: 8-14; Joh 8: 1-11

Scripture Reflection

Laetare Sunday calls us to rejoice, and we hear profound reasons for joy in the story of the prodigal son. Even when we make life choices that cause great pain, God is always there, ready to forgive us. How deep is God's mercy? Today's readings say that the only limits are the ones we place on God's infinite love.

Let Us Pray For Those in Need of Prayer

John O'Brien, Gillian Riddle, Marco Glorioso, Brennan Meadows, Kenneth E. Bates, Lilian Mary Nabuline, Bob Trimble, DeWitt Crews, Dick Ullrich, Patrice Cromwell; Jim Harris, 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, March 5, Helen R. Anderson, *deceased*

Sunday, March 6, Thomas Parry, *deceased*.

Monday, March 7, Msgr. Art Valenzano, *deceased*

Wednesday, March 9, John S. Demek, *deceased*

Friday, March 11, Paola Cairo, *deceased*

Saturday, March 12, Elizabeth Vizzini, *deceased*

Sunday, March 13, Parishioners Intentions, *spec. int.*

Collection Update

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$ 5,129.30 Budgeted: \$ 4,524.33

Last Weekend's 2nd Collection -\$ 954.23

This weekend's 2nd Collection will benefit Catholic Relief Services

Next weekend's 2nd Collection will benefit our Community Outreach Programs

Attendance: February 27-28 – 4:00 pm – 37 --- 10:30 am -- 117

This Week at Corpus Christi

Sun., March 6, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., March 6, 9:15 am	Confirmation Class	Rectory
Sun., March 6, 9:15 am	Adult Faith Formation	Rectory
Sun., March 6, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Mon., March 7, 7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting	Rectory
Weds., March 9, 6:30 pm	Tri-Church Lecture Series	Memorial Episcopal
Sun., March 13, 2:00 am	Daylight Savings Time begins – Move clocks ahead one hour	
Sun., March 13, 9:15 am	Faith Formation	School
Sun., March 13, 10:45 am	CLOW	Church
Mon., March 14, 7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Rectory
Tues., March 15, 7:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Rectory
Wed.s, March 16, 6:30 pm	Tri-Church Lecture Series	Memorial Episcopal
Sun., March 20, 9:45 am	Bolton Hill Tri-Church Ecumenical Palm Sunday Procession	
Sun., March 20, 10:30 am	Blessing of Palms and Mass	Church
Thurs., March 24, 7:30 pm	Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper	Church
Fri., March 25, 12:10 pm	Good Friday – Stations of the Cross	Church
Fri., March 25, 7:30 pm	Good Friday – Passion of the Lord	Church
Sat., March 26, 8:00 pm	Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil	Church
Sun., March 27, 10:30 am	Easter Sunday – Morning Mass	Church

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

CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

Here we are into the month of March already – Easter is just around the corner so to speak. So let us take this precious time left in the season of Lent to get our spiritual lives squared away. This is the time -- let us not waste it but let us make every effort to spiritually prepare ourselves for the coming Holy Week and Easter celebration, which will take place in just a few short weeks.

Peace,

Fr. Marty

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.

Bolton Hill - Tri-Church Lenten Series Continues

Topic: “Hospitality in an Age of Terror”

When: Wednesdays, March 9, and 16, 2016

Where: Memorial Episcopal Hall

What: Dinner – 6:30 pm; Talk and Discussion – 7:00 -8:30 pm
How do our theological traditions speak to the responsibility of guests and hosts in an age marked by terror and fear? How do we make space for the “stranger” in a city experiencing spikes in crime and violence? How do we make room for immigrants from other lands at a time of terrorist acts against innocents? Join members and friends of Brown Memorial, Memorial Episcopal and Corpus Christi churches as we break bread together and delve into this timely and challenging topic.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Easter is just around the corner – that means it’s time for 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, March 20th.** Thanks for helping us to create a beautiful environment for our Easter celebrations!

Lenten Penance Service

St Ignatius on Calvert Street will be hosting the Lenten Penance Service on Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Food Program – Week of Feb. 22 – Feb. 26, 2016

Grocery Bags	Mon	20 bags
Lunches at the Door	Mon/Wed/Fri	79 lunches

Sandwiches Needed

Sandwiches are always needed for the lunch service that is done at the rectory door three times a week. Bread, ham, cheese, a little mustard in a Ziploc bag and returned to the bread sleeve is all you do. Bring to church or the rectory. Many Thanks.

Stained Glass Windows

You may have noticed that for quite some time the two small stained glass windows in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel have been missing. They were in need of serious repair – so they were at the Epiphany Studios being repaired. They should be reinstalled this past week. Please take the time one weekend to check them out.

Archbishop’s Annual Appeal

We have entered into the 2016 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. If you have not made a donation of any sort then we would ask you to do so soon. Ministries supported by the Appeal include the Office of Religious Education – through which Corpus Christi receives a yearly grant, Catholic Charities and so much more. Our parish rebate helps to support our Community Outreach Programs. Please prayerfully consider how you will support the 2016 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. Give a one-time gift, make a pledge – that can be spread out over 10 months. It does not matter how you do it – it matters that you do it! If you received a pledge form in the mail you may use it – send it in to the Archdiocese or place it in the church collection. For more information about the Appeal or to pledge online, please visit www.archbalt.org/appeal. Thank you in advance for your prayers and your support.

Faith Formation

Classes do not meet on March 20th for Palm Sunday. We want to give families the opportunity to participate in the Ecumenical Palm Sunday Procession that begins at 9:45 AM. Also, classes do not meet on March 27th for Easter Sunday.

HersheyPark Discount Tickets

We are offering families the opportunity to buy discount tickets to HersheyPark. Group admission tickets are not dated for a specific day, so you can use your tickets any day during the summer schedule (generally, June, July & August, plus weekends in May and September). You can also use your ticket for HersheyPark Preview the night before your visit. We must sell a minimum of 20 tickets to qualify for this price list. Each ticket includes an additional \$.85 amusement tax.

Ticket Type	Cost
Regular (ages 9-54)	\$38.50
Junior/Senior (ages 3-8 & 55-69)	\$29.50
Senior Plus (ages 70+)	\$22.95

For more information, parking rates, and hours of operation, visit www.hersheypark.com. To order discount tickets, please email Kristen Bowden at kristen.bowden@archbalt.org for the order form. The deadline for orders is March 25th.

Many Thanks

Many thanks to all the parishioners who have taken the time to make a pledge or give a donation to this year’s Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. Your gift will help so many wonderful ministries, programs and events in our archdiocese and within our parish. Thanks again.

Congratulations

Congratulations go out to Adam and Gayle LePosa on the occasion of the baptism of their son, Charles Robert. Congratulations go out to Frederick and Stephanie Lowe on the occasion of the baptism of their son, Robert Christopher. Both boys were baptized last weekend at Corpus Christi. Blessings be upon both families.

Many Thanks

Many thanks go out to Denise Duvall and Caroline Wayner and the Service Committee for a job well done on the Service Movie Night which took place last Sunday in the rectory. The movie, “A Place at the Table”, was riveting and very educational. It forced all of us to do some serious thinking. The light supper was great. And the number attending was terrific. Kudos for a job well done.

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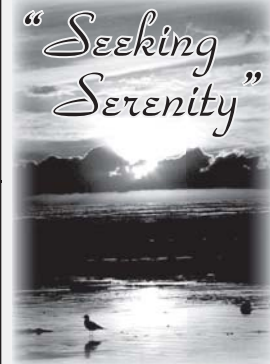
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