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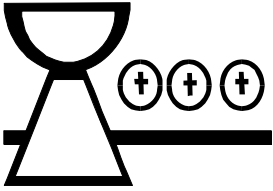


Corpus Christi Parish

Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania

SECOND SUNDAY of LENT

March 20, 2011



**CORPUS
CHRISTI
PARISH**

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Flanigan, Ed.D.

PAROCHIAL VICARS

**Reverend Richard J. McAndrews (senior priest)
Reverend John F. Wackerman**

PERMANENT DEACONS

**Deacon Francis E. Langsdorf
Deacon William W. Evans**

PARISH STAFF

Edd Murphy	Business Manager
Sr. Eleanor McNichol, SSJ	Parish Minister
Wanda Costello	School Principal
Trish Keen	Director, Religious Education for Children
Angela McClellan	Director, Adult Faith Formation
Amanda Cowley	Youth and Young Adult Minister

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MASS SCHEDULE

LENTEN DAILY MASSES: 6:30, 8AM and 12:05PM

SATURDAY MASSES:

8:00 AM.....4:30 and 6 PM

(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

SUNDAY MASSES: 6:30, 8:00, 9:30,

11:00 AM, 12:30 and 6 PM

HOLY DAY MASSES: 7:30 PM (Vigil)

6:30, 8:00, 12:05 and 7:30 PM

LENTEN CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, after 8 AM Mass, 3:00 to 4 PM,

Wednesdays 7-8PM.

COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Pastoral Council: Mary Halinski 215-368-2559

Finance Com: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Flanigan 215-855-1311

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Aid for Friends: Judy Jergensen 215-699-9196

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Boy Scouts: Joe Rakszawski 610-584-0333

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CYO Program: Eric MacDougall 215-513-1557

Eucharistic Adoration: Paula Manchester 215-275-4943

Evangelization Committee: Michael & Margaret Burger
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Extraordinary Ministers:

Schedules Masses - 215-855-1311 ext. 133

To Visit Home Bound - Deacon Langsdorf

215-855-1311 ext. 125

Gift Certificate Program: Mary Ellen McCabe 215-362-0104

Girl Scouts: Kathleen Currie 215-256-3105

Greeters: Henry Hartman 215-362-1463

The Guardians - Fathers' Support Group:

Deacon Frank Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 125

Health & Wellness Ministry: Rae Ann Mayer 215-368-4995

Home & School Assn.: Richard Almeida 215-661-0698

H.O.P.E.: Toby Glaccum 215-855-6752

Hospitality Ministry: Jean Van 215-855-5834

Knights of Columbus: Mike Kelly 215-661-0235

Lectors: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 125

Legion of Mary: Carolyn Chiodo 215-368-8658

Life Teen: Maria Richardson 610-584-0928

Liturgy Committee: Msgr. Flanigan 215-855-1311

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The Mom Café - Mothers' Support Group:

Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122

Music Ministry: Toni Pultorak 610-584-1583

Parish Library: Angela McClellan 215-855-1311 ext. 122

Prayer Garden: Don Jansen 215-361-8558

Prayer Line: Anna Marie O'Reilly 215-368-4672

Pre-Cana Program: Jack & Mary Ann McGowan

610-584-5569

Pre-Jordan Program: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311

RCIA Program: Sister Eleanor McNichol 215-368-5750

REC Parents Gr: Trish Keen 215-362-2292

Respect Life: Ellie Hentschell 215-362-0160

Louise Mercurio 610-584-4008

Sanctuary Cleaners: Jeanne Linden-Fox 215-513-0347

Ushers: Deacon Langsdorf 215-855-1311 ext. 125

Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Amanda Cowley

215-855-1311 ext. 118

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday we heard the dramatic account of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. The Gospel this week confronts us with the temptation the disciples faced on the Mount of Transfiguration. They were tempted to stay put and remain comfortable. We can hardly blame them. So much of our human endeavor is tied up in the search to expand our comfort zones. Few of us ever go out of our way to purposefully become uncomfortable. We like our surroundings just so, and if it should become a little too hot or a little too cold, we simply make whatever adjustments are needed to keep us happy.

How easy it is for us to relate to the disciples' reaction to all of this. On this mount they begin to see Jesus in a different way than they had seen Him previously. They had seen Him heal the sick and perform astounding miracles. They may have even heard the Father speak approvingly from heaven, if they were present when Jesus submitted Himself to John's baptism. But now they finally receive a revelation into the very essence of who Jesus is in His glory, and in the life of the Jewish people. This mystery is celebrated as Jesus stands in the midst of Moses – representative of the law, and Elijah – representative of the Prophets.



One can almost hear the disciples say, "Let's relax and enjoy this spectacular event." But they soon came to realize that the Transfiguration of Jesus was not some kind of first century form of entertainment. They would come to realize that it was a preparation for their own lives to be transformed by confronting the passion of the cross Jesus would soon endure.

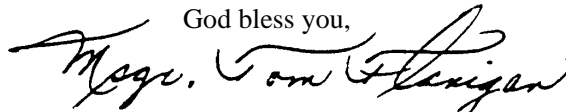
So, too, with Abraham and Sarah we encounter them in the Book of Genesis as a couple, advanced in years, unable to have children. An old man and his barren wife, perhaps ready to settle in and wait for their own demise, and that of their name. As we know from today's reading, God promised them that they would be the parents of nations, and that in Abraham all the nations of the earth would be blessed. Talk about a transformation!

As we know, Abraham and Sarah began their long journey in obedience to the Lord. In the same way that Abraham and Sarah's experience serves as a model for God's blessing to all people, so too, in the Gospel, the Transfiguration was something that eventually would encompass the whole world. Look at what Jesus does, according to the Gospel, when His disciples were fearful. The passage says that He came and touched them and told them not to be afraid. How very much like Jesus.

We have just begun our lenten journey as a Church. This is a period of reflection when we are asked to move outside of our comfort zones. We are asked to give something of ourselves to others, most especially to the poor through our almsgiving. We are asked to spend time in prayer in order to draw closer to God. We are asked to abstain from those things that bring us comfort in order to discover more profoundly our utter dependence upon God.

Lent calls us to be transformed into the very likeness of the one who is the beloved Son of the Father and to receive His touch. Lent calls us, as the Father called Peter and John, to "Listen to Him."

God bless you,



RCIA – Penitential Rite



Candidates

At the 11:00AM Mass this Sunday we will celebrate a "Penitential Rite" for our RCIA : **Lisa Atkinson, Ryan Krapf, Hannah Shiffert, William Bergman, James Murphy.** A "Candidate" may be a baptized Catholic or someone already baptized in another Christian tradition. Candidates are preparing to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter. The celebration of this Rite recognizes that the candidates are growing in their understanding of the Catholic faith life. Let us support them with our prayers during this Lenten Season. For more information on the RCIA process, **please contact Sr. Eleanor McNichol in the Ministry Office (215-368-5750).**



Are you willing to walk the journey in helping others? Could God be calling you to a new ministry? We are looking for compassionate listeners with loving hearts to form a Bereavement Support Group here at Corpus Christi. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. For more information please call Sr. Eleanor McNichol at 215-368-5750.

HEARTFELT THANKS

The Respect Life Committee wishes to thank our parishioners for their generosity to the Valentine Day's Baby Shower. This year we received approximately \$1,000 in gift cards, over 100 boxes of diapers, 200 items of clothing, 150 cans of food and many other miscellaneous baby items. These items will be distributed to Mom's House, A Baby's Breath, and Visitation BVM (our sister parish) in Kensington. They are all very grateful for your overwhelming generosity. Many thanks to all those who helped to make and give out the mini diapers.

Special Note: Because the Annunciation of the Lord will be on a Friday in Lent this year, the obligation to abstain from meat does not bind on the Annunciation, Friday, March 25, 2011.

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

SECOND SUNDAY of LENT

Saturday,	March 19th-St. Joseph
4:30 PM	James J. Keenan, Jr.
6:00	Edna B. Cunningham
Sunday,	March 20th
6:30 AM	Jo Letta Bushnell
8:00	Stanley and Anna Slusarski
9:30	Suzanna Belcak
11:00	Nicholas Cappelli
12:30 PM	Mary McFadden
6:00	Ralph Cartwright III
Monday,	March 21st
6:30 AM	Owen Nugent
8:00	Betty Wojtas
12:05 PM	Gary Tyson
Tuesday,	March 22nd
6:30 AM	Donomic Dinh G. Hue
8:00	Raymond Williamson
12:05 PM	Ralph Pownell
Wednesday,	March 23rd
6:30 AM	Donomic Dinh N. Anh
8:00	John and Dorothea Pultorak
12:05 PM	Dr. Carmen Rocco, Sr.
Thursday,	March 24th
6:30 AM	Kevin O'Rourke
8:00	Edwin Sweeney
12:05 PM	Catherine Conriconde
Friday,	March 25th - The Annunciation
6:30 AM	Helen Stefero of the Lord
8:00	Susan Mandato
12:05 PM	Raymond Williamson
Saturday,	March 26th
8:00 AM	Helen Crawford
4:30 PM	Josephine Circello
6:00	William and Anna May Hanley
Sunday,	March 27th
6:30 AM	Melba Baird
8:00	Joseph King
9:30	Jennifer Stango
11:00	John McHenry
12:30 PM	Dieu Vinh Nguyen
6:00	Martin J. Donahue



We pray for the deceased members, relatives and friends of our parish family especially James Ward, husband of Jacqueline; Joseph Fratturo, father of Janet Iaquinto; Srs. Elizabeth Ann Monaghan, and Anne Regina Lannon, SSI; Annemarie Mc Nerney, mother of Trish Gorge.



Prayer For Those Who Have Died

Go forth from this world, O Christian soul, in the Name of God the Father almighty, Who created you; in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, Who suffered for you; in the Name of the Holy Ghost, Who has been poured forth upon you.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

March 12/13	\$ 30,592
March Envelopes mailed	2,806
Envelopes returned	987

Mortgage Reduction Collection

March to date	\$ 4,083
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Gospel, Matthew 17:1-9 Wishing to reveal His glory to Peter, James and John, Jesus takes them to a mountain where He is transfigured before them. When Peter exclaims that he will build three tabernacles here in honor of Jesus, Moses and Elijah, a voice from above proclaims: "This is My beloved Son on whom My favor rests. Listen to Him."



Let us build three tents

"God has saved us and has called us to a holy life, not because of any merit of ours but according to His own design - the grace held out to us in Christ Jesus before the world began and made manifest through the appearance of our Savior." . . . "Lord it is good for us to be here!" . . . "Do not tell anyone of the vision until the Son of man rises from the dead."

The expression 'first responder' is closely connected to the tragedy of ten years ago. How many suffered loss of life, health and other dire effects. How important that they not be forgotten for what they did.

Jesus' dying and rising is the most significant response to humankind's need for salvation. Through it, He gave us life. As Paul told Timothy, it was not just a life, but we are called to a holy life, a life filled and directed by His grace. We are part of His saving plan as we go up the mountain with the three apostles.

'Lord it is good for us to be here' are words to fall from our lips, every time we pause to pray. Our desire to pray is our first response to God's grace. To spend time in His holy presence enables us to grow in holiness. To walk the journey of lent intensifies our union with Him. All good things are God's gift, our response speaks of our desire and acceptance of them.

We begin this second week, aware that He calls us, not to something we earn or deserve, but because at this moment we are part of His plan and showered with His gifts.

Question: Why do you think He told them not to speak of their experience on the mountain? Do you think they understood the meaning of the place, the cloud, Moses and Elijah and words they heard? Do you think the three apostles discussed this among themselves?

AROUND the ARCHDIOCESE of PHILADELPHIA



CALL TO CONVERSION AND HOLINESS

Jesus does not insult us, or our intelligence, by pretending that our sins do not exist. The Cross certainly reminds us of their reality. In the Sacrament of Confession, we humbly acknowledge the reality of our personal sins, not so that they can be masked or ignored, but so that they may be truly forgiven for what they are. *Then*, we can put them behind us! You are invited to read Cardinal Rigali's Pastoral Letter that can be found on the home page of the Archdiocese - www.archphila.org

Race to Nowhere movie screening Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School on **Wednesday, March 23, 7-9PM**. See this acclaimed movie which is a call to action for families, educators and policy makers to challenge current assumptions on how to best prepare the youth of America to become healthy, bright, contributing and leading citizens. Tickets are \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door and can be purchased online at <http://rtngwyneddm Mercy.eventbrite.com>. For more info visit www.racetonowhere.com.

Gwynedd-Mercy College prize BINGO and Basket Raffle. Come to the Gwynedd-Mercy College Gym on **Friday, March 25** and play BINGO all evening for just a \$5 donation. Doors open at 6; play begins at 7. All proceeds benefit GMC Campus Ministry's Alternative Break Program, sending students this year for service trips to Baltimore, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and New York. Questions? Contact Christine Eberle at 215-641-5590 or eberle.c@gmc.edu.

"Dead Man Walking" Author Speaking at Chestnut Hill College

Sister Helen Prejean, best-selling author of "Dead Man Walking" and anti-death penalty advocate, will present the lecture, "*Dead Man Walking: The Journey Continues*" at Chestnut Hill College on **Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 7PM** in Sorgenti Arena. The lecture is sponsored by the Institute for Forgiveness and Reconciliation at Chestnut Hill College. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Ladies Lenten Day Retreat at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, April 1st, 10:15-3:30PM, cost \$25 includes lunch for info contact Rosalie at 215-368-0992 or visit www.mmredeemer.org

DIVORCE, ANNULMENTS & MARRIAGE Sadly, misinformation abounds when it comes to questions of divorce, annulments and marriage in the Church. If you have such questions, and are in need of accurate information regarding these matters, consider attending an Information Night of the Metropolitan Tribunal to be held at the following locations: **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church; Monday, March 28, 2011 7:00 PM - St. Mary's Hall** with Fr. Sean P. Bransfield, who is a priest of the Archdiocese and a Judge of the Archdiocesan Tribunal. Also on **Thursday, March 31st, at 7:00 PM in the rectory basement of St. Catherine of Siena Parish (321 Witmer Road, Horsham)**. To begin a case, please call the Metropolitan Tribunal at 215-587-3750.

RETRouvaille = "REDISCOVERY"

Retrouvaille is a Catholic based program to help marriages that are *stressed or in trouble*. Retrouvaille has helped countless married couples in all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille Marriage Program call 800-470-2230 or 302-832-8044 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com. **The next program will be held at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern PA on April 8-10, 2011.**

Lansdale Catholic will sponsor their Senior Citizen's Prom on **Sunday, March 27th from 2:00PM to 6PM**. Tickets will go on sale Thursday, March 17th in the President's Office - Rm 116. The cost each ticket is \$10.00 and will include dinner and dancing.

Dust off your blue suede shoes and get ready to swoon as **Lansdale Catholic High School Presents "Bye Bye Birdie"**. Show dates are March 31st, April 1st, and April 2nd at 7:00PM and April 3rd at 1:00PM. Tickets will be sold at the door - \$8.00 for students/senior citizens, and \$10.00 for adults. Tickets can also be purchased in advance in the Activities Office. For more information, please call Ms. Molettieri at 215-362-6160 ext 126.

Men, Save the Date! Saturday, April 9th

The annual **Men's Spirituality Conference** will take place at Archbishop Ryan High School. The theme of the conference this year is "Be Not Afraid". The opening address will be given by head basketball coaches Phil Martelli of St. Joe's University and Fran Dunphy of Temple University. The day will close with the celebration of the Eucharist, Cardinal Rigali being the main celebrant and homilist. More details will follow in the coming weeks!

A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center is sponsoring its annual Run for Life 2011 on **Saturday, April 16th** at the Norristown Farm Park. Registration is at 7:30am. One Mile Fun Run/Walk is 9AM; 5K Run is 9:30AM; Awards 10:30AM. Pre-registration rates - \$10 children under 18; \$20 adults; \$35 family (includes 2 t shirts). Race Day rates - \$15 children under 18; \$25 adults; \$40 Family. Please call Kelly Coral 978-530-7673 or visit www.ababysbreath.org to register online. Join us for a great morning with your family!

P S A !!

The Upper Gwynedd Police Department is requesting residents to sign up for a FREE community notification system. Sign up at www.Nixle.com to receive important public safety alerts information from the police concerning their community. You will receive info via your cell phone or email. Sign up today at www.Nixle.com.

Practice Entrance Exams being offered at surrounding High Schools: **Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School**, 7th grade girls, Saturday, April 30, 9AM-12:45PM. Register at www.gmahs.org for additional info call 215-646-8815x306. **St. Joseph's Prep**, 7th grade boys and girls, Saturday, April 16, 8:30AM for Pre-8th Grade Summer Enrichment Program which runs from June 27-July 27. Apply on line at www.sjprep.org/pre8 for additional info call 215-978-1954.

Archbishop Wood High School Spring Open House for all 6th and 7th graders. Late registration for the class of 2015 on Thursday, March 31st from 7-9PM, registration fee \$110. For more info contact Patty Roschetz, Director of Admissions at proschetzabw@yahoo.com or 215-672-5050x268.

LANSDALE CATHOLIC

2011-2012 Registration opportunities for 9th grade students and upper-class transfers remain open to prospective students. **Please call Mrs. Kristine Cope in Admission at 215-362-6160 ext 194** if you would like to receive an application packet. **Save the Date** - Lansdale Catholic's Second Annual Golf Outing will be held at the Mainland Golf Club June 3rd. Call Mrs. Karen Maginnis for more information 215-362-6160x 135.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION at CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Parish Library - Open Sundays 7:15AM-2PM

Our Lady's Bible Study - Mondays 9-10AM

Parish Library

Praying with Scripture - Thursday March 24th,

Parish Center Office Conference Room D

from 7-8:00PM.

Pray Always, Pray All Ways - Thursday, March 24th,

RE Room in Church after the 12:05PM Mass

Jesus of Nazareth II - Thursday, April 14th,

RE Room in Church after the 12:05PM Mass

Registration Information

To register for an event, please contact Angela McClellan at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com. Include name, address, phone number, and e-mail when registering. If you do not have access to the internet, please register by calling Angela McClellan at 215-855-1311 (ext. 122). Reservations for events that require pre-registration and pre-payment must be mailed to:

Corpus Christi Parish
c/o Angela McClellan
900 Sunnyside Pike
Lansdale, PA 19446

Please enclose check payable to *Corpus Christi Church*.

Why is registering important? - Registering for an Adult Faith Formation event helps us to be better prepared to meet the needs of those in attendance. It also provides a way for us to reach you in case the event has been cancelled due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If you are unable to register, please know that you are still always welcome to attend the event.

Our Lady's Bible Study

With Mary our Mother, the first disciple, we will ponder in our hearts and discuss the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday's Eucharistic Liturgy. Bring your Bible. Children welcome! To register for your first meeting, please contact Mr. Dick Pultorak at 610-584-1583.

Mondays

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Parish Library

Pray Always, Pray All Ways

Jesus prayed always and told us to do the same. He also prayed in many different ways. We, too, need a broad repertoire of prayer styles for different moments along our journey of faith. Learn how to enhance your prayer life by joining us for this mini-retreat experience. Mid-day refreshments included!

Thursday, March 24, 2011
Following the 12:05 PM Mass
Religious Education Room
Guest Presenter:
Sister Janice McGrane, S.S.J.



Smart Martha Seminar

Real Organization for Real Moms with Real Priorities
Coming to Corpus Christi Parish Saturday, May 7, 2011
8:30 AM to 2:30 PM; \$30.00 includes breakfast refreshments, lunch, and seminar resources.

Registrations are now being accepted for this event. Space is limited! Pre-Registration and Pre-Payment are necessary. Pick up your registration form from the tables in the narthex of our church.

St. Joseph's Day - March 19, 2011



"Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families."

- Pope John II

As we remember and celebrate the feast of St. Joseph, let us also remember the Sisters of Saint Joseph who minister in our parish. May God continue to bless them and the many lives they touch each day.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Experience a deeper understanding of the Sunday readings. At each session, we will explore and prayerfully ponder the Scripture readings in anticipation of each Sunday of Lent. This is a great way to gain insights into the Scripture readings and to help us listen to God's Word at Mass in a more meaningful manner. Participants are encouraged to attend as many sessions as they can fit into their schedules. Reflection books may be purchased for \$8.00 prior to any of the sessions or at the Parish Center during regular office hours. Please register for this event at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Parish Center: Conference Room D

Facilitator: Mrs. Rae Ann Mayer

Thursday, March 24, 2011

Thursday, March 31, 2011

Thursday, April 7, 2011

Thursday, April 14, 2011

Library Spotlight

A new publication written by Oblate Father, Alexander Pocetto, will be available for purchase in our Parish Library for \$15.00. *A Lenten Journey with Jesus Christ and Saint Francis de Sales* includes daily readings and prayers to guide us through every day of Lent. Our Parish Library is open every Sunday from 7:15 AM to 2:00 PM. Please stop by for a visit.

LENTEN RULES OF FAST and ABSTINENCE

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to **abstain from eating meat on all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday**. Further, all persons of eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Good Friday, while the other two meals on that day are to be light.

MASS:

6:30 and 8 AM; 12:05 PM (Monday thru Friday)

8 AM on Saturday

CONFESSIONS:

Wednesdays from now until April 13th from 7-8:00PM

Saturday - after the 8AM Mass and 3:00-4:00PM

RECITATION of the ROSARY:

Monday thru Saturday - Before 8AM Mass;

daily before 12:05PM Mass

WEEKLY:

Wednesdays - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

8:30AM to 6:30PM - Chapel

Stations of the Cross (with Children)

1:30PM

Fridays - Stations of the Cross, 7:30PM

March 25th - *Everyone's Way of the Cross*





THE SICK: Conrad Melton, Brian Aquilante, Bill Cross, Lisa Ryan, Bob Boyle, Robert Thomas, James Cunningham, Arthur and Mary Vassallo, Lois Thorngate, Theodore Thompson, Mary Mills, Gen Snively, Danny Elsharaha, Catherine Maguire, Louis Romanet, Veronica Thompson, Terri LaBianco, Tom Glaccum, Bill Trimarco, Peter Shields, Agnes Cunningham, Lauren McQue, Eileen Murphy, Anne Morris, Joan Ann Lapinski, Roberta McLaughlin, Regina Kovalick, Skip Lentz, Ken Slater, Louis Diana, Matthew Taylor, Coleen Schurr, Eleanor Toto, Borges Baez, Lester Swift.

CLUB 50 NEWS AND TRAVEL

Easton State Theatre Friday, March 25 "Four Bit#%#%g Babes" bus departs 4PM returns approximately 11:30PM

The Millennium Theatre, Lancaster PA - Thursday, April 7th - cost \$90pp. Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Free time for shopping and browsing at the Tangier Outlets (11:30AM-1PM), luncheon buffet at Bird-in-Hand (1:30PM). Admission to Sight and Sound's "Joseph" at the Millennium Theatre (4:15PM). Call *Mary Slater, 1195 Archer Lane; Lansdale PA 19446 at 610-584-4926. Departs 9:30AM returns approximately 8:45PM. PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN-UP.

Caesar's Casino "Liberace" - Monday, May 2nd - cost \$47.00 Round trip motor coach transportation, tax and tips included. Call *Joe and Ellie DeRaymond, 603 Keeler Road, Lansdale PA 19446 at 215-855-9429. Departs 11AM returns approximately 9PM. PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN-UP.

Newport RI and Mystic CT - Monday, May 23rd to Thursday May 26th, Cost \$489-Dble & triple or single is \$619. Full details in brochure on ministry table. Contact Renee and Elmer Bauer, 636 Whittaker Place, Lansdale PA 19446 at 215-699-8996 for additional info.

"Fabulous 50's" Harrisburg PA - Wednesday, June 29th, Cost \$78pp. Contact *Eileen Prusinski, 138 Wyndham Woods Way, Hatfield PA 19440 at 215-361-6111 or Mary Day at 610-584-8011. Departs at 9AM return approximate at 6PM. Payment due at sign-up.

Cruise on the Philadelphia Belle July 20 see brochure**

*All checks should be made payable to "Club 50 of Corpus Christi."

**-additional details may be found on the ministry tables in the narthex.

**DO SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR LENT THIS YEAR!
THE EASTER BASKET PROJECT
~Families United in Faith~**

CORPUS CHRISTI & VISITATION BVM



Several years ago our parish began a donation program called the Easter Basket. Through your generosity, many families in Visitation Parish, Kensington, are given food vouchers; help with rent, heating bills and tuition. These are the working poor; the ones who do not make enough money to live on, but too much to qualify for public assistance. The Easter Baskets will again be in the Narthex and RE room the weekend of April 2nd and 3rd. The labels in the baskets contain various needs to which you may designate your donation. Please take a label and place it on the envelope of an Easter card with your donation enclosed. Return the cards the weekend of April 9th and 10th. If you enclose a check please make it payable to "Visitation BVM Church". Again, thank you for your continued generosity. Let's see if we can beat last year's contributions of over \$19,000.



**THE KNIGHT'S KORNER -
UPDATES FROM THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS COUNCIL #9715**

LENTEN CRAB CAKE SALE - Capt'n Chucky's Famous Crab Cakes, Maryland Crab Soup and Crab Critter Appetizers can now be ordered! Crab Cakes start at \$20 for a box of 4. Orders must be received by **Friday, April 8th** for April 15th Pick-Up. All Orders **MUST be picked-up on April 15th between 4:30 PM and 7:30 PM** outside the Corpus Christi Parish's Father Doyle Social Hall. Orders need to be made in person with a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 or mailed with your Check (made out to The Knights of Columbus #9715) to Mr. Toma Lazar, 1503 Unruh Lane, Harleysville, PA 19438. Order forms are available in the narthex of the church and on the Knight's web site at www.kofc9715.org

Profits from this fundraiser will be used towards our campaign to purchase a 3D Ultra Sound Machine for "A Baby's Breath" Crisis Pregnancy Center.

NEXT PARISH "PANCAKES AND MORE" BREAKFAST: SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2011

- Everyone is welcome to join us in the Fr. Doyle Hall on Sunday, March 27th from 7AM to 11AM for Breakfast hosted by The Knights of Columbus. Breakfast includes pancakes, scrambled eggs and egg blends, hash browns, sausage, toast, orange juice, coffee, our now famous "doughnut buffet", and fruit. Cost: \$6 for Adults, and \$3 for Children.

FRIDAY APRIL 8, 2011 FISH FRY

- Our first Lenten Friday Fish Fry will be held Friday evening, April 8th in the Corpus Christi Parish Gym. Dine-in or Take-out! **Pre-orders only!** Dinners will be prepared by Steve Vincent's "All About Catering" located in Lansdale, and features 8 oz. Beer Battered Cod Filet, Choice of French Fries or Oven-Roasted Herbed Potatoes and Homemade Creamy Cole Slaw. Adults - \$14, Children (Half Portion) - \$7. Orders need to be made by April 1st either in person with a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #9715 or mailed with your check (made out to The Knights of Columbus #9715) to Mr. James Rebarchak; 327 Huckleberry Lane; Harleysville, PA 19438. Order forms are available in the narthex of the church and on the Knight's web site at www.kofc9715.org.

ANNUAL SPRING TRIVIA NIGHT - Please plan to join us for our Annual Trivia Night! Saturday, June 11th. Additional details will be announced soon!

MAJOR 2011 FUND RAISING INITIATIVE: PURCHASE OF A 3D ULTRA SOUND MACHINE FOR "A BABY'S BREATH" CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER

- The Knights of Columbus Council #9715 has a goal to raise \$15,000 which will then be MATCHED 100% by The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council's Ultrasound Initiative for the purchase of a \$30,000 3D Ultra Sound Machine for "A Baby's Breath" Crisis Pregnancy Center. Anyone who is interested in helping us in this effort is asked to support our fund-raising events and to consider a personal donation to this cause. For more information, please contact Mike Kelly (grandknight@kofc9715.org; 215-661-0235). To date, our council has already raised over \$2,500 towards this objective!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A KNIGHT? Interested in becoming more active in our parish but not sure how? Perhaps you should think about joining the Knights of Columbus! Contact Mike Kelly (grandknight@kofc9715.org; 215-661-0235) to learn more about how you can become an active Knight!

Corpus Christi is excited to announce the debut of an entirely renovated website. Our new site features Facebook integration, an e-mail newsletter, access to archives of the bulletin, and a visually elegant photo tour of our church. Please visit our site today and become a fan of Corpus Christi on Facebook! Visit www.CorpusChristiLansdale.org today!

YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

All 9th - 12th Grade Youth are invited to join us after 6 PM Sunday Mass for our "Life Nights" from 7-9PM in the RE Room.



- March 20th - Bible Timeline Part 2
- March 26th - See ad for Life in the Spirit Retreat
- March 27th - Wash over Me - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- April 3rd - Bible Timeline Part 3
- April 10th - Bible Timeline Part 4

LAST CHANCE

Join our World Youth Day 2011 Trip!

We will be joining the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in a pilgrimage to Madrid, Spain for World Youth Day in August 2011. Our trip will also include visits to Fatima and Lourdes! ALL YOUTH (16+) and YOUNG ADULTS are welcome. Spots are still available. **If you are interested in joining us please contact Amanda ASAP. Corpus.ym@gmail.com**

SPONSORS NEEDED!

Middle School Youth Ministry!



All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are welcome to join our middle school youth group, Modern Disciples. We meet weekly Thursday nights from 7-8:30PM (Mtg Rm A).

March 24th - Secret Saint (I can't tell you who!)

March 31st - Movie: *Mother Theresa*

For information about all of our youth/young adult ministry programs please contact our Youth Minister: Amanda Cowley ☎ 215-855-1311 ext 118 ☐ or Corpus.ym@gmail.com.



Life in the Spirit Retreat
Saturday, March 26th
9:00AM - 4:30PM
Corpus Christi Parish
\$10, includes lunch

For teens who want to go deeper with the Holy Spirit!

Young Adult Ministry

Social Night! Tuesday March 22nd Join Fr. Delacy and the Corpus Christi Young Adults at the East End Alehouse in Harleysville for a night of fellowship. 712 Main Street in Harleysville - 8PM

Freedom to Love: A 6-week series by Christopher West on the Theology of the Body for Young Adults. This series will take place on Monday evenings from March 21st - April 25th. For details and information about registering for this series please contact Amanda Cowley either at 215-855-1311 ext. 118 or by email at Corpus.ym@gmail.com

REC NEWS!!



2011-2012 REGISTRATION TIME!!

It's time to register for REC (CCD) for the 2011-2012 school year. All children currently in our REC program should have received a registration packet in the mail. Please complete and return it to the REC office as soon as possible. If you are **new** to the program, Religious instruction begins in Grade 1 and is offered through Grade 8. Our program offers two sessions on Mondays: 4:30PM to 5:45PM and 6:45PM to 8:00PM. Please call the REC office at 215-362-2292 or stop by the school office for a registration packet. Enroll early to obtain the session you want! **You must register by Thursday, March 31, 2011.**

WE NEED TEACHERS AND AIDES. Please consider volunteering! The success of our program depends on your involvement. You do not have to have children in REC to teach or be an aide. For more information, please call the REC Office at 215-362-2292.

CYO Spring Tailgate Party

Save the date!

CYO "Spring Tailgate Party" to be held on **Saturday, April 16th from 7PM to 11PM.** Featuring the sounds of Jammin Joe & The Party Kings. Tickets \$35 including food and drink. Request tickets at courtyardtailgate@gmail.com

Archdiocese CYO Coaches Orientation Schedule (Accreditation)

All coaches, head or assistant, must attend orientation by the beginning of their second year of coaching. The upcoming Coaches Orientation Schedule is listed below:

Saturday, April 2 (North Wales, PA)
9:00 AM - 1:00PM

Additional information can be found at www.oyya.org

A NIGHT AT THE RACES with Corpus Christi Home and School Association

On **Saturday, March 26, 2011** Corpus Christi Home and School Association will be hosting "A Night at the Races". It will be a night of fun that will include Horse Racing, Poker and Blackjack Tables, Basket Raffles, Dinner and Drinks. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. Please come out and join us for a great evening and help support the school. If you are interested in buying tickets please look on the communication table in the Narthex for order forms. If you would like more information about the event please contact Amy Herron at (215) 361-1203 or Mallycoupe@Yahoo.com.



FUN, FULFILLING AND FOR EVERYONE!



That's what people say when they participate in our Parish Passion Play. We need all ages to reenact the passion of Jesus Christ. Speaking and non-speaking parts are available. We have costumes and we need you! **We are organizing the participants now! If you have participated in the past or want to begin this year please contact us ASAP.** The spiritual reward is unbelievable!! **Passion Play will be held on Good Friday at 12:00 Noon in our church.** If you would like more information please contact Rosemary Doyle at rdoylerd@comcast.net.

Please see list of High School practice tests and Open Houses on the "Around the Archdiocese" page of this bulletin!



Our Corpus Christi **H.O.P.E.** volunteers perform **WORKS OF MERCY** for our parishioners. We appreciate it if you make appointments 2 weeks in advance.

Week of 03/20 Team #7: Mary Medoff at 215-412-2263
Week of 03/27 Team #8: Bob Terchek at 215-393-5696

If you have any questions please call Hope Coordinator, **Toby Glaccum at 215-855-6752**. Thank You!

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION SESSIONS: Parents and Godparents must attend **Pre-Jordan Sacramental Preparation** before the Baptism takes place. Prior to attendance, parents are requested to pre-register for the session by contacting the Parish Center Office 215-855-1311. Although instruction sessions are mandatory for both Parents and Godparents, you are required to attend one time only. If you have attended previously you are not required to come again. Ideally, attendance at the preparation session should occur before the child's birth. Upcoming sessions are scheduled in the RE Room (in the church), at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month **March 21st, April 18th and May 16th**.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

- must be a registered member of a Catholic Parish and receive a Certificate of Eligibility from that Parish and have attended the Pre-Jordan Baptism class
- must have completed his/her 16th birthday
- must have been Baptized - Confirmed - and has received First Holy Communion - and actively practicing their faith - e.g., attending Mass, receiving Holy Communion - receiving the Sacrament of Penance
- if married - must be living in a valid sacramental marriage
- cannot be the parent of the child to be baptized
- the godparents are to be one male and one female
- one godparent may be a non-Catholic Christian witness with proper proof of his/her baptism — if a non-Catholic is asked to be a Christian witness - the other godparent **MUST** be Catholic
- a person who has left the Catholic Faith for any reason, may not be asked to carry out this responsibility

Please note: **The paperwork for the child's baptism and certificates of eligibility MUST be completed at least two weeks prior to scheduling a baptism date.** Certificates of eligibility must have a parish seal and cannot be faxed; they must be the original. Baptism is administered at **1:30 PM EVERY SUNDAY**.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please send your bulletin announcements to the Parish Center Office no later than the Monday prior to publication by 12 noon. It can be faxed or dropped off to the Parish Center but the preferred method is by e-mail to corpuschristibulletin@yahoo.com with the word "bulletin" in the subject line. Thank you for your cooperation!

Confessions: Saturday after 8AM Mass, 3:15PM – 4:00PM, and also upon request at the Parish House

DAILY PRAYER CHAPEL OPEN: Visits to the Blessed Sacrament during the day may be made in the Church Chapel. The Chapel is open every day from **9AM to 3:30 PM except Wednesday when it is open until 6:30PM**. Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Road. The main Church is closed after the last morning Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS
8:30 AM TO 6:30 PM



Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled every **Wednesday, from 8:30 AM til 6:30 PM** in the Church Chapel. Benediction is at 6:30 PM. (Novena devotions immediately following, see below). **Please enter the chapel using the entrance walk on the side of the Parish House facing Supplee Rd.** (For more information, please call 215-855-1311).

LEGION OF MARY: Wednesday evenings, 7:30 to 9:00 PM, in the Ministry Room of Corpus Christi Church. New members are sincerely welcomed at all meetings.



MARRIAGES: Couples who are planning to be married are required to notify one of the parish priests no less than six months prior to the marriage and attend a Pre-Cana session.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS: From Wednesday, March 2nd through April 27th a Novena to St. Peregrine, Patron saint of cancer patients continues. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 8:30AM to 6:30PM concluding with benediction and the novena begins immediately after benediction. On the concluding night of the Novena, April 27th there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick in the Church. Fr. Pio Mandato will be the main celebrant. For more information please call the Parish Office Center at 215-855-1311.

OUR LADY OF HOPE PRAYER LINE: The Prayer Line may be called if you are in need of prayer. Call Anna Marie 215-368-4672.

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS: Lenten weekdays from **9AM to 12:00PM and 1:30PM to 5PM**. Please come in or telephone during these hours concerning documents, registration, Mass cards, baptismal arrangements, etc.

PARISH LIBRARY Hours:
Sunday (all year) 7:15AM to 2PM

PRAYER GROUP: to which ALL are invited meets on Thursday evenings in the Church Chapel at 8 PM.

PREGNANCY HOTLINE: 800-CARE-002 Twenty-four hours/seven days per week hotline for individuals seeking assistance with a pregnancy. Offers assistance to explore pro-life option, supportive counseling and linkage with needed resources.

REGISTRATION: Our diocese requires that all Catholics should be registered in the parish of their residence. If you have moved into our parish and have not registered with us, it is important that you call the Parish Center Office (215-855-1311) and make arrangements to do so as soon as possible. Certificates of Eligibility to act as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, **cannot be issued** unless you are already (preferably for 6 months) registered with us. **Please be aware that young adults over 21 should register separately.**

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“... to help a mother see her child take his/her first breath.”

March 12, 2011

Corpus Christi Respect for Life Committee
Eleanor Hentschel
2045 Pheasant Hill Rd
Lansdale, Pa 19446

Dear Ms. Henschel:

Please let your parish family know how much your large donation to A Baby's Breath which we received on February 24, 2011 means to us. The donation will go a long way in keeping the doors of life open to mothers, fathers, and families who need support in a crisis pregnancy. **A Baby's Breath** has helped hundreds of babies take their first breath.

Thanks to your assistance, we will continue to be able to spread the word about our services. May God bless you for your generosity.

“A Baby's Breath” is a non-profit, tax-free 501(C) 3 organization. Our tax identification number (EIN) is 23-3045525.

Sincerely,

Joyce C. Molinaro
Donations Coordinator
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Evangelization Newsletter

Thursday, March 10, 2011 4:51 PM

From: "Sister Louise Alff" <SRLALFF@adphila.org>

To: "Sister Louise Alff" <SRLALFF@adphila.org>

EvANGELization Newsletter

Sr. Louise Alff, OSF . 222 North 17th Street . Philadelphia , PA . 19103 . 215-587-0547 . SRLALFF@adphila.org

March 10, 2011

Lent is Spring training for Christians

PASTORAL RESPONSE TO PARISHES

This is a very difficult time for the victims, families, friends, parishioners and leadership of the Church of Philadelphia . Let us pray for true justice for everyone. You are probably aware of the resources on the Archdiocesan website but I am attaching the links to make it easier for you to find the resources. Once on these websites you can find additional materials.

- Response to the Grand Jury Report 2011: [click here](#)
- [Creating a Network of Prevention](#) For Spanish - [Spanish](#)
- [Prayer for Healing](#)
- [Rosary for Protection and Healing](#)
- [Resources for Parents in English](#)
- [Recursos en español para los padres](#)

✠ UPCOMING CONFERENCE YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

NEW!! [Unlock the Secrets to a more vibrant parish!](#) This workshop will focus on **Funerals** - concrete ways to reach out to non-practicing Catholics in a gentle, compassionate way; **Parish Registration** - practical ways to help newcomers become part of the community; **Liturgy** - specific suggestions to establish ministers of hospitality at weekend Masses.

One Workshop - 4 locations: May 2: St. Ann , Phoenixville; May 10: Holy Cross, Philadelphia ; May 12: Queen of the Universe, Levittown; May 16: St. Mary, Schwenksville.

- ❖ Click here for more details and registration information: [Unlock the Secrets to a More Vibrant Parish](#)

IMPORTANT ITEMS

Twitter for Ministry: "When I tell people that I really like Twitter, they sometimes look puzzled. I imagine that they are thinking-Are you crazy? How do you have time to spend on Twitter? I like Twitter because I can get the latest information, quick facts or leads on just about any topic or product that I want anytime I want. I have learned a lot about social media, current events, products, services, and Church activities from the people and organizations I follow on Twitter. I can also share my good news and expertise with them." [read article](#)

Know someone who is suffering from some form of mental illness? Consider linking this site to your webpage. NAMI - National Alliance on Mental Illness. <http://www.nami.org/>

Lenten - Easter Presentations

Below is a list of the various talks I am giving throughout Lent and Easter, if your parish is not hosting a talk perhaps you could advertise one near you. (Note: reservations mandatory ONLY for **April 14**; also, some talks are **not listed** because they are not opened to the general public.)

Roll Away the Stones			
Mar. 10: St. Rose of Lima , North Wales . 7:30 PM. School Building	Mar. 14: St. Albert , Huntingdon Valley . 7:00 PM. Chapel	Mar. 15: Our Lady of Ransom, Philly. 7:30 PM. Chapel (Mass 7:00)	Mar. 19: St. Leo, Philly. 9:00 AM. Lower Church (Mass 8:30 AM)
Mar. 20: St. Thomas Aquinas, Philly. 11:00 AM. (following the 10:00 AM Mass) Day Care Center	Mar. 21: St. Anselm, Philly. Part I 7:30 PM. Spirituality Center	Mar. 23: St. Bede the Venerable, Holland . 7:00 PM. Drexel Center	Mar. 24: St. Stanislaus, Lansdale . 7:00 PM. Parish Center
Mar. 28: St. Anselm, Philly. Part II 7:30 PM. Spirituality Center	Mar. 29: Assumption, Feasterville. 7:30 PM. Parish Hall (below Church)	Apr. 5: St. Jude, Chalfont. 7:30 PM. Church	Apr. 7: Sacred Heart, Oxford 7:00 PM. Parish Hall
Apr. 9: St. Bartholomew, Philly After 5:00 PM Mass "Soup and Speaker"	Apr. 10: St. Patrick, Kennett Square 1:30 PM. Church Basement (Mass noon)	Apr. 11: Mater Dolorosa, Philly. 7:00 PM. Church Hall	Apr. 18: St. Peter Claver Center, Philly. 7:00 PM. Church Hall
Words from the Cross			
Apr. 13: St. Ann , Bristol . 7:30 PM. Church Hall (Mass 7:00 PM)	Apr. 14: St. Robert Bellarmine, Warrington . Woman ONLY. Dinner 6:00 followed by talk. Reservations required: 215-343-0315.		
Easter: New Life in Abundance			
Apr. 27: St. Francis of Assisi , Springfield . 7:00 PM. Church.	May 11: St. Joan of Arc, Philly. 7:00 PM. Chapel		

You'RE INVITED

- **Eucharistic Liturgy Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers**

Sunday, March 20: 2:30 PM at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. All are invited. Cardinal Justin Rigali will be the principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a light reception immediately following. For more information: contact the Department for Pastoral Care for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate: 215-587-3530 (voice), 215-507-1215 (VP). [Flyer and online registration](#)

- **Saved by Beauty: A Lenten Retreat with Brother Mickey McGrath**

Sat. March 26: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM. St. Anastasia Parish, 3309 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA. \$10.00 Donation. Continental Breakfast included. Reservations appreciated: happerty83@msn.com.

- **Transforming the Heart of the Parish with Access, Effectiveness, Awareness and Advocacy.**

Sat. April 9: Archdiocesan Office Center . 9:30 Am - 12:15 PM. [Flyer and registration information](#)

- **Third Annual Men's Spirituality Conference**

Saturday, April 9: 9:00 - 4:00 Mass. Archbishop Ryan High School . [Information and registration](#)

- **Mass for National Migration Week**

Sunday, April 10: 2:00 PM Procession of Ethnic Communities; Mass 2:30 PM. Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. All invited.

PERKS OF REACHING 50 OR BEING OVER 60 AND HEADING TOWARDS 70!

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
3. People call at 9 PM and ask, "did I wake you?"
4. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
5. Things you buy now won't wear out.
6. You can eat supper at 4 PM.
7. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
8. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.
9. You sing along with elevator music.
10. Your eyes won't get much worse.
11. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.
12. Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the national weather service.