

# Corpus Christi Parish

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*Feast of the Holy Family*

# December 30 and 31, 2017 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

My dear brother and sisters in Christ,

New Year is time for all of us to be grateful primarily towards God for all his gifts and graces that he has been showering on our lives. We always look at something new with lot of expectations and excitements, now we look at the New Year with hope. As a parish family we have been working together to experience the community feeling and enjoyed our coming together in all the parish events. I'm sure that brings life to the parish. In the last six months, since I became part of the Corpus Christi Parish Family, I have been experiencing your great support and all the parish events that we had in that period of time was outstanding with your whole hearted cooperation.

As we say good bye to the year 2017 we might have moments of gladness and sadness in our minds. Let us be grateful for all the moments of gladness and ask God's healing for all the sad situations that we underwent. During the year 2017 we have invited new families and people to our parish, we also had to say "Good-Bye" to some of our loved members of our parish family and entrusted them to the mercy of God for the eternal reward.

Our liturgical celebrations bring God's blessings on us as individuals and as a parish family. By taking part in the life of our parish means to belong to the parish. We all belong to the parish, we all relate to it in different ways, through our active participation in various ministries we make the parish alive.

Our Christmas Liturgies are very special and it takes a lot of dedicated people working together to make it a realization. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed in various ways to make our Christmas celebration so meaningful one. It was really obvious that many hands worked together to have such a great celebration at our parish. Thanks to all who came out to decorate the church, all our ministers like, lectors, extraordinary ministers of communion, sacristan, Altar servers, Ushers, Choir and each of you who contributed your time and talents in many ways to add colour to the celebration.

Please accept my sincere thanks to those who send me personal Christmas Cards, gifts, prayerful greetings, and everyone who makes my task easier. A heartfelt thank you for your devotion to our parish and your hard work.

On this feast of the Most Holy Family I wish and pray that all families here in our parish may receive blessing and inspiration from the Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph.

**Year comes..... Year goes.....**

**May the year 2018 bring you  
God's blessings and good health.....**



| Day/Time         | Date  | Intentions                                  |
|------------------|---|---|
| Sat.<br>5:00pm   | December 30   | + Agnes Yee Tiam requested by Tony Yee Tiam |
| Sun.<br>9:30am   | December 31   | People of the Parish                        |
| Sun.<br>11:00am  | December 31   | People of the Parish                        |
| Tues.<br>9:00am  | January 2, 2018<br><b>St. Basil, the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church</b> | No Mass Intention                           |
| Wed.<br>9:00am   | January 3, 2018   | No Mass Intention                           |
| Thurs.<br>9:00am | January 4, 2018   | No Mass Intention                           |
| Fri.<br>9:00am   | January 5, 2018   | No Mass Intention                           |

## The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

**Day of Obligation in Canada**

**Dec. 31, Sunday 5:00pm – New Year's Eve**

Mass for all the Faithful Departed  
for 2017 and their families

**Jan.01, Monday 11.00 am – New Year's Day**

**The Collection on December 16 and 17, 2017 was  
\$2,330.15.**

**The Sunday Offertory Collection and PAG are our  
only viable source of income.**

**Thank you for your continued support and generosity!**

Please consider donating through PAG - Pre - Authorized Giving. You can set-up your PAG donations on a weekly or monthly basis. PAG Cards are available at the vestibule of the church to be used instead of the regular envelopes during the offertory collection.

Also **please seal your donation envelopes**. When some envelopes are not sealed, your donation tends to slip out of the envelopes. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

## Sacramental Calendar

**Please submit the baptismal forms four weeks before the baptismal date. This will allow the office to gather all information necessary for the baptism.**

**A Baptismal Preparation Course for parents intending to have their infants get baptized is being offered every first Sunday of each month. Next**

## December 30 and 31, 2017 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Baptismal Preparation Course will take place on January 7, Sunday, at 12 noon, at Corpus Christi Parish Hall. If you are not registered, please pick up forms at the Parish Office. Baptism next month (January 2018) will take place on January 21, Sunday, at 12 noon, right after the 11:00 am Mass.

### Sacramental Preparations

The sacramental preparations for First Reconciliation and First Communion begin on January 6, Saturday, 2018 at 3:30 pm, in the parish hall.

Confirmation Preparation begins on January 10, Wednesday at 6:30 pm, in the parish hall.

Parents who have signed up their children for any of these preparations are requested to follow the schedule for the entire sessions

### “Eucharistic Adoration is the secret to knowing the love of Jesus Christ” Pope Francis

Our parish is beginning an hour of adoration on every second Tuesday of the month beginning on 9 January 2018, from 7:00 – 8.00pm.

We will begin with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and spend some time in silent prayer and a benediction to conclude.

We encourage everyone to spend one hour with Jesus and experience a wonderful personal relationship with Him. Come let us Adore Him.....



Corpus Christi is holding a Spaghetti Night dinner, on January 20, 2018, Saturday, after the 5:00 pm mass in the

Parish Hall. Cost is \$5.00 per adult, and \$2 for children under 12.

As space is limited, we are suggesting that you get your tickets as early as possible. Tickets are available at the back of the Church.

It will be a fun night. Bring your family, friends and neighbours.



Through your generosity and support, our parish campaign raised a record total of \$12.69 million for the work of our agencies.

The ShareLife office has released a Report to Donors sharing the results of the 2017 campaign and demonstrating how our support has made a difference. Copies of the report are available at the back of the Church or can be downloaded from the ShareLife website at [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)

Once again, thank you to you and your parish community for your generous response to this year's ShareLife Parish Campaign. Together we are "Living the Gospel by providing for those in need."

Our parish contributed \$42,284.00 towards this campaign. Thanks a lot for your generosity.

### World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday – January 14, 2018

The theme announced by his Holiness Pope Francis for the 2018 World Day of Migrants and Refugees is Welcoming Protecting, Promoting and Integrating Migrants and Refugees. In his message, Pope Francis reminds us that "every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age...."

A special mass will be celebrated on Sunday January 14, 2018 at 1.00pm at the Good Shepherd Chaldean Catholic Cathedral, 2 High Meadow Place in North York. Bishop Kirkpatrick will be in the homilist for this liturgy. A reception will follow.

### 2018 Envelopes

The Envelopes for 2018 are ready for pick up at the back of the Church from this weekend. If you are picking up envelopes for your relatives, friends, or neighbours, please fill out the sheets provided in the folder next to the boxes.

Pre-Authorised Giving (PAG) is the most viable way to support the parish. At this time of the year, we encourage you to consider changing from the use of envelopes to the PAG. The sign-up sheets for PAG are available at the back of the church or you can pick it up from the office during the office hours.

**Wishing you all joy, happiness and good health in the New Year**

**Happy New Year - 2018**



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