Corpus Christi Parish

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Tues - Fri 9:00 AM Sat Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Devotions - After the 9:00 AM Mass

Wed Rosary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Tues - Fri after the 9:00 mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat

4:00 - 4:30 PM

Other times upon request

Exposition - 1st Friday of every month

After the 9:00 AM Mass

School Chaplaincy

St. Denis Catholic School

Sacraments

For more information regarding baptisms, marriages and any other sacraments please contact the office.

Ministries

Corpus Christi is an active and vibrant parish. We have a variety of groups and many opportunities to be of service alongside our dedicated volunteers.

If you are looking for a greater sense of community in you and your family's life and seeking spiritual growth or if you would like to become more involved we welcome you to contact the office for further information.

Ministry to the Sick

Call the office to arrange for our Lay Pastoral Team to visit and bring communion.

St. Vincent de Paul Help - 416-698-8930

Welcome to Corpus Christi! - To register as a new parishioner please contact the office.

JANUARY 13 and 14, 2018 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Day/Time	Date	Intentions
Sat. 5:00pm	January 13	+ Gerdie Doherty requested by Tim Anglin and Sandy Shen
Sun. 9:30am	January 14	People of the Parish
Sun. 11:00am	January 14	+ Doreen Dick requested by The Choir
Tues. 9:00am	January 16	No Mass Intention
Wed. 9:00am	January 17	No Mass Intention
Thurs. 9:00am	January 18	No Mass Intention
Fri. 9:00am	January 19	+ Julie Duggan requested by Ginny and Jim Hughes and Family

The Collection on January 6 and 7 was \$1,488.40 The Sunday Offertory Collection and PAG are our only viable source of income.

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 Baptismal Preparation Course will take place on February 4, Sunday, at 12 noon, at Corpus Christi Parish Hall. If you are not registered, please pick up forms at the Parish Office. Baptism this month will take place on January 21, Sunday, at 12 noon, right after the 11:00 am Mass.

Sacramental Preparation

Parents who have signed up their children for th Sacramental Preparations are requested to follow the schedule for the entire sessions.

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.pm 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 with a number of dignitaries in attendance.

Pasta Night



Corpus Christi is holding a Pasta 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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ecumenical Prayer Service

Join us in an ecumenical prayer service led by Cardinal Thomas Collins (homilist), Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Coptic Orthodox Bishop Anba Mina, and other religious leaders on: Sunday, January 28, 2018, 3 p.m. at Metropolitan United Church, 56 Queen St. East (at Queen and Bond St.). Parking is available. Refreshments to follow.

For more information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at (416) 934-3400, ext. 344 or ext. 527 or vkwok@archtoronto.org.

JANUARY 13 and 14, 2018 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<u>Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins</u> February 11, 2018 - 3 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11 at Blessed Trinity Parish (3220 Bayview Ave - North York). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

Excerpt from Pope Francis' homily: January 1, 2018 - The Mother of God is starting point for New Year

The year opens in the name of the Mother of God. Mother of God is the most important title of Our Lady. But we might ask why we say Mother of God, and not Mother of Jesus. In the past some wanted to be content simply with the latter, but the Church has declared that Mary is the Mother of God. We should be grateful, because these words contain a magnificent truth about God and about ourselves. From the moment that our Lord became incarnate in Mary, and for all time, he took on our humanity. There is no longer God without man; the flesh Jesus took from his Mother is our own, now and for all eternity. To call Mary the Mother of God reminds us of this: God is close to humanity, even as a child is close to the mother who bears him in her womb.

The word mother (mater) is related to the word matter. In his Mother, the God of heaven, the infinite God, made himself small, he became matter, not only to be with us but also to be like us. This is the miracle, the great novelty! Man is no longer alone; no more an orphan, but forever a child. The year opens with this novelty. And we proclaim it by saying: Mother of God! Ours is the joy of knowing that our solitude has ended. It is the beauty of knowing that we are beloved children, of knowing that this childhood of ours can never be taken away from us. It is to see a reflection of ourselves in the frail and infant God resting in his mother's arms, and to realize that humanity is precious and sacred to the Lord. Henceforth, to serve human life is to serve God. All life, from life in

the mother's womb to that of the elderly, the suffering and the sick, and to that of the troublesome and even repellent, is to be welcomed, loved and helped.

Let us now be guided by today's Gospel. Only one thing is said about the Mother of God: "Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (Lk 2:19). She kept them. She simply kept; Mary does not speak. The Gospel does not report a single word of hers in the entire account of Christmas. Here too, the Mother is one with her Son: Jesus is an "infant", a child "unable to speak". The Word of God, who "long ago spoke in many and various ways" (Heb 1:1), now, in the "fullness of time" (Gal 4:4), is silent. The God before whom all fall silent is himself a speechless child. His Majesty is without words; his mystery of love is revealed in lowliness. This silence and lowliness is the language of his kingship. His Mother joins her Son and keeps these things in silence.

That silence tells us that, if we would "keep" ourselves, we need silence. We need to remain silent as we gaze upon the crib. Pondering the crib, we discover anew that we are loved; we savour the real meaning of life. As we look on in silence, we let Jesus speak to our heart. His lowliness lays low our pride; his poverty challenges our outward display; his tender love touches our hardened hearts. To set aside a moment of silence each day to be with God is to "keep" our soul; it is to "keep" our freedom from being corroded by the banality of consumerism, the blare of commercials, the stream of empty words and the overpowering waves of empty chatter and loud shouting.

Devotion to Mary is not spiritual etiquette; it is a requirement of the Christian life. Looking to the Mother, we are asked to leave behind all sorts of useless baggage and to rediscover what really matters. The gift of the Mother, the gift of every mother and every woman, is most precious for the Church, for she too is mother and woman. While a man often abstracts, affirms and imposes ideas, a woman, a mother, knows how to "keep", to put things together in her heart, to give life. If our faith is not to be reduced merely to an idea or a doctrine, all of us need a mother's heart, one which knows how to keep the tender love of God and to feel the heartbeat of all around us. May the Mother, God's finest human creation, guard and keep this year, and bring the peace of her Son to our hearts and to our world. And as children, with simplicity, I invite you to greet her as the Christians did at Ephesus in the presence of their bishops: "Holy Mother of God!" Let us together repeat three times, looking at her [turning to the Statue of Our Lady beside the altar]: "Holy Mother of God!"

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