

Corpus Christi Parish

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM



Masses	
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
<i>Other times upon request</i>	

Exposition - 1st Friday of every month	
Fri	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
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Welcome to Corpus Christi! - To register as a new parishioner please contact the office.

February 10 and 11 2018 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Day/Time	Date	Intentions
Sat. 5:00pm	Feb. 10	+ Gerdie Doherty requested by Lorraine Tallan
Sun. 9:30am	Feb. 11	People of the Parish
Sun. 11:00am	Feb. 11	In Thanksgiving for the blessings received requested by Elvin and Eileen Puesta
Tues. 9:00am	Feb. 13	No Mass Intention
Wed. 9:00 am	Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday	+ Hugh (Val) Weir requested by Patricia Weir and family
Wed. 7:00pm	Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday	No Mass Intention
Thurs. 9:00am	Feb. 15	No Mass Intention
Fri. 9:00am	Feb. 16 Stations of the Cross	No Mass Intention

The Collection on February 3 and 4 was \$2163.85.

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 March 4, Sunday, at 12 noon, at Corpus Christi Parish Hall. If you are not registered, please pick up forms at the Parish Office.

Sacramental Preparation

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

Pancake Dinner



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is on Tuesday, February 13, at 6:00pm. Save this date in your calendar. The cost is \$5.00 per adult, children 7 and under

are free. Tickets will be sold at the door. Anyone wishing to volunteer may contact Dave Baker at [647-924-9991](tel:647-924-9991), your help is mostly appreciated.



Blessing and distribution of Ashes on February 14, 2018 At 9:00 am and 7:00 pm Masses.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



The next Eucharistic Adoration will be on Tuesday, February 20 from 7:00 - 800 pm.

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 our Lord and experience a wonderful personal relationship with Him.

Come let us Adore Him.....

Marriage Sunday Celebrations

February 11, 2018 - 3 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Bishop Robert Kasun 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.

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Lenten Retreat:

Have I responded to the call to be a missionary?

A retreat with Cardinal, G erald C. Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada on Saturday, February 24 – 8:30 am to 3:00pm
The retreat begins with 8:30 am Mass at St. Basil's Church at 50 St. Joseph St. Toronto.
Remaining sessions at Charbonnel Lunge in Elmsley Hall at 81. St. Mary's St. Toronto.
Tickets: \$30 (light lunch will be served)
For more information:
alexandra.whittle@newmantoronto.com

Lent: A time of Preparation

Lent is the time before Easter during which the faithful abstain and fast in remembrance of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made on Calvary. It is a 40-day time of preparation before Easter, beginning with Ash Wednesday, commemorating the death and resurrection of Jesus. The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance are **Prayer**, **Fasting** and **Almsgiving**.

Prayer: Prayer is the “act of being with God”. More time given in prayer during Lent will draw us closer to the Lord. We might pray especially for the grace to live out our baptismal promises more fully. We might pray for the elect who will be baptized at Easter and support their conversion journey by our prayer. We might pray for all those who will celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation with us during Lent that they will be truly renewed in their baptismal commitment.

Fasting and Abstinence: Fasting is the “act of doing with less”. In the Catholic Church, those ages 18 - 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (Canon 97). On such days, those fasting may eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength. However, together, the smaller meals should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not encouraged, but liquids are allowed.

It is important to understand that the Church excuses certain people from these obligations. Examples include those who are frail, pregnant or manual laborers. The Church understands that certain people are not able to commit to the Lenten fast.

Abstinence: Abstinence is the act of “doing without” or avoiding something. For example, someone may abstain from chocolate or alcohol by not consuming them. Particular days of abstinence during Lent are Fridays, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. As canon law states, Catholics over the age of 14 are expected to abstain from the eating of meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays throughout the Lenten Season (Canon 1250 -1253).

During Lent, Catholics are also encouraged to undertake some sort of personal penance or abstinence. Examples include giving up sweets, a favorite TV show or not listening to the radio in the car on the way to work. Giving up these things isn't some sort of endurance test, but these acts are done to draw the faithful closer to Christ.

For example, a person may give up his favorite TV show, but if he simply turns the television to another channel, the Lenten penance really does not mean as much. Instead, the person should consider devoting the spare time to prayer or perhaps his family.

Almsgiving: Almsgiving is “the act of reaching out to our brethren in need”. This third traditional pillar of Lent is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Works of charity and the promotion of justice are integral elements of the Christian way of life we began when we were baptized.

The time of Lent, through fasting and abstaining and almsgiving, may be an important reminder of what it means to suffer. This small suffering should not be met with misery but with great joy as we better understand the incredible sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for humanity.

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