

# 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
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat	4:00 - 4:30 PM
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*Other times upon request*

## Exposition - 1st Friday of every month

Fri	After the 9:00 AM Mass
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## 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.**

# March 3 and 4, 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## 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. Baptism this month will take place on March 18, Sunday, at 12 noon right after the 11:00 am Mass.

Day/Time	Date	Intentions
Sat. 5:00pm	Mar. 3	+ Agnes Yee Tiam requested by Tony Yee Tian
Sun. 9:30am	Mar. 4	People of the Parish
Sun. 11:00am	Mar. 4	People of the Parish
Tues. 9:00am	Mar. 6	No Mass Intention
Wed. 9:00 am	Mar. 7	No Mass Intention
Thurs. 9:00am	Mar. 8	+ Patrick Mulrooney requested by Olive Foley
Fri. 9:00am	Mar. 9 <b>Stations of the Cross After the mass.</b>	No Mass Intention

## Sacramental Preparation

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



## Corpus Christi Women's Lenten Reflection

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 will be the date for this year's Women's Lenten Reflection night, tickets will be sold starting the weekend of Feb. 24/25 at all masses and the cost is \$20 each which includes dinner. We are fortunate this year to have Dr. Anna Boyagoda. The topic is: "Unless you change and become like children: What children can teach us about our Relationships with God." A short biography and topic will appear in the bulletin in the upcoming weeks.

## Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is a spiritual exercise to remind us about our Lord's Passion and Death. All his suffering was to save us from the bondage of sin. Here at our parish the Stations of the Cross will be celebrated after the 9:00 am mass on Fridays during Lent.

## Good Shepherd Mission

Good Shepherd Mission Needs Your Help. Can you spare a couple of hours a month to help serve lunch at the Good Shepherd Mission (Queen St. East and Parliament)? The Good Shepherd team from Corpus Christi is looking for volunteers to help out from 2 to 4 pm. the Third Sunday of every month. Please contact Lorraine Kong at [lorrainekong.ca@gmail.com](mailto:lorrainekong.ca@gmail.com)

*Offering Mass for a special intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday, or in thanksgiving for special blessings that we received. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact the Parish Office at 416 694 0382 or drop by the office during regular office hours.*

**The Collection on February 24 and 5 was \$1,806.35**

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

**The PAG Collection for the month of February 2018 was \$ 4,743.72.**

**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.**

## March 3 and 4, 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for Lent 2018

*“Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold” (Mt 24:12)*

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Once again, the Pasch of the Lord draws near! In our preparation for Easter, God in His providence offers us each year the season of Lent as a “sacramental sign of our conversion”. Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly an aspect of our life.

With this message, I would like again this year to help the entire Church experience this time of grace anew, with joy and in truth. I will take my cue from the words of Jesus in the gospel of Matthew “Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold” (Mt 24: 12).

These words appear in Christ’s preaching about the end of time. They were spoken in Jerusalem, on the Mount of Olives, where the Lord’s passion would begin. In reply to a question of the disciples, Jesus foretells a great tribulation and describes a situation in which the community of believers might well find itself: amid great trials, false prophets would lead people astray and the love that is the core of the Gospel would grow cold in the hearts of many.

#### **False prophets**

Let us listen to the Gospel passage and try to understand the guise such false prophets can assume.

They can appear as “snake charmers”, who manipulate human emotions in order to enslave others and lead them where they would have them go. How many of God’s children are mesmerized by momentary pleasures, mistaking them for true happiness! How many men and women live entranced by the dream of wealth, which only makes them slaves to profit and petty interests! How many go through life believing that they are sufficient unto themselves, and end up entrapped by loneliness!

False prophets can also be “charlatans”, who offer easy and immediate solutions to suffering that soon prove utterly useless. How many young people are taken in by the panacea of drugs, of disposable relationships, of easy but dishonest gains! How many more are ensnared in a thoroughly “virtual” existence, in which relationships appear quick and straightforward, only to

prove meaningless! These swindlers, in peddling things that have no real value, rob people of all that is most precious: dignity, freedom and the ability to love. They appeal to our vanity, our trust in appearances, but in the end they only make fools of us. Nor should we be surprised. In order to confound the human heart, the devil, who is “a liar and the father of lies” (Jn 8:44), has always presented evil as good, falsehood as truth. That is why each of us is called to peer into our heart to see if we are falling prey to the lies of these false prophets. We must learn to look closely, beneath the surface, and to recognize what leaves a good and lasting mark on our hearts, because it comes from God and is truly for our benefit. *To be continued.....*

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### **Catholic-Jewish-Muslim Student/Young Adult Dialogue**

The Ecumenical & Interfaith Affairs Office, Archdiocese of Toronto, is inviting all students and young adults to join them in the Catholic-Jewish-Muslim Dialogue on Tuesday, March 13, 7:00 - 8:00 pm 2018, in the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge Street, Next to Summerhill subway station (4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 4A, Bishop Michael Room)

**The Theme: “Fasting in the Three Traditions.”**  
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