Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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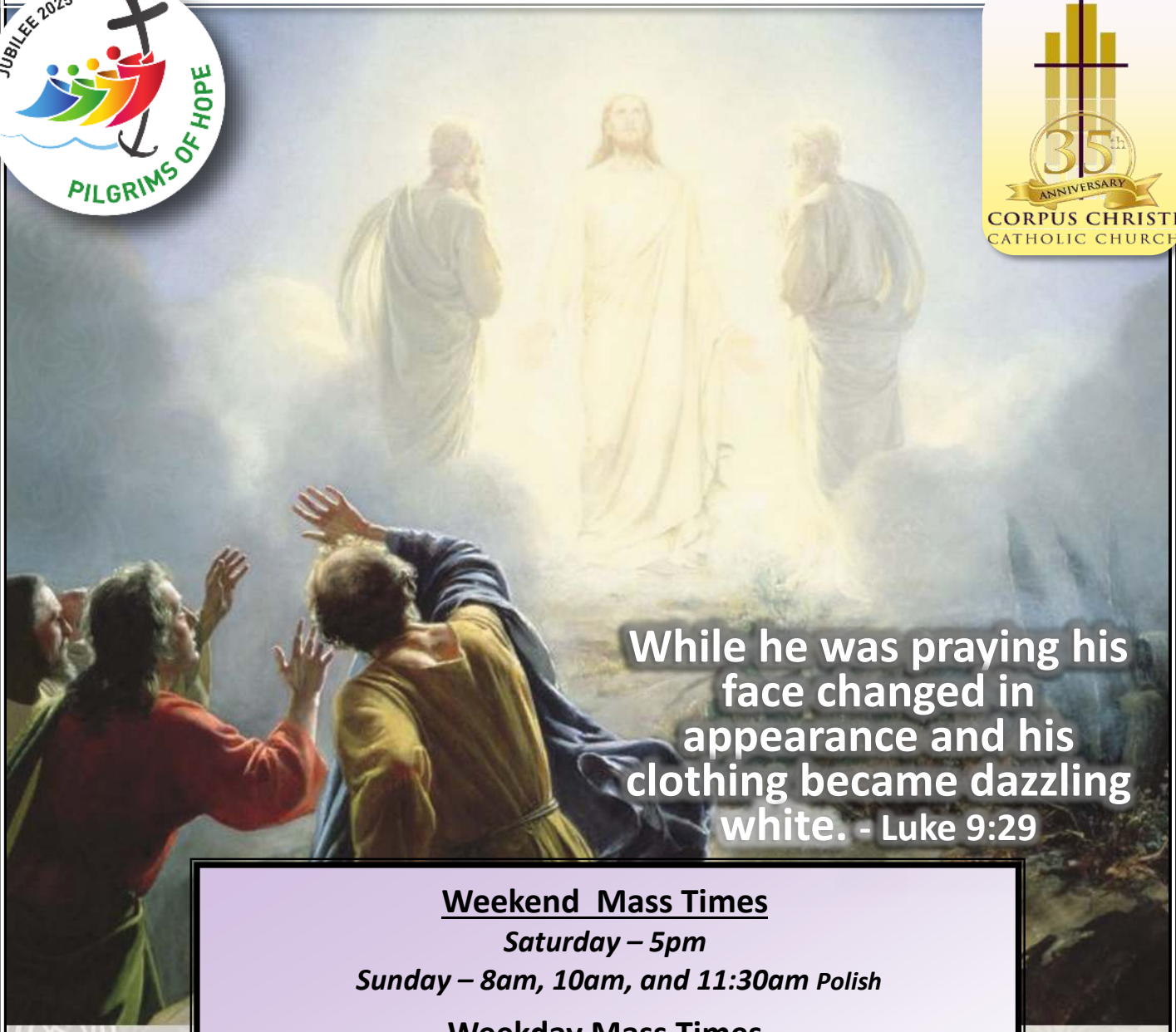
March 16, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday – 5pm

Sunday – 8am, 10am, and 11:30am Polish

Weekday Mass Times

Monday through Wednesday and Friday 9am

NEW Thursday 6pm

Confession Times

Thursday at 5:30 pm, Saturday at 4 pm, Sunday at 3 pm, or by appointment

NEW Holy Hour – Sunday 3-4pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 15 **Saturday of the First Week of Lent**

5:00 p.m.
- Charles D'Alessio by Crockett Family
- Suzie Hansen by Leonard Family
- Patricia Leonard by the Leonard Family
- Mercedes Calo by Faczek Family
- Ramon Vega by the Vega-Faczek Family
- **SI** Fred and Socy Angara 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, March 16 **Second Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m.
- Sam Panno by the Crockett Family
- **SI** Maria Laterza (Healing)

10:00a.m.
- Antonio Mendonez by Deacon Bill & Patty Thomas
- Agnus Huber by Deacon Bill and Patty Thomas
- Louise Cameron by Elinka & Atria
- **SI** Fumitaka Sugiguchi by Louise Valentin
- **SI** For All Parishioners of Corpus Christi

11:30a.m. Mass in Polish
- Marianna Jurzyk
- **SI** Malgorzata Kwoka (Birthday Blessings)

Monday, March 17 **St. Patrick**

9:00 a.m.
- **SI** Zachary Crockett
- **SI** Cynthia Linn and Family

Tuesday, March 18 **St. Cyril**

9:00 a.m.
- Jack Grazziano Jr. by the Crockett Family
- Giuliano Caruso
- Tony Mendonez by the Mendonez Family

Wednesday, March 19 St. Joseph

9:00 a.m.
- Joan Drozd by her Husband
- Giuliano Caruso
- **SI** Richard & Christine Santosdiaz (Birthday Blessings) by Family

Thursday, March 20 **Thursday of the 2nd Week of Lent**

6:00 p.m.
- Giuliano Caruso
- Zosima Guir (Anniversary of death)
- **SI** Judy Crockett by the Crockett Family
- **SI** Krystian Wisniewski (for needed graces)

Friday, March 21 **Friday of the 2nd Week of Lent**

9:00 a.m.
- Giuliano Caruso
- **SI** Samantha LoGuidice by the Crockett Family

Saturday, March 22 **Saturday of the 2nd Week of Lent**

5:00 p.m.
- Bud Yelk by the Leonard Family
- Sharon Adams by Deacon Andrew & Kathy Jalove
- Giuliano Caruso

Sunday, March 23 **Third Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m.
- Joseph J. DeSerio by Maria Blewitt
- Arlene Strawn by Mike Strawn
- Giuliano Caruso

10:00a.m.
- Jeanette Calma Tablada
- Tony Mendonez by Tony and Debbie Molinaro
- **SI** For All Parishioners of Corpus Christi

11:30a.m. Mass in Polish
- **SI** Zbigniew Bednarz (Birthday Blessings)

Please pray for all those on our prayer list...

Shannon & Jaxon A.
Joe Ernest Alonto
Adnan Alonto
Javier-Maria
Joseph Annunzio
Melanie B.
Pat Baker
Asuncion Baldwin
Brian Bennett
Gerri Tillman Bentel
Jason Birns
Nelly Bonugli
Cathy Brill
William Boyle
Mickie Branham
Brittany Brinkman
Bud Brown
Theresa Bull
Camille Burns
Dave Calderone
Terry Cook
Ida Delabadia
Alan Demascus
Tessa Dante
Karen Deering
Tom Donnell
Denise Ealy
Joe Fenton
Stephanie Sliwa
Freiwald
Betty Funer
Carol Gatti
Mike Gebhardt
Chris Gries
Clarence Groves
Rose Gulhan
Rocella Hampton
Richard Hanrahan
Dr. Dan Haraf
Samantha Harvey
Louise Harrison
Daniel Hartzell
Donna Hawko
Debbie Henke
Fr. Bob Hoffenkamp
Asha J.
Pamela Jacobs
Patricia Johnson
Geoffrey Johnson
Shawn Jurgensen
Logan King
John Kinsella
Maria Klisz
Ann Krueger
Westin LaFever
Jackie Lower
Patricia Lucchesi
Enrique Martinez
Maria
Darnell Matesi
Kevin McKinney
Larry Miller
Josephine Miller
Jean Mondrala
Mark Muzer
Tim Myscofski
Elida Navarro
Michael Novak
John Numrich
Bill Ohlhaber
Thomas O'Neil
Dominic Pascucci
Carol Pasker
Sue Patterson
Lucy Pope
Al Reda
Kathy Reich
Mary Dee Reitz
Sarah Ridgeway
Anthony Rondinella
AJ (Austin) Rose
Melissa and Joe Reynolds
Dolores Salerno
Martin Salerno
Donna Sanchez
Christine Scardina
Russell Schauer
Betty Sciortino
Mary Beth Shepardson
Antonio Sievert
Alberto Sievert
Evelyn Simonetta
Nicki Simonetta
Jeffrey Skrobutt
Steve & Barbara Smith
Mark Smith
Lorraine Standiford
Arzy Staten
Kathy Staten
Marie Storino
Tatiana Tarazona
Lorenzo Tamburello
Dominic Teapthong
Baby Kyle Templin
Deacon Bill Thomas
Julie Tkaczuk
Mike Tkaczuk
Juanita Torronio
Valentine Family
Rita Whitney
For all those who request prayers online

In Loving Remembrance

Karen Garcia, Bonnie Cimaglia
Jerry DeLaurentis, Daniel Kubik

May they Rest in Peace

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Come pray the Pro-Life Rosary at Corpus Christi on Tuesday mornings in the church after the 9 am Mass.

Readings for the Week of March 16, 2025

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Celebrate Two Great Saints - St. Joseph and St. Patrick!

When is the Event?

- **Sunday, March 16 downstairs in Marian Hall at 12:45 pm.**

Can You Help?

- Donate a Meatless or Meat dish, side, or dessert.
  Label your donation: Meat, No Meat, served Hot or Cold, nuts, no nuts, gluten free.
- Drop off your item any time between 7:45 am to 12:30 pm.
- Make a monetary donation.

Why Should You Attend?

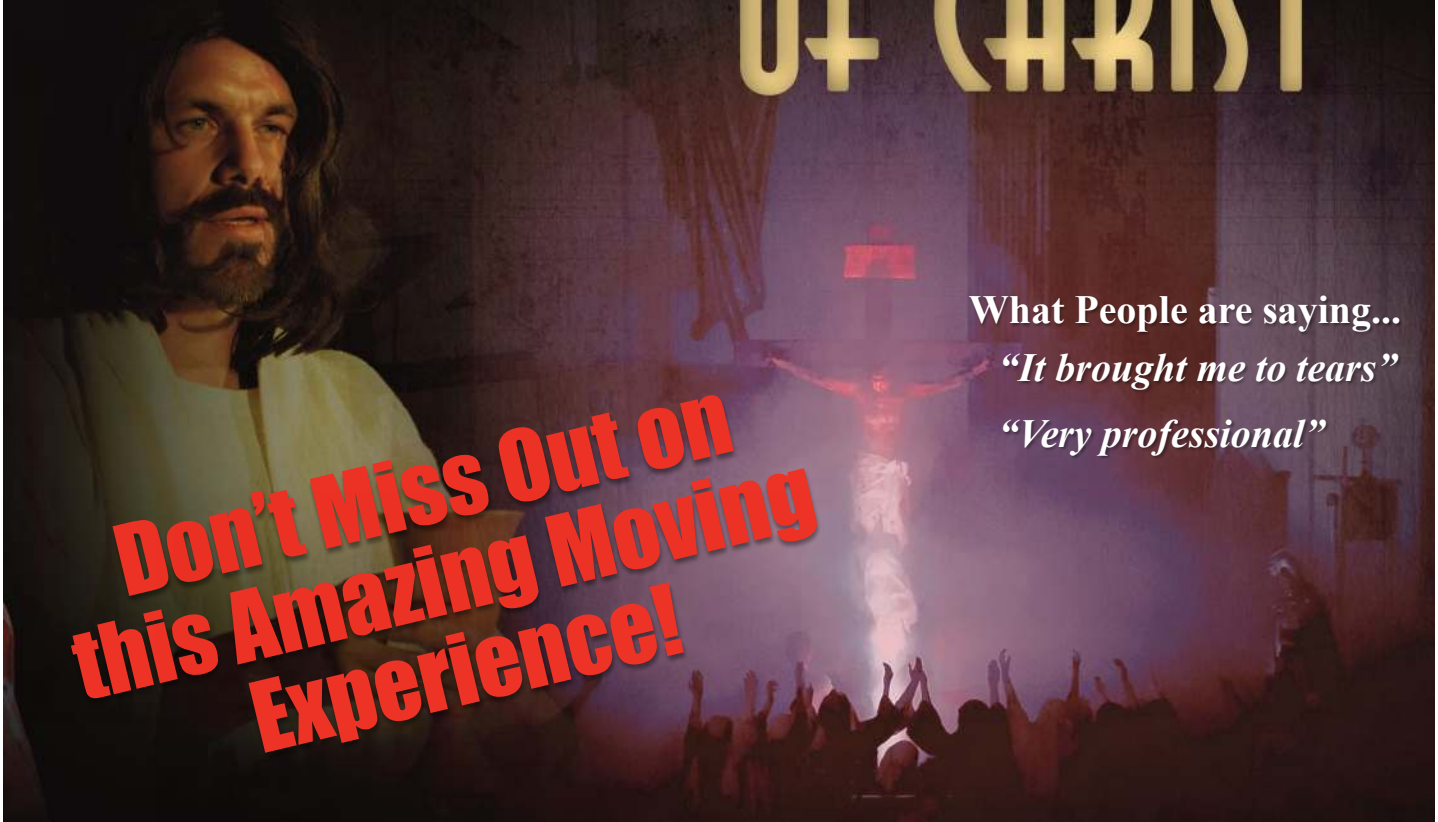
- Enjoy great homemade food and wonderful desserts.
- Help us raise funds for people in need.

Any questions?

- Contact Debbie Molinaro bisontrail@sbcglobal.net or Patricia Srain patriciasrain@gmail.com

A Theatrical Group of
St. Hyacinth's Basilica in Chicago
Presents

THE PASSION OF CHRIST



What People are saying...

"It brought me to tears"

"Very professional"

Don't Miss Out on this Amazing Moving Experience!

Next Sunday, March 23
6:30 pm

The Eucharistic Holy Hour will not take place next Sunday, March 23, due to setting up for the Passion Play

Stations of the Cross Schedule

- ✞ **March 21, 7pm** (RE Living Stations)
- ✞ **March 28, 7pm** (Teen Living Stations)
- ✞ **April 4, 7pm**
- ✞ **April 11, 7pm**
- ✞ **April 18, 3pm Good Friday**

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

Hand-Carved Olive Wood Gifts from the Holy Land

This Weekend March 15th & 16th

Hand-carved olive wood gifts from the Holy Land are available for purchase after Mass. Proceeds will benefit Catholics in the Holy Land.

Join the **Diocese of Joliet** for the

ILLINOIS PRO LIFE MARCH

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Springfield, IL

Buses will be departing from 2 locations at 6:30am, returning by approximately 6pm:

Blanchette Catholic Center	**Corpus Christi Parish**
16555 Weber Rd.	1415 W. Lies Rd.
Crest Hill, IL 60403	Carol Stream, IL 60188

Register for either bus for just $25 per person.

https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/3pqvmvh

Day includes:

Mass celebrated by the Bishops of Illinois

Pro-life March around the state capital

Dynamic speakers

Buses are only for individuals ages 18 and up. For families wishing to drive themselves, a limited amount of gas gift cards are available. Email sdidomizio@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Diocese of Joliet
Office of the Bishop

Blanchette Catholic Center
16555 Weber Rd.
Crest Hill, Illinois 60403
www.diojoliet.org

Blessings and peace to you!

As we begin our Lenten journey, marked by prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, I am writing to inform you of two identical pieces of legislation that would legalize assisted suicide in Illinois: SB 9 and HB 1328. Please consider offering your prayers and fasting to help stop this. In addition, take action by writing, calling, or emailing your state elected officials to vote **"NO"** on this legislation. For further information, visit www.ilcatholic.org or call 217-528-9200.

Assisted suicide would make it legal for a physician to prescribe a range of lethal drugs to a person diagnosed with a terminal disease who requests to end his or her life.

It is alarming that in states where suicide is legalized, there are documented cases of people being denied life-saving medical treatment by insurance companies in favor of the much cheaper option of life-ending drugs. The poor and those with disabilities are particularly at risk, as they are the most vulnerable to such abuses. Every major national organization that represents people with disabilities opposes assisted suicide. There is no way to prevent the vulnerable from being coerced or intimidated into ending their lives once assisted suicide is legal.

The American Medical Association (AMA) has summed up the case against assisted suicide well: *"Physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician's role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would pose serious societal risks."*

Proponents argue that this legislation will end suffering at the end of life. As Catholics, we agree that no one should needlessly suffer or have to watch a loved one experience unnecessary pain. Fortunately, there are now effective ways to make a person more comfortable at the end of life through palliative care.

Assisted suicide is not the compassionate solution for those who are suffering. Through palliative care, expanded access to mental health care, and stronger family and community support, providers and families are finding better ways to accompany these individuals compassionately — ways that truly reflect the love for and dignity of each human life.

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, let us continue to pray for respect and dignity for human life from conception to natural death.

As I remain –

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Ronald A. Hicks

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks

Please visit www.ilcatholic.org/take-action or call 217-528-9200 to find out how to contact your local elected officials and urge them to vote **NO** on SB 9 and HB 1328.

SAVE THE DATE

Make your appointment to be included in the new pictorial directory!

Sign-ups after all Masses and every weekend until we are filled.

In Celebration of our 35th Anniversary of Corpus Christi, our Church is doing a new pictorial directory! We want everyone to get a new picture made so that our new directory will be complete. IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!

CORPUS CHRISTI
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Photo dates are:

April 4th - Friday from 2PM to 8:30PM

April 5th - Saturday 10AM to 4:30AM

CORPUS CHRISTI
CATHOLIC CHURCH

You will have a professional photography session, see your proofs, and have the opportunity to purchase extra portraits for family and friends.

Corpus Christi Council of Catholic Women (CCW) Corner

Proceeds collected from our *Lou Malnati's* Dine to Support and the *Spring Bake Sale* will go to two causes for the church. First, to aid our church's continued support of those who are disadvantaged/distressed. This year the **CCW** will be donating money to be used towards the purchase of gift cards … Secondly, to purchase the banners that will be displayed at Easter.
Save the date: We will be hosting a Craft Event on May 10th. We will have signup in the Narthex end of April. Consider joining us!!
More information to come in upcoming bulletins.

Upcoming CCW Events

April 3rd, Thursday- **CCW** Monthly Meeting in Marian Hall at 7 PM
April 26th, Saturday- WOTY (Woman of the Year) Mass
May 10th, Saturday- Craft Event … **More info. will follow in upcoming bulletins**
May10th & 11th, Saturday/Sunday- CCW will be selling Geraniums for **Mother's Day**

Are you an adult Catholic that hasn't been confirmed?

Adult confirmation will be celebrated this year on **Saturday, May 17, 2025**.

Any Catholic adult, 18 years or older, that has been Baptized and received their First Holy Communion and is practicing their faith is welcomed to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Preparation includes the following:

- Selection of a confirmation name
- Selection + validation of a sponsor
- Copy of baptismal certificate
- Completion of preparation workshop

In order be part of this celebration… interested adults need to **contact the parish office by March 30, 2025.** to register for preparation workshops.

The two preparation workshops are to be held in Marian Hall on Sundays

April 6th and April 13th

from 9:15 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Attendance mandatory at both sessions.

If you are interested or you know of anyone who would be, please call the parish office at **630-483-4673** to register.

CONFIRMED IN THE SPIRIT

Thank you to all who helped celebrate Deacon Tom's 75th Birthday! God bless you, Deacon Tom!

Diaper & Baby Supplies Drive for Moms-in-Need March 29 & 30

Caring NETWORK

Support moms who Chose Life for their babies. Caring Network helps these moms by providing baby supplies for up to 4 years after they choose life. The moms often face financial hardship so the items below are in great demand:

Diapers: sizes newborn to size 5 - larger sizes & pull-ups always in need

Wipes, Formula – heavy demand

Diaper cream (like Desitin)

Baby shampoos, soaps and lotions

Burp cloths, bibs, teething rings & pacifiers

Please deposit items in the church narthex.

1200 Roosevelt Rd, Ste 114
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
630.493.1340, ext. 5255
caringnetwork.com

Religious Education News

Calendar

3-18 4:30-5:30pm – Sixth Grade Living Stations practice
3-21 7pm Living Stations of the Cross
3/23 11am First Communion Retreat
3/31 – 4/6 NO CLASS – Spring Break

Living Stations Practice

The sixth grade students will lead the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 21st at 7pm. Two practices will be held:

Practice dates have changed!
Tuesday 3/18 from 4:30-5:30pm
Sixth grade students (only) will NOT have class on March 10th and 17th due to the practices. Class resumes on the 24th for the sixth graders.

First Communion Retreat

All Genesis II and Grade 2 students and (at least) one parent must attend the First Communion Retreat. Please mark your calendars for:

March 23, 2025
11am in Marian Hall

Good Deeds

Ruby – helped my friend go to school
Olly – helped shovel the driveway
Mason – cleaned up all my toys
Biagio – helped shovel the neighbor's driveway
Marco – helped my brothers when they got hurt

Happy St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's Days!

Confirmation

Sofia Lech
Confirmation Coordinator

Parent Meeting

The final required Parent Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 16th at 9am in Marian Hall.

Service Projects

Students are required to complete ten (10) hours of service each year.

Service Opportunities:

- **Assist with YM Stations of the Cross – March 28th at 7pm**
- **Assist with Easter Egg hunt – 4-29 10am-12:15pm**
- **Attend Youth Ministry meetings on Sundays at 6pm**
- **Host Greet at Mass or read at the Family Mass**
- **Help at the St. Joseph & St. Patrick Celebration on 3/16**

Contact corpuschristiccym@gmail.com to sign up or request further information.

Confirmation II Requirements

Confirmation II Requirements are due in less than one month. Please be sure that your child is working on his/her requirements:

- **Letter to Fr. Mark**
- **Sponsor report**
- **Sponsor verification form**
- **Saint report**

These requirements were due March 1st

Requirements for all Confirmation I and II Students

All Confirmation I and II students MUST attend a minimum of fifteen (15) Masses per year and write a 3-4 sentence reflection on the homily. Mass Attendance must be in person and reflections must be submitted online. Students must also complete ten (10) hours of service and submit a Service Project form for each project.

DONATE BLOOD

Thursday
March
20

2:00PM - 6:00PM

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

Carol Stream
Community Blood Drive

Located at Fountain View Recreation Center
910 N. Gary Ave. Carol Stream IL

EVERY DONOR WILL SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!

Scan QR code below to make on-line appointment or use link - https://tinyurl.com/Blood-Drive-3-20-25

Appointments preferred; Walk-ins are welcome.

Donate blood for a chance to win a trip to Hawaii!

Sponsored by:
Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Council 10958

*NO PURCH. NEC. MI, OH, IL, IN, and WI residents only; 21+. Ends 3/31/25. One (1) drawing. Enter by blood donation or online. See Official Rules and online entry form at versiti.org/savecation. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233.

versiti™
Blood Center of Illinois

We opened our replica of the Holy Doors. All are welcome to walk through them during this Jubilee Year of Hope.

Pledge your gift to the CMAA

If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! Let's join together to meet our parish's goal. Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly makes a difference.

If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can Open your heart to God's goodness in support of those in need throughout our diocese. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org

Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70% of the amount over our goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing!

DIOCESE OF JOLIET ANNOUNCES JUBILEE YEAR PARISHES

These are the designated Jubilee churches in the Diocese of Joliet. There is one church in each of our Diocesan Deaneries that will welcome 'Jubilee Pilgrims' from their parish and from all the parishes of the Diocese and other Arch/Dioceses. They will be open during the day for groups and individuals to come to pray, attend Mass, attend Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and other forms of communal and private prayer while receiving the Jubilee Indulgence. Information about these churches' times for Masses, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and other forms of communal and private prayer will soon be found on the Diocesan Website under 'News, Events, and Multimedia'.

Joliet Deanery---Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus, Joliet
East DuPage Deanery---St. Peter the Apostle, Itasca
South DuPage Deanery---Sts. Peter and Paul, Naperville
West DuPage Deanery---Corpus Christi, Carol Stream
Ford-Iroquois Deanery---Immaculate Conception, Gilman
Kankakee Deanery---St. Joseph, Bradley
North Will-Kendall---St. Patrick, Yorkville
South Will-Grundy---St. Joseph, Manhattan

JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Jubilee 2025 | USCCB

Our Lady of Fatima wishes to visit your Home

Last year, 2024, 64 families of our parish welcomed Our Lady of Fatima into their homes. How awesome to hear each of the family testify to the spiritual peace, love and loving comfort that they felt as they prayed the Rosary each night for a week.

So again, the Legion of Mary invites you, especially those with young children, empty nesters, single parents, to spend a week with Mary in your home. Experience her presence. Our Mother wishes to be a part of your prayer life and to bring you closer to her Son, Jesus.

We will provide the prayer packet you will need.

Please email the Parish Office at corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net or leave a message 630-483-1673 to schedule a date. You can also contact Letty Dino at ldino518@gmail.com
Our Lady is waiting for you!

Here are the latest comments from our host families:

Elizabeth Ruyvaczyk

"There is a comforting peace in the house when Mary visits. We ask for help to pray for my children."

"We love having Mary in our house. We think she likes it here because she looks pleased when we sit and pray with her. Thank you Mary and to the women who bring her to us."

"We have such peace and love when the Blessed Mother is in our home. Thank you Mother, for continuing to bless us."

Myrna and Jun Austria Family

"Our Lady often speaks of peace in her messages and her presence in our home brought us peace, comfort and calm which I truly appreciated and experienced. Please pray for the efforts of all heavenly prophets, messengers, mystics and ministers of the truth. May the Holy Spirit inspire us all to recognize His message."

"Once again, as always, Mother Mary brought peace and comfort to me."

Do you want to know more about the works of the *Legion of Mary?* **It is an association of lay Catholics through Corpus Christi Pastor Father Mark Jurzyk, and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of all Graces, *who is fair as the moon, bright as the sun, terrible as an army set in battle array,*** formed themselves into service in the spiritual warfare against the world and its evil powers to bring everyone to her beloved Son, Jesus. **We meet every Wednesday at 7 pm in Marian Hall.**
Contact Letty at ldino518@gmail.com for more information or leave your number at the Parish Office so we can contact you.

Bishop Hicks' Column
March 2025

IF…

The title of this article, **"If,"** is so short that it's easy to overlook — yet few words carry so much weight in the Catholic imagination. These two simple letters hold the potential to launch beautiful dreams or plant seeds of destructive doubt.

On the positive side, the word **"if"** opens possibilities, like saying, "*If I work hard, I can succeed.*" It encourages hope and stimulates creativity, like wondering, "*What if we did it this way?*" It motivates action by highlighting the rewards, like a teacher saying to their student, "*If you study, you'll pass the exam.*" And it suggests a promising outcome, like me predicting, "If you are reading this article, you are probably a disciple of Jesus."

"If" is the kind of word that sparks dreams — *If I trust in God, maybe He will take care of everything.* It invites us to imagine what God could do if only we dared to trust and surrender ourselves to His will. Consider the Gospel of Matthew, where Jesus says, *"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, nothing will be impossible for you"* (Matthew 17:20). That tiny word, **"if,"** encourages us to believe in the miraculous, and to trust that God can work wonders through even the smallest act of faith. It does not demand perfection but presents many hopeful possibilities.

There is, however, another side to **"if"** that can be perilous. When used with doubt or hesitation, **"if"** becomes a stumbling block. During this Lenten season, we are reminded that Jesus was tempted in the desert by Satan with the word **"if"** (Matthew 4):

- *"**If** You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread."*
- *"**If** You are the Son of God, throw yourself down."*

*"All these I will give you, **if** you kneel down and worship me."*

Satan's use of **"if"** was not just about testing Jesus' power — it was about trying to plant doubt in Jesus' very identity as the Son of God. That is the same tactic the enemy uses against us today, aiming to make us question who we are in God's eyes. But Jesus bravely resisted these **"if"**-based lies. He knew and fully embraced His identity as the Son of God and remained grounded in His mission, united with His Father and the Holy Spirit.

In moments of trial, we too face the temptation to question God's love or plan: *"If God is good, why am I suffering?"* We are fallible humans; our faith is often tested during challenging times. But our faith calls us to move beyond these doubts, trusting in God's greater purpose even when we do not completely understand.

Just as Satan tempted Jesus to doubt His own identity, we too can be lured into believing a deceitful lie about our identity. But there is **no "if"** about our awe-inspiring identity: we are all made in the image and likeness of God. We are God's beloved sons and daughters. And although we are sinners, Jesus came to forgive us and save us from our sins. We trust that promise. Our faith is founded on that truth.

I have seen too many people accept the lie about their true identity. That lie is often planted subtly through internal narratives like, *I cannot really be God's beloved son or daughter because I am not smart enough, not good enough, not holy enough, not attractive, not athletic, not popular, not likable…* or even worse, *not lovable.* We are bombarded daily with subtle lies about our worth — in social media, in relationships, and even in our own thoughts. But God's truth is unwavering: you are His beloved. There's no "if" about it. When we reject that basic lie and live in the light of our identity as a beloved daughter or son of God, we are on the road to true joy and salvation.

I invite you to eliminate any and all doubts about Jesus and yourself. God never says, *I will only love you "if" you are perfect.* God's love and mercy for you are unconditional.

So, as we journey through this Lenten season, let us reject the "if" of doubt and embrace the certainty of God's love. Pray for the strength to ignore the negative "speak" and to center on the positive truths. With clarity and conviction, we proclaim that Jesus is God. He alone is worthy of our praise, honor, and glory. He is our Savior through His life, suffering, death, and resurrection. He has won the victory over death and offers eternal life to all who believe and follow Him.

You are a beloved child of God. When it comes to God and the divine love freely given to all of us, there is no "if" whatsoever! ✝

SAVE THE DATE

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE FROM INDIANAPOLIS TO LOS ANGELES

At the end of the National Eucharistic Congress last year, Bishop Cozzens announced there would be a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage from Indianapolis to Los Angeles in 2025.

Upon being asked, Bishop Hicks gratefully accepted the honor for the Diocese of Joliet to be the first Diocese on the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage St. Katharine Drexel Route.

The Diocese of Joliet will receive the Eucharist from the Pilgrims and Chaplains coming from a Mass in Indianapolis, IN on **Sunday, May 18 and we will present the Eucharist to the Diocese of Peoria at St. Patrick Parish in Seneca, IL on Monday May 19.**

These are the Worship Spaces where the National Eucharistic Procession will stop for Adoration:

St. Mary Parish, Paxton
Immaculate Conception Parish, Gilman
St. John Paul II Parish, Kankakee
Bishop McNamara High School
Immaculate Conception Parish, Morris

Please watch your Parish Bulletin and the Diocesan website for further information about the Diocese of Joliet's participation in the 2025 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage.

We invite you to become a registered parishioner of Corpus Christi, or to submit/update your contact information (for important church updates).

Corpus Christi Parish Registration Form

Or register on the parish website at https://corpuschristicarolstream.org/im-new

Date Registering_____ Envelope # *(Parish Office use only)*_____

Family Last Name_____

Address_____ **City**_____ **Zip**_____

Name of Male Head of Household_____

Primary Phone_____

Primary Email_____

Religion: __Roman Catholic __Other:_____

Name of Female Head of Household_____

Primary Phone_____

Primary Email_____

Religion: __Roman Catholic __Other:_____

Marital Status: __Married __Single __Widowed __Divorced __Separated

What Mass do you regularly attend? ☐5pm Sat ☐8:30am Sun ☐11am Sun ☐12:30pm Sun.

Name(s) **of Child**(ren) **and Age**(s) (*living at home*):

First Child_____ Second Child_____

Third Child_____ Fourth Child_____

Fifth Child_____ Sixth Child_____

Other information:

- Or -

SUBMIT/UPDATE your EMAIL and/or MOBILE PHONE NUMBER

(*Or email this information to the Parish Office at* corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net)

First and Last Name _____

Home Address _____

Email Address _____

Mobile/cell phone # _____

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