



Saturday, February 18
5:00 p.m. +Mary T. Hauser
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, February 19
8:00 a.m. +Mary C. McNamee
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. +Raenn Rose Merlino
Monday, February 20
9:00 a.m. +Silvana Puleo
Tuesday, February 21
7:00 a.m. +Victor Abreu
Wednesday, February 22
Ash Wednesday
7:00 a.m. +John Russo, Jr.
6:15 p.m.* Joseph Zannetti
Thursday, February 23
7:00 a.m. +Muriel Morgan-Bodkin
Friday, February 24
7:00 a.m. +Helena Subtil
Saturday, February 25
5:00 p.m. +Marilyn & Ronald Rinfret
First Sunday of Lent
Sunday, February 26
8:00 a.m. +Bertalina Idavoy
10:00 a.m. +John (Jack) Alai, Jr.
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish
**AD ORIENTEM (facing East)*

**Pope Francis' Prayer
 Intention for February**

For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

**Daily Mass – Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. - 7:00 a.m.
 Every Wednesday**

Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m.

Mass 6:15* followed by

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till 9:00 pm.

**AD ORIENTEM (facing East)*

Presidents' Day – Monday Feb. 20 Mass 9:00 a.m.

Parish Office Closed

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

February 12 –\$ 4,779.00

Mail Donations \$ 769.00

On-Line Giving \$ 942.17

Snow Removal Collection\$ 826.00

**Thank you for your support of Corpus Christi Parish
 Please remember Corpus Christi Parish
 in your will and estate planning.**

**MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS
 February 18 - February 24**

**+Candle for Mary +
 For the Souls of Purgatory**

**+Sacred Heart+
 For the Souls of Purgatory**



Parish Giving is the premier online giving and payment system for **Corpus Christi** and church communities throughout the nation. **Please note at any time, you may begin ON LINE GIVING by logging on to our website:**

ON LINE GIVING Our thanks to the many families that have signed up for Online Giving! If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like the convenience of giving to your parish online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made. You may even view your giving history just by logging in Visit our website: www.corpuschristisoutheriver.org – and get started.

Flocknote – Keep in touch with us via email and text! All the happenings of Corpus Christi on a daily basis, ministry news & more. Text the word CHI-RHO to 84576 Or sign up online at Corpuschristichurch2.flocknote.com

Names may be called in to add to the sick of the parish. Please keep in mind to notify the parish office when to remove the names. Thank You.

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Joann Heinlin, Juliet Hobson,
 Stevie Telofski, Catherine Francis,
 Geraldine Patton, Manuel Rocha, Jean DuFour,
 Nancy Perkin, Ashley Larson, Theresa Marchese,
 Leonard Parrino, Karen Kleinschmidt, Bonnie Anderson,
 Steven Marcinczyk, Ian Birchak, Melissa Telofski,
 Vickie, Lisa Ponteiri, Sam Saloom, Jr., Patrick Ahern
 Ernest J. Volkmann, Jr., Ernest J. Volkmann, Sr.,
 David Catchpole, Maryann Volkmann, Helen Casey.



Please use corpuschristichurch5@gmail.com for emails only to the church.

**RAISE THE ROOF & MAKE A
SOUND IN CHRIST CAMPAIGN 2023**

Make a one-time gift \$ _____

Make a Pledge \$250+ \$500+ \$1,000+ \$2,000+
\$5,000+ Other \$ _____

Payment installment options are available.

Any donation amount will be greatly
appreciated. Donations may be mailed or dropped
off at the parish office.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Please make checks payable to
Corpus Christi Church

**We are happy to report, we have received \$67,446.06
in pledges/donations for our campaign.**



**Ash Wednesday Schedule
February 22, 2023**

7:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 p.m. Service

5:00 p.m. Service

6:15 p.m. Mass *AD ORIENTEM (facing East)

Fridays during Lent

Stations of the Cross 6:30 p.m.

Fast and Abstinence

The regulations on Lenten fast and abstinence are:
FASTING: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18 but not yet 60 are allowed only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.
ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Lenten Night of Recollection

St. Bartholomew Church, East Brunswick

Date: Thursday, February 23, 2023

Presenter Fr. Timothy Eck

Theme: "The Essence of Penance"

Private Prayer: 6:00pm

Reflection: 6:15pm – Mass: 7:00pm

Lenten Soup Supper after Mass

\$7.00pp Reservation

Required for the Soup Supper

Contact Nellie@732-207-9786

or email qoe1017@aol.com

Everyone is Welcome!

Prayers for Lent

*Jesus, teach me to see with
your eyes, to live life as you lived,
to understand life as you understood it.
Give me a new perception of others,
close and far, seen always as brothers
and sisters in you to be respected
and loved. Amen. Pope Francis*

February 12, 2023 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.



"Raise the Roof"

200 Lenten Envelope fundraiser

Beginning the first weekend of lent through Easter week, you will find at the entrances to the church, a bulletin board with numbered envelopes on them. Each number represents that amount of money. For example 10 equals \$10, 50=\$50, etc. Please feel free to take 1, 2 or more and return filled envelopes to the parish office or place in any collection basket. Many thanks to all who have supported this fundraiser, Together we can "RAISE THE ROOF"!

**Next Fundraising Meeting Thursday, February 23rd at
7:30 pm. in the church hall. All are welcome.**

COMBINED EASTER BASKET DRIVE 2023

Sponsored by

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Rosarians

Corpus Christi Youth Group

Appreciated Items:

Candy, Small Baskets, Fillers,

Coloring Books, Crayons,

Small Trinkets/Toys



To Benefit the South River Food Bank

February 12, 2023 through March 26, 2023

Choice Matter Conference – March 25, 2023

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity presents "Choices Matter – A Critical Life Issues Conference which will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Saturday, March 25, 2023. An Opening Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James Checchio at 9:00 a.m. and the conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 pm. This year's topics/expert speakers are:

A Second Chance at Choice –

Abortion Reversal: Dr. George Delgado

Choices, Babies and Dreams – Leah Darrow

Healing the Walking Wounded: Lisa Rowe

General registration is \$35 and student registration is \$15. The conference features Eucharistic

Adoration, exhibits and more. The fee includes

lunch and handouts. To register visit:

<https://www.diometuchen.org/choicesmatter>.

Everyone is welcome! For questions or for more

information please email

amarshall@diometuchen.org. Seating is limited.

2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Renewed and Sent on Mission by the Eucharist

Inflation is just one factor bringing more people to our doors, especially struggling, working parents and seniors on a fixed income. With your help, Catholic Charities distributed over 193,000 pound of food last year and gave \$600,000 in rental assistance. Others are being helped with transitional jousting, affordable childcare or counseling services.

Dedicated to upholding the fundamental Catholic Social Teaching principle that all human beings, created in the image and likeness of God, have by their very existence inherent worth, Catholic Charities makes it a priority to treat every person who comes to its doors with dignity and respect. Thanks to your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, Catholic Charities continues to be an effective witness of Christ's love in the world.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR THE 2022 CALENDAR YEAR ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



Corpus Christi Church
Raise the Roof Fundraiser
Saturday, March 25th from 7-10pm

Join us for an evening of dinner and music!
Early Bird Tickets on sale now through
February 15th @ \$35 each (\$40 after 2/15).
Ticket includes Dinner, Dessert, and Live
Show

You can purchase tickets at the Rectory or by
contacting AnnMarie at adminsrr@comcast.net
or texting 732-801-3569

Collecting your unwanted Crayons! –Through March 26th The Children's Evangelization Ministry in partnership with the S.R. Environmental Commission is collecting unwanted, rejected, or broken crayons to send for recycling. More than 5000.000 pounds of crayons are discarded every year in the US alone. Just thinks for a moment, "how many dumpsters does that fill?" In the spirit of being good stewards of God's Creation, the Children's Evangelization Ministry wants to ensure that these crayons are kept out of the landfills and back into the creative hands of children. Donated crayons must be placed in a Ziploc bag labeled "Recycle" and can be dropped off inside any of the collection boxes located at the entrance of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Eliana at corpuschristievm@gmail.com or text 732-770-8245.



2023 Lucky Calendar

Congratulations to Mike Johnson who won the February 7th drawing for \$500.00. There are still 12 drawings left in case you missed out on dropping

off your returns. It's not to late to purchase a lucky calendar. Extra calendars available at the parish office and after all masses.

SAVE THE DATE!

Fr. Damian's 25th Anniversary of his

Ordination to the Priesthood

Saturday, June 17, 2023

Bilingual Mass 4:00 pm – Dinner & Dance to follow at the Portuguese Social Club.
More info to follow in future bulletins.