



Saturday, March 9
5:00 p.m. + John Murphy, Sr.
Sunday, March 10
Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. +Bob Singer
5:00 p.m. +Albert & +Victoria Christian
Monday, March 11
7:00 a.m. +Eleanor Golojuch
Tuesday, March 12
7:00 a.m. +Barbara Jimenez
Wednesday, March 13
6:15 p.m.* Fr. Damian
 Fr. Sean Winters
 Fr. John O’Kane
Thursday, March 14
7:00 a.m. +Mario Castillo
Friday, March 15
7:00 a.m. +Alice Rodrigues
Saturday, March 16
Vigil Mass
5:00 p.m. +J.R. Ciak
Sunday, March 17
Fifth Sunday in Lent
8:00 a.m. +Fran Palazzolo
9:30 a.m. People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. +Rev. J. Maciej Melaniuk
Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for March

For New Martyrs

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

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

Every Wednesday Confessions

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

Mass 6:15 (TLM) will be celebrated at
 St. Mark’s Christian Academy School
 Conference Room (former Convent of CC)
 corner of David & Kamm Ave.
 followed by Adoration of the Blessed
 Sacrament in church 7:30 pm till 9:00 pm.



Easter Flower & Novena Envelopes may be
 dropped in any collection basket.

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

Collection for March 3-\$ 5,706.00
Mail Donations \$ 1,449.50
On-Line Giving \$ 1,261.77

Easter Flowers \$ 835.00

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

MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS

March 9 – March 15

+Candle for Mary+
 George Dudas

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 emails only to the church.

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www.corpuschristisoutheriver.org – and get started.

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Joann Heinlin, Juliet Hobson, Jean DuFour,
 Ernest J. Volkmann, Sr., Stevie Telofski,
 Mark Cramer, Geraldine Patton, Ian Birchak,
 Angel Cortez, David Catchpole, Rosalia Gagliano,
 Theresa Marchese, Melanie Elvena, Patrick Ahern,
 Ashley Larson, Steven Marcinczyk, Alicia, Javier Fuentes,
 Kim Madlinger, Melissa Telofski, Bonnie Anderson,
 Karen Kleinschmidt, Fr. Michael J. King, William Haase, Jr.



Stations of the Cross
 every Friday
 during Lent 6:30 p.m.
 Confessions 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Dear Parishioners,

Starting March 10 through March 19, we will once again make a corporate, solemn Novena to good St. Joseph at all Masses. The Novena prayer card with brief litany will be in all the black hymnals of the church. For our parish intention I ask that we pray for *evangelization of souls and vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life, and sacramental married life*. It may also prove helpful to add a special remembrance of all those who no longer practice the faith or who have not returned since the Covid era. Also, pray for world peace, an end to warfare and political terrorism that seems to only increase with the passage of time. As we head into what may be a fractious time as a nation with the upcoming election, it may be wise to say a prayer for our nation and our leaders who are tasked with so many issues.

St. Joseph wants to help us and he is the go-to saint for many of the saints of the Church who developed a special trust in his intercession as Patron of the Universal Church and Foster Father of Redeemer. Please add your own intention these days of the Novena, using any novena prayer of your choice at home. Perhaps there's someone in your life who needs special spiritual assistance or physical healing. Perhaps there's someone you wish to be reconciled with this Lent. Perhaps you or someone you know is looking for work or another job. Perhaps you are in need of a house or you are trying to sell one – whatever may be your intention: ***“Go to St. Joseph!”*** I am happy to attest as many have before me, good St. Joseph comes through in surprising, timely, and unexpected ways! For anyone who doubts the power of prayer doubts God.

In the Sacred Hearts of Jesus

Rev. Damian B. Breen

March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son...”. – John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

March 9/10 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

STAY WITH US, LORD:

Renew Our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

“Central to our understanding of Christian stewardship is the concept of accountability. To safeguard the gifts you have entrusted to our care, we recently set up a special foundation, a separate trust, where all the money from this Appeal goes so that it can be used only for those ministries advertised in the Appeal materials and website. You can be assured that your gift is well protected and well used; making a difference in meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of the people we serve. A gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal is a worthy investment.

Lenten Envelope Fundraiser

Our 200 envelope fundraiser has begun! Simply choose an envelope (or multiple envelopes). Each envelope has a number from two to 200, with each number representing that specific dollar amount. For example, 7 represents \$7, 29 represents \$29, 142 represents \$142 and so forth. Envelopes can be found in the church lobby from the first weekend of lent through Easter Week. Filled envelopes may be dropped off at the parish office or dropped in the weekly collection. Thank you for your continued support.



Please join the Divine Mercy Prayer Group **Sunday, March 10, 2024 from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.** in the church hall. Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Trust and other prayers. Light refreshments will be served.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society Corpus Christi Conference wants to thank the Youth Group for all the work they have been doing. The Youth Group has been active in conjunction with the St. Vincent de Paul Society for over 20 years. Membership is open to any student in grades 6 through 12. Currently the group has 10 boys and girls participating. The members serve the local community such as the South River Food Bank, globally through Operation Christmas Child and the Church Community, providing needed items to the two Ozanam Shelters in New Brunswick, run by Catholic Charities.

Corpus Christi Men's Ministry

Corpus Christi Men's Ministry will recite the Living Rosary for Sacramental Married Life on Saturday, March 16th at 12:00 Noon in the church or weather permitting the Grotto. All are welcome to attend.



Handicap Accessibility seating is located in the front of the church for your convenience.

Save the Date! - Sunday, May 19th Corpus Christi Right To Life and Evangelization Ministry will be hosting a "Baby Shower Blessings Campaign" to support Life Choices Resource Center, Metuchen. More details to follow shortly.

Garden Angels



Corpus Christi Garden Angels are getting their gardening tools ready for the Spring. If you have a green thumb and some interest in lending a helping hand, please call Eileen Swenticky at 732-238-5973.

Learn, Love, and Live Jesus Christ
in the Holy Mass

"ELEMENTS OF THE CATHOLIC MASS"

Episode 19– The Church Doors

The door of the church is not simply practical or pragmatic; it is not simply for entry and exit. The door of every church is a sacramental sign that reminds us of our future entry into paradise. Every church is dedicated before it is put into service for worship; its prayer of dedication tells us what it signifies. If you would like to access this episode ahead of time, please go to: <https://www.elementsofthecatholicmass.com/episodes>



Chrism Mass – Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi

On Tuesday, March 26, 2024 4:00 p.m., Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support.

The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group of St. Ambrose Parish

83 Throckmorton Lane, Old Bridge

Come join us in prayer as we celebrate mass together in honor of St. Padre Pio by Celebrant Fr. Jack C. Grimes, Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. followed by veneration of a first class relic of St. Padre Pio.

Corpus Christi Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by Youth Group

Sunday, March 24, 2024

11:00 a.m.



Corpus Christi Church Lawn

All Parishioners Welcome!

Please join us the **2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Church Hall** as we view and discuss a new episode in "**The Chosen video series**. We began on February 20th with the first episode and will continue with a new episode each meeting. If you need to catch up or miss a meeting, you can find the series on many streaming services and websites. All are welcome. Please invite a friend, neighbor or family member to join you. Questions or to RSVP contact AnnMarie Karczmit, at admins@comcast.net or text call at 732-801-3569. Light refreshments will be served. Thank you.

The McGeehan Agency with the Knights of Columbus Insurance is looking for a full-time insurance agent. We cover the Trenton Diocese and Middlesex County and have multiple openings. The applicant must be Catholic and be eligible to join the Knights of Columbus, if not already.

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