



### Saturday, April 5

#### Vigil Mass

5:00 p.m. +Salvatore Befumo

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### Sunday, April 6

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. +Marie & +Augusto Bertolini

5:00 p.m. +Jimmy Guglielmo

### Monday, April 7

7:00 a.m. +Memorial Society

### Tuesday, April 8

### Wednesday, April 9

6:15 p.m. \* +Susan Ann Gahrman

+Ramona & Ruperto Racho

+Pedro & Secundina Racho

David Annunziato

7:00 a.m. Thursday, April 10

+Joseph & +Antoinette Rossi

### Friday, April 11

7:00 a.m. +Garth Smalley

### Saturday, April 12

5:00 p.m. +DMO Dudas & +Regelski Families

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

#### Sunday, April 13

8:00 a.m. +Billy Alan Medvetz

9:30 a.m. People of the Parish

5:00 p.m. +Jim Dincuff

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

For the use of the new technologies:

*Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.*

### Daily Mass – Mon., 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.

### Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

March 30 - \$ \$5,504.00

Mail Donations \$ 810.00

On-Line Giving \$ 1,108.36

March Parish Assessment \$ 1,974.00

Thank you for your support of Corpus Christi Parish

*Please remember Corpus Christi Parish*

*in your will and estate planning.*

### MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS

April 5 – April 11

+Candle for Mary +  
Pope Francis

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Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Joann Heinlin, Juliet Hobson, Jean DuFour,

Ernest J. Volkmann, Sr., Stevie Telofski,

Elizabeth Fehl, Ian Birchak, Fr. Michael J. King,  
Mark Cramer, Geraldine Patton, David Catchpole,  
Kim Madlinger, Angel Cortez, Rose Rein, Patrick Ahern,  
Karen Kleinschmidt, Theresa Marchese, Bonnie Anderson,  
Ashley Larson, Javier Fuentes, Joseph Kwiatkowski,  
Erik Farah, Melissa Telofski, Miguel Agudeo, Bill Dyrwal,  
John Loughlin, Justin Dyrwal, OSB, Bonnie Saloom,  
Joseph Bubnis, Peter Kaufman.

Handicap Accessibility seating is located in the front pews of the church for your convenience. Holy Communion will be brought to these individuals firstly by the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. Kindly utilize this area if you require such assistance.



**Lenten Penance Service**  
**April 11, 2025 - 7:30 p.m.**

Several priests will be available to hear confessions. An Examination of Conscience is inserted in today's bulletin for you to prepare for confession.

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**April 6, 2025**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on its fig tree but have found none.'" LUKE 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

**2025 Lenten Obligations**

1. The days of both fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday (March 5) and Good Friday (April 18).
2. The other Fridays of Lent (Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; April 4, and 11) are days of abstinence (no meat).
3. Fasting in the Roman Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
4. Abstinence in the Roman Catholic tradition, means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.) The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

**SAVE THE DATE! June 14<sup>th</sup> St. Vincent de Paul Society Flea Market lower parking lot of the Church – Rain Date June 21<sup>st</sup>. More info will follow shortly.**



Corpus Christi Parish welcomes our Bishop, the Most Rev. James F. Checchio, to our Church to celebrate the 9:30 a.m. Mass today.

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**2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal**  
**Pilgrims of Hope: Journeying Together**  
**in Faith, Hope & Charity.**

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.

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**Chrism Mass**

On Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 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. All are encouraged to join-in-person (or watch via livestream), the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 p.m. To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, Visit <https://diometuchen.org/chrism-mass>



**Holy Week**

**Palm Sunday, April 12, 2025**

**5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass, 7:00 p.m. (Portuguese)**

**April 13, 2025, 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.**

**11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)**

**& 5:00 p.m.**

**Palms will be given out during all masses.**



**Holy Thursday – April 17, 2025,  
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper  
(Bilingual)**



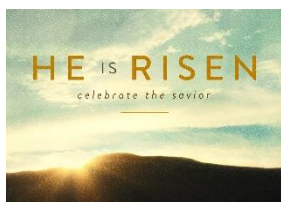
**Good Friday – April 18, 2025  
Stations of the Cross 12:00 p.m.  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. (Portuguese)**



**Holy Saturday  
April 19, 2025  
12:00 p.m.  
Blessing of Easter Food**

**8:00 p.m. Vigil Mass (Bilingual)**

**Easter Sunday – April 20, 2025**



**8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)  
No 5:00 p.m. Mass Easter Sunday**

**DEDICATED TO THE CORPUS  
CHRISTI PARISHIONERS WHO  
ARE CELEBRATING THEIR  
BIRTHDAY DURING THIS  
MONTH.**



As you celebrate your special day, remember that God's presence is a continual source of light in your life. His blessings are like rays of sunshine, bringing peace and grace into every new year you face. Your birthday doesn't just mark another year, but rather another chapter of the incredible plans God has for you. Embrace the hope and future that shine brightly ahead, crafted by God's loving hands.

**HOLY YEAR JUBILEE of HOPE PILGRIMAGE**

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Please read letter from Bishop Checchio regarding next weekend's Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests inserted in today's bulletin. Many thanks in advance for your generosity.



**Join Fr. Joseph Desmond –  
Ancient Wonders of the  
Bible Lands, October 13 –  
October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Egypt,  
Jordan & Holy Land.**

Price of trip \$5,098 from Newark. All-Inclusive, price includes basic tour & guided sightseeing, round-trip International Airfare. Entrance fees, hotel gratuities & program fees, Daily breakfast & Dinner, Deluxe Motorcoaches, first-class hotels & more. Register early and save \$25.00 register by April 13, 2025. We will walk in the footsteps of those who have experienced God on their journey. [www.eocatholic.com](http://www.eocatholic.com) 800-247-0017. Brochures available at the parish office.



We are in need of Lectors for our Saturday evening 5pm Mass. If you might have some interest in joining this ministry, please call the parish office or see Fr. Damian.

