



Saturday, December 2
12:00 Noon +Arthur Chorbak, Jr.
5:00 p.m. + Mary T. Hauser

First Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 3
8:00 a.m. +Augustina Riccardelli
9:30 a.m. People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. +William Haberman

Monday, December 4
7:00 a.m. +Memorial Society

Tuesday, December 5
7:00 a.m. +Garth Smalley

Wednesday, December 6
6:15 p.m.* Madeleine Noelle Asfour
 +Ziola Lopez
 +Ralph Reed
 Fr. Damian Breen
 Carol Theresa Rakoncza

Thursday, December 7
Vigil Mass
7:00 p.m. +Dave Fuller

Friday, December 8
The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 a.m. +Marcia V. Gonzalez
7:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Saturday, December 9
Vigil Mass
5:00 p.m. +Christopher Haase

Sunday, December 10
Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 a.m. +Manuel & +Maria Cacador
9:30 a.m. +Betty & +Edwin Kolakowski
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for December

For persons with disabilities
 We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

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

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

Collection for November 19 -\$ 5,126.00
Mail Donations \$ 805.00
Campaign for Human Development \$ 791.00
On-Line Giving \$ 1,356.48

Collection for November 26 - \$4,544.00
November Parish Assessment \$ 2,033.00
Mail Donations \$ 858.00
On-Line Giving \$ 984.64


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

MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS
December 2 – December 8

+Candle for Mary+
 Rose Trentacosta

+Sacred Heart+
 Special Intention

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

 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:



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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,
 Nancy Perkin, Angel Cortez, David Catchpole,
 Theresa Marchese, Melanie Elvena, Patrick Ahern,
 Ashley Larson, Steven Marcinczyk, Alicia,
 Melissa Telofski, Bonnie Anderson,
 Karen Kleinschmidt, Kim Madlinger.



December 3, 2023
First Sunday of Advent

“Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.” MARK 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.

The Feast of St. Andrew is November 30th. Beginning that day, the following prayer is recited each day until Christmas.



Hail and blessed be the hour and the moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer

and grant my desires, through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen

Learn, Love, and Live Jesus Christ
in the Holy Mass
“ELEMENTS OF THE
CATHOLIC MASS”



Episode 12 – Music Part 1

Music and the Mass

Music, in the mind of the Church, is not thought of as something added to the Mass; rather, music is an integral component of it. The Church describes her music as a treasure of inestimable value – and indeed, how rich is this musical heritage. As a unique combination of melody and word, sacred music was created for the worship of God; it forms a necessary part of the sacred liturgy. This episode will be shown this weekend. If you would like to access this episode ahead of time, please go to:

<https://www.elementsofthecatholicmass.com/episodes>

Raise the Roof Donations
\$111,955.11

2024 Corpus Christi Mass Intention

Book is now open. Candles, Memorial Mass are also available.



Memorial Society

Monday, December 4, 2023

Memorial Society Mass this Monday 7:00 a.m. All who are enrolled in the Memorial Society will be remembered this day and every first Monday for 12 months. To enroll a loved one in the Memorial Society, contact the parish office 732-254-1800 ext.10. Donation \$50.00.



Share the Warmth
“Winter Sock Drive”

December 1-31, 2023 – Donations of new men, women and children socks greatly appreciated! Drop off bin will be located at the entrance of the church. Sponsored

by Corpus Christi Youth Group.

The Youth group have been busy bees this past month completing three more blankets and 30 bowls were decorated for the January Drive. They also created their own pumpkins to take home.

Youth Group will meet on Sunday, December 17th at 6:00 p.m. All youth grades grade 5 and up are welcome to attend.

2023 Lucky Calendar -

There are two more drawings left for this year. This Tuesday, December 5th for \$500.00 and December 19th for \$1,000.00. Good Luck to all who have entries in the drum. Stay tune for our 2024 Lucky Calendar that is now in the works! They will be available for Christmas Stocking Stuffers or Gifts.



Shall we dance!

Please Join Us for a Dinner Dance

December 9, 2023

Saturday 7pm-11pm

Pierre's of South Brunswick

582 Georges Rd.

Monmouth Junction, NJ 08882

Cash Bar, Dinner & Dancing

Formal Attire - \$80 per person

All proceeds will be donated

to Corpus Christi Church

Put on your dancing shoes!



The Catechism Lectures
December 4
December 18, 2023
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rev. Fr. John A. Perricone
Corpus Christ Church Hall
100 James Street, South River

Corpus Christi Church
Christmas Cookie Walk & More!
Saturday, December 16th 10:00 a.m.



If you have a passion for baking
WE (DESPERATELY) NEED YOU!!!
For questions or to volunteer, please email
corpuschristievm@gmail.com or call
Cecilia @732-390-0243



St. Vincent de Paul Society, with the Portuguese Social Ministry is sponsoring a Christmas Wish Tree. All parishioners are invited to participate. Please take an ornament from one of the trees and purchase a gift card. Mark the amount on the card/cards and place them in the collection basket, or deliver them to the Parish Office. These cards will be delivered to the families who have been assisted this year. Thank you in advance for supporting all those in need.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen
Immigration Services Program
Free 15-Minute In-Person Assessment
Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
81 Remsen Avenue, New Brunswick

Formed is a Catholic program for any age
Introducing the new FORMED The Catholic Faith
Registering on Formed is easier than ever !
Go to FORMED.org/signup
Enter your parish zip code or name to select your
parish (Corpus Christi Roman Catholic Church NJ
08882) Enter your name and email.

Advent – A Time of Waiting Hope & Joy

The Advent Season – Marking the beginning the Church’s liturgical year, the four weeks of Advent lead us to the celebration of Christmas. Advent’s familiar sights and sounds stir in us a readiness to receive our savior, while sharpening our sense of the world’s need for redemption and of the great mystery of God’s becoming human for us.



Arrival of Christ – Advent is a Latin word meaning *the coming* or *arrival*. The season of Advent is a time to prepare to celebrate the three arrivals of Christ: his lowly birth in the past, his mysterious coming to the Christian community in the present, and his promised return as our judge at the end of time.

Retrouvaille February 2-4, 2024 Stress in Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
 - Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ
RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with four follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 2-4, 2024. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org

Immaculate Conception
Friday, December 8, 2023
Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 7, 2023

7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

9:00 a.m. Mass, 7:00 p.m. TLM





Episode 12: Music and the Mass

SUMMARY

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From the earliest days of the Church, the Catholic tradition has understood the working of the Blessed Trinity as a dialogue of love—not simply a spoken dialogue, but an eternal love song. Fathers of the Church, such as Saint Augustine, show how this sacred music both expresses and inspires our religious devotion.

When we sing at Mass, we follow the example of the Trinity. When we participate in the hymn of praise of Jesus Christ to God his Father, when we join our voices to his, our song at Mass becomes a joining in the eternal love song of heaven.

Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy

Christ Jesus, high priest of the new and eternal covenant, taking human nature, introduced into this earthly exile that hymn which is sung throughout all ages in the halls of heaven. He joins the entire community of mankind to Himself, associating it with His own singing of this canticle of divine praise.

For he continues His priestly work through the agency of His Church, which is ceaselessly engaged in praising the Lord and interceding for the salvation of the whole world. She does this, not only by celebrating the Eucharist, but also in other ways, especially by praying the divine office. (n°. 83)

Musicam Sacram

Liturgical worship is given a more noble form when it is celebrated in song...

[T]he mystery of the liturgy, with its hierarchical and community nature, is more openly shown, the unity of hearts is more profoundly achieved by the union of voices, minds are more easily raised to heavenly things by the beauty of the sacred rites, and the whole celebration more clearly prefigures that

heavenly liturgy which is enacted in the holy city of Jerusalem.

Pastors of souls will therefore do all they can to achieve this form of celebration. (n°. 5)

IN THE TRADITION

“Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.”

Ephesian 5:18b-20

“How I wept, deeply moved by your hymns, songs, and the voices that echoed through your Church! What emotion I experienced in them! Those sounds flowed into my ears, distilling the truth in my heart. A feeling of devotion surged within me, and tears streamed down my face—tears that did me good.”

St. Augustine,
The Confessions

THE TEACHING OF THE CHURCH

✠ “The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for the pre-eminence is that, as a combination of sacred music and words, it forms a necessary or integral part of solemn liturgy.”

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), n°. 1156

✠ “Song and music are closely connected with the liturgical action. The criteria for their proper use are the beauty expressive of prayer, the unanimous participation of the assembly, and the sacred character of the celebration.”

CCC, n°. 1191

✠ “Religious singing by the people is to be intelligently fostered so that in devotions and sacred exercises, as also during liturgical services, the voices of the faithful may ring out according to the norms and requirements of the rubrics.”

Sacrosanctum Concilium, n°. 118

IN THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Heavenly hosts on high
unite in singing your praises;
men and women on earth
and all creation join in.

Hymn to Christ the King
Palm Sunday

Grant, O Lord our God,
that your obedient family,
whom you have fed with the Bread of heaven,
may follow the example of Saint Teresa
and rejoice
to sing of your mercies for all eternity.

Prayer after Communion
St. Teresa of Jesus, October 15

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. How does our singing at Mass represent the song of heaven?
2. Since singing combines word and breath. What biblical images does this combination bring to mind?

FOR FURTHER READING

Sacred Congregation of Rites, *Instruction on Music in the Liturgy: Musicam Sacram*, March 5, 1967.

Gerald Dennis Gill, *Music in Catholic Liturgy*, (Chicago: Hillenbrand Books, 2009).

Para atendimento em Português, por favor ligue para o escritório da nossa paróquia: 732- 254-1800 # ext. 15 em Português.

O escritório paroquial está aberto das segundas-feiras às quintas-feiras das 9:00AM-4:00PM e sextas-feiras das 9AM-2PM. **Atendimento em Português: todas as segundas-feiras, quartas-feiras das 9AM-3PM e sextas-feiras das 9AM-2PM.**

Email:

port.apostolatecorpuschristi@yahoo.com

Padre Eugénio Fasuga: 732-826-1395 ext. #24

Missas em Português: Sábado às 7:00 PM,

Domingo às 11:30 AM, terça-feira- 7:00 PM, primeira sexta-feira do mês às 7:30 PM.

Confissões em Português: Terças-feiras e Sábados das 6:00 PM- 6:45 PM

Por favor avise o padre Eugénio ou um Ministro de Eucaristia se souber de alguém que não pode vir à Missa, mas precisa de receber a Sagrada Comunhão e ou Confissão.



ADVENTO

O Advento (do latim Adventus: "chegada", do verbo Advenire: "chegar a") é o primeiro tempo do Ano litúrgico, o qual antecede o Natal. Para os cristãos, é um tempo de preparação e alegria, de expectativa, onde os fiéis, esperando o Nascimento de Jesus Cristo, vivem o arrependimento e promovem a fraternidade e a Paz. No calendário religioso este tempo corresponde às quatro semanas que antecedem o Natal. O tempo do Advento é para toda a Igreja, momento de forte mergulho na liturgia e na mística cristã.

É tempo de espera e esperança, de estarmos atentos e vigilantes, preparando-nos alegremente para a vinda do Senhor, como uma noiva que se enfeita, se prepara para a chegada de seu noivo, seu amado. O Advento começa às vésperas do Domingo mais próximo do dia 30 de Novembro e vai até as primeiras vésperas do Natal de Jesus contando quatro domingos.

Esse tempo possui duas características: Nas duas primeiras semanas, a nossa expectativa se volta para a segunda vinda definitiva e gloriosa de Jesus Cristo, Salvador e Senhor da história, no final dos tempos. As duas últimas semanas, dos dias 17 a 24 de Dezembro, visam em especial, a preparação para a celebração do Natal, a primeira vinda de Jesus entre nós. Por isto, o Tempo do Advento é um tempo de piedosa e alegre expectativa.

A liturgia do Advento nos impulsiona a reviver alguns dos valores essenciais cristãos, como a alegria expectante e vigilante, a esperança, a pobreza, a conversão.

Elementos da Missa Católica: Episódio 12:

A música, na mente da Igreja, não é pensada como algo acrescentado à Missa; em vez disso, a música é um componente integral dela. A Igreja descreve a sua música como um tesouro de valor inestimável – e, de facto, quão rica é esta herança musical. Como combinação única de melodia e palavra, a música sacra foi criada para a adoração a Deus; constitui uma parte necessária da sagrada liturgia.

INTENÇÃO DO PAPA FRANCISCO PARA O MÊS DE DEZEMBRO

Rezemos para que as pessoas portadoras de deficiências estejam no centro de atenção das sociedades, e as instituições promovam programas de inclusão que valorizem a sua participação ativa.

INTENÇÕES DAS MISSAS

+Sábado 02 de Dezembro-
**Artur Dantas, esposa e
filho**

+Domingo 03 de
Dezembro- **João Grego e
por Maria de Lurdes
Fidalgo- 1º Aniversario e
Manuel da Rocha**

+Terça-feira 05 de
Dezembro- **Delmar André e familiares**

+Sábado 09 de Dezembro- **Joaquina de
Jesus, esposo e filho e por Manuel Catarino
e esposa**

+Domingo 03 de Dezembro- **Membros da
Irmandade de Fátima e por Francisco
Correia e esposa**



INTENÇÕES DE MISSAS

O livro de intenções para o ano 2024 está disponível para fazer a marcação de intenções de Missas. Por favor faça a sua marcação através do escritório paroquial.

Cookie Walk- Venda De Biscoitos E Mais Atividades Para Celebrar O Natal

Venda de biscoitos de Natal na Igreja de Corpus Christi, **Sábado, 16 de dezembro, a partir das 10h.**

Precisamos de voluntários para preparar vossos biscoitos favoritos e doar para vender.

Para perguntas ou servir de voluntário, envie um e-mail para: corpuschristievm@gmail.com ou ligue para Cecília @ 732-390-0243

Nossa Despesa de Tempo, Talento, & Tesouro Ofertório de 25 e 26 de Novembro

Coleta: \$4,544.00 + pelo correio: \$858.00
+ pela internet: \$984.64

Parish Assessment- taxas: \$2,033.00

Campanha Levante o Telhado e Faça um Som em Cristo 2022

Até agora, temos recebido \$111,955.11 em doações/promissórios.

Muito obrigado a todos pela vossa generosidade e sacrifício!

Serviços de Imigração

A Catholic Charities- Instituição de Caridade Católica, tem um programa de serviços de Imigração na Diocese de Metuchen e está oferecendo uma avaliação presencial gratuita por 15 minutos às quartas-feiras, das 10h00 às 15h00

Local: Centro Comunitário Unity Square
81 Remsen Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ
08901

ÁRVORE DE NATAL COM POSTAIS DE OFERTAS PARA OS NECESSITADOS

O grupo do Apoio Social juntamente com o grupo de São Vicente de Paulo estarão a recolher ofertas de cartões monetários- gift cards- de várias lojas ou supermercados, para ajudar os carentes. Estarão árvores de Natal na Igreja, ornamentadas de postais com pedidos de ofertas. Os postais do Apoio Social têm fita vermelha. **Quem poder participar por favor retire o postal que quiser e levem ao supermercado ou loja que corresponde, para comprar no valor de dinheiro que quiser, e ativar o gift card (cartão monetário).** Depois poderão depositar na caixa de ofertas ao lado da árvore durante a nossa Missa.

Exemplos de cartões monetários- gift cards- que se encontram nas lojas e supermercados:



Dia 8 de Dezembro, dia de guarda, celebramos o Dia da Imaculada Conceição da Virgem Maria. Haverá Missa em Inglês às 9:00 AM, e às 7:00 PM em Latim. A Missa vespertina será celebrada na quinta-feira dia 7, em Inglês às 7 PM.

O escritório paroquial estará fechado na sexta-feira dia 8 de Dezembro.