



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, "Do you believe in the
Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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"Do you believe in the Son of Man?" Jesus wants to motivate each one of us to see the truth. After developing a relationship with Jesus, the blind man "sees" as someone very special. The Pharisees, due to the blindness caused by their ignorance, prejudice, and need for self-preservation, still remain blind. Presuppositions, prejudices, assumptions, and our needs can easily blind us to truth. We see what we want or need to see and not what is really there. In addition, our stubbornness continues to convince us that we are right and that our vision is perfect. Only God can complete the picture.

Look around at our world. So much of what is happening today is due to the reluctance of folks to allow themselves to be stretched and brought to see what is really there. Many react to what life presents to them more with the lenses of ignorance than lenses of clarity. The Gospel carries great transformative value. With it, God corrects our vision and replaces our limited sight with the fullness of his sight. God opens our eyes so that we can see that it is not about preserving what we have created but of living in the immensity and wonder of God's kingdom.

Through a simple, loving relationship with God, we can break through the tethers of prejudice, eradicate fear, dispel the darkness of hatred and sin, discover freedom, live in peace, work for justice, be effective stewards of creation, assist the migrant and the immigrant, and safeguard our economic systems and policies so that they truly serve all of God's children. What we see is often an artificial lie. Our truth is much bigger than what our limited sight believes it to be. Allow God to work in and through you. Do not be afraid. Be open and be humble enough to know that you need help. Many human beings are living with severe cataracts that produce sight that is at best blurred. Are you one of them?



LENTEN CONFESSION

- * Every Saturday, 4-4:45pm in the Chapel
- * Friday, March 27th from 7:30-8pm, Church

ADORERS NEEDED

Adorers are needed. There are currently 18 hours with only one Adorer. If you can devote an hour with the Blessed Sacrament, please call Rita at (201) 288-5210 to find out days and hours in most need.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. PAT....

Blindness manifests itself in many different ways: self-righteousness, closed-mindedness, lack of belief, fear, an air of superiority and so on. Explore the life circumstances of people that we, as individuals, as family members and maybe we as a faith community are blind to, and how our faith in Jesus can expand our vision and our response to the needs of others. Lent is a time of enlightenment when we ask to see how living in Christ is changing our worldview. In the Eucharist we celebrate the great truth of God's self-giving love. If we let it, this celebration will teach us how to live in Christ.

I am sure we are all missing Sunday Mass. I am writing this column unsure if we will be celebrating or not this weekend. We await word from Cardinal Tobin as to the status of Sunday liturgy. The status of our weekday Masses at the time of writing my column is still unknown. Stations of the Cross and confessions are still scheduled at this time. I take direction from Cardinal Tobin, and, as we know, things can change quickly.

All parish ministry gatherings/meetings are canceled until further notice. The parish office is working on limited hours at this time, but are here to help in any way possible. Fr. Gabriel and I are present if needed. Please call the parish office.

We are posting information as up-to-date as possible on our website and Facebook page. School updates can be found on their website: corpuschristischool.net or call and leave a message, (201) 288-0614.

We ask for prayers and patience during this difficult time.

God Bless,
Fr. Pat

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Your annual pledge helps us forecast, with confidence, the level of financial support our congregation will offer in the year ahead. It is through the contributions of our members that we are able to carry on our work here at Corpus Christi.

As you consider your weekly contribution, we remind you that we offer Electronic Giving as a way to automate your offerings. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for the church. Collection basket offerings can fluctuate significantly from week to week, but, when contributions are automated, the church receives funds on a steady, uninterrupted basis.

Visit our website, www.corpuschristihh.org, click on Electronic Giving, and enroll today. If you switch to e-giving and are receiving envelopes, please call the Parish Center to stop the mailings. Thank you for your continued support of Corpus Christi Church.

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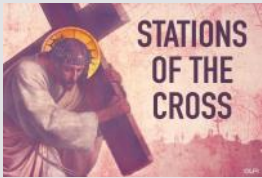


You are invited to join fellow parishioners to pray the Rosary daily. Recitation of the Rosary takes place at 7:30am, Monday through Friday, in the Church as well as after the 8:00am Mass on Saturdays (in the Church). **Why not make praying the Rosary a special Lenten devotion? ...and beyond!**

CORPUS CHRISTI TAKES ON ITALY...

July 5-16, 2020

Join Fr. Gabriel on a pilgrimage to Italy, July 2020. Tour will be run by Genesis Cruises and Tours. Itinerary includes stops in Milan, Padova, Assisi, Loreto, San Giovanni Rotondo and Rome. Price includes roundtrip bus service from Corpus Christi to JFK, roundtrip airfare from JFK on Alitalia, group transfers, deluxe air conditioned bus, 4-star hotel accommodations, breakfast and dinner daily, guided tours in English, tips, entrance fees to sites on the itinerary, earphones and portage in the hotels. Double occupancy rate is \$3,390.00/pp, single supplement is \$980.00. Reservations with deposit can be made directly with Genesis through their website: www.genesistoursusa.com. For additional information you may contact them at (407) 278-7006. Brochures with the complete itinerary are available in the Church and Chapel. There is a link to Genesis on our Parish website that will also give you detailed information.



JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT AT 7PM IN THE CHURCH

MEALS WITH A MISSION FUNDRAISER

STOP 'N SHOP

During the month of March, Meals With A Mission will receive \$1.00 donation for every \$2.50 reusable bag purchased from Stop 'N Shop located at 380 W Pleasantview Avenue in Hackensack. Please support.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But, none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

BEREAVEMENT Ministry

The faith community of Corpus Christi offers continued support to parishioners grieving the loss of a loved one. If you are overwhelmed by feelings of sadness and sorrow, please contact Patricia Caulfield at the Parish Center, (201) 288-4844, ext. 138. We will help you find light, warmth and comfort.

MEALS WITH A MISSION



If you would like to volunteer your time to feed the hungry and less fortunate, then Meals with a Mission is for you! Please call (973) 272-6383 or email info@mealswithamissionnj.org.



Corpus Christi Church Fundraiser



A NIGHT OF WORLD CLASS OPERA



Theresa Carlomagno
Soprano

Corpus Christi Chapel
215 Kipp Avenue
Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Saturday, April 25th
7:30 PM

Featuring:



Nelson Ebo
Tenor

Tickets - \$30 per person - in advance at the Parish Center (201-288-4844)

For more details check www.corpuschristihh.org



ANTICIPATED MASS, MARCH 21

5:00 PM Frank Jarzabek

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

8:00 AM Jean Minan Buckley

10:00 AM Victor Lagomasino

12:00 NN Jenny & Charles Genovese

6:00 PM Linda Pastorino

MONDAY, MARCH 23

6:30 AM In Honor of St. Padre Pio

8:00 AM Joseph M. Trippodo

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

6:30 AM Ralph Passante

8:00 AM Madelyn Majewski

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

6:30 AM George Hahn

8:00 AM Frank J. Cocco

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

6:30 AM Sophia Ragucci (Living)

8:00 AM Joseph Soltys

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

6:30 AM Italia Testa (Living)

8:00 AM Ann Enrico

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 AM Francesco Carbone

ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM Adeline Catalo

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

8:00 AM Caterina Piccinich

10:00 AM Carmen Calabrese (3rd Anniv)

12:00 NN John Vohecowicz

6:00 PM People of the Parish

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends and community, especially, Dante Gennarelli

PARISH REGISTRATION

Corpus Christi welcomes all those who come and worship with us. If you regularly attend Mass here and are not formally registered, we suggest that you become a registered member. It is the best way to communicate with you. Formal registration is needed if you require proof of being an active parishioner for being a sponsor or godparent. Formal registration also allows for a tuition discount. You may register in person or online at www.corpuschristihh.org. We offer electronic giving as well as the weekly envelopes. We look forward to having you join our parish family. Contact the Parish Center if you have any questions.

May the Holy Spirit sustain those who are poor and oppressed, the sick, suffering, and sorrowing of all ages, especially, Justin Duffy, Margaret Marchetta, Antonio Salcines, Albert DeBenedictis, Mary Nichols, Cosmelina Cammarata, Fred Baxter, Baby Adrian Victor Sanfilippo, Paul Giordano, Debbie Murphy, Gary Ryan, Dee Sullivan, Bing Savkov, Bonnie Poznar, Danielle Delfino, Patricia Kunzmann, Christine Ryan, Patricia Casey, Noreen Ryan, Joseph Cooney, Elaine Adamkiewicz, Mishelle Kittlinger, Raimunda Martins, Joseph Marino, Michael Toscano, Jack Cooneys, Josey Munez, Frank Sambucini, Rev. Raymond Holmes, Brenda Ocampo, James Brown, Jr., Gail Abbate, JoAnne Piccarreto, Dennis Buttacavoli, Natalie Caulfield

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS...

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

MONDAY, MARCH 23

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

Stations of the Cross—7 PM/Church

Confession—7:30 PM/Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

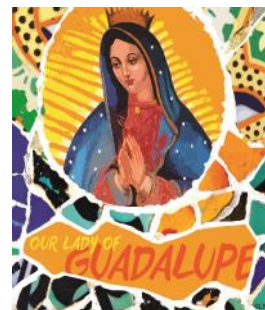
Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen



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