

VETERANS DAY

REMEMBER.

HONOR.

RESPECT.



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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When doing student report cards, there was a comment the teacher could choose that read: inattentive and easily distracted. Could that comment describe your spiritual life? We can become so consumed with myriad distractions and preoccupations and lose our connection to what is really significant and important. We can become dull. This happens in our human relationships, too. We can easily take the love of others for granted, whether it be a parent, spouse, friend, or a child. We assume and presume that their love will always be there and do very little to cultivate, rejuvenate, and deepen it. Presumption can become a great sin.

We do the same thing with God and our spiritual lives. We presume that God will be merciful. Because we believe that in the end God is going to forgive us anyway, then why put a lot of effort into things now? What's the point? It's far easier to find a comfortable spot, curl up and take a nap! There is no immediate urgency to staying awake and attentive, so we think, and we simply fly by the seat of our pants. Assuming and presuming too much about our relationships, especially our relationship with God, can lead to neglect and abuse. It can even lead to a sense of entitlement, where we actually believe that something is due us without much effort on our part.

Folks who are distracted and preoccupied can find their relationships, especially the primary ones, drifting away. You can actually be married to someone for many years and wake up one morning realizing that you really do not know them or truly recognize them. We have to desire God in order to recognize God. We have to open our hearts, minds, and souls to His Presence so that we can be rejuvenated and refreshed. But we cannot do this if we are distracted or napping. We have to be awake and alert! As a young child eagerly watches for and anticipates that arrival of their parent home, so too we must watch for God's presence. If the anticipation of God's arrival does not excite us and rouse us, then we need to ask why. The wise person keeps vigilant watch, knowing that in the end they will not be disappointed.



Parish Stewardship "Treasure Report"

November 1

Envelope Total: \$ 7,773

Electronic Giving: \$ 3,099

Week Total: \$10,872

2019— Nov. 3 \$12,374.95

Thank you for your continued generosity.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. GABRIEL....

If we do not like the idea of the "too late" curtain falling, we will have to wrestle with the parable in today's readings. All 10 of the bridesmaids represent the church. The bridesmaids already have a relationship to the groom, who represents Jesus. The wedding banquet represents the time and place when the ministry unveiled in Jesus' earthly life comes to full fruition. The wedding banquet will happen when God heals all the hurts of creation, reconciles all divisions and establishes full justice.

In the parable when the foolish bridesmaids wake up full of regret for not bringing sufficient oil, they go off to buy some. When they return, they find the door shut. The parable says nothing about weeping or gnashing of teeth, but the "too late" curtain has clearly fallen. Even after buying oil, the bridesmaids cannot enter the room. They finally have oil, just not at the right time.

If the bridesmaids represent the church and the oil represents the ministry of the church, how do we understand the shut door? We might think that the shut door represents not getting into the kingdom of heaven at all. The other passages in Matthew that talk of weeping and gnashing of teeth and present Jesus saying, "I never knew you," convey a sense of finality. At first glance they seem to say that some people will find themselves excluded from the kingdom altogether.

Besides the message of entrance into the kingdom of God because of God's generosity, not because of our works, our parable for today talks not about individuals, but the church. The five foolish bridesmaids represent half of the church.

The church might become weary doing its ministry day after day, year after year, not seeing much change in the world. A wise church knows that we continue to do our ministry, not out of fear of a shut door or of the "too late" curtain falling, but out of love and obedience to God. We reach out to others because God loves them. We find energy for our tired days from the Holy Spirit. We keep plodding along because God has given us the honor of serving as the salt and the light.

We had a beautiful Mass of Remembrance this Saturday remembering our loved ones lost this past year. During this month we continue to pray for all those gone before us now enjoying the joys of God's kingdom.

Thank you again to Patricia Caulfield for her continued work in our Bereavement Ministry. Thank you to Deacon Paul and Joanna for your participation in the Mass.

Let us continue to pray for the safety and well-being of all during this pandemic. With Thanksgiving just a few weeks away, let us always remember all we are thankful for, and keep "plodding along" even on the days that it may seem difficult. With faith and God's love, we can overcome anything.

God Bless,
Fr. Gabriel

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5:00pm, Sunday, 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00nn will be held in the **CHAPEL**. The Sunday 6:00pm will be held in the **CHURCH**.

6:30am & 8:00am weekday Mass (Mon-Sat) will be held in the **CHURCH**

YOU MUST ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS ONLY

The mandated guidelines/restrictions which MUST be followed are:

- ◆ Facemasks must be worn
- ◆ Maximum capacity of building space will be followed
- ◆ Sit only in designated spots
- ◆ Follow Ushers direction
- ◆ Social distancing of 6ft must be maintained
- ◆ If you have any symptoms of being sick, please stay home
- ◆ Those at high risk may consider staying home

The above guidelines/restrictions will also be enforced for Sunday Masses.

You must PRE-REGISTER for weekend Mass by calling the Parish Center or you can email the following information to mbviviani@optonline.net

Name, Contact Phone Number, Mass Time & Number of Attendees

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY 12NN ON FRIDAY

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA, these initials may sound familiar. It is a process of initiation in our Catholic faith. Seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, this process is for non-baptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith or adults Baptized Catholics who wish to have the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Call the Parish Center, 201-288-4844, and leave your name and number for someone to return your call. God Bless!

Morning Prayers

Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary take place prior to weekday Mass beginning at 7:30am. Come join fellow parishioners. All are welcome!

THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING

Registering is a very important part of being a parishioner of Corpus Christi. Our communication with you is made easier once we have your information in our database. **In order for families to receive a tuition discount at Corpus Christi School, they need to be registered and using their envelopes/electronic giving as proof of their support for our parish.**

The occasion may arise when you are asked to be a sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation. The church in which the sacrament is being held may ask you for **proof that you are a registered, practicing Catholic**. We can only provide such documentation if the priests or staff recognize you as a regular Sunday attendee and registered in the parish. Please use your contribution envelopes or electronic giving to indicate your participation.

Formal registration is the best way of communicating with you and showing that you wish to be a part of our parish family.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Some parishioners have responded to our Increased Giving Campaign that they are interested in on-line giving. The Parish does not have paperwork to mail as indicated on the response cards. If you would like to use electronic giving, visit our website, www.corpuschristihh.org, select Electronic Giving on the drop-down menu to the left. You create your sign-in information and indicate your donation amount and frequency. **If you switch from envelopes to electronic giving, please contact the Parish Office so the envelopes can be stopped.**

A VETERAN'S DAY PRAYER...

Father, bless our veterans and all who serve our nation defending our freedom. For those who bravely gave their lives, grant them eternal rest. For those who are serving, give them courage. For those who served, we offer our gratitude. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



VETERANS DAY
WE HONOR YOUR SACRIFICE

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

ANTICIPATED MASS, NOVEMBER 7

5:00 PM Grace Wey

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8:00 AM Carmela & Joe Mongelli

10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Licameli Family

12:00 NN Charles Emberger

6:00 PM Ann Stun

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

6:30 AM Rosa & Sal Cutrona

8:00 AM Richard Kubler

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

6:30 AM Sr. M Charitine Spitalniak (Living)

8:00 AM John Walter

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

6:30 AM John Gervasio

8:00 AM Alfred, Domenica & Gene Ciaralli

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6:30 AM Steven Hotz

8:00 AM Madelyn Majewski (1st Anniv)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:30 AM Carol Cole (Living)

8:00 AM Mary Kalinowski

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

8:00 AM Vincent Voorhees

ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM Louis Marchitelli

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:00 AM Irene Minan Balbo

10:00 AM Angelina & Victor Manisera

12:00 NN Madelyn Majewski

6:00 PM Donald S. Pavlick, Sr.



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, Bonnie Poznar, Danielle Delfino, Patricia Kunzmann, Christine Ryan, Patricia Casey, Noreen Ryan, Joseph Cooney, Mishelle Kittlinger, Raimunda Martins, Joseph Marino, Michael Toscano, Jack Coneys, Josey Munez, Frank Sambucini, Gail Abbate, JoAnne Piccarreto, Dennis Buttacavoli, Natalie Caulfield, Elizabeth Semenez, Nora Lindquist, Catherine Groarke

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sharing the Gospel

Make sure your heart is ready for Jesus. One day Jesus will come back. If your heart is empty and dark, without love, you will be left out. But, if your heart is filled with God's love for other people, Jesus will bring you into heaven with him forever.

Prayer

God, fill my heart with your love. I want to be ready for Jesus.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself helping your parents set the table because you love Jesus.

Mission for the Week

As a family, go through your closets and drawers. Take out all the clothes you don't wear anymore. Then donate them to charity.



Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.

HOSTS & WINE FOR THE WEEK

The hosts and wine to be consecrated at all the Masses were donated in loving memory of **Elizabeth (Betty) Gulino** from the Gulino Family.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends and community, especially Linda Rushnak, Theresa Kressaty



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