



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017

Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

-- Matthew 25:13



Daily Mass

Week of November 13th – 18th

Monday: 8:00 Thomas R. Meagher+
 Tuesday: 8:00 Della Roberts+
 Wednesday: 8:00 Frank & Eva Diamantine+
 Thursday: 8:00 Ray & Verna Van Deusen+
 Friday: 8:00 Special Intentions
 Saturday: 8:00 Intentions: Owen Burns

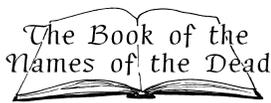


Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Donald Mulvey, John Miller, Thomas Lee, Michael Kluziski, Dennis Reeve, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Bonnie Danielson, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Michael Vasquez, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Henry Souza, Rosa Santos and Juanita Estrelles.

Campaign for Human Development

Next weekend, November 18th and 19th, the second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). The CCHD works for the relief of those oppressed by poverty by empowering neighbors to help one another eliminate the causes of poverty in their communities. The Campaign for Human Development is committed to helping people create permanent solutions to the problem of poverty. You can help break the cycle of poverty. Please make checks payable to **Corpus Christi Church**. Thank you for helping!

Throughout November, we remember our beloved dead as we place the Book of the Dead near the baptismal font and inscribe their names on its pages. You are encouraged to write the names of your departed friends and relatives in the Book of the Dead.



Such a simple act of writing their names focuses our attention on the fact that, though dead, they are not forgotten. We remember their names. They are still very real to us. May their good memories linger on and may the Lord bless them with the glory of his Saints.

Caregiver Needs Work!

Excellent and experienced caregiver seeking work: cooking, light house keeping and various other tasks. Very reliable and trustworthy. Call Betty at 836-8819.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

St. Luke (2,34) tells us that Jesus is a sign of contradiction; a more recent poet (Robert Hass) speaks of the need for calm at the center of immense contradiction. Jesus is in fact, both: the sign itself and the calm to withstand it.

The contradiction in the world today is the denial of the right and the good. We witness it at home and abroad; even in Congress voices are raised that question the forever wars we are engaged in around the world. Then there is Myanmar where the Rohingya people are being subjected to "ethnic cleansing" -- genocide.

Storms, floods, massive fires -- all this makes us think of the prophecy of Jesus in Matthew 24, 6-8: "you will hear of wars...famines and earthquakes." It is a grim picture and we may be tempted, like the first Christians, to think, this is the end. But Jesus himself said, the end is not yet.

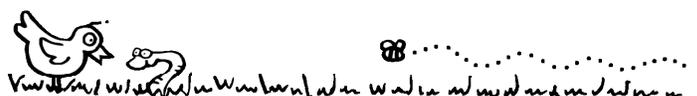
The world would have no part of Jesus in his own time and much of the world still does not. Our Lord is the contradiction to violence, whether political or military or commercial. At the same time he stands as the calm in the midst of the turbulence all around us.

As we come to the end of the liturgical year we celebrate the great ingathering of All Saints and All Souls. We stand with Christ and know that in the calm of his power we have the courage to face the contradictions that would destroy us. And the end is followed by a new beginning: Advent and the promise of the new birth of the Savior.

Fr. Basil

Genesis Forum!

Corpus Christi is a founding congregational member of Genesis. In August, officials from Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) and AC Transit convened with Genesis to build a plan to restore transit lines to Montera Middle School and Skyline High School, and to present a solution to the community. Come join us at the upcoming Genesis Forum to be held on Monday, November 13th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Gibson Center where OUSD and AC Transit will be held accountable for this plan. We need your eyes and ears! Light refreshments will be provided. For more information, please call John Claassen, Genesis representative for Corpus Christi, at 482-2075 or email him at: jpclaassen@comcast.net.



Continuing Adult Faith Formation!

The Corpus Christi RCIA program welcomes anyone who is interested in learning more about their faith to join us for any and all sessions on Thursday evenings, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., in the Rectory Conference Room. A list of topics that we will be covering can be found on the Parish website at: <http://corpuschristipiedmont.org/rcia>. Whether you are a lifelong Catholic who wants to go beyond what you learned about your religion when you were a child, to adults who may not have been confirmed, to those who are exploring becoming a Catholic, this program may be for you! If possible, please call Ann Naffziger at 521-8011 or email her at: ann@gospelliving.org to let her know you will be coming.

New Visitation Ministry!

Would you or anyone you know like a visit at your home from a Corpus Christi parishioner to bring you the Eucharist if you are unable to attend Mass regularly? Or, would you or someone you know benefit from a friendly visit from a fellow parishioner, particularly if you have trouble getting out of the house? Our Parish is beginning a new home visitation ministry. Volunteers will be paired up with those who would appreciate a visit for spiritual or social reasons or both. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Katie Hayes at 336-1875 or email her at: katiehayes57@yahoo.com.

Coping With The Holidays!

A presentation on Coping with the Holidays, hosted by the Grief Support Ministry, is today, November 12th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the Gibson Center. As the holidays can be an especially difficult time, this program will offer practical ideas and suggestions to help those who have experienced the death of a loved one. All are welcome!

Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief!

Boy Scout Troop 6 is having a Hurricane Relief fundraising campaign to assist the people of Puerto Rico. Life is very difficult on the island right now because of Hurricane Maria, especially in the outlying areas that are still without power. Schools and businesses are still closed, and buying essential items like water, fuel and food continues to be a struggle. Troop 6 wants to help our fellow Americans of Puerto Rico and have identified a church, Parroquia El Salvador, on the southwest part of the island in need of support. As part of this effort, there will be a donation table set up outside the Church after all the Masses this weekend, November 11th, and 12th. All proceeds will go directly to Parroquia El Salvador to benefit their community and the broader community they serve. **Please make checks out to Corpus Christi Church.** Donations can also be made online at: <https://www.gofundme.com/troop6huricanerelief>. For more information on Parroquia El Salvador Parish (which is part of the Diocese of Mayaguez), please visit: <http://www.diocesisdemayaguez.org>.

Upcoming Potluck!

Hospitality's next Potluck is this Saturday, November 11th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Let's give thanks! It will be a great opportunity to share old family recipes or try out new ones. Turkey and ham will be served. Hope to see you there!

Open House!

Saint Mary's College High School in Berkeley will be hosting an Open House on Monday, November 13th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Prospective students and families are invited to come explore the campus, meet and ask questions of the administration, faculty, staff, parents, students and coaches. Learn more about their college preparatory curriculum, comprehensive academic program and a variety of co-curricular opportunities that contribute to the unique experience that is Saint Mary's. Rain or shine! No reservations necessary. Please check the School's website for additional updates at: www.saintmaryschs.org or contact Linda Yaris, Associate Director of Admissions, at 559-6240.



Altar of Remembrance!

Again this year, there will be a Shrine of Remembrance. Please bring small framed photos of deceased loved ones to the Parish Office to be displayed at the Altar of Remembrance during the month of November. Your photographs will be handled gently and **will not** be removed from their frame.

St. Mary's Center Sunday Meal!

Corpus Christi Church is providing a meal for 70 seniors at St. Mary's Center on Sunday, November 12th. They are in need of some items. If you can contribute, check the appropriate space & return this slip to the Parish Office or place it in the Sunday collection basket. Please call Trish Ryan at 530-5652. Thank You very much!

- Tea _____ Coffee _____ Butter _____
- Italian salad dressing _____ Dinner rolls _____
- Home-made Cookies _____
- Small "Bingo-type" prizes _____
- Money _____
- Help serve on November 12th at 1:30 p.m. _____
- Name _____
- Phone _____