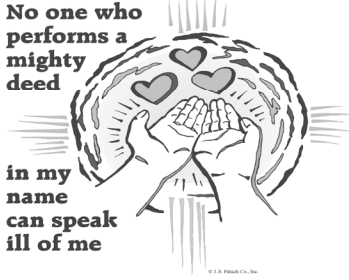


No one who performs a mighty deed

in my name can speak ill of me



## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 2018

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

-- Psalm 19:8



Daily Mass

Week of October 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>

Monday: 8:00 Maria Munar Jucutan+  
 Tuesday: 8:00 John Morgan+  
 Wednesday: 8:00 George Mollen+  
 Thursday: 8:00 Robert Rapatz+  
 Friday: 8:00 Aprill Bridgeman+  
 Saturday: 8:00 Geraldine Schweitzer+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Tina Chaix, Fr. Dan, Ed Heine-mann, Samantha Winterer, Carol Cullinane, Thomas Lee, Michael Kluziski, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Michael Vasquez, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Henry Souza, Alexis Walker, Michael Bozman and Dori McGee-Lundy.

Weekly Collection	September 23, 2018
Plate	\$9,648.67
School Support	\$656.00



Welcome to Our Family

The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptisms of:

**Bryn Colette and Mila Jeanne Balzan**, daughters of Meghan Conn and Patrick Balzan.

**James Rigney and Luca Rigney Chiostrri**, sons of Erika Rigney and Lorenzo Chiostrri.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



Our Parish would like to extend congratulations & best wishes to:

**Nina Anne Patricia N. Velasco**

&

**Jonathan Morgan Miller**

who were married on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. May their lives be filled with happiness and joy!

From  
Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This week's reading from the Letter of Saint James reminds me of the story of the rich man and Lazarus, which is found in the Gospel of Luke.

In both passages, the rich are warned about becoming obsessed with the transitory blessings of the "good life." Material possessions are not evil in and of themselves, but they can blind us to the more important things in life. (By the way, have you seen the bumper sticker that reads: "The most important things in life are not things.")

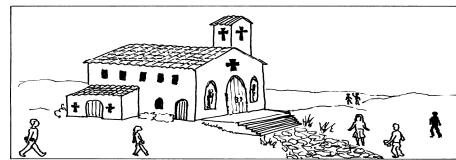
Both James and Luke condemn the rich to the netherworld, not because of their wealth, but because of their indifference to the plight of the "Lazaruses" that they encountered during life.

While we may not be rich, our lives are more comfortable than the lives of many we meet. The warning to you and me is clear: if we ignore the needs of our brothers and sisters in this life, we will pay the price in the world to come.

Love, Fr. Leo

### Upcoming Town Hall Meeting!

The next Town Hall Meeting will be Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 p.m. in the Gibson Center. Please bring your comments and recommendations as to how we, as a Parish Family, can move forward. Hope to see you there!



### Today's Readings



**First Reading** -- Moses said, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

**Psalm** -- The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** -- Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

**Gospel** -- Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

### ***How Can I Think of Becoming Catholic After the Latest Sex Abuse Reports!***

There are people out there who are still drawn to the Catholic Church for many good reasons, even though they are conflicted about joining an institution that has once again been implicated in a massive cover-up of horrific crimes. If you are one of those people who appreciates the Catholic prayer traditions: the music, the sacraments and the challenge to really, really live out Jesus' teachings of justice and love, come join us in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). We'll explore what God is calling us to and how we are invited to live lives of faith and integrity within a Church that doesn't always practice that itself. Our meetings are on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory. Please contact Ann Naffziger, RCIA Director, at: [ann@gospelliving.org](mailto:ann@gospelliving.org) or call 521-8011.

### ***How Can I Remain Catholic After This Latest Church Crisis!***

In light of the latest revelations of the bishops' cover-up of horrific crimes perpetrated by Church officials, many people are questioning their place in the Church. How can we remain in an institutional Church that has this history? For some people, the answer is "the primacy of conscience," a helpful but little known teaching that we are each called to follow our conscience, even if that means disagreeing with Church teachings or Church authorities. Come learn more about this teaching at a presentation by Ann Naffziger, MA, MDiv. The first one will be this Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. It will be repeated on Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., both in the Gibson Center. There is no need to pre-register, but RSVPs are helpful: [ann@gospelliving.org](mailto:ann@gospelliving.org) or call 521-8011.

### ***Wings (Women in God's Spirit)!***

Wings is back on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. This is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings take place at St. Theresa's Event Center, Meeting Room 1, 4850 Clarewood Drive in Oakland; 9:15 a.m., hospitality followed with a guest speaker and program until 11:15 a.m. The theme for this year is *Gather Your People*. Contact Gaby Miller at: [gabymiller275@gmail.com](mailto:gabymiller275@gmail.com) for more information.

### ***Friendly Reminder!***

Please note that the Alameda Food barrels are ***only*** for the collection of non-perishable foods. No clothing, books, household items or trash should be placed in the barrels!

### ***October Mass Count***

As customary, Sunday Mass attendance is tabulated every year during the month of October. Our ushers will take up this count each weekend throughout October. The count of adults and children under the age of 13 is to be taken separately. Thank you for your help!



### ***Corpus Christi School Open House!***

On Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 8:15 to 10:00 a.m., our School will hold their first Open House for prospective families to visit the classrooms, talk with parents, meet the principal and learn more about our wonderful School. If you or anyone you know is interested, we welcome you to come and visit Corpus Christi. For more details, please contact Evelien Verpeet at: [everpeet@gmail.com](mailto:everpeet@gmail.com) or Heidi Catapusan at: [heidi.wagner510@gmail.com](mailto:heidi.wagner510@gmail.com) or call the School at 530-4056, ext. 200. Hope to see you there!

### ***Prepare to Save a Life!***

The Piedmont Fire Department will be providing CPR/AED classes next Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Gibson Center. The cost is \$20.00 for Piedmont residents and \$30.00 for everyone else. You can also donate towards purchasing an AED for the Church at the same time. These are tax deductible; make checks payable to Corpus Christi Church with "AED donation" in the memo line.

### ***Annual Walk-A-Thon!***

The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Corpus Christi School's Walk-a-thon Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sponsorship in the form of contributions from local businesses enable the event's success and help support our School. Please consider supporting this neighborhood event and have your business recognized by local families and friends. Please contact Yolie Domingo at: [yolie1432004@gmail.com](mailto:yolie1432004@gmail.com) for more information.

### ***Men's Club News!***

The Dads of Corpus Christi are invited to join the Men's Club on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. for their Annual Crab Feed Kickoff Dinner. The place is the Z Café & Bar, 2735 Broadway in Oakland. This is an important meeting where they begin the planning process for the Annual Crab Feed and Auction. This event raises funds for programs such as Meet the Master's Art Program, the drama program, technology improvements, classroom remodels, tuition assistance and much more. It's your participation that makes this event a success! To help plan for the next Crab Feed, register at: <https://2019-crabfeed-kickoff-dinner.eventbrite.com>.



### ***Angelic!***

The reason angels can fly is because they take themselves lightly.

-- G.K. Chesterton