

# CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH



## **Mission Statement:**

Corpus Christi is a welcoming Catholic community grounded in Faith, nourished by the Eucharist, and dedicated to stewardship and service.

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil ~ 5 p.m.

Sunday ~ 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Monday ~ Saturday, 8 a.m.

Holy Days ~ 8 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

## **RECONCILIATION**

Saturday ~ 4:00-4:45 p.m.

or by appointment

## **BAPTISMS**

Classes required for parents.

For information, call Parish Office.

## **MARRIAGES**

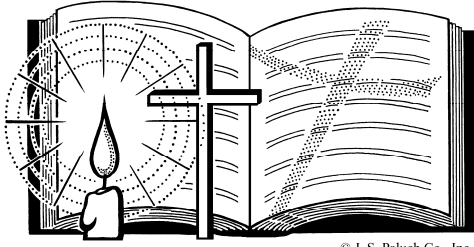
By appointment, at least six months in advance.

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## Second Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

Christ Jesus ... destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

-- 2 Timothy 1:10b



### Daily Mass

Week of March 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

Monday: 8:00 Rose Salinas+  
 Tuesday: 8:00 Frank & Eva Diamantine+  
 Wednesday: 8:00 Lily Elyse Aracic Meyer+  
 Thursday: 8:00 Intentions: Sydney Alcock  
 Friday: 8:00 Special Intentions  
 Saturday: 8:00 Marilyn Kahn+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Maradee Davis, Jim Faison, Rita Jackson, Julia, Helen Roberts, Michael Echaniz, Tina Chaix, Samantha Winterer, Michael Kluziski, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Bernice De Vries, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Alexis Walker, Michael Bozman and Dori McGee-Lundy.

Weekly Collection	March 1, 2020
Plate	\$10,572.00
Rainy Day Fund	\$1,462.00

### Today's Readings!



**First Reading** -- The Lord said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a).

**Psalm** -- Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** -- God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** -- Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

### Spring!

The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month.

-- Henry Van Dyke

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

One often hears Catholics ask one another, "What are you doing for Lent?" Not a bad idea; we might give up some food or sleep or engage in a charitable activity like volunteering at a soup kitchen. But we need to remember the message of Ash Wednesday, repent and believe in the gospel. These are actions which go on inside us.

In fact Lent is a kind of retreat, an opportunity for introspection, a time of reflection on ourselves and our relations with other people and with God. Prayer is one of the major aspects of Lent but so is thought, self-examination, an inner accounting of who we are and where we see ourselves going. It is not separate from outer activity but a necessary prelude to it. Think of Jesus going alone by himself to pray before he begins his work of healing and blessing. We might see this as turning a common saying inside out: don't just do something, stand there.

Our lives are so full of distractions, things that pull us away from what really matters: noise, bustle, rushing here and there and of course that little machine in the palm of your hand -- how much time do you spend gazing at it?

A good Lenten resolution would be to find some small portion of your waking life in which you do nothing but be quiet, sit still, think of what is happening to you and others. We may do something to deprive ourselves, but think of those who are sick or homeless; think of children in Syria dying of cold and hunger, or innocent men in prison for decades. Best of all think of Jesus saying, as long as you did it to the least of my people you did it to me.

Fr. Basil

RICE BOWL



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### Operation Rice Bowl!

**Ash** Wednesday marked the beginning of our Parish's involvement in **Operation Rice Bowl**, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Oakland. All families are asked to take home a cardboard Rice Bowl, available at the entrances to the Church and at the Parish Office. At the end of Lent, families will be asked to bring the filled bowls back to our Parish. Proceeds will be sent to CRS. Thank you for your involvement!

### Parish Reconciliation Service!

Our Parish Reconciliation Service will be on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

**Troop 6 Scout Open House!**

Please join Troop 6 for their Open House on Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium. Come learn about the exciting East Bay Boy Scout Troop, see them in action as well as talk to scouts and parents!

Chartered by the Corpus Christi Men's Club, Troop 6 is a scout-led troop, focused on developing leadership skills through service and adventure. The program is geared towards having fun and exposing Scouts to new experiences, while achieving the essentials of the Scouting program, including advancement and leadership, with a strong emphasis on service to the community. For all boys 11 years and older. T6 Rules!

**Special Outreach Collection!**



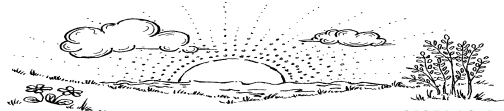
The Outreach collection from February through April is for new and gently-used infant and toddler clothing, sizes 1 year to 3T. The clothing will benefit clients of the Visitation Center in downtown Oakland. If you have any questions, call Madeline Briar at 530-6316 or Lenore McCracken at 530-7304. Please be as generous as you can!

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

Wings resumed on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Wings is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings take place on Wednesdays from October through May 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 this year is, "Walking with God." On March 11<sup>th</sup>, Tobi Nagel, PhD., Founder and President of Phages for Global Health will speak on the, *Global Antibiotic Resistance Crisis: Moving Forward with Faith*. Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome. For additional information, contact Gaby Miller at: [gabymiller275@gmail.com](mailto:gabymiller275@gmail.com).

**Magnificat Prayer Breakfast!**

Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic Women, is hosting a Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive in Concord. Join in a morning of praise, prayer and inspiration. The guest speaker will be Cindy Rippee who will share how the Life in the Spirit seminars have changed her life and the life of her family. Born into an alcoholic home, she is now a Benedictine Oblate affiliated with the Prince of Peace Abbey. Tickets are \$33.00/\$40.00 after March 14<sup>th</sup>. For more information, visit: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/ca-walnut-creek>; email for reservations at: [magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com](mailto:magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com); or call Kim Sullivan at (925) 683-8220.



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**Upcoming Potluck!**



The next Corpus Christi Community Potluck will be next Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, following the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the Gibson Center. The theme will be in honor of St. Patrick's Day on March 17<sup>th</sup> -- Irish. The main course will be corned beef. Guinness beer will be served. Everyone is invited!



**The Brad Shaw Annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast!**

Mark your calendars and buy your tickets! The Boy Scouts will be serving up delicious pancakes, ham, sausage and all the extras next Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. Support Troop 6, enjoy time with family and friends, and you don't have to cook or clean up! Unbeatable prices: \$8.00 per adult; \$15.00 for two; or \$20.00 for the whole family. Tickets available from any Troop 6 Boy Scout that you know. Troop 6 hopes to see you there and appreciates your support!

**Corpus Christi Visitation Ministry!**

The Eucharistic Visitation Ministry visits Merrill Gardens and Saint Paul's Towers senior living communities, holding a weekly communal communion service. Ministers also visit and bring communion to individuals at Saint Paul's and to others privately in their homes in Oakland. If you know someone who would benefit from a visit by one of our volunteers or would like to join this Ministry, please contact Kera Bartlett Binns at (510) 612-7909 or email her at: [kerabbinns@gmail.com](mailto:kerabbinns@gmail.com).

**Light and Shadow!**

In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadow to blind those who don't.

-- Blaise Pascal

**St. Mary's Center Sunday Meal!**

Corpus Christi Church is once again providing a meal for 70 seniors at St. Mary's Center on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. 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 contact Sue Tealdi at (510) 530-8291 if you have any questions. Thank You!

Tea \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee \_\_\_\_\_ Cookies \_\_\_\_\_

Fresh Fruit \_\_\_\_\_ Bingo Prizes \_\_\_\_\_

Help serve on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_