

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.

PASTORAL STAFF

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil ~ 5 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Daily Mass ~ Monday - Friday, 8 a.m.
Holy Days ~ 8 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday ~ 4:00-4:30 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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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 2023

Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.

-- Isaiah 56:1a



Daily Mass

Week of August 21st – 25th

- Monday: 8:00 Scott MacPherson Stapleton+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Owen & Zelda Burns+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Special Intentions
- Thursday: 8:00 Viola Ann Simmons+
- Friday: 8:00 Charles & Bernadena Elsenius+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Marian Flandrick, Mike Abell, Sunny Ray, Tara Singh, Kerrie Roye, Mark Lutz, Michael Carter, Rufus Smith, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini, Pamela M., Rita Jurin, Sebastian Romeo, Laura Pierce, Michael Bozman, Dori McGee-Lundy, Julia and Cecilia Uyeda.

Weekly Collections	August 13, 2023
Plate	\$11,191.00



Baptisms

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

Elda Severina Dowling, daughter of Lisa Landi and Robert Dowling.

Kieran Alan Jolis, son of Niyati Desai and Jacob Jolis.

Jonah Eli Hoover and Sadie Colene Hoover Bird, son and daughter of Betsy Hoover and Jeremy Bird.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!

2023 Missionary Cooperative Appeal!

Corpus Christi is pleased to have Rev. Anthony Hung Van Le who will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend, August 19th and 20th, for the 2023 Missionary Cooperative Appeal. Rev. Anthony is with the Missionaries of Jesus, located in the Philippines. Please extend a warm welcome to Rev. Anthony!



From
Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last Tuesday, we celebrated the feast of the Assumption of Mary. Our mother was privileged at the end of her life to go immediately to heaven for two reasons: first, because of her willingness to submit her will to God. Remember her response to God's invitation at the Annunciation, "Let it be done to me according to your will." Second, as a sign to all of us of what is in store for us if we follow Mary's example. We, as Catholics, acknowledge our mother to be the perfect disciple, second only to her son in her devotion to the Father. In honor of our Lady's feast, I invite you to read and reflect on her beautiful hymn of praise, the Magnificat:

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked upon his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.*

*He has shown the strength of his arm,
and has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever."*

Our mother offered this hymn of praise on our behalf; may it become our Magnificat!

Love, Fr. Leo



Today's Readings!

First Reading -- Thus says the Lord: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm -- O God, let all the nations praise you (Psalm 67).

Second Reading -- The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel -- Recognizing the Canaanite woman's great faith, Jesus told her, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

Confirmation Program Begins!

The preparation programs for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin in mid-September. Please visit the link to the Parish website. There will be four sessions for parents and candidates after all the Masses the weekends of August 19th and 20th; and September 9th and 10th. Please choose one. For more information, go to: confirmation@cc-parish.org.

New Member Barbeque!

The Men’s Club is having a New Member BBQ on Friday, September 8th, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on the blacktop of the School Parking Lot. All new and existing dads and Parish members are invited to attend. There will be a BBQ with cold drinks, a corn hole tournament, and good times and camaraderie by all. Please be sure to put this date on your calendar!

Living Our Faith Group!

The Corpus Christi Living Our Faith Group seeks ways to: deepen our individual and community relationships with God; connect our faith to action; and support outreach to the greater community.

We have several opportunities for parishioners to support outreach. The Group will continue through December. Corpus Christi parishioners and/or groups are invited to provide a monthly dinner for seniors at St. Mary’s Center in Oakland. We are in need of volunteers who will: provide meal items, cook the meal and act as hosts. Please consider joining in this wonderful opportunity. For more information, contact Danielle Hayes at: hayesdanielle5@gmail.com.

We also invite you to join us as we continue to discern God’s call. All interested parishioners are invited to attend the monthly meetings. The next meeting will take place on Saturday, September 23rd, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Gibson Center. If you would like more information, please contact Nancy Midlin at (510) 384-6702 or email her at: midlin.nancy@gmail.com.

Treasures From Our Tradition!

In many church buildings constructed in the early twentieth century, there is a window or statue of Pope St. Pius X. Often, these windows were purchased with coins collected by grateful children, since in 1910 a decree admitted much younger children to First Communion. Before then, only teenagers were customarily confirmed and then admitted to the Eucharist. What we often think is ancient practice in fact sometimes has fairly shallow roots, in this case only ten decades. For centuries, Communion had marked the end of formal religious education; but a hundred years ago, Pius X located it at the point at which a child could express a desire for the sacrament and receive it with understanding. In 1917, a new code of canon law determined that age to be about seven, and this practice was observed almost everywhere until the beginning of the Second Vatican Council forty years ago.

Readings For The Week August 21st -- 26th

Monday: First Reading Judges 2:11-19;
Psalm 106;
Gospel Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday: First Reading Judges 6:11-24a;
Psalm 85;
Gospel Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday: First Reading Judges 9:6-15;
Psalm 21;
Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday: First Reading Revelation 21:9b-14;
Psalm 145;
Gospel John 1:45-51

Friday: First Reading Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22;
Psalm 146;
Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday: First Reading Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17;
Psalm 128;
Gospel Matthew 23:1-12

Feast of Faith/The Shape of the Eucharistic Prayer!

Our Eucharistic Prayers originated in the traditional Jewish meal prayers known as berakah, which were prayers of thanksgiving used at meals. Over the centuries, the Christian thanksgiving, or Eucharist, gradually took shape. While in the East, the Eucharistic Prayers (called anaphora) took many forms; in the Roman Church, there was for many centuries just one Eucharistic Prayer called the Roman Canon (now known as Eucharistic Prayer I). Almost all Eucharistic Prayers include the same basic elements. They begin with thanksgiving and acclamation. Then, there is an epiclesis, as the priest calls down the Holy Spirit upon the gifts. Then follows the institution narrative and consecration, as the words that Jesus spoke at the Last Supper are repeated. After the consecration, we remember in an explicit way all that Christ has done for us -- this is the anamnesis, or remembering. The prayer concludes with the offering, the intercessions: prayers for the Church, our leaders, ourselves and a final doxology of praise.

The reforms of the Second Vatican Council enriched our liturgy with additional Eucharistic Prayers, including both ancient texts (Eucharistic Prayer II is based on the most ancient of all existing Eucharistic Prayers) and new compositions.

Welcome Back!

Hospitality and donuts return on Sunday, September 3rd, after the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses. Hope to see you there!

