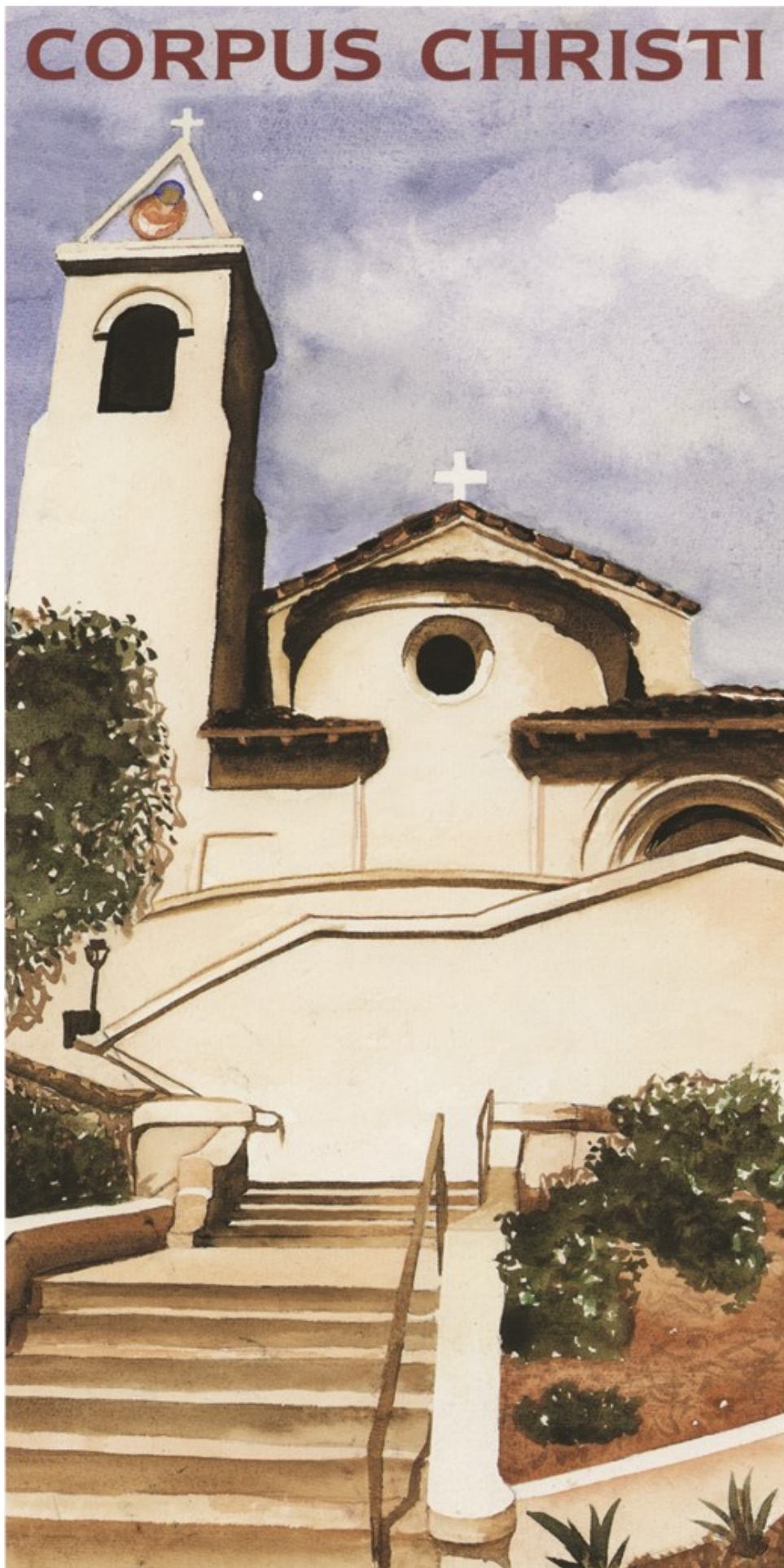


CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH



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.

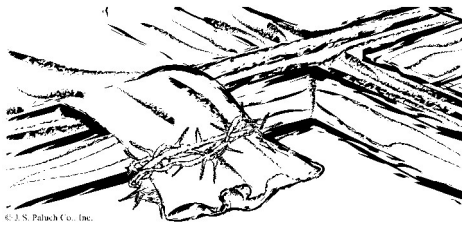
MARRIAGES

By appointment, at least six
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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2023

Have in you the same attitude that is in Christ Jesus.

-- Philippians 2:5



Daily Mass

Week of October 2nd – 6th

Monday: 8:00 Special Intentions
 Tuesday: 8:00 Intentions: Santiago Munoz
 Wednesday: 8:00 Intentions: Jill O'Sakao
 Thursday: 8:00 Jim McCreath
 Friday: 8:00 Special Intentions



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
September 24, 2023	\$9,225.00
School Support	\$761.00



Baptisms

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

Luka Dante Jimenez, son of Kaitlin Higuera and Roberto Jimenez.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



The Catholic Voice Annual Collection!

Next weekend, October 7th and 8th, will be the annual collection for **The Catholic Voice**. Your donation helps our Parish offset its payments for this important communications ministry.

The Voice and its other operations -- *El Heraldo Católico*, websites and social media -- are the only regular source of Catholic news and information for all parishioners in the Diocese. Please make checks payable to Corpus Christi Church. Thank you!

Upcoming Potluck!

Hospitality's next Potluck will be on Saturday, October 7th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the Gibson Center. The theme is Italian. Monetary donations accepted!



From
 Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I want to share with you a few thoughts about the significance of the under appreciated Virtue of Humility.

In this week's reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians, St. Paul writes about Jesus humbling himself for the sake of the cross. He invites us to live our lives in imitation of Christ. This perspective may seem to be in conflict with the values of our society which encourages us to be assertive, to stand up for ourselves and be proud of who we are. It is important to appreciate our self-worth.

But, the Virtue of Humility requires that we acknowledge a deeper truth about ourselves. St. Paul states this truth beautifully in another letter, "We were made incomplete, we find our completeness in the Lord." The Virtue of Humility leads us to this honest self-assessment of who we are and what we need.

In order to be our best and most complete selves, we must live in the Lord and allow the Lord to live in us.

Love, Fr. Leo

Today's Readings!

First Reading -- When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

Psalm -- Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading -- Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

Gospel -- Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

Familiar Insights!

Spiritual teachers tend to repeat themselves and to repeat other teachers. Maybe there really aren't that many different truths to tell. Just a lot of slow, sleepy human beings -- like us -- who need to hear the basics over and over. Consider today's readings. People complain God isn't "fair," and Ezekiel answers that God is more than fair. People choose their own fates and people can change. Even evil-doers can turn, do right, and live. "Actions speak louder than words." A fresh new insight? Hardly.



Annual Walk-A-Thon!

The Annual 2023 Walk-A-Thon for Corpus Christi School will take place on Saturday, October 14th. The event is a chance for everyone in the Parish and School community to support the School's Tuition Assistance Program and technology upgrades. Consider becoming a sponsor or purchasing raffle tickets. You can find out more information by picking up a flyer on the credenzas in the Church or on the website: <https://go.dojiggy.io/corpuswat2023>.

Our Lady of Lourdes Free Concert!

Come enjoy the sounds of the Chapel Chancel Choir, the Rockridge Chorale and Our Lady of Lourdes Choir for an evening of beautiful music at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 2808 Lakeshore Avenue in Oakland. The date is Friday, October 6th, at 6:00 p.m. Donations welcome to support Our Lady of Lourdes Church Music Ministry. Hope to see you there!

Oakland Elizabeth House Fall Luncheon!

Save the date! The Annual Oakland Elizabeth House's Fall Luncheon will be on Thursday, November 2nd, at the Sequoia Country Club in Oakland. They are celebrating over 30 years of Hope. Formal invitations to follow.

Treasures From Our Tradition!

Over time, the severe form of one-chance penance collapsed under lack of enthusiasm for its burdens and its public nature. As ordinary Christians prayed for the great sinners, it must have occurred to them that they were sinners no less, and they required a form of penance also. The Irish came to the rescue, never having had a public form of penance, but inventing a system called "tariff penance," which was completely private, available to everyone and wildly popular. After a detailed confession, priest and penitent would lie on the floor before the altar and recite a number of psalms. The priest then pronounced a judgment, a tariff, giving a task or a prayer to complete before reconciliation.

The surviving guidebooks for confessors make for hair raising reading as the sins of which the Irish people were supposedly capable were catalogued and keyed to penances. Cattle or sheep rustling might require stripping down to sing psalms in an icy brook, for example, or adultery could be the occasion for rolling in a thicket of thorns. All of this might have stayed in Ireland had not the monks had a desire to travel, blazing across Europe with their theology and their rituals, and their sense that Christians needed strong medicine for sin and the assurance of God's forgiveness.

**Readings For The Week
October 2nd -- 7th**

- Monday: First Reading Zechariah 8:1-8; Psalm 102; Gospel Matthew 18:1-5, 10
- Tuesday: First Reading Zechariah 8:20-23; Psalm 87; Gospel Luke 9:51-56
- Wednesday: First Reading Nehemiah 2:1-8; Psalm 137; Gospel Luke 9:57-62
- Thursday: First Reading Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Psalm 19; Gospel Luke 10:1-12
- Friday: First Reading Baruch 1:15-22; Psalm 79; Gospel Luke 10:13-16
- Saturday: First Reading Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Psalm 69; Gospel Luke 10:17-24

Wings (Women in God's Spirit)!

Wings commences this Fall on Wednesday mornings. The theme for the 2023/2024 season is, "Walking the Journey of Faith." This faith enhancement group encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, life sharing and community. The first session is on October 11th and the place is St. Theresa's in the Rockridge neighborhood from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. Feel free to invite a friend. Women from local parishes and denominations are welcome. If you have any questions, contact Denise at: mollend@aol.com.

**Volunteers Needed for
St. Mary's Center Monthly Lunch!**

As one way to live our faith, the Corpus Christi community provides a monthly Sunday lunch for approximately 50 low-income seniors at St. Mary's Center. Healthy, nutritious meals for the seniors is encouraged. The aim is to have five to six volunteers per meal. Go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445ABAB2BA5F85-stmarys>. It's easy to sign up! You will find all the available dates and items that are needed. If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Hayes at: hayesdanielle5@gmail.com. Thank You for participating in this wonderful opportunity.

