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. 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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Week of October 9th – 13th

Tuesday: 8:00 Wednesday: 8:00 Thursday: 8:00	Michael & Mary Ann McBride+ Leo Loh+ Thomas Mackey+ Special Intentions Margaret Dougherty+
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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
October 1, 2023	\$8,017.00
Rainy Day Fund	\$1,065.00



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

Baptisms

Kennedy Marie Cramer, daughter of Lisa Tirrell and Brian Cramer.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



The Catholic Voice Annual Collection!

This 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!

Oakland Elizabeth House Fall Luncheon!

Save the date! The Annual Oakland Elizabeth House's Fall Luncheon will be on Thursday, November 2nd, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Sequoia Country Club, 4550 Heafey Road in Oakland. They are celebrating over 30 years of Hope. The price is \$75.00 per person. Space is limited. Last day to RSVP is October 27th.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2023

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

-- Philippians 4:6

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

One of the most touching stories in the gospels occurs when a vast crowd had come together to hear Jesus speak. The Lord looked out at them and he was moved with compassion because they were like sheep without a shepherd.

How would Jesus feel if he saw the vast crowds of today? He would see the migrants wandering through deserts or trying to come across the southern border of this country. He would see thousands, even millions, in countries like Poland and Israel, protesting the attempts of tyrannical rulers to destroy their democracy. Above all he would see children subjected to traumatic losses of parents, either put in cages as happened here, or forcibly transported to a foreign country as the Russians are doing to Ukrainian children.

St. Paul exhorts us to have in us the mind of Christ Jesus. His compassion must become ours if we are truly his disciples. That means first of all to become aware that these things are happening. It is so easy for us to ignore the suffering of people in far away places. Be alert, conscious of these things.

Pope Francis gives us the best example. He is tireless as he speaks of the needs of the poor, of immigrants. He also draws our attention, as he is doing now in the Synod on Synodality (if you don't know about this, google it!). He sees the people neglected by the church: women, gays, the abused, and insists that all are welcome.

Buddhism is defined by its awareness of universal suffering and its parallel, universal compassion, which we have to admire. Jesus was there first and calls us to follow in his footsteps. This is the only way to the true peace which we all long for.





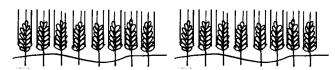
Today's Readings!

First **R**eading -- The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5:1-7).

Psalm -- The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Psalm 80).

Second **R**eading -- God's peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-9).

Gospel -- The kingdom of God will be given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21:33-43).





Corpus Christi School Open House!

Please come join Corpus Christi School for an Open House for prospective families. All are welcome! For the 2023-2024

School Year, some open houses will be held virtually on Zoom at 7:00 p.m. and some will be held in person from 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. The virtual date is Tuesday, December 5th, at 7:00 p.m. To register for the virtual open house, contact Evelien Verpeet at: <u>everpeet@gmail.com</u>; Heidi Catapusan at: <u>heidi.wagner510@gmail.com</u>; or Kat Brignano at: <u>kebrignano0925@gmail.com</u>. All registered participants will receive a Zoom link when we get closer to the event date.

In person dates do not require registration or RSVP. In person dates are all from 8:15 to 10:00 a.m.: October 10th, November 4th ("Morning with Our Leadership," 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.), November 14th, December 12th, January 9, 2024 and February 13, 2024.

"Morning With Our Leadership"

The "Morning With Our Leadership" Open House will include getting to hear from our leadership, current Corpus Christi School parents and students and a tour of the School. The date is Saturday, November 4th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Please note that children are allowed, but may not find the event very entertaining. We suggest that they bring something to do quietly since there will be no child specific activities. To register, please email to Evelien, Heidi or Kat at the addresses listed in the above article. We look forward to seeing you there!

Annual Walk-A-Thon!

The Annual 2023 Walk-A-Thon for Corpus Christi School will take place next 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: <u>https://go.dojiggy.io/</u>corpuswat2023.

Alameda County Food Drive!

Don't forget about the two Alameda County Food barrels that are in the Gibson Center. Drop off your nonperishable food items. This is an ongoing drive to support the most vulnerable in our community. If the Gibson Center is closed when you come by, feel free to drop off your donations at the Parish Office. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; and 8:30 a.m. to Noon on Friday. Thank You!

Impossible!

Start by doing what is necessary, then do what is possible; suddenly you are doing the impossible.

-- St. Francis of Assisi

Readings For The Week October 9th -- 14th

- Monday: First Reading Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11; Responsorial Psalm Jonah 2:3-5, 8; Gospel Luke 10:25-37
- Tuesday: First Reading Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 130; Gospel Luke 10:38-42
- Wednesday: First Reading Jonah 4:1-11; Psalm 86; Gospel Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: First Reading Malachi 3:13-20b; Psalm 1; Gospel Luke 11:5-13

Friday: First Reading Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Psalm 9; Gospel Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: First Reading Joel 4:12-21; Psalm 97; Gospel Luke 11:27-28

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 are encouraged. The aim is to have five to six volunteers per meal. Go to: <u>https://</u> 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: <u>hayesdanielle5@gmail.com</u>. Thank You for participating in this wonderful opportunity.

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In the Vineyard!

As usual, today's first and third scripture readings are obviously related, with the second continuing one of Paul's Letters -- these days, the Letter to the Philippians. The vineyard stories from Isaiah and Matthew both talk about evildoers coming to a bad end. In Isaiah, it's the vineyard itself that produces "wild grapes" instead of the crop the owner dreamed of and worked for. So, it will be "trampled" and "overgrown with thorns." In Matthew, those to whom the owner leased the vineyard to destroyed the dream. The owner "will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants" (Matthew 21:41). . Yes, if we reject divine love we come to a bad end. And with all this talk of the unfaithful being trampled and thrown out, it's consoling to hear Paul's message to the Philippians, who were by no means perfect. "Have no anxiety at all," Paul said. "Then the God of peace will be with you" (Philippians 4:6-9). ٠