



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 15, 2023

I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

-- Philippians 4:13



Daily Mass

Week of October 16th – 20th

- Monday: 8:00 Ross Franco+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Dieter Schulze+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Kathleen Summers+
- Thursday: 8:00 John Boothman+
- Friday: 8:00 William Murphy+



Prayer Requests

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 8, 2023	\$10,890.00
The Catholic Voice	\$989.00



World Mission Sunday!

Next weekend, October 14th and 15th, is World Mission Sunday, a special day of prayer and sacrifice for the missions of today. Through your prayers and your generous help, you will be a missionary yourself, reaching out to share your own faith with the world so in need of Christ's message. Please make checks payable to **Corpus Christi Church**.

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.

Part-Time Job Available!

Looking for a part-time Job? Come work at the School. Corpus Christi School is hiring a part-time Extended Care teacher, Monday through Friday, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.; \$20.00 per hour. No experience necessary. Are you interested? Reach out to Mele Mortonson, Principal, at: ccsprincipal@corpuschristischool.com or call (510) 530-4056. Say you saw this notice in the Bulletin!



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

During the month of November, we are encouraged to reflect on the reality of death. We begin the month by celebrating All Saints Day and commemorating All Souls Day. These two feasts help us remember those who have died. They also help us focus on the fact that we, too, will one day die.

We all have questions about death and many of us prefer not to think about the subject at all; but, it is a topic that we can ill afford to ignore. An appreciation of the reality of death can give us a greater appreciation of the finiteness of life. Thinking about the inevitability of death is not an act of morbidity, rather it is an opportunity to reassess our lives.

If you knew that your days were numbered and that death was near, would you do anything differently? Would that knowledge change the relationships that you presently have with God, members of your family and the larger community? I believe that for many of us the answer would be YES!

During the month of November, we are invited to reflect on our lives and do what needs to be done, so that when our earthly life is over, we will find ourselves listed among the Communion of Saints.

Love, Fr. Leo

Come to the Feast!

"On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines" (Isaiah 25:6). That's what Isaiah tells us today. God is putting together a huge party for "all peoples," to "wipe away the tears from every face" (Isaiah 25:8). And what does Jesus tell us? The reign of God, he says, "may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son" (Matthew 22:2). When the guests didn't come, the king had his servants go out "into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find" (Matthew 22:9). We are called to deliver that invitation.

One of the themes woven into today's liturgy is that of divine generosity. Asleep to reality, people often think they have "earned" what they have. In our better moments, though, we know that all our gifts -- even the spiritual gifts -- come through God's generosity. Our vocation is to invite people, to remind them the tickets aren't for sale. We can only show up and say thank you.

R.C.I.A. to Begin!

Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Lourdes will be merging together for what is R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This program is geared for adults seeking any of the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation) but is welcome to all people. This can include people who are discerning their membership in the Catholic Church, already confirmed Catholics who are searching for spiritual refreshment or a deepening of their faith. Please meet in the Gibson Center at Corpus Christi on Wednesday, October 18th, at 6:00 p.m. to learn more about this program and how to join. The meetings will be biweekly, weekly during Advent and Lent, on an evening that works best for the group. The program offers spiritual direction, Catholic teaching, prayer methods and faith sharing. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Holcombe or Anne Zehren at: annezehren@mac.com or call (253) 307-1063.



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: everpeet@gmail.com; Heidi Catapusan at: heidi.wagner510@gmail.com; or Kat Brignano at: kebrignano0925@gmail.com. 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!

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!

**Readings For The Week
October 16th -- 21st**

- Monday: First Reading Romans 1:1-7;
Psalm 98;
Gospel Luke 11:29-32
- Tuesday: First Reading Romans 1:16-25;
Psalm 19;
Gospel Luke 11:37-41
- Wednesday: First Reading 2 Timothy 4:10-17b;
Psalm 145;
Gospel Luke 10:1-9
- Thursday: First Reading Romans 3:21-30;
Psalm 130;
Gospel Luke 11:47-54
- Friday: First Reading Romans 4:1-8;
Psalm 32;
Gospel Luke 12:1-7
- Saturday: First Reading Romans 4:13, 16-18;
Psalm 105;
Gospel Luke 12:8-12

Today's Readings!

First Reading -- On this mountain the Lord will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).

Psalm -- I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).

Second Reading -- God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).

Gospel -- I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14 [1-10]).

Alameda County Food Drive!

"You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. This is how prayer works." (Pope Francis)

Corpus Christi and the Living Our Faith Ministry has been part of the year-round Food Drive to benefit the Alameda County Community Food Bank. There are three easy ways to donate: (1) bring your non-perishable items (no breakable containers) to the baskets located in the entrances to the Church or the two barrels in the Gibson Center; (2) donate online at: donate.accfb.org/vfd and enter Group #6434475; or (3) scan the QR code on the flyers located on the credenzas in the Church. For more information, please contact Trish Ratto at: trishratto16@gmail.com. Thank You!

Ask For Help!

Ask Our Lady to help you. Ask her to entreat her Son to let you know what you should do.

-- Bl. Marie Rose Durocher