

#### <u>A Message from Father Alco</u>

I would like to take this opportunity to share some important news with you the parish family of Corpus Christi. On September 17, 2012, I will no longer be "in residence" at the Holy Redeemer Rectory.

When I arrived in July 2011, I explained to you my present status as an "in residence" priest serving here in the Diocese. In July 2008, I was granted a permanent medical leave of absence by retired Bishop Joseph Martino, which released me from my parish obligations and duties. This medical leave is the result of Crohn's disease which was diagnosed in 1991. When granted a permanent medical leave, a diocesan priest may live at a rectory or a private residence. With this in mind and for the good of my health, I have chosen to move to the Blandina Apartments in Wyoming with Bishop Joseph Bambera's permission and at the direction of Father Thomas Muldowney our Vicar General and Vicar for Clergy.

My sole responsibility will be to assist the priests in the area by helping to cover their Mass schedules. This is very important to me as all of us continue to face the shortage of priests in our diocese.

Thank you for the many kindnesses you have shown to me during my time with you. Be assured of my prayers for you and please keep me in yours.

See your around town!

# God Bless,

Fr Alco Fr Alco will end his weekend service to the parish on September 30th, but will continue to celebrate the 8:30AM Tuesday and Wednesday Masses at Holy Re-

#### Ministry Schedule

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Please take home a copy of the new ministry schedule, which can be found on our parish website or in the sacristies/vestibules of the churches.

#### "Autumn Treasure" Fall Lottery

Kickoff for our "Autumn Treasure" lottery is Saturday, September 1st. If you did not get your ticket, we still have some left. Just call or stop by the rectory. All are Welcome! Mass of Thanksgiving & Pasta Dinner Saturday, September 8th Mass at 4:00PM Immaculate Conception Church Dinner at 5:00PM ICC Church Hall

There is no charge for the dinner. It is intended to reunite *ALL* local residents affected by the flood *AND* the many volunteers who dedicated their time, talents, donations and kind deeds to assist them.

To make a reservation call Darlene @ 817-0318, to volunteer to help call Margaret @ 654-1146, to volunteer to bake call Rosalie @ 654-1356, or just call the rectory. Hope to see everyone on the 8th of September!!

Today, Sunday at 11:30AM, we are asking for volunteers to gather at ICC rectory to "get the word out" by passing out fliers on all the streets in the area that were flooded. The more help we have the quicker the job will get done.

#### <u>Religious Education</u>

At all masses, this weekend, please welcome Mrs. Lisa Falzone one of our CCD teachers, who will be speaking to us briefly on the importance of religious education for our children. Teaching Religious Ed is a huge commitment. We are very thankful for our dedicated volunteers, but we could always use more help. If anyone, high school age and older, would consider joining our team as a substitute or a teacher's aid, contact Joyce at 654-2753 or email jcecconi50@gmail.com. Thank you!

#### Parish Census

To date we have received over 500 census forms. Thank you. To be sure our parish records are up to date and accurate, we must receive a completed census form everyone. Forms can be found in the vestibule of the churches or on our website.

#### Youth Choir

All children are welcome to join our Youth Choir. Directors, Mary Supey and Mary Ellen Gianuzzi will be starting practice later this month. The Youth Choir will be singing at Family Masses on various Sundays at ICC and Holy Redeemer. To sign up now just visit our website www.corpuschristinepa.com. Watch the bulletin for the date of the first practice.

## Catechetical Sunday

Sunday, September 16th is Catechetical Sunday. There will be no classes on that day, children pre-K and older are invited to bring their parents, grandparents to "Meet the Teachers".

For children attending classes at Immaculate Conception, teachers will be available from 9:15AM to 10:15AM in the following locations: pre-k & K in ICC hall on the stage, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Confirmation prep in the school, 4th grade in ICC hall and 5th grade in ICC rectory.

At Holy Redeemer, all teachers will be in the church hall from 9:45AM to 10:45AM. Refreshments will be served at both sites.

If you have not yet registered your child for CCD classes, you may do so at that time. Registration forms may be found in the church vestibule or on our website.

#### Congratulations "Green to Gold" winners!!

Aug 23	Sam Messina	#416	\$50.00
Aug 24	Steve & Leona Kridlo	#526	\$50.00
Aug 25	Eric Donnelly #233		\$50.00
Aug 26	Elizabeth Dessoye	#751	S100.00
Aug 27	Bernadette Romiski	#468	\$50.00
Aug 28	Rosemary Dobbs	#739	\$50.00
Aug 29	NO WINNER	#891	\$50.00

#### Courtesy Announcements

## Pasta Dinner for "ERIC"

Eric Speicher, one of our altar servers has been battling brain cancer for some time. To help the family deal with some of the financial costs incurred with traveling out of state with Eric for his treatments, etc. a group of friends of the Speicher family are planning a pasta dinner & basket raffle fundraiser. The event will be held here in Immaculate Conception Church hall on Sunday, September 23rd...take outs will be available from 3 to 4PM and sit down dinner from 3 to 6PM. Donation is \$8.00.

Next weekend after all masses, Eric's family members and/or friends will be selling tickets. Or you can stop by the rectory to pick up tickets.

To make donations or for information on how you can help, call Kory @ 229-7636.

The next planning meeting for Eric's fundraiser, will be held on Wednesday, September 5th at 7:00PM in ICC rectory. All are invited!!

## Wyoming Area Catholic School

Limited seats available in Pre K and K classes. Financial assistance available. Call 654-7983 for a private tour or visit *wacsh.com* for more information.

## Wine Tasting to Benefit West Pittston Library

Sunday, September 9th from 2-5PM at the library. The event will be hosted by Bartoli Winery. Event includes cheese, hors d'oeuvres and dessert. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple and can be purchased at the library. Visit wplibrary.org or call 654-9847.

## Mass Intentions Sept 3rd thru Sept 9th

Mon	7:30AM	Adele Alexandrian
		by Husband & Children
	8:30AM	John S Serino
		by M/M Bob Sied
Tues	7:30AM	JoAnn Pendolphi
		by Mother & Family
	8:30AM	Esther R Adams
		by Zaydon Family
Wed	7:30AM	John O'Boyle
		by Fred & Marie Melvin
	8:30AM	Mary Ann Fino Anzalone
		by Carol & Jill Saporito
Thurs	7:30AM	William & Mary Shelosky
		by Steve, Judy & Family
	8:30AM	David Panek
		by mother, Romaine
Fri	7:30AM	Sam Angelella
		by Galante Family
	8:30AM	Angelo Bufalino
		by cousins, Joe & Maryjo Dileo
Sat	4:00PM	John & Antoinette Denisco
Sat	1.001 101	by Family
	5:00PM	Millie Cumbo
	01001111	By M/M Thomas Polacheck
Sun	7:30AM	Datty Wiashowski
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	9.00AM	by Ginny & John Corcoran
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	10.30AM	<b>Theresa &amp; Mary Lepore</b> by Family
		by Faimry

**Vigil Candle at ICC** which will burn this week in loving of memory of **Michael J. Butera** is donated by wife, Lorraine.

<u>Altar Candles at ICC</u> which will burn this week in loving of memory of **Sam Angella** are donated by Galante Family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC which will burn this week in loving of memory of George J. Kochins is donated by Family.

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONAugust 25-26, 2012\$6,075.15Second Collection\$734.35

The rectory office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day. We wish everyone a safe holiday weekend.

On our website www.corpuschristinepa.com You Can Download:

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*"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked, Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another*..." *Corpus Christi Parish Community* welcomes new parishioners who have moved into the parish. Contact the parish office at 570-654-2753. All parishioners are asked to notify the parish office of a change of address or telephone number.