October 13, 2013
Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked,



Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another ...."

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### WEEKEND CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday -4:00PM -Immaculate Conception Saturday - 5:30PM - Holy Redeemer

Sunday - 7:30AM - Immaculate Conception

### WEEKDAY CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

7:30 AM Immaculate Conception 8:30 AM Holy Redeemer

CONFESSION SATURDAYS
3:00PM - 3:30PM Immaculate Conception

Eucharistic Adoration
Holy Redeemer
Wednesdays
9:00AM-3:00PM

Parish Mission Statement
To promote and improve the community of God by living the Gospel message; caring for the elderly, youth, sick, needy, and participating in the liturgy.

Weekly Collection October 6, 2013 \$8,538.21

### CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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Dear Friends,

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the wonderful celebration, two weeks ago, of the 20th anniversary of my ordination to the Diaconate. The effort which went into the organization, preparation and presentation of the party was overwhelming to myself and my family.

I am very grateful to each and every person who participated in the celebration. I am also very thankful to those who sent checks or cash gifts. These have been contributed to our parish Social Concerns Committee for use toward their good works.

My sincere thanks to all who have been a part of these past 20 years and who have, in any way, shared in the ministry of service to the church. You have enriched my life!

Thanks again, and God Bless You, Deacon Pete

<u>Diocesan Annual Appeal "Serve with Love"</u> Shaping the next generation of the faithful through a Catholic education is an essential mission of the Diocese of Scranton. Last year, more than 6,000 elementary, middle and high school students benefitted from the academic programs and spiritual guidance offered by our Catholic Schools. Your generous gift to the 2013 Annual Appeal will help to recruit and retain talented teachers, fund extracurricular programs, invest in advanced classroom technology and serve the diverse needs of our students.

<u>Second Collection Next Weekend</u> Next weekend our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. This year we are invited to act in solidarity with missionaries in India and throughout the world. Every day, faithful missionaries are reaching out in the name of Christ, offering practical, emotional and spiritual care to children and families in desperate need, bringing the light of Christ to the darkest of circumstances.

VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children for Adults This training session is required for all adult volunteers who work with children in the Diocese of Scranton. A facilitator will teach you the tools and show you the resources to maintain a safe environment for all children and help you recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and how to respond to it appropriately and effectively. There will be a session in our parish on Sunday, October 27 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM in ICC hall...facilitator is Jerry Yakobitis.....to register call the rectory at 654-2753.

Nursing Homes and Shut ins Please help us to keep our records up to date! If you or anyone you know of is a shut in or residing in a nursing home, please call the rectory to let us know.

<u>Parishioners in the Hospital</u> If you or someone you know of is or will be a patient in any hospital or health care facility, it is very important to notify the rectory. <u>We can no longer use our code to find out if we have parishioners in local health care facilities.</u> As Monsignor Sempa visits hospitals regularly, he wants to be sure not to miss any one.

<u>Youth Group</u> Current members and new members in 6th grade and older are invited to a "youth group" meeting today, Sunday, October 13 at 6:00PM in Holy Redeemer rectory in Harding. Kids can sign up to help with the "haunted rectory"...we will be assigning costumes and positions.

Youth Group Hayride Sunday, October 20th from 1:00PM to 3:00PM at Dymond's. Cost is \$6.00 which includes hayride, a pumpkin, hotdogs, s'mores, drinks and lots of fun!! We will meet in ICC rectory parking lot at 12 noon to carpool. Please contact Mrs. Klepadlo at 570-430-1470 or Mrs. Zielin at 570-388-2790 before October 18 to let them know if you are going, how many, and if you need rides. If you are meeting at Dymonds, be there by 12:45PM.

Halloween Mass & Haunted Rectory All are invited to join us in costume at the 5:30PM Mass on Saturday, October 26th. Following the mass a Halloween party will take place in the church hall. Haunted rectory tickets will be sold at all masses this weekend!!

Designer Bingo Planning Meeting Save the date! Our second annual "designer bingo" will be held in Immaculate Conception Church hall on Sunday, November 10, 2013. A planning meeting will be held today, Sunday, October 13th at 11:30AM in the rectory. All are welcome to join us and help plan this parish event.

**Finance Committee Meeting** Monday, October 14 at 6:00PM in the rectory.

Holy Name Meeting Members of our parish Holy Name Society will be selling lotto tickets \$2.00 for 10 chances to win the cash prize on Thanksgiving Day. Members are asked to attend a meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 7:00PM in the rectory.

<u>Sewing/Knitting/Crocheting Ministry</u> Are you interested in knitting? Whether you are a seasoned knitter or have never held a pair of knitting needles, you are invited to join our knitting classes on Wednesday evening, <u>Oct 16th at 7:00PM or Thursday afternoon</u>, <u>Oct 17th at 1:00PM in the rectory dining room</u>.

<u>Pastoral Council Meeting</u> Thursday, October 17 at 7:00PM in the rectory.

### Mass Intentions Oct 14th thru Oct. 20th



Mon 7:30AM Dec. Members of **Montante & Speziale Families** by Joan 8:30AM Donna Licata by M/M Robert Gallagher Tues 7:30AM Peter Kolmansperger by Mother & Family 8:30AM Joanne Mulhern by Matt Lubash Hushka Wed 7:30AM Joseph A & Joseph P Lepore by Lepore Family 8:30AM Joseph McHugh, Jr. by Bill & Rochelle Falzone Thurs 7:30AM John "Jake" O'Boyle by Walter Reposky Family 8:30AM Thomas Gubbiotti, Sr. by Family Fri 7:30AM James Tracy, Sr. by M/M George Anthony 8:30AM Michael Naples by M/M William Sweeney Sat 4:00PM **Ada Rostock** by Lois & Lou Forlenza 5:30PM **Steve Sokach** by Guy & Debbie Taroli Sun 7:30AM Mary Ann Daley by Sister Jane Mary Duke IHM & Family 9:00AM James Golden, Sr. by Daughter, Isabel 10:30AM Sonny & Leona Vanavage

by Betty, Ann & Mike

<u>Altar Candles at ICC</u> which will burn this week in loving memory of **David Stankoski** are donated by his Mom and Dad.

<u>Vigil Candle at ICC</u> which will burn this week in loving memory of **David G Kristunas** is donated by his daughters.

Holy Family Candle at ICC which will burn this week in loving memory of **Kevin Curley** is donated by Michael Valenti.

### **Courtesy Announcements**

<u>Eagle Scout</u> Congratulations to Bradley Trusavage, son of Bob & Colleen Trusavage of West Pittston, on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Bradley, a student at King's College, is a member of Troop 302, hosted by Corpus Christi Parish. Pat Messina is the Scout Master. Bradley led the troop in building four picnic tables for Wyoming Area Secondary Center, two of which are handicap accessible.

Scranton Prep Open House will be held on Sunday, October 20 from 1:00PM to 4:00PM. Seventh and eighth grade students and their parents and families are invited to attend. Scholarship Entrance Exam will be held on Saturday, December 7th for 8th grade students interested in applying for the fall term of 2014. To pre-register call 941-7737 ext 141.

Holy Redeemer High School Open House will be held on Sunday, October 27 from 1:00PM to 4:00PM. Visit our website at: www.holyredeemerhs.org.

Little Sisters of the Poor Annual Roast Beef Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 20 from 12—4pm in the auditorium of Holy Family Residence, Adams Avenue, Scranton. The dinner will be catered by Stirna's Restaurnat. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance or \$12.00 at the door and children 10 and younger are \$6.00. In addition to the dinner, there will be a bake sale, raffles for gift baskets, etc. For advance ticket orders and sponsorship information contact Jackie Galvin at 343-4065 ext 3144 or scdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Youth 2000 Retreat This retreat, which is open to high school teens and young adults will take place October 25, 26 27 at Notre Dame School, East Stroudsburg. Cost is \$35 for the weekend. One adult leader required for every 7 youths under 18. This weekend is filled with adoration, music, inspirational talks, fellowship and fun! It is led by the Franciscan Friars and Siste4rs of the Renewal. For further information contact Doris Hurley, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Brodheadsville.

Queen of the Apostles Parish Pasta Dinner Wednesday, October 23 in parish hall Spring Street, Avoca from 4:00PM to 7:00PM....take out only...cost \$10.00...penne, meatballs, salad, dressing, roll & butter. For tickets call 570-954-2456 or 570-457-3412.

# Corpus Christi Parish

## Get Your Scare OUT!!!

Rumor has it that bazaar things are happening in Harding. Zombies have been spotted on the Holy Redeemer Church grounds and it is rumored that a closed coffin lies in the front parlor! Are you brave enough to enter the Parlor of Death or walk through a room filled with spiders? Could our rectory be haunted?? The youth group is turning the rectory into a scary Halloween "treat" for the entire family! There will be plenty of screams as you tour the "Dungon of Doom" and the "Backyard Cemetery"

### Haunted Rectory

will be open 7:30PM to II:00PM on Friday, October 25th and Safurday, October 26th 7

Admission \$3.00

Bring the entire family for a evening of fun and fright through a maze of scares & terrors that is sure to thrill the young and young-at-heart!!

Refreshments available

Proceeds benefit the EJS Fund, a fund to help defer the travel and treatment costs for youth group member Eric Speicher