November 9, 2014 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked,



Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another"

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WEEKEND CELEBRATION
OF THE EUCHARIST
Sat 4:00PM Immaculate Conception
Sat 5:30PM Holy Redeemer
Sun 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
Sun 9:00AM Holy Redeemer
Sun 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

WEEKDAY CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 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
\$9,120.53 Parish
\$1,916.00 Social Concerns
\$11,036.53 Total

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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To follow the readings in your Gather book, please see #1211 Diocesan Annual Appeal
Our Parish Goal is \$32,000... Pleages received.... \$24,110. (\$7,890)

Veteran's Day Tribute

At our 10:30AM Mass today, please welcome special guests from branches of the military as our choir sings a tribute to the armed services. Following the liturgy, all are invited to join us for coffee & donuts in the church hall.

Book of Remembrance

Each year the Church gives us the entire month of November as an opportunity to remember our loved ones who have gone before us in death, praying for their happiness and preparing ourselves to be reunited with them one day. A special book with the names of our beloved dead is located near the sanctuary in the churches. Please take a moment and write the names of departed family and friends in the parish book of the dead.

Bereavement Mass & Social

Our annual Bereavement Mass will be celebrated on <u>Monday</u>, <u>November 24th at 6:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church</u>. All are invited to join us as we remember those members of our parish community who have died this past year. Following the Mass, all are invited to join us for a social in the church hall which is hosted by our Social Concerns Committee.

Lighting Renovation Envelope

During the month of October, \$1096.00 collected from the lighting renovation envelopes and \$1,500.00 (donated from the Altar & Rosary Society) has been deposited back into our parish diocesan savings account. This reduces the amount we borrowed for the lighting renovation project for both worship sites to \$7,624.00. Thank you for your continued support!!

Social Concerns Ministry

We are a group of volunteers that provide the opportunity for all parishioners to respond to the teachings of their faith. This committee draws attention to the needs of the community and facilitates programs that extend a helping and caring hand to those who are trying to achieve self-sufficiency. Participating in this ministry is a wonderful way to share our blessings with those in need. It also offers opportunities to involve children in community service and teach them the true meaning of Christianity.

Social Concerns Meeting

All are welcome to join us on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 12 at 6:30PM in ICC rectory</u> for our next meeting. At this meeting we will be discuss the Bereavement Mass social, Thanksgiving food baskets, the "giving tree", and caring for our elderly who are homebound and who reside in nursing homes.

Social Concerns Envelope

Our yearly envelope for Social Concerns is included in with your November envelopes. Thank to all who so graciously contributed. To date, a total of **\$1,986.00** has been collected for Social Concerns in this envelope.

Designer Bingo Thank You!

Thank you, thank you to everyone who helped with the "designer bingo". The monies raised from the bingo, \$9,375.41, will be used to serve "the least of these" in our parish and beyond..... the hungry, the homeless, the sick, the imprisoned, the stranger.

Craft & Bake Sale
November 15 & 16
Immaculate Conception Church Hall
After the 4:00PM, 7:30AM & 10:30AM Masses
(baked goods may be dropped off at ICC hall anytime on
Saturday or Sunday morning)
November 22 & 23
Holy Redeemer Church Hall
After the 5:30PM & 9:00AM Masses

(baked goods may be dropped off at HR hall on Saturday starting at 4:30PM and on Sunday morning at 9:00AM)

The ladies will be selling hand made crafts including jewelry, wreaths, baby items, etc, etc. They are asking for volunteers to bake......If you can help please call Loretta @ 570-654-2655 or Raymond @ 570-654-7116. Thank you for your help.

■Thanksgiving & Christmas Help

Please have requests for Thanksgiving & Christmas help called in or emailed by Sunday, November 16th. You can contact Joyce at jcecconi50@gmail.com or call the rectory 570-654-2753.

■Thanksgiving Food Drive

To help relieve the overwhelming stress that comes from the lack of basic needs, our Social Concerns provides local families with bountiful "gift baskets" filled with all the fixins for Thanksgiving dinner along with other non perishable staples. This week we are asking for donations of pastas, sauces, rice, soups, tuna fish, peanut butter &jelly. We gratefully accept monetary donations, gift certificates for turkeys. For your convenience, donation baskets are placed in the entrances to the churches. Thank you in advance for your help!

■Nursing Homes & Homebound

If someone you know of is homebound or in a nursing home, please notify Dorothy at the rectory. She will be sure to send them a card to let them know their parish family is thinking about them, notify our prayer group so they can put them on the parish prayer list, put them on our First Friday Communion list and/or notify our social concerns visitors who regularly visit nursing homes.

Religious Education News

Confirmation Class Introduction Mass

The members of our Confirmation class (grades 5, 6, 7, & 8)will be honored at the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday, November 23rd. All students are asked to gather in the church hall where they will process in and sit together. The members of the Confirmation class will take part in the celebration as lectors, ushers, greeters and gift bearers.

Family Liturgies

Our next 2 family masses will be held on Sunday, November 23rd at the 9:00AM Mass in Holy Redeemer Church and on Sunday, December 14th at the 10:30AM Mass in ICC. At these Masses, children will have the opportunity to participate as lectors, ushers, heavenly hosts, gift bearers, childrens' choir or take part in a small skit. A meeting will be held on Monday, November 10th at 7:00PM in ICC rectory to plan these liturgies. If you would like to help work with the children, please plan on attending.

CCD Classes

The children in our CCD classes will be designing the tags for our "giving trees". Next Sunday, after the 9:00AM Mass at Holy Redeemer and after the 10:30AM Mass at ICC, children will be handing out bags to be filled with food donations for our Thanksgiving baskets. You are asked to return the filled bags the following weekend and place them in the "food wagons" in the church vestibules.

Confirmation Class

Class for boys and girls in 6th grade and older will be held next Sunday, November 16th from 5:30 to 7:00PM in ICC hall.

Youth Group Game Night

Kids in 6th grade and older are invited to "game night" today, Sunday, November 9th at 7:00PMN in ICC hall. Bring your favorite board game, bring a friend, join in the fun!

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ann Marie Yanulavich** is donated by Ross & Rosemary DeNisco.

Vigil Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Louis Cella** is donated by his wife, Vita and family.

Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory **Madeline Menchi** are donated by M/M Kenneth Goldberg.

Sanctuary Candle at HR

which will burn this week in loving memory **Anna Lugar** is donated by her children.

<u>Autunm Treasure Lottery Winners</u>					
	Ann Hrobak	#600	\$50.00		
Oct 31	Ann Kozloski	#543	\$50.00		
Nov 01	Mary Ann Schifano	#245	\$50.00		
Nov 02	Sarah Dovin	#717	\$100.00		
Nov 03	Kim Rollman	#288	\$50.00		
Nov 04	Carol Ference	#696	\$50.00		
Nov 05	NO WINNER	#628	\$50.00		

Holy Name Lotto Fundraiser

For a donation of \$2.00 you have 10 chances of winning \$100.00. Just match the PA Daily PM number drawn on Thanksgiving night, November 27, 2014. Proceeds benefit the youth of our parish. Thank you for your past generous support of the Holy Name Society fundraisers. Please see one of the ushers for tickets!

Youth Choir

Practice for our youth choir will take place next Sunday, November 16 from 5:30 to 6:15PM in ICC.

Mass Intentions

			Nov 10th thru Nov 16th
1	Mon	7:30AM	Joseph Prula
		8:30AM	by wife, Anita & Joseph Louis Cella
	Tues	7:30AM	by Bob Yatsko & Family Linda & Victor Menichini by daughter, Aurelia
		8:30AM	All Souls
	Wed	7:30AM	Madeline Menchi by Regina Wierbowski & Robert Hanna
		8:30AM	Jack Klotz
	Thur	7:30AM	by Elaine Pendleton Marie Williams by Family
		8:30AM	Ron Musto
	Fri	7:30AM	by Romaine Panek William & Florence Pilkonis
		8:30AM	by Family All Souls
	Sat	4:00PM	Dec. Members of Scripkunas & MacMorran Families
		= 00D1:	by Marquerite Dixon & Family
		5:30PM	Viola Michels by Family
	Sun	7:30AM	Josephine Butera Alfano

by Grandchildren &

by Switzer Family

by John Karauis

9:00AM Frances Ostir

10:30AM Lillian Denisco

Great Grandchildren