

Mission Statement

We as members of the Body of Christ, through our thoughts, words and deeds, celebrate the presence of God in all people. As a community of believers, we answer Christ's call to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and love one another.

November 22, 2020 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Immaculate Conception Holy Redeemer Church

Corpus Christi Parish 605 Luzerne Avenue West Pittston, PA 18643

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Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor Mr. James Meizanis, Deacon Mrs. Joyce Cecconi,

Pastoral Associate

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday thru Friday
7:30AM Immaculate Conception
8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM Immaculate Conception 5:30PM Holy Redeemer Sunday

7:30AM Immaculate Conception 9:00AM Holy Redeemer 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

Weekly Collection
November 15, 2020
Weekly \$8,979.00
E Giving 1,798.49
TOTAL \$10,777.49

SUNDAY & DAILY MASS on our WEBSITE

corpuschristinepa.com
and

FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend at all Masses we will take up a collection to benefit the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Your generosity is appreciated.

Giving TreeProject Rudolph

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer is famous for providing a beacon of light to guide Santa on a snowy Christmas Eve. Santa was faced with the real possibility that he would have to cancel Christmas. But Rudolph saved the day and Santa was able to deliver toys to all the girls and boys.

This year, Santa is faced with a treacherous storm called a pandemic. Just like Rudolph, we can assist Santa and brighten the Christmas season for our neighbors by taking a tag from "Rudolph's Giving Tree." This year presents a much greater challenge than any other year since we began this project. So we have included some extra options to enable everyone to participate.

In addition to "Rudolph's Giving Tree" in the sanctuary of ICC another tree will be placed on the side porch of the rectory for those who prefer not to enter the building.

At Holy Redeemer Church, "Rudolph's Giving Tree" will be outside the main entrance during the weekend Masses.

"Rudolph's Giving Tree" will be available outdoors on the following days and times:

Immaculate Conception Church (side porch of rectory)

Mon thru Thurs (9:30AM-4:30PM)
Saturday (2:30PM-4:30PM)
Sunday (7:30AM-12 Noon)

Holy Redeemer Church (outside at the main entrance)
Saturday (5:00PM until the end of Mass)
Sunday (8:30AM until the end of Mass)

A virtual "Giving Tree" is also available this year. Just go to the link on our website www.corpuschristinepa.com or Facebook www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa and follow the

instructions. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or jcecconi50@gmail.com.

If you are unable to get to one of the Giving Trees or use the virtual model, just call Joyce for information on a child you can help for Christmas.

The Giving Trees filled with Christmas wishes from local children aged tot thru teen will be available now through December 16th. It is important to remember all gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 20th. Please wrap the gift and securely attach the tag to the gift. If you are doing the virtual tree, please be sure to put the family number on the wrapped gift.

The success of this annual Christmas project organized by our parish Social Concerns Committee depends on the generosity of the entire parish community. Thank you for allowing us to share the spirit of Christmas.

Diocesan Annual Appeal......Parish Goal \$30,000.00

This weekend is Appeal Online Commitment Weekend. Helping to support our Diocesan and parish ministries depends on all of us doing what we can. Even small gifts, collectively, can make a huge impact. Please click on https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/2020APPEAL to find our parish team page and prayerfully consider how you can help.

Winter Lottery Fundraiser

If you received a lottery ticket in the mail and do not wish to purchase it, please return the ticket to us so we can reissue it to someone else. For a \$25 donation you have the chance to match the daily number January thru March of 2021 to win \$50 Monday thru Saturday, \$100 on Sundays, and \$150 New Year's Day (January 1st), Ash Wednesday (February 17th), and Palm Sunday (March 28th). To be eligible to win, your ticket must be purchased by Tuesday, December 15, 2020. Numbers which have not have been purchased by 12/15 will be reissued and sold to someone else. If you would like additional tickets, call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail Lori at Ikasisky1@epix.net. Thank you for your continued support of our parish lotteries.

2020 "NO BAZAAR" Collection

Your donations for our "No Bazaar" collection keep coming in...thank you for that. This week we received **\$110.00** which brings our total for the "No Bazaar" Collection to **\$46,665.00!** Thank you!!

Bulletin/Community Announcement for Funeral Held at Immaculate Conception Church

An individual who recently attended a funeral Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in West Pittston has tested positive for COVID-19. The person attended the funeral Mass on Thursday, November 12, 2020. The individual was tested on Saturday, November 14. The individual received notification of the positive test on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 and

informed the parish as a preventative measure.

The parish has contacted the Pennsylvania Department of Health and is following all guidance and recommendations. In continued alignment with Diocesan, state and federal public health and safety guidelines, social distancing and mask wearing was maintained throughout the funeral Mass.

In accordance with established protocols from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the church facility/ areas visited by the individual with the confirmed case of COVID-19 have undergone additional cleaning and disinfection.

Anyone who attended the funeral Mass is encouraged to keep alert for any potential symptoms of COVID-19, which may include (but are not limited to) fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, muscle pain, headache or a loss of taste or smell.

The staff of Corpus Christi Parish extends prayers for healing and comfort to the individual experiencing illness and for all those affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

Eagle Scout Project

Our parishioner, Blaise Sokach-Minnick, a Life Scout in West Pittston Troop 302 is collecting voluntary donations of personal care (preferably travel size) and other items for the McKinney Clinic in Wilkes-Barre. The clinic, provides health screening and exams for those seeking housing in local men's and women's shelters. The weekends of 11/21-22 and 11/28-29, Blaise will be collecting your donations which can be left in the vestibules of the churches. Suggested items would include: body wash, soap, shampoo, socks, winter coats and blankets. For info please text or call Donnie Minnick at 570-212-8774 or e-mail sokach.minnick@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Office Hours

The rectory office will close at 12 Noon on Wednesday and will reopen on Monday, November 29th at 10:00AM.

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November 22 thru 28, 2020

Altar Candles

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Concetta & Charles Cipolla** are donated by their grandchildren David, Andrea & Susan.

Holy Family Candle

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Joseph DeLucca, Sr.** is donated by Joe & Carm Agolino.

Sanctuary Candle

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Dec'd Members of the Hreha Family** is donated by the family.

Sanctuary Candle at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Robert Kowalczyk** is donated by his wife, son & family.

Altar Candles at HR

7:30AM

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Tillie & Nick Arcola** are donated by the Denisco children.

Mass Intentions November 23 thru 29 2020

Margaret & Jack Hoover

By Children

	8:30AM	Velia & Bruno Ferretti Sr By Davi & Bruno Ferretti, Jr
Tues	7:30AM	Joe Agolino By Joan Pribula
	8:30AM	Aurelia Menichini By Caroline Traglia
Wed	7:30AM	Fred & Rose Ciampi By Son, Lou & Family
	8:30AM	Matthew Davis, Jr. By Mary Benning
Thurs	9:00AM	God's Blessings for All Families
Fri	7:30AM	Michael Mellio By Jerry Yakobitis & Family
	8:30AM	Christopher Manganiello By Joe & Debbie, Joey & Yelena & Anthony Charette
Sat	4:00PM	Robert Brown, Sr. & Robert Brown, Jr. By Ellen & Sr. Susan
	5:30PM	Robert Kowalczyk By Wife, Son & Family
Sun	7:30AM	Joseph Berti By John & Rosemary Thubbron
	9:00AM	Charles Alfano By Cousin, Charlie J Alfano
	10:30AM	Dominick & Lucy Occhiato

By Family