



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.

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**Immaculate Conception
Holy Redeemer Church**

**Corpus Christi Parish
605 Luzerne Avenue
West Pittston, PA 18643**

**Phone (570) 654-2753
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**Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor
Mr. James Meizanis, Deacon
Mrs. Joyce Cecconi,
Pastoral Associate**

Daily Mass Schedule during Lent

Monday thru Friday

7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

5:30PM Immaculate Conception

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

Confession Saturday

3:00-3:30PM

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Collection

March 20, 2022

Sunday \$8,585.25

E-Giving 2,767.93

Total \$11,353.18

SUNDAY & DAILY MASS

on our

WEBSITE

corpuschristinepa.com

and

FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

Responsorial Psalm.....

"Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord"

Second Collection....This Weekend/Next Weekend

This weekend, at all Masses, we will take up a collection to benefit Catholic Relief Services. Next weekend, the 2nd collection will benefit the Rice Bowl. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Lite is on for You

Monsignor will be in the confession at Holy Redeemer Church this **Monday, March 28 from 6:00PM to 6:45PM.**

Soup & Scripture

Our final "Soup and Scripture" session for this Lent is Tuesday, March 29th. Our guest speaker is Jim Jacobs.

Soup & Set-up.....Lectors/Heavenly Hosts

Sandwiches & Clean-up...Bldg & Grounds/St Clare Sew.

Social Concerns News

► **Easter Food Drive**

Once again our Social Concerns Committee will be preparing Easter food baskets for some 100 plus local families. If you can help, we could use donations of just about any non-perishable foods including....**cereal, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast bars, pastas, sauce, rice, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter and jelly.** As in the past, our goal is to give each family non-perishable food, a ham, and a grocery store voucher. Of course, we will gladly accept donations of hams or grocery store vouchers. Thank you!

► **Easter Baskets for Kids**

This year we will be preparing some 250 or more Easter Baskets for kids 12 years of age and younger. If you would like to help, we are looking for donations of Easter candy, small toys, games, outdoor toys and small plush for babies. We are hoping to present every kid on our list with a "bountiful" Easter basket. All donations can be left in the vestibules of the churches or at the rectory.

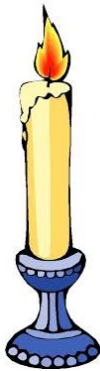
► **Help for Easter**

If you or a family you know of is in need and would like help for Easter, please contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or icecco-ni50@gmail.com

► **Social Concerns Meeting**

All are welcome to join us as we finalize our plans for Easter giving...**Monday, March 28 at 6:00PM in the rectory.**

Candles
March 27 thru April 2, 2022



Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ralph DeLucia** are donated by his family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Steve Sokach** is donated by Steve and MaryBeth.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Rita Ann DeNisco** is donated by Catherine & Gene.

Sanctuary Candle at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Gini Ciampi** is donated by Patricia & Thomas Schaeffer.

Winter Lottery Winners

Congratulations to this weeks lottery winners!

3/17	#399	Tim Yurek	\$50.00
3/18	#167	NO WINNER	\$50.00
3/19	#933	Jim Gordon	\$50.00
3/20	#234	Sally & Jerry Demellier	\$100.00
3/21	#421	NO WINNER	\$50.00
3/22	#581	Deborah Ambrosavage	\$50.00
3/23	#657	Georgia Bone	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include:

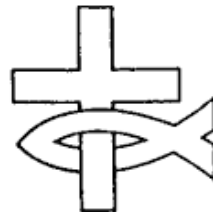
3/18	Rosella Fedor & George Purcell	\$50.00
3/21	Cheryl Reedy	\$50.00

Bereavement Program

Grief: Comfort Through Sharing– Grief is real. It is the emotional cross you bear after losing someone you love. Grief is a challenging and intensely personal experience. Our program is offered to help care for you through group sharing and to facilitate healing.

Corpus Christi Parish will host a bereavement program in the church hall starting Wednesday, April 6th, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00PM and will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Masks are optional. Space is limited so sign up by contacting Joyce at 570-654-2753 or icecconi50@gmail.com. The program leader, John M. Samony Sr, CGSS, author of "The Morning After-Surviving the Loss of Someone you Love," a University of Wisconsin, Certified Grief Support Specialist will facilitate the sessions.

Liturgy Intentions
For The Week



March 28 thru April 3, 2022

Mon	7:30AM	Bridget Komnath By Patti Wiatrowski
	8:30AM	Jack Helcoski By Nancy & Janet
	5:30PM	Gini Ciampi By Jim & Joanne English
Tues	7:30AM	Tyler Patrick Egan By Rosalie, Pat & Pat Messina III
	8:30AM	Emily Kocian By Laurie Slusser
	5:30PM	Joseph & Theresa Olshemski By Family
Wed	7:30AM	Jeanne Devers White By Sandy Cella
	8:30AM	Nicoletta Goldsworthy By Marguerite Dixon
	5:30PM	Frank Colella By Judy Sokach
Thurs	7:30AM	Steve Sokach By Judy & Family
	8:30PM	Norma Serino By Gary Celli
	5:30PM	Patricia Musinski By Family
Fri	7:30AM	Carmen, Mary & Jimmy Ciampi By daughter, Helen
	8:30AM	Janet Lumley By Saitta Family
	5:30PM	Rita Ann, Ross, Sr & Anna Maria DeNisco By Ross & Rosemary
Sat	4:00PM	Tom & Marita Burke & Beth Burke Szeghy By Family
	5:30PM	Charles Abromitis By Family
Sun	7:30AM	Living & Deceased Members of Holy Name Society
	9:00AM	Matthew & Jean Wisniewski By Joe & Diane Tona
	10:30AM	Deceased Membs of Capizzi Family By Betty Ann & Mike



Corpus Christi 11th Annual Car Show

Will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2022, on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church in Harding. There will be music, door prizes and food trucks all day. The admission for cars is as follows...

Pre-Registration.....\$10.00

Day of Show.....\$15.00

All are welcome to come and enjoy the day with us. Spectators are admitted free. For more information or volunteer opportunities, contact Mike Flynn 570-760-5704 or Deb Altavilla 570-574-4360.

Living Stations of the Cross

Teens interested in taking part in the Living Stations of the Cross are welcome to join us in IC Church at 7:00PM on Sunday evenings for practice. For more information please contact Juelann Klepadlo at 570-430-1470 or jaklepadlo@aol.com.



Youth Choir Practice

All boys and girls are welcome to join our Youth choir. They will be singing for the Living Stations, presented by our teens, on Good Friday evening at 7:00PM and at the 10:30AM Family Mass on Easter Sunday morning. For information on the Youth Choir, please contact Mary Supey at 570-237-2275 or tsupey@hotmail.com



Deanery Penance Service

Will be held on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:00PM at St. John the Evangelist Church on William St. in Pittston. All are welcome.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation & The Sacrament of First Eucharist

On Saturday, May 7, 2022 we will celebrate the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Boys and girls who are in 2nd grade and older are eligible to receive these Sacraments. If your child is a member of our parish and is attending Catholic school, he or she must be registered to receive these Sacraments. Please call the rectory to register your child.

First Eucharist Retreat

There will be a retreat for the boys and girls on **Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 9:00AM to 12 Noon**. At the retreat, the children will be making their First Eucharist banners. All children, including those who are home schooled and attending Catholic schools should attend this retreat. For information on the retreat, call the rectory at 570-654-2753.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Will be celebrated on **Thursday, April 28, 2022** at 5:00PM at St. Barbara's Parish. Bishop Bambera will be the celebrant.

Road to Resurrection

Once again will be held on the Wednesdays of Lent with Mass 7:00PM as follows:
3/30 Queen of the Apostles, Avoca
4/6 St Joseph Mareello, Pittston

Sunday Evening Prayer

Deacons of the Greater Pittston Deanery will celebrate Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 5:00PM on Sundays during Lent as follows:
3/27 Queen of the Apostles, Avoca
4/3 St. Joseph Mareello, Pittston

The 12th Diocese of Scranton Vocations Golf Classic

Save the date!
Monday, June 27, 2022
Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club
Mountain Top, Pa
Captain & Crew

Last year's event was a sellout, so don't miss your opportunity to reserve a spot or a foursome now! Early sponsorship commitments and/or raffle prize donations also welcome.

Email vocationsgolf@dioceseofscranton.org or call 570-207-2250.



New Mass Schedule

The Transition Team for the parishes of St Barbara and Corpus Christi met on Monday, March 21, 2022 to continue discussions and preparation for the linkage of our two parishes. We prayerfully considered all possible options for creating the new Mass Schedule.

In developing this Mass Schedule, the Transition Team studied factors such as minimizing disruption for parishioners, appreciation of times for Religious Education and families already attending Mass, expected Saturday funerals and weddings and allowing sufficient time for the pastor to travel, prepare and interact with parishioners. In assessing average attendance, particularly of weekend Masses, The Transition Team carefully considered the impact that the Covid pandemic has had on attendance during the past two years. The ultimate goal was to create a new Mass schedule that could be accomplished by one priest on a regular basis, while giving precedent to all of the above elements of parish life.

After extensive conversation, prayer and exploring multiple options it was the consensus of the Transition Team that the following Mass Schedule will begin on May 2, 2022.

**Saint Anthony's Church of the St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter
Saturday 4:00 PM**

**Immaculate Conception Church of the Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
Saturday 5:30pm**

**Saint Anthony's Church of the St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter
Sunday 7:30am**

**Holy Redeemer Church of the Corpus Christi Parish, Harding
Sunday 9:00am**

**Immaculate Conception Church of the Corpus Christi Church, West Pittston
Sunday 10:30am**

Weekdays:

Monday 7:30am Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston

**Tuesday 7:30am Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
8:30am Holy Redeemer Church of the Corpus Christi Parish, Harding**

**Wednesday 7:30am Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
12:10pm St. Anthony's Church of the St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter**

**Thursday 7:30am Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
8:30am Holy Redeemer Church of the Corpus Christi Parish, Harding**

**Friday 7:30am Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
12:10pm St Anthony's Church of the St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter**

We ask for your continued prayers for the work of the Transition Team.