



## 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.

**April 3, 2022**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Immaculate Conception  
 Holy Redeemer Church**

**Corpus Christi Parish**  
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 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 27, 2022**

**Sunday \$8,113.30**  
**E-Giving 425.69**  
**Total \$8,538.99**

**Second Collection**  
**(Catholic Relief Services)**  
**\$1,743.88**

### **SUNDAY & DAILY MASS**

**on our  
 WEBSITE**

[corpuschristinepa.com](http://corpuschristinepa.com)

**and**

**FACEBOOK**

[www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa](http://www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa)

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### **Second Collection This Weekend**

This weekend at all Masses we will have a 2nd collection which will benefit the Rice Bowl. CRS Rice Bowl, now in its 45th year, raises funds for those who need support and services in communities throughout the U.S. and overseas. Your support is appreciated.

### **Thank You!!**

Thank you to everyone for your participation in this year's "Lenten Soup and Scripture" series. This includes our fabulous guest speakers, the members of our parish committees who hosted each week and those of you who joined us each week to share in this fellowship.

### **Social Concerns Prepare for Easter Giving**

Listed below are days and times when Social Concerns members will be gathering to fill, wrap, complete preparations for Easter giving. All are welcome to join us!

#### ● Monday & Tuesday April 4th & 5th at 2:00PM

Meet in the church hall to begin preparing Easter baskets for children.

#### ● Thursday, April 7th at 2:00PM

Meet in the rectory to prepare Easter gift bags for our homebound parishioners and those residing in nursing homes. They will be gifted delicious Easter chocolates, treats and blessed palm crosses.

#### ● Thursday, April 7th from 5:00PM to 6:30PM

Meet in church hall to fill Easter "food" bags, finish Easter Baskets and carry everything to the school for distribution. *Teen help would be very welcome at this time!*

#### ● Friday, Saturday or Sunday, April 8, 9, or 10.

Volunteers needed, at your convenience, to deliver to homebound and nursing homes. Please contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or [jceconi50@gmail.com](mailto:jceconi50@gmail.com).

#### ● Sunday, April 10th between 4:00PM and 5:00PM.

Families will be picking up their Easter food and Easter baskets for their children. We will use the drive thru system behind the church. *Teen help would be very welcome at this time!*

#### ● Monday, April 11th at 9:00AM

Help is needed in the church kitchen to make cake pops which will be given to the children at the Family Mass on Easter Sunday.

#### ● Saturday, April 16th at 9:00AM

Meet in the rectory kitchen to prepare baskets which will be blessed then delivered to our homebound parishioners.

#### ● Saturday, April 16th at 11:00AM

Volunteers asked to deliver blessed baskets to our homebound parishioners.

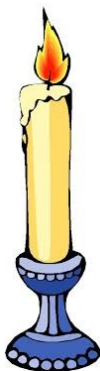
**"Make Your Own Sundae" Sunday**  
**Sunday, April 24, 2022**  
**Following the 10:30AM Mass**  
**All are welcome!**



**Candles**  
**April 3 thru 9, 2022**

**Altar Candles at ICC**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Margaret & Jack Hoover** are donated by their sister, Dorothy.



**Holy Family Candle at ICC**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Harry O'Dell** is donated by his wife, Maryann & children

**Sanctuary Candle at ICC**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary Dente Denisco** is donated by her children.

**Sanctuary Candle at HR**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ann & Paul Hreha** is donated by their family.

**Project Ukraine**

Members of our Social Concerns Committee have agreed to conduct a drive for medical supplies which will be sent to Ukraine.

Fr. Joseph Rafferty, Pastor of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church in Dallas and Trinity Episcopal Church, West Pittston requested our help with this project. They are asking for donations of any medical supplies including First Aid kits. If you can help, your donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches next weekend or dropped off at the rectory. All donations will be taken to St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Scranton. Monetary donations should be made payable to St. Vladimir Ukrainian Church. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.



**Winter Lottery Winners**

Our final "Winter Lottery" winners include:

3/24	#013	NO WINNER	\$50.00
3/25	#425	NO WINNER	\$50.00
3/26	#533	Paul/Amy Wisowaty	\$50.00
3/37	#025	Patricia Karlonis	\$100.00
3/28	#554	Ed Zalepa	\$50.00
3/29	#976	NO WINNER	\$50.00
3/30	#652	Judy Bohan	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include:

3/24	Mary Jane Carsia	\$50.00
3/25	Stan & Angela Doblovasky	\$50.00
3/29	Bernie Kosek	\$50.00

**Corpus Christi 11th Annual Car Show**

Sunday, May 15, 2022, on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church in Harding. There will be music, door prizes and food trucks all day. All are welcome to come and enjoy the day with us. Spectators are admitted free. For more information or for volunteer opportunities, contact Mike Flynn 570-760-5704 or Deb Altavilla 570-574-4360.



**Liturgy Intentions**  
**For The Week**



**April 4 thru 10, 2022**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>James &amp; Eileen Bolger</b> By Kathleen Sweeney
	<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>Betty Luczak</b> By Helen Shannon
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Priscilla Orsheski</b> By Helene Maszeroski
<b>Tues</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>Mary Ann Cipolla</b> By Marie Tomeo
	<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>Viola &amp; Matthew Michels</b> By Ray & Dianne Smith
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Vincent Savoca</b> By Family
<b>Wed</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>Eugene Menchi, Sr.</b> By Ross, Rosemary DeNisco
	<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>Marilyn Fessler</b> By Family
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Ann Brannon</b> By Capizzi Family
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>Joseph &amp; Teresa Cravatta</b> By daughter, Phyllis
	<b>8:30PM</b>	<b>Sylvia Smith</b> By Family
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Patrick Cawley</b> By Donna & Michelle
<b>Fri</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>Deceased Members of Graham Family</b> By Family
	<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>Dino, Florence &amp; Stephen Bellumori</b> By James & Florence DePolo & Family
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Dr. Peter &amp; Nicolina Andrews</b> By son, Joseph & Family
<b>Sat</b>	<b>4:00PM</b>	<b>Deceased Members of Rosengrant, Novak &amp; Sabol Families</b> By Family
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Bernard Wierbowski</b> By Gary & Mary Reeves
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>George McAdarra</b> By Hennigan Family
	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Matthew Chipolis</b> By Mom & Christopher
	<b>10:30AM</b>	<b>Jillian Panunti</b> By Megan Tamburro



## **Paschal Triduum**

This is your invitation to follow Jesus' journey from Holy Thursday through Good Friday to the telling of salvation's story at the Vigil. Do this and you will have an Easter like no other. The Triduum—the three days beginning on the evening of Holy Thursday and ending on Easter Sunday—is an opportunity to experience the essence of Lent and more. The high point of the liturgical life of the Church, The Triduum, allows us to walk with Jesus in his mission of salvation from suffering and death to glorious resurrection. As we do so, we are moving from death to life in our own lives, just as we did in Baptism. God is holy. This week is holy. Lent only makes sense and reaches its fullness in our participation in The Easter Triduum.

### **Holy Thursday, APRIL 14, 2022**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00PM**

**Night Prayer 10:00PM**

This is the night when we remember how God freed his people enslaved in Egypt. It is the Passover of the Lord. At the Last Supper, Jesus washes the feet of the disciples as a sign of servanthood and commands us to do likewise. We hear again Christ's command (mandatum) to love and serve one another. We give thanks for the gift of Christ's presence in the Eucharist. There is no dismissal; we leave in silence; the story continues tomorrow. After communion the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the altar and remains there until Night Prayer at 10:00PM.

### **Good Friday, April 15, 2022**

**Passion of our Lord 1:00PM**

This is the day of our salvation! The service commemorating Christ's passion and death is the most somber and solemn liturgy in our church year. All who enter the church should feel a deep silence settle over them and be struck by the barrenness of the church. The Church comes together to read from Scripture and to pray for the whole world. This is not only a time to mourn the death of Jesus on the Cross, but a moment to remember that through His death on the Cross, we are given eternal life with Him.

## **Living Stations of the Cross**

**Good Friday, April 15, 2022**

**7:00PM Immaculate Conception Church**

All are welcome to attend this beautiful presentation of "Living Stations of the Cross" which is hosted annually by our parish youth group. Music is provided by our parish youth choir. Following the presentation, all are welcome to join the kids in the church hall for pizza.



**Holy Saturday, April 16, 2022**

**Blessing of Baskets 12:00Noon**

**Holy Redeemer Church**

Easter Baskets containing ham, hard boiled eggs, paska, a chocolate cross and a small bottle of wine will be blessed then delivered to our homebound parishioners.

**Easter Egg Hunt 12:15PM**

**Holy Redeemer Church Grounds**

All boys and girls are invited to our Easter Egg Hunt. Teen boys and girls from our parish will be scattering hundreds of eggs on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church. There will be a special section for toddlers and prizes for everyone!! Of course, we will expect a visit from the Easter Bunny!!



**Easter Vigil & Mass 8:00PM**

This is the most sacred night in the church's liturgical year. We remember that the death and darkness of the tomb does not triumph. It is shattered in the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. The service begins with the lighting of the new fire. We hear salvation's story. We renew our Baptismal vows. We sing Alleluia. We ring bells. Sing the Gloria. Eucharist is shared. We rejoice! The Lord is risen!!

**Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022**

**Mass 7:30AM.....Immaculate Conception Church**

**Mass 9:00AM.....Holy Redeemer Church**

**Family Mass 10:30AM.....(Family Mass/Youth Choir) ICC**

At this Easter Sunday Family Mass, our youth choir will sing and children of the parish will participate as lectors, heavenly hosts, and gift bearers. The Easter Bunny just may join us with delicious treats for everyone.