The Linked Parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara



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

August 7, 2022 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Church Holy Redeemer Church St. Anthony Church Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor

Corpus Christi Parish

605 Luzerne Avenue West Pittston, PA 18643 Phone (570) 654-2753 Fax (570) 654-9244

St. Barbara Parish

224 Memorial Street Exeter, PA 18643 Phone (570) 654-2103 Fax (570) 655-3313

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM St. Anthony 5:30PM Immaculate Conception Sunday

7:30AM St. Anthony 9:00AM Holy Redeemer 10:30AM Immaculate Conception Confession

> Saturday 3:00PM to 3:30PM St. Anthony Church

Daily Mass Schedule

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

Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception 12:10PM St. Anthony

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

<u>Fri</u> 7:30AM Immaculate Conception 12:10PM St. Anthony

Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on Corpus Christi Facebook www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

> Weekly Collection July 31, 2022 St. Barbara

Sunday \$4,510.25

Corpus Christi

 Sunday
 \$5,854.13

 E-Giving
 1,917.93

 Total
 \$7,772.06

Corpus Christi
Second Collection
\$775.00

Care & Education of Priests Envelope

The month of July for the Care & Ed of Priests envelopes as follows:

Corpus Christi Parish....... <u>\$673.00</u> St. Barbara Parish.......<u>\$379.00</u>

Corpus Christi Parish "No Bazaar" Envelope

Thank you to all who have returned your "No Bazaar" Collection envelope. This week we received **\$2,960.00** in our "No Bazaar" collection envelopes which brings our current total for this collection to **\$29,180.00**. As always, we appreciate your continued support and generosity to our parish.

Corpus Christi Baptism Ministry

Our Baptism Ministry consists of volunteers who assist at Baptisms by welcoming the families and guests and helping the celebrant during the Baptism. We are looking for additional help for this ministry. To learn more about volunteering with this ministry, please call Marianne Matysczak at 570-693-1216.

Heavenly Hosts

When coming to Mass on the weekend, you may have been welcomed by one of our friendly "greeters" or "heavenly hosts" as we call them. We are looking for more volunteers to take part in this ministry, especially at the Masses at St. Anthony Church. If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about this ministry, please contact

Rosemary Gitkos at 570-954-2121 or Rosella Fedor at 570-855-0088. Thank you!

Social Concerns Back-to-School Program

► To Request Back-to-School Help

If you or someone you know of needs help getting their children ready to go back to school, please have them call Corpus Christi rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail Joyce at icecconi50@gmail.com.

▶ Personal Hygiene Donations

Establishing proper hygiene is key to a sense of self and better health. If you can help, we are asking for donations of personal hygiene products for children and teens. Some suggested items could include: toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, soap, etc.

► Non-Perishable Foods & Snack Donations

Along with the back-to-school and personal hygiene products, we will be gifting families with a gift certificate to Gerrity's, bags of non-perishable foods, including fun lunch size snacks of cookies, crackers, puddings, etc., the items all kids like to pack for school.

We will gladly accept donations of **ALL** non-perishable foods including peanut butter, jelly, all pastas, sauces, rice, canned meats or tuna and all breakfast foods, including cold cereals, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, and breakfast bars. Please know, all donations of food and hygiene products can be left in the vestibules of the churches. *On behalf of the Social Concerns Committees of both parishes, thank you to everyone for your continued and generous support of our ministry.*

► Back to School...Pick-up Date

For those who are registered to receive Back-To-School items, the drive-thru pick-up will take place on **Sunday, August 28 from 4 to 5PM**.

Candles August 7 thru 13, 2022

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Clem Parulis** are donated by his wife, Diane.



Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary Kay Vitale** is donated by the Walser Family & Clare Hafferty.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Connie Angelelia** is donated by her sons, Joe & John.

Altar Candles at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Charles Alfano** are donated by his cousin, Charles J. Alfano.

Sanctuary Candle at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Robert Hreha** is donated by his family.

Sanctuary Candle at SAC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **The Deceased Members of St. Barbara's Parish.**

For Anyone with Knee, Back or Hip Issues

All three churches have designated seating which is marked and reserved for you. The ministers of communion are aware of these areas and will bring communion to you. If you prefer to sit in a different area in church, please tell an usher that you need communion brought to you and he/she will inform the minister of communion.

Altar Servers, EM's, & Lectors

Please know in a few weeks, a new ministry schedule, which will run from September thru December 2022, will be issued. If you need to update your personal contact information or change your Mass preference choices, please contact one of the following:

EM's & Lectors......Teresa Crossin <u>tacross5@comcast.net</u> or 570-357-3985

Altar Servers......Donna Mason toddlerdm@gmail.com or 570-587-3355

St. Barbara Parish Religious Education

Families from St. Barbara Parish are reminded that it is time to sign up your son/daughter for Religious Ed classes. Just go to our website www.stbarbaraexeter.com to register for Religious Ed classes. We are looking for a few volunteers for our program. For information on how you can help, please call Loretta Semenza at 570-313-0099. Classes at St. Barbara Parish will begin Sunday, September 11th.

Corpus Christi Parish Religious Education

A letter will be mailed next week to the families of children from Corpus Christi Parish who have children in grades K thru 8. Included will be a registration form to enroll them in our Religious Education program. Classes at Corpus Christi Parish will begin on Sunday, September 18th. We are looking for a few volunteers to help at our program. For information on how you can help, call Joyce at 570-654-2753 or e-mail jcecconi50@gmail.com.

Liturgy Intentions For The Week



August 8 thru 14, 2022

Mon 7:30AM (ICC) Joseph Gitkos, Jr.

By Ron & Rosemary Gitkos

Tues 7:30AM (ICC) John, Carolyn, Carl &

John Cenera, Jr.

By Family

8:30AM (HRC) Bernie Kenia &

Bernie Martin

By Fran & Ray Franko

Wed 7:30AM (ICC) Steve Sokach

By Wife, Judy & Children

12:10PM (SAC) John J. Widdick, Jr.

By Dan & David Walutes

Thurs 7:30AM (ICC) Pasquale & Maria Cella

By Family

8:30AM (HRC) Grace Alco

By Father Jim

Fri 7:30AM (ICC) Jerry Mahon

By Amy & Jason Washo

12:10PM (SAC) Thomas Butchko

By Helene Maszeroski

Sat 4:00PM (SAC) Walter Malyndziak

By Ray & Karen Bernardi

5:30PM (ICC) Charlie Alfano

By Cousin, Charles J. Alfano

Sun 7:30AM (SAC) Joseph Biago

By Ray & Karen Bernardi

9:00AM (HRC) Courtney Reeves

By Gary & Mary Reeves

10:30AM (ICC) Joan Sokach

By Judy & Family

(HRC) Holy Redeemer Church

(ICC) Immaculate Conception Church

(SAC) Saint Anthony Church

Queen of the Apostles Parish Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy Stockbridge, MA

Monday, August 22, 2022

Father Phillip Sladicka invites everyone to join him in celebrating

The Feast of The Queenship of Mary
Cost: \$55 (Pay in Advance on a First Come Basis)
Includes: Gratuity, Bottled Water & Snacks
Dinner (Your Own Treat)

Bus Leaves from the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315 Laflin, Pa

at 7:00 AM - Departs Shrine 4:30 PM

For more information & reservations call: Carl Angelella at 570-885-5908



COVERED DISH EVENT

August 21 – 12 noon Rain or Shine

The parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara are having a covered dish event at the pavilion at St. Anthony's Church. So that we have an idea of what our fabulous cooks are bringing, please fill out the attached form so that we have plenty of goodies. For those who just want to enjoy some fellowship, but your culinary skills might not be the best, we still would like to see you there.

For the kids and kids at heart, we will have corn hole toss, kickball or whiffle ball. "Ice Screamers" ice cream truck will be there!!!

We will supply hot dogs, hamburgers and water. Please use the tear off form below and return it in the collection basket at any Mass next weekend or mail to:

> St. Barbara Parish 224 Memorial Street Exeter, Pa. 18643

Corpus Christi Parish 605 Luzerne Avenue West Pittston, Pa. 18643

Please RSVP by Monday, August 15th



If you prefer, you can call either rectory and let us know how many adults and children will attend. If you are bringing a food item, what that item is and if it is hot or cold.

St. Barbara Rectory 570-654-2103 Corpus Christi Rectory 570-654-2753

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| Hot item | | |
| I AM BRINGING SODA I AM BRINGING SNACK ITEMS | | |