

# 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.”*

**October 9, 2022**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

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## 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

Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

12:10PM St. Anthony

Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on

Corpus Christi Facebook

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

## **Weekly Collection**

**October 2, 2022**

### **St. Barbara**

**Sunday \$5,100.50**

### **Corpus Christi**

**Sunday \$7,442.25**

**E-Giving 1,556.41**

**Total \$8,998.66**

## **Special Diocesan Collection**

Next weekend, October 15-16, Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes will take up a 2nd collection for the USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. The funds collected will be distributed where they are most needed in response to the hurricanes and the impact of the subsequent flooding in Florida, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, and Caribbean. Your generosity is most assuredly appreciated.

## **Bereavement/Memorial Mass & Social**

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. We pray for their happiness and prepare ourselves to be reunited with them one day.

At Corpus Christi Parish, our Bereavement Mass & Social will be held on Tuesday, November 15th at 6:00PM.

At St. Barbara's Parish, our Memorial Mass & Social will be held on Thursday, November 17th at 6:00PM in the parish center.

All are welcome to gather at these beautiful Masses to honor the memory of our parishioners, family members and dear friends who have been buried from our churches during this past year.

An invitation to this Mass has been sent to the next of kin of anyone who was buried from St. Barbara or Corpus Christi Parish between November 1, 2021 and October 31, 2022. Those who are able to attend this Mass are asked to include a picture of their loved one which will be used for a power point presentation at the Mass.

**Because of COVID, Corpus Christi Parish did not have a Bereavement Mass since November 2019. If your family member was buried from Corpus Christi between November 1, 2019 and October 31, 2021, it is important to contact Joyce if you would like to attend this Mass. [icecconi50@gmail.com](mailto:icecconi50@gmail.com) 570-654-2753**  
Thank you!

## **Social Concerns “Fall Food Drive”**

It is now that time of year when we must begin thinking about our Thanksgiving and Christmas food distribution. The Social Concerns Committees of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes will be joining forces. Together, we will prepare bountiful bags of non-perishable foods and turkeys for Thanksgiving and for Christmas giving. To help us fill bountiful Thanksgiving food “gift” bags, we are looking for donations of the following.....**stuffing, canned or boxed potatoes, canned yams, vegetables and fruit, gravy, cranberries, pie filling (including pumpkin), pie crust mix as well as any other non-perishable foods. We will gladly accept monetary donations and donations of frozen turkeys.** All donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or dropped off at either rectory. As always, thank you for your help!

## **Help for the Holidays**

If you or someone you know is struggling financially and could use help with food and a turkey for Thanksgiving and/or food and Christmas gifts for their children, we can help. Just e-mail Joyce at [icecconi50@gmail.com](mailto:icecconi50@gmail.com) or call either Corpus Christi or St. Barbara's rectory and leave a contact name and phone number and someone from Social Concerns will get in touch with you.

Corpus Christi Parish

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

Websites

St. Barbara Parish

[www.stbarbaraexeter.com](http://www.stbarbaraexeter.com)

## Oktoberfest....Thank You!

James Shimko would like to thank all members of both parishes who helped make the Oktoberfest a success. A heartfelt thanks to all of the women who spent countless hours Thursday, Friday, and Saturday preparing the home-made foods. The people who wrapped the utensils. Those who cleaned the kitchen and the pavilion grounds prior to and after the event as well as those who worked during the Oktoberfest. We also thank our parishioners and other members of the outside community who donated time, money, gift cards and needed supplies. We thank those who attended the Oktoberfest and others who prayed for our success. As with any event at this level, it takes a lot to plan, organize, and implement and thanks to the greatest magnitude of our community, each person was capable in their own special way. What was so special about the day was the unity of the people from our parishes and the community who got together to enjoy a great day. The final tally for the Oktoberfest was a profit of **\$7,916.00**. Again, thanks to all that made this event a huge success. May God Bless each one of you.

## Youth Choir

Children from both St. Barbara and Corpus Christi Parishes are invited to join our "Youth Choir." The first practice is today, October 9th at 5:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church.

## Halloween "Family Mass" and Party

Hey kids, save the date....Sunday,

October 30th 10:30AM Mass fol-

lowed by a Halloween Party. All kids from Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes are welcome! Our youth choir will be singing and kids are welcome to take part in the Mass as Lectors, Heavenly Hosts, Ushers and Gift Bearers.



Following the Mass Social Concerns members will be hosting a Halloween party with food, music, and treat bags for all the kids!! **Hey, kids...../be sure to wear your Halloween costume to Mass!!!**

## Meetings at St. Barbara Parish

Cosmopolitan Seniors

Tues., Oct.18 @ 1:00PM in the Parish Center

Social Concerns

Tues., Oct. 18 @ 6:30PM in the Rectory

(Members of Corpus Christi Parish social concerns are invited to attend this meeting).

Men's Holy Name

Thurs., Oct. 20 @ 7:00PM in the Parish Center

## Care & Education for Priests

For the month of September 2022 the collection for the Care & Education of priests is as follows...

Corpus Christi Parish.....\$868.00

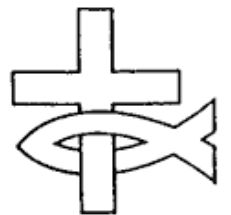
St. Barbara Parish.....\$378.00

Thank you for your generosity!

## Corpus Christi No Bazaar Envelope

This week we received \$400.00 in our "no bazaar collection envelope, bringing our total raised to date to..**\$34,995.00** Your generosity is overwhelming!

## Liturgy Intentions For The Week



October 10 thru 16, 2022

- Mon 7:30AM **(ICC)** **Sammy Agolino, Jr.**  
By Barbara & Bob Davis
- Tues 7:30AM **(ICC)** **Edmund & Bridget Liberski**  
By Dtgr. Marianne & Family
- 8:30AM **(HRC)** **Gini Ciampi**  
By Bridget & Michael Brogan
- Wed 7:30AM **(ICC)** **Leonard Insalaco, II**  
By Family
- 12:10PM **(SAC)** **Louise Stash**  
By Family
- Thurs 7:30AM **(ICC)** **Delores Splendido**  
By Ron & Rosemary Gitkos
- 8:30AM **(HRC)** **Mary & Stephen Smith**  
By Ray & Dianne Smith
- Fri 7:30AM **(ICC)** **Betty & Chick Adonizio**  
By Betty Jane & Joe Adochio
- 12:10PM **(SAC)** **Juana Abunales**  
By Lily Barcelon & Family
- Sat 4:00PM **(SAC)** **Joan Hudyck**  
By Children
- 5:30PM **(ICC)** **Ray Yunkunis**  
By Family
- Sun 7:30AM **(SAC)** **Robert Bernardi**  
By Ray & Karen Bernardi
- 9:00AM **(HRC)** **John Sidorowicz**  
By Walleye
- 10:30AM **(ICC)** **Jacob Konopka**  
By Family
- (HRC) Holy Redeemer Church**  
**(ICC) Immaculate Conception Church**  
**(SAC) Saint Anthony Church**

## Candles

These candles, which will burn October 9 thru 16, are donated in loving memory of the following:

### Altar Candles at ICC

**Dante Bovani, Sr.....**by Tom Biagotti

### Holy Family Candle at ICC

**Anthony Denisco.....** by his Family

### Sanctuary Candle at ICC

**Lucille Hall .....** by her Children

### Altar Candles at HR

**Margaret Hreha.....** by her Family

### Sanctuary Candle at SAC

**Louise & Frank Stash.....** by their Family

