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.'

April 30, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Second Collection This Weekend

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

> **Weekly Collection April 23, 2023**

> > St. Barbara

Weekly.....\$4,612.00 E-Giving.....\$175.00 Easter......<u>\$135.00</u> Total \$4,922.00 **Care & Ed for Priests April** \$450.00

Corpus Christi

Weekly.....\$6,520.00 E-Giving.....\$1,834.43 Easter......<u>\$686.00</u> Total \$9,040.43

Care & Ed for Priests April \$1,048.00

This weekend at all Masses, please welcome Sr. Prisca and Sr. Clarisse who will speak to us on behalf of their mission (ASEC) The African Sisters Education Collaborative

This is a religious organization whose mission is embedded in transforming lives of poor people in Africa by empowering religious women who provide these services. To improve the conditions of their people and change the poverty trajectory, the Sisters initiate programs that focus on pastoral and social care, education, healthcare, poverty alleviation, and access to clean water, works of justice and human rights, care for the homeless, refugees and immigrants, among others. In many rural and hardship areas of Africa, majority of the people rely on the services offered by religious sisters who work tirelessly with zeal and determination to address the challenges of the people they serve through their ministries. However, many sisters in Africa lack the skills required to continue these services.

The mission of ASEC is to provide Sisters with training and diverse skills that enable them to provide better services to the people they serve in Africa. In recent years, we have all experienced significant challenges of Covid-19 pandemic, rising inflation, high prices of food and products and so many other challenges. Even during such challenging times, sisters in Africa have to find innovative ways to reach out to the people living in the margins and the most vulnerable in their societies especially those who rely on the services provided by the sisters.

The Church emphasizes the need and call for ongoing growth and renewed conversion for all the Baptized. Religious women share in the work of evangelization through the ministries and the services they offer especially to the poor people in rural areas and the needy of our societies. As evangelizers, Sisters in Africa have to continue to be witnesses and "be the light" as Jesus has commanded us, in their communities and society. ASEC programs provides the sisters in Africa with opportunities to learn new skills through short trainings and education related to their ministries. It is with this that we come seeking your prayers and support for ASEC. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



begins at 11:00AM.

Corpus Christi Parish Car Show Sunday, May 7th **Holy Redeemer Grounds** 11:00AM to 4:00PM

All are welcome to our annual Car Show. There will be music all day, food trucks, vendors and give-a-ways. Show is open to antiques, classics, customs, street rods, low riders, and motorcycles.

Car registration is \$15.00 and

Final Day for Religious Ed Classes

Today, Sunday, April 30 is the final day for Religious Ed Classes at Corpus Christi and last Sunday, April 23 was the last day for classes at St. Barbara Parish. We will celebrate the closing year with a Family Mass at 10:30AM fol-



lowed by "Make Your Own Sundae, Sunday" In the church hall. All children and their families from both parishes are welcome!

Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

Will be celebrated for the children of Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Parishes on Saturday, May 6th at 10:00AM in Immaculate Conception Church. There are 2 mandatory practices for the children on **Sunday, April 30 and** Friday, May 5, both at 6:00PM in ICC.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Will be celebrated for 8th grade students from Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Parishes on Sunday, May 21 at 3:00PM in St. Anthony's Church. There is one practice for the students and sponsors on Wednesday, May 17 at 6:00PM in St. Anthony's Church.

St. Barbara Parish "Flea Market"

Our annual flea market will be held on July 21, 22 & 23. Starting May 1st we will begin accepting donations for our flea market. Items can be left at St. Anthony's Parish Center by the door next to Pride. Please do not leave donations on a rainy day and do not block the door. Please no encyclopedias, exercise equipment, computers, clothing, shoes or live *plants*. Thank you!

St. Barbara Christian Women

Will meet on Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:30PM in St. Anthony Parish Center meeting room. Plans for the Baccalaureate Mass and June dinner will be discussed. New members always welcome!!

St. Barbara Fundraising Committee

Will meet on Wednesday, May 3 at 6:00PM in St. Anthony Parish Center meeting room to discuss plans for the June 11th ziti dinner. All are welcome!

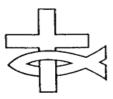
Save the Date!!

St. Barbara Parish Holy Name Society is planning a "takeout" ziti dinner on Sunday, June 11 from 12:00PM to 3:00PM. Watch the bulletin for details.

2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.I., Bishop of Scranton and the office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2023 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 4. The registration deadline is May 7th. To register go to https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/ wedding-anniversary-2023-registration-form/ or contact Bridget Guarnieri 570 207 2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.

Liturgy Intentions For The Week



May 1 thru 8, 2023

Mon 7:30AM (ICC) Communion Service

Tues 7:30AM (ICC) Michael J. Butera

By Joe Ranieli

8:30AM (HRC) Charles Foy, Sr.

By Dtgr. Mary & Family

Wed 7:30AM (ICC) Dominic & Ann Aufiero

By Jim & Joanne

12:10PM (SAC) Frank Galonis

By Family

Thurs 7:30AM(ICC) Helen Butera

By Mike Moran

8:30AM (HRC) Carol Gamble

By Fanelli Family

7:30AM(ICC) Patrick & Barbara **Cawley**

By Eileen & Patrick

12:10PM(SAC) Father Michael Finn

By St. Barbara Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Sat 4:00PM (SAC) Jean Jones

By Carolyn DeAngelo & Family

5:30PM (ICC) Beverly Williams

By Smith Family

Sun 7:30AM(SAC) Mary Pat Coleman

By Tammy & Tony Zielen

9:00AM (HR) James & Elaine

Pendleton

By Gary & Mary Reeves

10:30AM (ICC) Barbara & Linda

Chronowski

By Krissy & Sam Supey & Family

Candles

These candles which will burn April 30 thru May 6, 2023 are donated in loving memory of the following:

Altar Candles at ICC

Pat & Barbara Cawley......By Eileen & Patrick

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Dec'd members of Brown, Bishop, Serafin & Pasternak Families.....By John

& Maryellen Serafin

Altar Candles at SAC

Henry W. Zelinski......By Wife, Irene

Sanctuary Candle at SAC

Elmer & Ethel Stella.....By Children

& Grandchildren