

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 15, 2023

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Immaculate Conception Church
Holy Redeemer Church
St. Anthony Church**

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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

October 8, 2023

St. Barbara

Weekly.....\$5322.35

E-Giving.....\$335.00

Total \$5,657.35

No Bazaar Collection

This Week.....\$325.00

Total to Date \$17,327.00

Corpus Christi

Weekly..... \$8,192.32

E-Giving.....\$2,871.43

Total \$11,063.75

No Bazaar Collection

This week.....\$300.00

Total to date \$30,870.00

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next Sunday, October 21-22, we will unite with fellow Catholics globally to mark World Mission Sunday. We are invited to enkindle the flames of Christ’s love and spread its warmth to mission territories in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. Please prepare to support this mission with your prayers and generosity. Thank you.

Communion Services

Please note...This week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 17, 18 and 19 there are no daily Masses. There will be Communion Services

Corpus Christi Parish Winter Lottery

The new Winter Lottery tickets have been mailed to parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish. If you would like a lottery ticket or for additional tickets, please e mail needtickets123@gmail.com and we will gladly mail them to you. For a \$25 donation you have the chance of winning \$50 Monday thru Saturday or \$100 on Sundays during January, February & March 2024. Or you can win \$150 on the following bonus days...January 1 & 15, February 1 & 15 and March 1 & 15.

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 14th at 6:00PM.

At St. Barbara Parish, our Memorial Mass & Social will be held on Thursday, November 16th at 6:00PM in the parish center.

An invitation will be mailed to the next of kin of all who were buried from Corpus Christi or St. Barbara Parish between November 1, 2022 and October 31, 2023, inviting them and their families to this beautiful Mass. Following each Mass, members of our Social Concerns Committees welcome everyone to join us for a light supper.

We are asking for a picture of your deceased family member for a touching presentation at these Masses. The picture can be e mailed to icecconi50@gmail.com or mailed or dropped off at the rectory at 605 Luzerne Ave, West Pittston. Thank you.



**HALLOWEEN FAMILY MASS & PARTY
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH**

10:30AM MASS AND PARTY IN ICC HALL

ALL ARE WELCOME. BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUME TO MASS! THEN JOIN US IN THE CHURCH HALL FOR A SPOOKTACULAR TIME. SPONSORED BY THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEES FROM CORPUS CHRISTI & ST. BARBARA PARISHES. THERE WILL BE FOOD, MUSIC AND TREAT BAGS FOR ALL THE KIDS.

**Social Concerns
"Fall Food Drive"**

The Social Concerns Committees of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes will be preparing bountiful bags of non-perishable foods and turkeys for Thanksgiving and for Christmas giving. If you can help, we are looking for donations of the following.....stuffing, boxed or canned potatoes, yams, gravy, cranberry sauce, pie crust, pie fillings, and cookie baking ingredients. Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or dropped off at the rectory. We will gladly accept donations of frozen turkeys or monetary donations for turkeys. 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 jceconi50@gmail.com, let a member of Social Concerns from either parish know, or call the rectory at 570 654 2753. A representative from Social Concerns will get in touch with you.

Knights of Columbus Coat Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council 18046 is conducting a coat drive until November 30. For your convenience, there are boxes in the vestibules of the churches. They are asking for new or gently used coats in all sizes for babies thru adults. The Knights meet in Immaculate Conception Rectory every third Monday of the month at 7:00PM. The next meeting is Monday, October 16 at 7:00PM. All men are welcome!

Courtesy News

Holy Cross High School Open House
Sunday, October 29th from 11:00AM –3:00PM. Visit HCHSPA.org.

Holy Redeemer High School Open House
Sunday, November 5, 1:00PM-3:00PM. For information call 570 829 2424.

Fall & Holiday Craft Show

Sponsored by QAP Social Concerns/Respect Life Ministry on Saturday, November 4th, 9:00AM-2:00PM Queen of the Apostles Hall, 740 Spring Street, Avoca. Featuring hand-crafted items, raffle tickets, refreshment stand, food and drinks. For further info, contact Jane Maxwell at 570 335 8678.

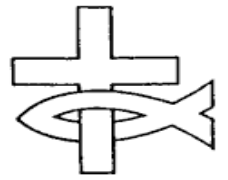
Leave a Mark 2023

A gathering of young adults (18-40) with Bishop Bambara, November 5, 2023. 5:00PM Mass at Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton. Social to follow: Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton. Food trucks, music, corn hole and more!! All are welcome!

Trick or Treat Halloween House

This "Walk through Halloween Adventure" is presented by St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph Marello Parishes. October 26th, 6:00PM-7:30PM in the Msgr. Bendik Pastoral Center, 37 William St., Pittston. All are welcome!.

**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**



October 16 thru 22, 2023

- Mon 7:30AM (ICC)** **Helen Manganiello**
By M/M Dominick Fino
- Tues 7:30AM (ICC)** **Communion Service**
- 8:30AM (HRC)** **Communion Service**
- Wed 7:30AM (ICC)** **Communion Service**
- 12:10PM (SAC)** **Communion Service**
- Thurs 7:30AM (ICC)** **Communion Service**
- 8:30AM (HRC)** **Communion Service**
- Fri 7:30AM (ICC)** **James Golden, Sr.**
By Family
- 12:10PM (SAC)** **Merle & Florence Pace & Robert Kepich**
By Family
- Sat 4:00PM (SAC)** **Paul J. Naples**
By Carm Agolino
- 5:30PM (ICC)** **Jacob Konopka**
By Family
- Sun 7:30AM (SAC)** **David Voda**
By Helene Maszeroski
- 9:00AM (HR)** **Joseph Slusser**
By Wife, Laurie
- 10:30AM (ICC)** **Jonathan Gilpin**
By Lou Ann, Gary & Aaron Grochowski

Candles

These candles will burn the week of October 15 thru 21st in loving memory of the following:

Altar Candles at ICC

Ruth Gruner.....By Linda & Bob Gruner

Holy Family Candle at ICC

James Golden, Sr......By Family

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Margaret & John Hoover.....By Family

Sanctuary Candle at HR

Annie & John Eldemar, Sr......By Dianne & Ray Smith

Chicken Dinners to the Homebound

Today, Sunday, Oct 15th, volunteers will be delivering delicious roasted chicken dinners to some 80 plus homebound parishioners from Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Parishes. The dinners are courtesy of Social Concerns. If you can help deliver dinners, please meet us at St. Anthony's Parish Center at 2:30. Thank you for your help!