

# 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.”*

**November 5, 2023**

**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Corpus Christi/  
St. Barbara Parishes  
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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

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

12:10PM St. Anthony

Tues 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

12:10PM St. Anthony

Thurs 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

12:10PM St. Anthony

*Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on*

*Corpus Christi Facebook*

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

**Weekly Collection**

**October 29, 2023**

**St. Barbara**

**Weekly.....\$4,567.51**

**E-Giving.....\$200.00**

**Total \$4,767.51**

**Care & Ed of Priests**

**October \$424.00**

**Corpus Christi**

**Weekly.....\$6,470.23**

**E-Giving.....\$1,798.93**

**Total \$8,269.16**

**No Bazaar Collection**

**\$50.00.....Total \$31,020.00**

**Care & Ed of Priests \$941.00**

**Book of the Dead**

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, praying for their happiness and preparing ourselves to be reunited with them one day.

Next week, a special book with the names of our beloved dead will be placed in or near the sanctuary of Holy Redeemer, Immaculate Conception & St. Anthony Churches. We invite you to take a moment and write the names of your beloved departed family members and friends in our parish Book of the Dead.

We have entered the names of our loved ones who have been buried from our parishes from November 1, 2022 thru October 31, 2023.

**Bereavement/Memorial Mass & Social**

At Corpus Christi Parish, our Bereavement Mass & Social will be held on **Tuesday, Nov. 14th at 6:00PM.**

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

An invitation has been 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 [jcecconi50@gmail.com](mailto:jcecconi50@gmail.com) or mailed or dropped off at the rectory at 605 Luzerne Ave, West Pittston. Thank you.

**Veterans Day Mass**

On Sunday, November 12th at the 10:30AM Mass, we will honor all Veterans, living and deceased. Veterans and their families from Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Parishes are invited to join us for this beautiful liturgy. Following the Mass, all are invited to join us for a reception in the parish hall.

**St. Barbara Christian Women**

Will be sponsoring a bake sale next weekend November 11 & 12 at St. Anthony’s Church after the 4:00PM Mass on Saturday and the 7:30AM Mass on Sunday. Baked goods donations may be dropped off at St. Anthony’s Church starting at 1:00PM next Saturday.



► **Please note meeting date change....**Christian Woman will meet on **Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30PM** in the rectory. All women are welcome.

**Cash Raffle.....Win \$5,000!!!**

Proceeds benefit St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen. This raffle fundraiser is done only once every five years! Donation is 6 tickets for \$100 or \$20 per ticket. Tickets available at the rectory at 605 Luzerne Ave, West Pittston.

**Social Concerns  
"Fall Food Drive"**

Members of our Social Concerns Committees will be preparing bountiful bags of non-perishable foods and turkeys for Thanksgiving. If you can help, we are looking for donations of any and all non perishable foods including foods which we all enjoy for our own holiday feasts. 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. Please know, your generous donations make it possible to "Feed the Hungry."



**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](mailto: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.

**Special Thank You**

On behalf of the entire parish community, thank you to Blue Ribbon Dairy for the donation of the ice cream for our Halloween Party last weekend. Thank you to "Icecreamers" in Moosic for the donation of ice cream on Sunday, September 24th.



**Corpus Christi Parish Winter Lottery**

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. For additional tickets, please e-mail [need-tickets123@gmail.com](mailto:need-tickets123@gmail.com) and we will gladly mail them to you

**Courtesy News**

**Exeter Lions Club**

Would like to say thank you to all parishioners for your generosity in giving to our White Cane Collection last weekend. Your support of our club and community projects is very much appreciated.

Thank you, Exeter Lions Club

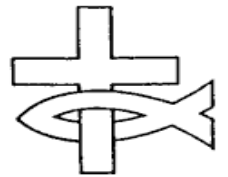
**Scranton Prep Galleria**

Featuring over 75 vendors. Open to the public at Prep Xavier Center, 1000 Wyoming Ave, Scranton. Sat, Nov 11 10:00AM to 4:00PM, Sun, Nov 12 11:00Am to 3:00PM. Admission \$5.00 Children under 12 free.

**The Generations Sing!**

The Catholic Choral Society of Scranton opens their 75th Anniversary Season joined by area school singing groups. All are welcome to attend the concert at the U of S Houlihan McLean Center on Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 4:00PM. Admission is free.

**Liturgy Intentions  
For The Week**



**November 6 thru 12, 2023**

- Mon 7:30AM (ICC) Dec'd Membs of Labaty & Supey Families**  
By Family
- 8:30AM (HRC) Rita M. Venetz**  
By Robin & Gerard Slater
- 12:10PM (SAC) Daniel Santarelli**  
By Donna & Frank Bedisky
- Tues 7:30AM (ICC) Robert Bugelholl**  
By Family
- 8:30AM (HRC) Bernie Martin**  
By Wife & Family
- Wed 7:30AM (ICC) John D. Cenera Jr.**  
By Lou & Marianne Ciampi
- 8:30AM (HRC) Dec'd Members of Alexander & Josephine Parente Family**  
By Grandchildren
- 12:10PM (SAC) Charles Cheskiewicz**  
By Wife, Marie & Family
- Thurs 7:30AM (ICC) Christopher Ryan Bone**  
By Ann & Dan Luckenbill
- 8:30AM (HRC) Lou Cella**  
By Vita & Family
- Fri 7:30AM (ICC) Flora Forlenza Jordan**  
By Cawley Family
- 8:30AM (HRC) Patricia Dobbs**  
By M/M Robert Stavish
- 12:10PM (SAC) Bobby Robbins**  
By Wife, Children & Grandchildren
- Sat 4:00PM (SAC) Anna Diederich**  
By Lukesh Family
- 5:30PM (ICC) Armand & Lucy Fanti, Donald White & Mary La Manna**  
By Family
- Sun 7:30AM (SAC) Sabato & Carmella Salerno & Theresa Manganiello**  
By Helen Ciampi Shannon
- 9:00AM (HR) Stephen Chipolis**  
By Gina & Christopher
- 10:30AM (ICC) All Veterans Living & Deceased**

**Candles**

These candles will burn the week of November 5 thru 11 in loving memory of the following:

- Altar Candles at ICC**  
**Frank Colella**.....By Wife & Children
- Holy Family Candle at ICC**  
**Deceased Members of O'Malley & Corcoran Families**.....By Anne & Blair Corcoran
- Sanctuary Candle at ICC**  
**Marc Drevitch**.....By Parents & Brother
- Sanctuary Candle at SAC**  
**Romalo, Viola, Angelo & Dolores Sabatini**.....  
.....By Tina & Ray