

# Corpus Christi Parish



*“As members of the Body of Christ, Corpus Christi Parish celebrates 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 4, 2024**

**Eighteenth 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

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 at

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

### **Weekly Collection**

**July 28, 2024**

**Weekly.....\$9,847.04**

**E-Giving.....\$1,865.43**

**Total               \$11,712.47**

**Care & Ed for Priests (July)**

**\$1,313.00**

*Thank you everyone, for your generous support of our parish.*

### **Special Second Collection Next Weekend**

This year, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its first public Mass. Over the last century, the National Shrine has celebrated more than 800,000 Masses and more than 7,000 Ordinations to the Priesthood, and welcomed the faithful and pilgrims from around the world, including Pope Francis, Pope Benedict XVI, Saint John Paul II, and Saint Teresa of Calcutta.

The National Shrine is neither a cathedral nor a parish church. For the National Shrine to continue to serve almost one million pilgrims each year, the task of updating its aged infrastructure has become a necessity. Your prayerful and financial support will leave a lasting legacy.

Next weekend, August 10-11th, our parish will take a special one-time second collection at all Masses to support the renewal project which is underway – and essential to 365-day-a-year ministry. You can also give directly online by visiting [nationalshrine.org/centennial](http://nationalshrine.org/centennial). Thank you for your generous support to preserve Mary’s Shrine for generations to come!

### **Corpus Christi “No Bazaar” Collection**

This week our “No Bazaar” collection envelopes brought in **\$11,610.00** bringing our current total to **\$27,426.00**. Thank you for your generosity. Please know if you use **E** giving, you have the option to make your donation on line.

### **Corpus Christi “Roof Repair” Envelope**

For the month of July 2024 we received **\$1,430.00** in donations from the “Roof Repair” envelope. This was deposited back into our Diocesan savings account and the amount we owe ourselves is now **\$179,426.18**. Thank you for your donations.



### **Social Concerns Committee Back-to-School Project**

If you or someone you know of could use help getting their children ready for back-to-school, please call the rectory 570 654 2753 or e mail Joyce at [jceccconi50@gmail.com](mailto:jceccconi50@gmail.com).

On Sunday, August 18, our Social Concerns Committee will be distributing to local families backpacks filled with school supplies for children from Pre K through 12th grade, personal hygiene products and bags of non-perishable foods including a gift certificate to Gerrity’s. Everyone must be registered to receive these items.

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations of school supplies, hygiene products, food and monetary donations. Listed are some items we are still in need of: **snack size packs of cookies & crackers, peanut butter, jelly, pastas, sauces, rice, canned meats and tuna and breakfast foods including hot and cold cereals, oatmeal, breakfast bars and protein bars.** Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or at the rectory.

### **Volunteer Help Welcome**

Volunteers are welcome **Monday & Tuesday, August 12th and 13 at 5:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church** hall to fill food bags and backpacks. Great opportunity for student service hours.

## Candles

The following candles will burn this week in loving memory of the following:

### Altar Candles at ICC

**Margaret & John Hoover....**

.....By Family

### Holy Family Candle at ICC

**Stephen E. Sokach.....**By Stephen, MaryBeth & Family

### Sanctuary Candle at ICC

**Harry O'Dell.....**By Wife, Maryann & Children

### Altar Candles at HR

**Caroline Kudasik.....**By Cindy, Dawn, Debbie, Deneen, Eileen, Maria & Michele

### Sanctuary Candle at HR

**Bob Lasky.....**By Family

### Sanctuary Candle at SAC

**In Thanksgiving.....**By Josephine Hatrak

## Scheduling Masses for 2025

Our 2025 Mass Book is now open! To schedule Masses or candles at Immaculate Conception Church, Holy Redeemer Church or St. Anthony Church, please call Dorothy at the rectory Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays between 10:00AM and 2:00PM. Thank you!

## Church Hours

Saint Anthony Church will be open on **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays** from 7:00AM to 12:45PM for prayer and reflection.

## Important Notice

Due to the consolidation of Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Parishes, we will be utilizing one bank account. All checks MUST be made payable to CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH. Thank you.

## EM's, Lectors & Altar Servers

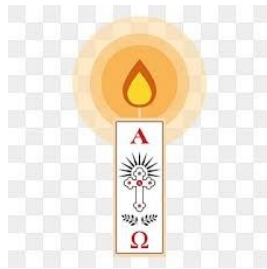
A new ministry schedule, which will run from September through December 2024, will be published in the near future. If you would like to make any changes to your current serving times or dates, please contact Teresa at 570 357 3985 or [tacross5@comcast.net](mailto:tacross5@comcast.net). Altar servers are to contact Donna Mason at 570 587 3355 or [toddler.dm@gmail.com](mailto:toddler.dm@gmail.com) with requests for changes to their schedule. Thank you.

## New Altar Server Training

All boys and girls who are in 3rd grade or older and have received the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are eligible to become altar servers. Parishioner Gabe Snyder will be training the new servers. If your child is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Jennifer Snyder at [genjag75@comcast.net](mailto:genjag75@comcast.net). Thank you.

## Religious Education News

Religious Education classes for students in grades K through 8 will be held on Sundays beginning Sunday, September 15, 2024. Classes for students in Grade K through Grade 5 will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:00AM to 10:10AM. Classes for grades K, 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be held in the school and grade 5 will have class in the rectory. Students in grades 6, 7 & 8 will meet on Sunday evenings from 5:00PM to 6:00PM in the school. Children attending Catholic school do not have to attend Religious Ed classes.



## Liturgy Intentions For The Week



August 5 through 11, 2024

<b>Mon 7:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Beno Borzell</b> By Mom, Dad & Julianna
<b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Elmer &amp; Verna Franko, Sr.</b> By Fran & Ray Franco
<b>12:10PM (SAC)</b>	<b>Christopher Dauber</b> By Mom & Renee
<b>Tues 7:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Connie Angelella</b> By John & Joseph Angelella
<b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Brian McFarland</b> By Bob & Celeste Calpin
<b>Wed 7:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Shirley Murphy</b> By Family
<b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Florence Angelella Cumbo</b> By Jean & Eugene Mariotti
<b>12:10PM (SAC)</b>	<b>Charles &amp; Jean Syraid</b> By Vanyo Family
<b>Thurs 7:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Stephen E. Sokach</b> By Stephen, MaryBeth & Family
<b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Cheryl Devers</b> By Rosemary & Lenny Arbacheski
<b>Fri 7:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Clem Parulis</b> By Wife, Diane
<b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Stephen Franko, Sr.</b> By Daughter
<b>12:10PM (SAC)</b>	<b>Betty Ann DeRoberto</b> By Thomas & Naomi Pizano
<b>Sat 4:00PM (SAC)</b>	<b>Dec'd Membs of the Charles &amp; Emmanuella Mazzarella Family</b> By Family
<b>5:30PM (ICC)</b>	<b>Dec'd Membs of the DeNisco, Dente &amp; Braccini Families</b> By Family
<b>Sun 7:30AM (SAC)</b>	<b>Stanley Mackachinas</b> By John Kasteleba
<b>9:00AM (HRC)</b>	<b>Courtney Reeves</b> By Mom & Dad
<b>10:30AM (ICC)</b>	<b>Gram, Marie</b> By Grandson, Jordan Smith & Family

## Courtesy Announcement

### Catholic Youth Theater

St. Thomas More Parish and the STM Players are proud to present Robert Bolt's *A Man for All Seasons*. Youth from the greater Scranton area have been working hard this summer to produce this timeless play for our community. Performances are Friday, August 23 and Saturday, August 24 at 7pm, with doors opening at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, available at the door. Join us at St. Thomas More Parish at 116 Theodore St. in Scranton to support local Catholic youth theater. Thank you!