

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.”

November 3, 2024

Thirty-First 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

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

Weekly Collection

October 27, 2024

Weekly.....\$10,089.42

E-Giving.....\$2,356.50

Total \$12,445.92

Care & Education for Priests

(October 2024) **\$1,419.00**

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

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. Beginning the weekend of November 2-3, a special book with the names of our beloved dead will be placed in or near the sanctuary of Holy Redeemer, Immaculate Conception and 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 parish from November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2024.

Exeter Lions.....Thank You

The Exeter Lions 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.

Veterans Day Mass

Our annual VETERANS DAY MASS, honoring all veterans living and deceased, will take place next **Sunday November 10, 2024 at the 10:30** Mass in Immaculate Conception Church. All are welcome to attend and show your support to our veterans. Immediately after Mass all are invited to join the Mass participants in the church hall for refreshments and to thank them personally for their many sacrifices so that we may continue to live in a safe and free society.

Bereavement Mass & Social

This year, because of the number of deaths, we will have two Bereavement Masses, one on **Tuesday, November 12 and one on Thursday, November 14, both at 6:00PM at Immaculate Conception Church.**

The deceased, whose last name begins with the letter A through L will be memorialized at the Tuesday liturgy and those whose last name begins with M through Z will be remembered at the Thursday liturgy.

Following both Masses, all are invited to a social in the church hall hosted by our Social Concerns Ministry.

Winter Lottery Cash Prizes....Better Than Ever!!!

During the months of January, February and March 2025, for a \$25.00 donation, you have the chance of winning \$75.00 Monday through Saturday, \$100.00 on Sundays or \$500.00 on the following bonus days.....New Year’s Day, January 1, Valentine’s Day, February 14 & St. Patrick’s Day, March 17, 2025. **For your convenience, lottery tickets will be sold before and after all weekend Masses.**

“Roof Repair” Envelope

For the month of October 2024, we received **\$1,880.00** in donations from the “Roof Repair” envelope. This was deposited back into our Diocesan savings account and the amount we owe ourselves is now **\$174,267.18**. Thank you for your donations.

“No Bazaar” Collection

This week our “No Bazaar” collection envelopes brought in **\$35.00** bringing our current total to **\$42,520.00**. Thank you for your generosity.

Christian Women Bake Sale

Our parish Christian Women's Organization is having a "bake sale" the weekend of November 16-17 before and after all Masses at our three worship sites. We are asking all parish bakers to bake their specialty goodies. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Wyoming Area Friends of Rachel's Challenge (clothes closet) that supplies hygiene products and clothes to students in need.

Christian Women Meeting

All women of the parish are welcome to join us at our next meeting **Friday, November 8 at 2:00PM in the rec-tory**. Plans for our bake sale will be finalized.

Youth Choir

Our parish Youth Choir practices on **Sunday evenings at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church**. All boys and girls are welcome to join the Youth Choir. They will be singing at our Family Mass on Sunday, November 17 at 10:30AM. For information on our Youth Choir, you can contact director, Mary Supey at 570 237 2275.

Family Mass Sunday, November 17th

At this Family Mass, all children in 6th grade, whether you attend a Catholic School or Religious Ed classes here at the parish, are welcome to take part in this Mass. If you are interested, please contact MaryAnn Oliveri at 570 357 1778 or mare0912b@epix.net or Sara Boyle at 570 498 9304 or skono1683@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Courtesy Announcements

Rosary Rally & Eucharistic Holy Hour

Please consider joining Father Michael at a Rosary Rally to be held at Sacred Heart Church in Dupont on Tuesday, November 5, at 6:00PM. 75 years ago, Fr. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. held the first U.S. Rosary Rally at St. Ann's Basilica in Scranton and 50,000 people attended! Let us continue the legacy of Fr. Peyton and renew the spirit of family prayer. This Eucharistic Holy Hour of Prayer is sponsored by the Scranton Section of the Eastern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. Fr. Michael Wurtz, C.S.C. of King's College will preach and lead the rosary. Pray for the needs of our country on election night!

West Wyoming Fire Department Craft Show

On **Saturday, November 9th, from 10:00AM to 3:00PM** all are welcome to attend our craft show at 926 Shoemaker Avenue, West Wyoming. We have many great vendors lined up and lunch will be available for purchase.

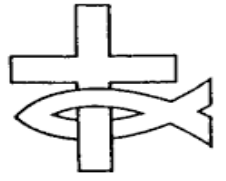
Scranton Prep Galleria

In the Prep Xavier Center...featuring over 75 vendors, Saturday, **November 9th 10:00AM-4:00PM & Sunday, November 10th 11:00AM-3:00PM**. Admission...\$5.00. Children under 12 are free.

Cash Bingo at St. John the Evangelist

Saturday, November 16 from 12 Noon to 3:00PM in Msgr. Bendik Pastoral Center, 35 William St., Pittston. Doors open at 10:00AM. Tickets are \$25.00 and include 20 regular games. Raffles, 50/50, door prizes and food for purchase. Bring a new scratch-off lottery ticket at \$5.00 or more to receive entry in a special drawing!! Tickets are available at the parish office by calling 570 654 0053, by Venmo (@StJohnsPittston), or by PayPal (PayPal.me/StJohnsPittston).

Liturgy Intentions For The Week



November 3 through 10, 2024

Mon 7:30AM (ICC)	Jimmy Ciampi By Sister, Helen Shannon
8:30AM (HRC)	Shirley Pollick By Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Andrews
12:10PM (SAC)	Charles Cheskiewicz By Wife, Marie & Family
Tues 7:30AM (ICC)	Teresa Montante By Sons & Families
8:30AM (HRC)	Bernie Martin By Wife, Chris & Family
Wed 7:30AM (ICC)	Eugene Chikowski By Shirley Romanovitch
8:30AM (HRC)	John H. Lewis By Robert Phillips
12:10PM (SAC)	Shirley A. Murphy By Carol & Chuck Dente
Thurs 7:30AM (ICC)	Anthony "Tony" Cella By Wolcott Family
8:30AM (HRC)	Karen Venetz By Larry & Sharon Shotwell
Fri 7:30AM (ICC)	Joan Walsh By Donna Walsh
8:30AM (HRC)	James Chimento By Joan Hennigan
12:10PM (SAC)	Paul J. Naples By M/M Chris Latona & Grace White
Sat 4:00PM (SAC)	William Paoloni By Wife & Family
5:30PM (ICC)	Rae Frutchey By Patti, Teresa & Roxanne
Sun 7:30AM (SAC)	Irene Parini By Ed & Tish Doreskewicz
9:00AM (HRC)	Louis Cella By Family
10:30AM (ICC)	All Veterans, Living & Deceased

Candles

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Marc Drevitch.....By Parents & Brother

Sanctuary Candle at SA

Charles Cheskiewicz.....By Wife, Marie & Family

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2024

Corpus Christi Parish Goal: \$76,066.00

Total Received: **\$32,163.00**

Over/(Under): **(\$43,903.00)**

Craft & Gift Fair

At St. Maria Goretti Parish Center, Laflin Road, Laflin on **Saturday and Sunday, November 23 & 24 from 9:00AM to 3:00PM**. There will be some 25 plus vendors, basket & gift raffle, food stand and bake sale. Free admission.

**Corpus Christi Parish Social Concerns Committee
Thanksgiving Calendar of Giving**

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'... 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'
(Matthew 25:34-40)

We've all seen an increase in need in our area over the last several years. The number of families seeking assistance is growing, and the holidays add to that number. While many families struggle to make ends meet each week, the holidays bring with them additional expenses many simply cannot afford. We, as a parish community, are making every effort to extend as much as we can to meet this need, but we cannot do it without your help. We have devised a "Thanksgiving Calendar of Giving" filled with suggestions of non-perishable food items which we will need to fill bountiful Thanksgiving food bags for area families in need. We will gladly accept donations of frozen turkeys or monetary donations, which will be used to purchase turkeys for these families in need. Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or at the rectory. Thank you, in advance, for your help!

10/21/24	X	canned yams	11/12/24	boxed potatoes
10/22/24	X	canned fruit	11/13/24	stuffing mix
10/23/24	X	canned vegetables	11/14/24	canned/boxed soups
10/24/24	X	canned gravy	11/15/24	macaroni & cheese
10/25/24	X	canned pumpkin	11/16/24	canned yams
10/26/24	X	cranberry sauce	11/17/24	canned gravy
10/27/24	X	chicken/turkey broth	11/18/24	canned vegetables
10/28/24	X	pie crust mix	11/19/24	canned fruit
10/29/24	X	instant potatoes	11/20/24	rice
10/30/24	X	boxed stuffing	11/21/24	pasta
10/31/24	X	cornbread mix	11/22/24	cereal
11/1/24	X	cake/brownie mix	11/23/24	oatmeal
11/2/24		jello/puddings	11/24/24	breakfast bars
11/3/24		soups	11/25/24	canned meats
11/4/24		pasta	11/26/24	tuna
11/5/24		macaroni & cheese	11/27/24	pie crust mix
11/6/24		hot & cold cereals	11/28/24	canned pie filling
11/7/24		breakfast bars	11/29/24	canned pumpkin
11/8/24		canned meats	11/30/24	canned fruit
11/9/24		tuna		We thank you for your Donations!!
11/10/24		pasta sauce		
11/11/24		rice		Please see reverse for dates and times when help is needed▶▶▶▶

SOCIAL CONCERNS

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Listed below are days and times during the month of November when volunteer help is needed. We must say, whenever we ask for volunteer help, you always come through. We welcome teens as well as adults. Thank you!!

Thursday, November 7th.....9:00AM.....Volunteers welcome in Immaculate Conception Hall to make chocolate candy for children.

Tuesday, November 12th.....4:00PM.....Meet in Immaculate Conception Hall to set up for Bereavement Social which follows the Mass at 6:00PM.

Thursday, November 14th.....4:00PM.....Meet in Immaculate Conception Hall to set up for Bereavement Social which follows the Mass at 6:00PM

Tuesday, November 19th.....5:00PM.....Volunteers welcome in Immaculate Conception Hall to:

- 1) Pack Thanksgiving food bags for distribution
- 2) Set up donated coats and outerwear for distribution
- 3) Prepare Thanksgiving gifts for our homebound and nursing home parishioners

Wednesday, November 20th9:00AM.....Volunteers welcome in ICC kitchen to make soup for our homebound.

Thursday, November 21st.....9:00AM.....Volunteers welcome in ICC kitchen to pack the soup for delivery to our homebound

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, November 21, 22, & 23.....Volunteers who are able to deliver Thanksgiving gifts and soups to our homebound and nursing homes are asked to call Joyce at 570 654 2753 to set up your schedule. Thank you.

Sunday, November 24th.....12 Noon.....Volunteers are welcome to join us in IC hall to help with distribution of Thanksgiving food, turkeys, and outerwear, which takes place between 1:00PM and 2:00PM.