# **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."

# December 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

Immaculate Conception
Church
Holy Redeemer Church
St. Anthony Church
Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor
Rev. Michael Drevitch
Assistant 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
12:10PM St. Anthony
Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

Thurs 7:30AM Immaculate Conception 8:30AM Holy Redeemer 12:10PM St. Anthony

Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception Watch Sunday & Daily Mass at

www.corpuschristinepa.com

Weekly Collection
November 30, 2025
Weekly......\$11,954.02
E Giving......\$2,752.00
Total \$14,706.02

Care & Ed of Priests November 2025: \$1,235.00

Roof Repair Envelope November 2025: 1,765.00

Balance owed to our Savings Account \$144,800.68

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

# Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8, 2025

Masses are as follows: today, Sunday, December 7th, 6:00PM at St. Anthony Church; Monday, December 8th, 7:30AM and 6:00PM at Immaculate Conception Church and 8:30AM at Holy Redeemer Church.

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

Next weekend, at all Masses, we will take up the collection for Retirement Fund for Religious. Your generosity is appreciated.

# Christmas Mass Schedule Christmas Eve:

4:00PM—Immaculate Conception Church
(Family Mass...Will we have a surprise visitor?)
4:00PM—Saint Anthony Church
10:00PM—Immaculate Conception Church
Christmas Day:

7:30AM—Saint Anthony Church 9:00AM—Holy Redeemer Church 10:30AM—Immaculate Conception Church

New Year's Mass Schedule
New Year's Eve:

4:00PM—Saint Anthony Church 5:30PM—Immaculate Conception Church New Year's Day:

9:00AM—Immaculate Conception Church



#### The Giving Tree

If you have not yet done so, please consider taking a tag from one of our Giving Trees. Our distribution will take place next Sunday, December 14th from ICC. This year on our trees, we have Christmas wishes of children

from more than 200 local families. For your convenience, you can also access our "Giving Tree" on our parish Facebook page or online at <a href="https://www.corpuschristinepa.com">www.corpuschristinepa.com</a>. On each tag is a family number which is how we identify the child who will receive the gift. Please know it is very important to securely attach the tag to the gift. If you have multiple gifts, please be sure to put the family number on each package. Please remember to return all gifts by next Sunday, December 14th. For questions, contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or <a href="mailto:jcecconi50@gmail.com">jcecconi50@gmail.com</a>.

# Social Concerns Welcomes ALL Volunteer Help!!!

The following days and times are when volunteer help is needed. We welcome adults, teens needing service hours and children. Thank you, in advance, for your support!!

- •Sunday, December 14th 11:30AM in IC Church to sort and pack Giving Tree gifts for distribution
- •Sunday, December 14th 1:30PM-4:00PM in IC Church to help with distribution of Christmas food and gifts
- •Wednesday, December 17th 9:00AM in ICC hall to package cookies and wrap Christmas gifts for our homebound and nursing homes.
- <u>Friday, December 19th 9:00AM</u> in ICC hall/kitchen to make "Cake Pops" for our Christmas Eve Family Mass

Boys and girls, hear the call, bring a pair of socks, one and all. For those in need, let's lend a hand, to help Rudolph light the land, With every pair, his nose will glow, spreading cheer in the winter snow!



**Christmas Wafers** Are available in the vestibules of the churches. Donation is \$2.00 for a pack of 4 wafers.



# For Our Homebound Parishioners

They love receiving gifts of homemade food and goodies. For Christmas, we are asking all you bakers to consider baking a couple extra dozen of your favorite cookies, etc. and **drop them off** 

at the rectory no later than <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 16</u>. On <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 17</u>, our <u>Social Concerns members</u> and volunteers will meet in <u>the rectory at 9:00AM to package them in decorative tins</u>. Our volunteers who do the deliveries then will deliver the cookies and Christmas gifts to our homebound and nursing homes. Thank you!!

**Youth Choir** Will practice today, <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 7 and December 14 at 5:00PM in ICC</u>. All children are welcome. They will be singing at our 4:00PM Family Mass on Christmas Eve in ICC.

**Bingo Wrap Up Meeting** Will be held on <u>Tuesday,</u> **December 9th at 5:00PM** in the rectory. All are welcome.

**Christian Women Dinner** Due to inclement weather, the Christmas dinner at Fox Hill last Tuesday was cancelled. If you want a refund, please call Lori at the rectory 570 654 2753 or if you prefer, we can apply it to the June dinner (date to be determined). Thank you.

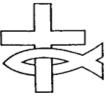
**Hospitals & Nursing Homes** If you or someone you know is being admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please call the rectory to let us know.

**EM's, Lectors & Altar Servers** A new ministry schedule is being prepared. Please contact Teresa 570 357 3985 or **tacross5@comcast.net** by December 15th, with your availability for serving Christmas and New Year's Masses and any changes you wish made to your current serving status for the new schedule. Altar Servers are to contact Donna Mason at 570 587 3355 or **toddler.dm@gmail.com**.

**Exeter Scouts Conduct Food Drive** Exeter Pack 310 and Troops 311 & 1311 will be conducting our annual scouting for food drive in Exeter between now and Dec 13th. Every house should receive a flyer before the 13th. If you do not receive a flyer, please e-mail <a href="mailto:troop311nepa@gmail.com">troop311nepa@gmail.com</a> and let us know your address and we will stop on the 13th between 10:00AM and 1:00PM. If you want to drop off your donation, we will be at the Scout Home, 53 Lincoln St., Exeter on December 13th from 10:30AM to 1:00PM.

Please know, these Scout Troops will be filling some 200 bags of food which will be given out from our parish on December 14 to the 200 plus families we have registered. Thank you, in advance, to these wonderful young Scouts and their leaders!!

# Liturgy Intentions For The Week



December 8 through 14, 2025

Mon 7:30AM (ICC)	Roseann & Albert
	Zuha

By Lee & Lisa Forlenza

8:30AM (HR) Raymond Wasko, Sr.

By Umbra Family

6:00PM (ICC) Jack & Carmella Salvaggio

By Children/Grandchildren

Tues 7:30AM (ICC)

**Alex Nobile**By Wife, Ann & Children

8:30AM (HRC)

**Helen Grega** 

12:10PM (SAC)

By Paul S. Makuch **Richard Trotta** 

By Gerri Mariconi

Wed 7:30AM (ICC)

Ross, Sr, Anna Maria, Rita & Ross, Jr.

By Rosemary DeNisco

Thurs 7:30AM(ICC)

Frank Grasso

8:30AM (HRC)

By Wife & Sons

Joan DiPietro

By Hughes &
Carmadella Families

12:10PM (SAC)

Florence DiMaria

By Daughter, Jacqueline

& Family

Dominick & Lucy

Fri 7:30AM (ICC)

Occhiato

Sat 4:00PM (SAC)

By Family **Wayne Williams** 

By Boy Scout Troop

#302

5:30PM (ICC)

Josette Yakobitis

Sun 7:30AM (SAC)

By Jerry & Children

Good Health & God's

Blessings Sarah &

**Kevin Kratzer**By Michael & Bernadette

Barski

9:00AM (HRC)

**Emily DeNardi** 

By Mark & Susan Shemanski

10:30AM (ICC)

Frank Colella

By Wife, Theresa & Family

#### **Candles**

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

### <u> Altar Candle at ICC</u>

Rita Ann & Ross Anthony DeNisco.....

By Cathy

## **Holy Family Candle at ICC**

Rita DeNisco ......By Rosemary & Family

## **Sanctuary Candle at ICC**

Cheryl Devers......By Rosella & Josette Fedor

#### **Sanctuary Candle at SA**

**Stephen Kondratick, Jr....**By Leonard & Linda Blandina