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Sunday Masses

Saturday eve Mass - 5.30 pm
8.15 am; 10.00 am (Polish); 11.30 am

Weekday Masses

Monday	
Wednesday	7.30 am
Thursday	11.30 am
Friday	

Tuesday & Saturday 11.30 am

During Winter - chapel of the Divine Mercy - Monday to Saturday

Confession

(Sacrament of penance and reconciliations)

Saturday: 11.00 - 11.30a.m. & 5.00 - 5.30p.m.
Weekday: 15 minutes before Liturgy

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sunday, following the 10.00 a.m. Mass

Sacrament of Anointing

If you are entering the hospital or facing a surgery, we encourage anointing. In case of emergency call the Rectory.

Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Czestochowa

Every Saturday after 11:30a.m. Mass. Followed by an afternoon adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration ends at 4p.m.

Perpetual Novena in honor of St. Anthony

Tuesday after 11.30 a.m. Mass

Parish Office

Monday - Friday 9.00 - 12.00 noon
1.00 - 3.30 p.m.

Saturday 9.00 - 11.20 p.m.
Sunday/Holiday CLOSED

Welcome

We extend to our visitors a very special welcome. We trust that the liturgy will be a blessing to you and you will visit us again. If you think you may be interested in joining Corpus Christi Parish, please fill in the form below and bring or mail to the parish office or place in the collection basket. We will make arrangements for your registration. New phone number and address change information are also appreciated.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

New Parishioner New Phone New Address Moving; please keep me on the mailing list (make a tick)



MASS SCHEDULE

November 9 – November 16, 2008

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2008 – FEAST: DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME

5:30 p.m. Special Intention req. Karen and Bruce Woody
 8:15 a.m. Parishioners
 10:00 a.m. +Chester Legeza req. Zofia and Henryk Chmielowski
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls
 Baptism: Zakkiius Garner

Monday, November 10, 2008 – Leo the Great, pope, doctor – Obl.

7:30 a.m. +Fr. Anthony Konieczny req. Alice Jaracz
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls

Tuesday, November 11, 2008 – Martin of Tours, bishop – Obl.

11:30 a.m. +All Souls
 +Joseph Czerwinski req. Estate
 Perpetual Novena in honor of St. Anthony

Wednesday, November 12, 2008 – Josaphat, bishop, martyr – Obl.

7:30 a.m. +Stephen & Florence Spyra req. Sr. Symphronia Spyra
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls

Thursday, November 13 – Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin – Obl.

7:30 a.m. +Frances Bartosz req. Thomas Bartos
 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls – Mass in Polish

Friday, November 14, 2008 – Weekday

7:30 a.m. +Michael Kolarz req. Mary Kolarz, son, Christian Kolarz, & Geraldine Angelli
 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls

Saturday, November 15, 2008 – Weekday/Albert the Great, bishop, doctor/BVM on Saturday – Opt.

11:30 a.m. +All Souls
 +Parents and Relatives of Members of Pauline Order
 Perpetual Novena to our Lady of Czestochowa after 11:30 a.m. Mass
 Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 4:30 p.m.
 5:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. +Joseph Przybyl req. Ray and Del Wachowiak & Cecelia Przybyl

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2008 – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

8:15 a.m. +Richard Karalus req. Edwina Krygier
 10:00 a.m. Parishioners
 11:30 a.m. +All Souls

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

...will be lit this week for Bruce Woody as requested by Family.
 If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a particular intention, we invite you to call the rectory. The candles will burn all week in memory of a loved one or for a special request.

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION

Sunday, November 2, 2008

Attendance	240
Sunday Collection	\$2,229.00
All Saints Collection	\$514.00
All Souls Collection	\$906.00

We are grateful to our faithful parishioners who contribute to the needs of the parish. Be assured that you are remembered at all our Masses during the week and on Sunday. May Mary our Mother protect and reward you for your goodness to Corpus Christi.

**FOR CORPUS CHRISTI TO SURVIVE
 PLEASE REMEMBER IT IN YOUR WILL**

“What return shall I make to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?”

CHURCH NOTICES ONLINE

If you would like to receive church notices online, please send your e-mail address to anzelmd@yahoo.com. Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, DECEASED, AND BEREAVED

We would like to include in our weekly bulletin the names of parishioners who are sick, along with those who have died and their families in sorrow. If someone in your family is seriously ill, please inform us by calling the rectory at 896-1050.

Fervent prayers are offered at this time for the health of Irene Bentkowski, Wayne Christensen, Maria Dyjak, Edward Kane, Eugenia Mavromatis, John Moroz, Mary Raczka, and Harry Sabadasz.

Please note: Names will be kept on the prayer list for one month and then removed, unless we receive a request for renewal. Thank you for supporting those in need with your faithful prayers.

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE

The 11:30 a.m. Mass will be offered for +All Souls each day during the month of November at Corpus Christi. Let us prayerfully remember all our departed loved ones, and the souls of those who have no one to pray for them. May they rest in peace.

DAILY MASS IN CONVENT CHAPEL

Now that the heating season is here, all weekday and Saturday evening Masses are now held in the convent chapel. The chapel is accessible from the parking lot next to the convent. On Sunday, all Masses are offered in the church.

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Monday, November 10 at 6:45 p.m. in the Rectory.

AN ADOPTED SON OF GOD

This Sunday, November 9th, one special boy from our community will become “a new creature,” an adopted son of God. Zakkiius Garner will receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Baptism imprints on the soul an indelible spiritual mark, and we rejoice with mother Megan Galazka-Miller as her son is consecrated for Christian worship, becoming a member of the Body of Christ. Congratulations!

DIOCESAN CELEBRATION HONORING ST. PAUL

Bishop Edward Kmiec invites all clergy, religious and lay faithful of our diocese for a special Concelebrated Mass in honor of the Jubilee Year of St. Paul, on Sunday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Paul in Kenmore, on the corner of Delaware and Victoria Avenues. The homily will be given by Rev. Paul Steller, Pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption, Lancaster, and music will be provided by the Diocesan Festival Chorus together with the Contemporary Ensemble of St. Paul Parish. Following the Mass there will be a reception in the School Hall. All are encouraged to join Bishop Kmiec in celebrating the Year of St. Paul of Tarsus.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Next weekend the Annual Diocesan Collection will be taken for the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Catholic University educates future leaders for our Church and our nation. Your contributions directly benefit students from all over the U.S., including our own diocese, by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend. Grounded in the philosophy of Catholic intellectual tradition, these students are well prepared for success in life and ready to make a difference in today’s world. Thank you for your generosity.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“You must accept your cross; if you carry it courageously it will carry you to heaven.” – St. John Marie Vianney



MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER

A study on accidental death occurrences shows that (a) 20% of all fatal accidents occur in automobiles, (b) 17% of all accidents occur in the home, (c) 14% of all accidents occur to pedestrians on streets or sidewalks, (d) 16% of all accidents involve traveling by air, rail, or water, (e) 32% of all deaths occur in hospitals, and (f) only .001% of all deaths occur in church during worship services. According to this study, therefore, the safest place for you to be at any given point in time is not in your car, or in the home or in the hospital but in church!

Today we celebrate the dedication of the basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome. Why celebrate the dedication of a church in far away Rome, you may ask. It is to remind us of the importance of the church building as sacred space set apart for personal and collective encounter with God.

Historically, the basilica of St. John Lateran is the oldest church of Rome and the highest ranking church in the world, followed by St. Peter's basilica in the Vatican. As such it is the mother of all churches. When we celebrate its dedication to God, therefore, we celebrate the mystery of God's special presence and indwelling in buildings set apart for divine worship, including our own Corpus Christi parish church.

We know that God is everywhere. Yet when the people of God erect a building and dedicate it totally to God's service, God's glory comes to dwell in that building in such a way that the building can now be called the house of God. Solomon recalls this mystery in his prayer of dedication of the temple in Jerusalem: **“Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built!”** (1 Kings 8:27) So, while we celebrate God's special indwelling in a temple, we must remind ourselves that God's presence is not confined in the temple. God is still everywhere. But God manifests His glory in a special way in some persons, places, and things. A temple or church is one such place.

In earlier days, a temple, church or shrine was revered so much as to suggest that God dwelt exclusively in such places. People went to church, participated in service, received communion and went home without knowing who was sitting beside them in church. Spirituality was very individualistic and the man or woman sitting next to you was rather seen as a distraction in one's intimate communion with God. Worshippers forgot that we are brothers and sisters, and that we come to church to worship God as family.

To discourage this self-centered religiosity, Vatican Council II introduced some changes in worship such as the priest facing the people at Mass and worshippers exchanging the sign of peace. But we swung from one extreme to the other, and today many Christians have lost the sense of the church as a sacred place, to the point that the comportment of many worshippers in our churches today borders on irreverence. Many Christians have altogether abandoned traditional practices that were meant to remind us that we are in God's presence when we enter the church. These include such little things as dressing in a decent manner for church, signing oneself with holy water on entering the church, genuflecting or bowing to the altar or the tabernacle before taking one's seat or before leaving the church, not chatting in church, and lowering one's voice when one has cause to talk in church.

The loss of the sense of the sacred in church buildings and church worship might be one reason why young people are no longer keen on church attendance. If they come to church thinking it to be another social gathering, no wonder they find it so boring. But when we realize that the church is a holy place, a place of encounter with God, with one another and with oneself, then we bring a certain disposition of mind and body to church service which helps make worship an uplifting rather than boring experience. Today's celebration of the dedication of St. John Lateran invites us to renew our faith in the church as a house of prayer and to cultivate habits and practices that make it easy for God to encounter us whenever we go to church.

JESTEŚMY ŚWIĄTYNIĄ DUCHA ŚW., ABY JĄ UPIĘKSZYŁ ZOBACZ CO PROPONUJE JEZUS!

Jezus zapłonął gniewem w świątyni. W osłupieniu, zdziwieniu i złości stoją przed nim arcykapłani, uczeni w piśmie oraz ludzie, którzy w tym momencie tam się znajdowali. Uczniowie Jezusa szukają argumentów, które usprawiedliwiłyby czy nadałyby sens takiemu postępowaniu Mistrza. Szukają i znajdują - słowa w psalmie 69 - **Bo gorliwość o dom Twój mnie pożera i spadły na mnie obelgi uwłaczających Tobie**. Jednak te słowa i całe to zdarzenie ma jeszcze inny wymiar. Otóż arcykapłani żądają znaku. Jakże dziwną odpowiedź otrzymują: **zburzcie tę świątynię a ja w ciągu trzech dni ją odbuduję**.

Jakie przesłanie zatem niesie to zdarzenie? Jaki sygnał Jezus wysłał dla człowieka? Jezus mówi swoim zachowaniem bardzo wyraźnie jaka jest hierarchia wartości. Jak ma być poustawiane życie każdego z nas. W tym zdarzeniu jest również zawarta bardzo konkretna argumentacja, dlaczego ma ono być tak zhierarchizowane. Jezus sygnalizuje to, co tak bardzo mocno w swoim nauczaniu podkreślił później apostoł Paweł w liście do Koryntian: **Czyż nie wiecie, żeście świątynią Boga i że Duch Boży mieszka w was?** Człowiek posiada wielką godność, godność dziecka Bożego. Godność, która wyraża się w byciu sanktuarium Boga. Dlatego trzeba o to sanktuarium dbać. Może ktos zapytać: w jaki sposób ta dbałość ma się wyrażać? Na to też Bóg znajduje bardzo prostą receptę, wołając do nas słowami proroka Izajasza: **Zaprawiajcie się w dobrem! Troszczcie się o sprawiedliwość, pomagajcie uciśnionemu, oddajcie słusność sierocie, w obronie wdowy stawajcie!** Jeżeli dbamy o budynki, jeżeli troszczymy się o wygląd i piękno naszych mieszkań, to również nasze wnętrza, nasza dusza, która jest świątynią Boga, ma być zadbana. Ona potrzebuje ciągłego dopływu dobra, ciągłego zaangażowania w sprawy drugiego człowieka. Właśnie taką hierarchię wartości ukazuje nam dziś Jezus. Bóg i wszystko co płynie z obcowania człowieka z Nim, ma być przelewane w postaci dobra, sprawiedliwości, pokoju, radości, a więc darów Ducha Świętego, na drugiego człowieka. I drugi bardzo ważny element, o którym nie można w tym zdarzeniu zapomnieć. Jest on nierozdzielnie związany z powyższą hierarchią wartościowania, zaproponowaną człowiekowi przez Jezusa. To wskazanie na największy cud świata - zmartwychwstanie - cud, który będzie udziałem każdego człowieka, który uwierzy, który przyjmie hierarchię wartości, w której Bóg jest blisko człowieka, jest z człowiekiem i zaprasza go do udziału w boskim życiu, zaprasza do wieczności. I to zaproszenie przez ten fragment Ewangelii przypomniał mi dziś Jezus, a przepięknie te prawdę zilustrował poeta, kapłan i człowiek:

Gdybym tak nagle pojął, że przepadło wszystko
Ojczyzna, wiersze i modlitwy-
Że zmarnowałem młodość, a złudne widziadło
Z miłości mej zostało, jak kość z pola bitwy

Że śmiech mnie goni w mieście, a oszczerca
Z własnych uczniów mi dorósł, mierząc grot w głąb serca
Gdybym tak nagle pojął, że z mych prac ogromu –
Zostanie tylko wzgarda z napaństwem popiołu

Wystarczyłoby mi tylko jeden kwadrans czasu
Milczenia przed Chrystusem z obolałą głową –
Bym się wnet uspokoił, pocieszył się znowu.

Tak, ten jeden kwadrans wybieram, tam wraca w duszy mój spokój,
tam, wiem, że porządkuje się Jego świątynia we mnie, wiem, że tam
wyrośnie dobro, które będzie się łało dla innych, wiem, że tam jest
zaproszenie do Życia z Nim.

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