



Dear Parishioners & Friends of Corpus Christi:



We have just closed the Church's liturgical year and with Advent have begun a brand new one. As I reflect upon this past year, my thoughts turn to those who have been part of our Parish family and have supported us in so many ways. I bless and pray for those who come to Corpus Christi for Mass, prayer, and worship. I pray that I can become the best Pastor according to God's will and, along with Father Mark and Father Cole, the best set of priests to serve your spiritual needs. I thank you for all the prayers you have offered for us.

I especially wish to thank those who have stepped up in so many ways to help with our Parish events, including those who assisted in cleaning and decorating our Church for holidays, participated in music ministries, cooked in the kitchen, supported Dyngus Day, Dozynki, and the Corpus Christi Procession, as well as those who helped with coffee Sundays, basket raffles, mowing/cleaning the grounds, etc. I also wish to thank those who helped when I asked for a favor and for those who worked behind the scenes dedicating time, money, and labor to renovate the downstairs bathrooms, install the new walkways to the Kolbe Center, and completed other fix-it-up projects.

Finally, I wish to thank the entire Corpus Christi community for your continued financial support, which has been instrumental in keeping the church open and stable. I apologize if I missed anybody in this short letter, but I recognize and appreciate all your prayers, support, time, and talent given to Corpus Christi, to me as Pastor, and to our priests. As the feast of the Nativity of our Lord approaches, I would like to sing with you,

*Hark! the herald angels sing; "Glory to the newborn King!"
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise; Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic host proclaim "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"*

This is because we are all invited to participate in one of the most important moments in human history, the Only Begotten Son is revealed to us as a Newborn Baby, Jesus, Emmanuel, God is with us. It is truly the time of joy, peace, and love! It is the time in which God's promises are going to be fulfilled. Let us receive Him with open hearts and minds. Let us receive Him with outstretched hands. Let us Him bless us and fill us with His love and grace.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! Father Mariusz

*Patrzcie, jak tam gwiazda
światłem swoim miga!
Pewnie do uczczenia
Pana swego ściga.
Krokiem śmiałym i wesołym
śpieszmy i uderzmy czołem;
przed Panem w Betlejem.*

*Przychodzimy do naszego pięknego kościoła aby ujrzeć wszechmoc Boga i uwierzyć
w Nowonarodzonego Syna Bożego!
Jego obecność napełnia nasze serca ogromem miłości i radości!
Jego Boska natura udziela chwały naszej ludzkiej naturze.
Jego łaska wspomaga nas w codziennym pokonywaniu trudności.
Tak jak tej nocy, zawsze miejmy serca otwarte na Chrystusa i jego Słowo, ponieważ w nim kryje się nasze
błogosławieństwo.
Przyjmijmy Go z miłością, z delikatnością i przedstawmy światu jako jedyne Zbawiciela!*

*Z całego serca wszystkim życzymy
Radosnych Świąt Bożego Narodzenia i Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku!*

o. Mariusz & o. Marek