



**Saturday, January 10**

**Vigil Mass**

**5:00 p.m.** +Marilyn & +Ronald Rinfret

**The Baptism of the Lord**

**Sunday, January 11**

**8:00 a.m.** People of the Parish

**9:30 a.m.** +George Kuebler

**5:00 p.m.** +Julius Bode

**Monday, January 12**

**7:00 a.m.** +Zofia & Jozef

**Tuesday, January 13**

**Wednesday, January 14**

**6:15 p.m.** +Helen & Harold Sicknick

+Amelia Rosales

J D & Laura Family

**Thursday, January 15**

**7:00 a.m.** +All Souls in Purgatory

**Friday, January 16**

**7:00 a.m.** +Mario Carlucci

**Saturday, January 17**

**5:00 p.m.** +George Kuebler

**The Baptism of the Lord**

**Sunday, January 18**

**8:00 a.m.** +Maryann Medvetz

**9:30 a.m.** People of the Parish

**5:00 p.m.** +Claudia & Bennigno Sarmiento

**Pope's Prayer Intention for January**

**For Prayer with the word of God**

*Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.*

**Daily Mass – Mon., Thurs. & Fri. - 7:00 a.m.**

**Every Wednesday Confessions**

**5:00-5:45 p.m.-Church**

\*Mass 6:15 (TLM) will be celebrated at St. Mark's Christian Academy School Conference Room (former Convent of CC) corner of David & Kamm Ave. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm.

**Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure**

**Solemnity of Mary \$ 2,050.00**

**January 4 – 5,614.00**

**Mail Donations \$795.00**

**On-Line Giving \$1,820.80**

**Together in Charity \$ 727.00**

**Christmas to date 13,478.00**

Thank you for your support of Corpus Christi Parish  
*Please remember Corpus Christi Parish in your will and estate planning.*

**MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

**January 10 – January 16**

**+Candle for Mary+  
Special Intention**

**January 11, 2026**

**The Baptism of Our Lord**

*“John tried to prevent him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?” MATTHEW 3:14*

The Catholic Catechism states that *“Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.”* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.



**January Sock Drive**

Corpus Christi Youth Group will be collecting socks for the Sock Drive beginning in January. The weather has started off colder compared to past years, and socks are essential at the local shelters. There will be a bin at the Church entrance to drop off New, Unused Socks. Thank you in advance.


Last week we thanked the many ministries for volunteering throughout the year. Unfortunately one of the most important was omitted. With sincere apologies, we would like to acknowledge our **Music Ministry** including all our cantors as well as the choir members. We appreciate your devotion to this ministry.





Please use this email for church correspondence.

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 Parish Giving is the premier online giving and payment system for *Corpus Christi* and church communities throughout the nation. Please note at any time, you may begin ON LINE GIVING by logging on to our website:

**ON LINE GIVING** Our thanks to the many families that have signed up for Online Giving! If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like the convenience of giving to your parish online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made. You may even view your giving history just by logging in Visit our website: [www.corpuschristisoutheriver.org](http://www.corpuschristisoutheriver.org) – and get started.



Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Joann Heinlin, Juliet Hobson, Jean DuFour,  
Ernest J. Volkmann, Sr., Stevie Telofski,  
Elizabeth Fehl, Ian Birchak, Fr. Michael J. King,  
Mark Cramer, Geraldine Patton, David Catchpole,  
Kim Madlinger, Angel Cortez, Ashley Larson, Carol Presnal,  
Karen Kleinschmidt, Theresa Marchese, Erik Farah,  
Javier Fuentes, Miguel Agudeo, Theresa Gregor,  
Melissa Telofski, Bonnie Saloom, Patrick Ahern,  
John Loughlin, Peter Kaufman, Bernadette Haase,  
Joseph Bubnis, Bonnie Anderson, Josephine Arcaro.

Handicap Accessibility seating is located in the front pews of the church for your convenience. Holy Communion will be brought to these individuals firstly by the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. Kindly utilize this area if you require such assistance.

As a New Year begins, we would like to take this time to Thank our many volunteers that help us throughout the year at Corpus Christi. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, weekly counters, ushers, our ministries of St. Vincent de Paul Society, The Rosarians, The Catechists, Youth Group, Evangelization Ministry, Garden Angels, our church floral volunteers, Christmas & Easter Flower volunteers. We appreciate all your good work done here at the parish and we are so very grateful. Many blessings as we begin another year.

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**Happy Birthday to all parishioners  
born in January**

As you celebrate your special day, remember that God's presence is a continual source of light in your life. His blessings are like rays of sunshine, bringing peace and grace into every new year you face. Your birthday doesn't just mark another year, but rather another chapter of the incredible plans God has for you. Embrace the hope and future that shine brightly ahead, crafted by God's loving hands.



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**Stewardship & Marriage**

Christian marriage is a dynamic sign of Christian stewardship because it gives public witness to the joy of deep, personal, and spiritual commitment. Guided and strengthened by the exercise of faithful stewardship, marital love thrives in an atmosphere of freedom and trust, where each is allowed and encouraged to grow, to be more creative in their love, and to draw closer to God as a lifelong commitment to the Lord through the role of husband and wife

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**February 13-15, 2025**

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 13-15. Please reply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: [www.wmweorg](http://www.wmweorg) for more information.

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**2026 Choices Matter Conference**

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity presents "The 2026 Choices Matter Conference – A Critical Life Issues Conference"

which will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Saturday, March 21, 2026. An Opening Mass will be held at 9:00 a.m. The conference will begin at 10:15 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Safeguarding Human Dignity – Shining a Light on Human Trafficking."

The topic/expert speakers are:

The Role of the Church in Combating Human Trafficking Maria Celina Marquez' Human Trafficking Awareness Through the Lens of a Subject Matter Expert: Gina Cavallo

Survivor Informed Human Trafficking Prevention: David M. Ryan

General registration is \$35 and student registration is \$15. The conference features Eucharistic Adoration, exhibits and more. The fee includes lunch and handouts. To register visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/choicesmatter>.

Everyone is welcome! For questions or for more information please email [magnese@diometuchen.org](mailto:magnese@diometuchen.org) or call 732-562-1543. Seating is limited.

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**Join Fr. Ken Brighenti, former associate at Corpus Christi Parish,**

present Vice Rector of The Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio, on an unforgettable pilgrimage trip to Portugal in July, 2026. Explore Lisbon, Fatima, Nazare', Avila, and Porto, enjoying activities like port wine tasting, tapas bars, street food, boat trips on the Tagus and Douro rivers, and a captivating Fado show. Experience the spiritual ambiance of Fatima's candlelight processions and immerse yourself in Portugal's rich history, culture, and faith. For more info or a complete brochure email [louis@fratelliandcompancy.com](mailto:louis@fratelliandcompancy.com)

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**New Jersey Safe Haven Law**

Under the New Jersey Safe Haven Infant Protection Act a person may give up an unwanted infant anonymously. The purpose of Safe Haven is to protect unwanted babies from being hurt or killed from unsafe abandonment. A distressed parent who is unable to care for an infant can give up custody of a baby less than 30 days old safely, legally and anonymously. All that is required is that the baby be brought to any hospital emergency room, police station, fire station, ambulance, first aid, and rescue squads in New Jersey that are staffed 24 hours a day,

seven days a week. As long as the child shows no signs of intentional abuse, no name or other information is required. The parent can call the Safe Haven Hotline 1- 877-839-2339 – and get the address and directions for any hospital emergency room, police station, fire station, ambulance, first aid, and rescue squad in the state.

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**Mission Mindset** – The Diocese of Metuchen is offering a workshop with 3 key speakers on how to strengthen a stronger Mission mindset and strategy for the parish. The workshop will be held on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center. If anyone would be interested in attending, please see Fr. Damian or call the parish office.

## OCIA

Please welcome to our parish Yazmine Hernandez and Andy Deitch that they continue in their faith journey with us. We ask that our parish community keep Yazmine & Andy in our prayers.

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## Consolata Missionaries Pilgrimage

Dubai, Egypt, Jordan, 13 Days August 16-August 28. \$4,999.00 Includes airfare from Newark Int'l,

Deluxe Hotels, Guided Tours, Daily Breakfast, & Dinner, Medical Travel Insurance & more. To reserve call/email Juliet Hobson Yetjcb@icloud.com or call 72-439-3845.

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## Stress in Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with four follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is January 30-February 1, 2026. All inquiries are

confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

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*Mission Collection Thanks – Fr George Knab, O.M.I. who conducted Rosary Renewal, the Advent parish mission in observance of the Jubilee Year sent these words:*

“I was delighted to join Fr. Damian and parishioners in prayer for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Christmas Time. Contributions to the mission collection taken at the closing Mass totaled \$1,217.00. This was supplemented with a generous donation from parish funds. Thank you! Through this help, the preaching of the gospel in South River is promoting its spread among the very poor.” The proceeds benefit **Vocation Fund-Zambia** which supports the recruitment and formation of Zambian seminarians for Oblate missionary work in South Central Africa and beyond. For more information about the Oblates and their ministry in Zambia you may contact their web site, [www.omiusa.org](http://www.omiusa.org). May the love of Christ be reborn in our hearts!