

CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil of Sunday)4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass (3rd Sunday) 1:00 p.m.
Monday12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 12:10 & 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays (12:45-3:15 p.m.); Thursdays (7:00 p.m.)

MISSION STATEMENT

As disciples of Jesus, we live our faith through Word, Sacrament, and Service.

Rev. Paul D. Becker, Pastor 255-4600 (ext. 203)
Rev. Raphael Obotama, Parochial Vicar 255-4600 (ext. 211)
Rev. Terry Wipf, Parochial Vicar.....255-4600 (ext. 218)
Tracy Kraft, Parish Manager.....255-4600 (ext. 212)

PASTORAL MINISTERS

Cindy Anderst, Pastoral Care.....255-4600 (ext. 205)
Jennifer Braun, Music Ministry.....255-4600 (ext. 209)
Mariah Conner, Faith Formation255-4600 (ext. 219)
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Patrick Hall, Confirmation(call office)
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DEACONS: Michael Fix, Lonnie Grabowska, Rex McDowall

PARISH SUPPORT STAFF

Loretta Arntz, Bookkeeper 255-4600 (ext. 201)
Jane Bosch, Kitchen Manager..... 255-4600
Viola Bullert, Janitress 255-4600
Niel Heinze, Maintenance Technician 255-4600
Bridget Johnson, Administrative Secretary..... 255-4600
Colleen Reinhardt, Receptionist 255-4600



April 16, 2017

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation - Saturdays at 3:00 p.m., Weekdays: 15 minutes prior to Mass or please call the pastor at 255-4600 for an appointment. If you are homebound and unable to come to the Church and need a priest to come to your home for confession, please call 255-4600 to set this up.

Baptism - The Baptism Preparation Program and Baptism Schedule are by arrangement. Please call the parish office at 255-4600 to register prior to your delivery date and the program director will return your call. Parents must be registered at Corpus Christi or have permission from their parish.

Marriage - Couples planning to be married should call the parish office at 255-4600 at least **9 months** in advance. Completion of required paperwork and taking the FOCCUS premarital inventory is also needed this early. This process is usually administered the fourth Thursday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Natural Family Planning Classes are offered by the Bismarck Diocese. The methods offered are Billings Ovulation Method, Creighton Model Fertility Care System, Marquette Model and Sympto-Thermal Methods. If you have questions about NFP please contact the Diocese of Bismarck at 222-3035 or www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp.

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith may call Tracy Kraft at 255-4600.

PARISH BULLETIN DEADLINE: Articles must be received by noon on Wednesdays (*typed format*).

PRAYER TREE: 255-4600

Something for everyone. The message of Easter is for all mankind...not just the nice, pretty, kind or smart. God loves the drug dealer on the street just as much as the Faith Formation Leader. And He has the same amount of love for a murderer in jail as He does for you. His love is unconditional, and He gives it to us this Easter and throughout the year. We must live as forgiven people, moving past our mistakes to shine with God's light. And just as important, we need to be ready to forgive others for their sins against us. God's love is for you and me, embracing us, forgiving us, and loving us, no matter what.

Our Easter Gift to God. In return for the love which brought this Son of Man down from heaven, in return for the love which led Him to die for us on the cross, we cannot give Him holy lives, for we are not holy. We cannot give Him pure souls for our souls are not pure. Yet this one thing we can give and this is what He asks: hearts that shall never cease from this day forward, till we reach the grave, to strive to be more like Him, to come nearer to Him to root out from within the sin that keeps us from Him.

In commemoration of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23, 2017 the Church of Corpus Christi will celebrate by displaying our Divine Mercy picture in the church to allow us to gaze upon it in prayer and adoration. We will also have personal devotionals available at all the Church entrances which include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The Chapel will be open for your private prayer and devotions. First and foremost, as we gaze upon our Merciful Savior in prayer, we can decide to trust in Him and to perform works of mercy - responding to the call to be merciful just as He has shown mercy to us.

Additional resources for Divine Mercy are found on our FORMED website, which is free for all our parishioners. You can choose from books, audio files, videos and movies online. Contact Mary Janusz here at the parish to set up your account for FORMED..it's free and has a wealth of resources to grow your Catholic faith.

CONTRIBUTIONS (GENERAL FUND) - (2,247 households)	
Adult Envelopes (429)	\$24,076.02
Youth Envelopes	\$ 256.75
TOTAL RECEIVED (April 9)	\$24,332.77
1st Sunday	\$24,414.42
Electronic Contributions (142)	\$13,684.81
2nd Sunday	\$24,332.77
3rd Sunday	\$ 0
Electronic Contributions	\$ 0
Spanish Mass	\$ 0
4th Sunday	\$ 0

We appreciate your generosity which is part of being faithful stewards of Corpus Christi.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. Tuesdays 12:45-3:15 p.m. (private, quiet time, incense free) with the chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend time in Jesus' awesome Eucharistic presence. Eucharistic Adoration (Benediction, rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy) is also available Thursdays with Father Terry from 7:00 8:00 p.m.

Weekly Mass Intentions

- Monday, Apr. 17- †Gordon Lonning (12:10 p.m.)*
- Tuesday, Apr. 18- Phyllis Lentz (12:10 p.m.)*
Special Intentions (5:30 p.m.)
- Wednesday, Apr. 19- †Mary Brendel (7:00 a.m.)*
†Delmar & Irene McKay (12:10 p.m.)
- Thursday, Apr. 20- †Angeline Miller (7:00 a.m.)*
Phyllis Lentz (12:10 p.m.)
- Friday, Apr. 21- †Mary Brendel (7:00 a.m.)*
†Tom Jahner (12:10 p.m.)
- Saturday, Apr. 22- †Gordon Lonning (4:00 p.m.)*
- Sunday, Apr. 23- †Elizabeth Brost (10:45 a.m.)*
†Al Feist (6:30p.m.)

Vocation Views: The angel said, "Do not be afraid." Trust that the risen Christ empowers you to go and spread the good news. (Matthew 28:1-10)

Stewardship Thoughts: Stewardship of time, talent and treasure is chiefly a way to deepen our spiritual life.

SOUNDS OF SILENCE (SOS). After a suicide...there are people who understand. The Sounds of Silence Support Group meets at the Serenity Center for Loss and Healing at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. (September-May). The facilitators are Brenda Bergan and Kathleen Dwyer. On **Tuesday, April 18**, there will be an **Open Session**. If you have questions, please call Brenda at 426-1021.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

We prayed, fasted and gave alms - and now we celebrate Easter Joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters whom we have walked with in India, Zambia, El Salvador, Mexico, Ethiopia and Hawaii. And we commit to bring Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives.





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

Created by GOD built for a purpose.

Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God.

May 31-June 2

Wednesday and Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



We will conclude with Mass and lunch for the whole family on Friday beginning at 12:00 p.m.

Who is it for?

Children in preschool - grade 5

Crew leaders (young people who have completed 5th grade) and adult leaders are needed to facilitate the activities.

Registration forms are on the parish website and downstairs in the lower gathering area.

Online registration will be available May 1.



What's Going on Here This Week

- Tues. 4/18 Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Community Room
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-3:15 p.m., Chapel
- Wed. 4/19 Faith Formation(A), 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Children's Choir, 4:30 p.m., Choir Room
Faith Formation(A), 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Confirmation(3), 6:30 p.m., Conference Room
Pre-Confirmation(1) 7:00 p.m., Community Room
Middle School Youth Ministry, 7:00 p.m., Parish Hall
Confirmation(4), 7:30 p.m., Conference Room
- Thurs. 4/20 Toastmasters, 6:30 a.m., Community Room
St. Gerard's Guild, 1:15 p.m., Community Room
Handbells, 6:30 p.m., Choir Room
Praise and Adoration, 7:00 p.m., Church
- Sun. 4/23 Children's Liturgy of the Word, 10:45 p.m.
SNAC, 7:30 p.m., Room 140

YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

July 27-30 Steubenville in St. Paul, MN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

MAY 31-JUNE 2

(Registration forms available downstairs)

Bismarck Mission in Kenya

Come and join us for a fascinating presentation by Alicia and Leon Heick on the Bismarck Mission in Kenya, Africa on Monday, April 24 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Community Room. The Heick's served as missionaries from 2014-2015. They will share about the work they did to serve the 400 AIDS orphans with food, educational needs and medical care.

87 Corpus Christi children will be making their first communion these next two weekends. Please keep them in your prayers.



St. Mary's Cemetery Clean

Up: With the arrival of spring, we will begin our spring cleaning at the cemetery. Over the winter, there have been many things placed on the graves. The rules at the cemetery state all things placed on graves except one week before and after Memorial Day must be in a vase attached to the headstone base or to the headstone itself. This includes solar lights, etc. We will be removing all items after April 17 that do not meet this criteria so we can complete our spring cleanup. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Rex McDowall, cemetery manager at 701-426-2097.



There will be no 7:00 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. mass April 24-27 due to the Spring Clergy Conference. However there will be 12:10 p.m. mass on those days. The regular mass schedule will resume on April 28.

The Holy Father Speaks. . . . God is always faithful to His Covenant: He kept faith with Abraham and He is faithful to the salvation promised in His Son, a man of faith and of hope. Abraham believed when he was told that he would have a child although he was 100 years old, and his wife was sterile - "he believed against every hope." Abraham had something of the dreamer in him, but it was "that dream of hope;" he wasn't crazy: "Put to the test, after having had a child, a boy, a young child, he was asked to offer him in sacrifice: he obeyed, and went forward against all hope. And this is our father Abraham, who goes forward, forward, forward; and when Jesus says Abraham saw his day, saw Jesus, he was full of joy. Abraham obeys and believes against all hope. The Covenant, on Abraham's part, consists in having always obeyed. On God's part, He has promised to make Abraham 'the father of a multitude of nations.' 'No longer shall you be called Abram, but Abraham.' And Abraham believed. Then, in another dialogue, God tells him that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars in the heavens and as the sand on the seashore. And today we are able to say, "I am one of those stars. I am a grain of sand." Looking to history, we are a people. Between Abraham and us, there is another story, the story of the heavenly Father and of Jesus. This is why Jesus told the Pharisees that Abraham exulted in the hope of seeing "my day" - "he saw it, and was glad." This is the great message; and the Church today invites us to pause and to look to our roots, our Father, who has made us a people, a heaven full of stars, a beach full of grains of sand. If we do this today, we will discover the beauty of the love of God, the beauty of His mercy, the beauty of hope. And I am sure that we will be full of joy.

Welcome! Thank you for choosing to worship with us today and we hope you will return often. If you do not belong to a parish, please consider choosing Corpus Christi as your church home. You may call the parish office at 255-4600 to register.

Date: Apr 22-23	April 22, 2017 4:00 PM		April 23, 2017 8:30 AM		April 23, 2017 10:45 AM		April 23, 2017 6:30 PM	
Hospitality	1		1	Donna Schauer	1	Donna Howe	1	Doug Kostuck
	2		2	Elsie Volk	2	Mary Siverson	2	
	3		3	Helen Werlinger	3	Bonnie Ziemann	3	
	4		4		4	Laverne Kaufman	4	
	5		5		5	Sarah Zainhofsky	5	
	6		6		6	Aurora Zainhofsky	6	
					7			
Ushers	1	Gisele Thorson*	1	Jim Volk	1	Donald Williams	1	Darcy Neigum*
	2	Bob Clooten	2	Jerome Werlinger	2	Rick Kaufman	2	
	3	Joyce Hinman	3	Denver Jorgenson	3	Blaine Zainhofsky	3	
	4	Bill Lardy	4	Bobbi Jorgenson	4	Trenton Zainhofsky	4	
	5		5		5			
	6		6		6			
	7		7		7			
Lectors	1		1	Amy Wurth	1	Edwin Nagel	1	Gerri Weisgerber
	2		2	Ron Torkelson	2	Shirley Bachmeier	2	Jim Luptak
Servers	1		1	Alex Brady	1	Christian Wolf	1	
	2		2	Emma Vallie	2	Aurora Zainhofsky	2	
Eucharistic Min		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST
	R-1	William Kopp	R-1	Catherine Williams	R-1	Shonda Wild	R-1	Darcy Neigum
	2	Barbara Carter	2	Francis Williams	2	Leann Binde	2	Veronica Fernow
	3	Curtis Carik	3	Wayne Triska	3	Pat Hermanson	3	
	4	Lorraine Hoffman	4	Gerald Mathern	4	Kathleen Wood	4	
	5	Phyllis Lentz	5	Pamela Mathern	5	Phyllis Lentz	5	
	6		6	Francis Ziegler	6		6	
	7		7	Janice Ziegler	7		7	Father Terry
	8		8		8		8	
	9	Father Paul	9	Father Raphael	9	Father Paul		
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	12				12			
	LG		LG		LG		LG	
		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST
	1	Lorraine Hoffman	1	Bess Deutsch	1	Kay Williams	1	Blaine Nelson
	2	Judith Kopp	2	Danell Becker	2	Kathleen Wood	2	Cheryl Nieuwsma
	3	Evelyn Spangler	3	Joseph Becker	3		3	Mary Reiser
	4	Sharlene Pulver	4	Norita Kress	4		4	
	5		5	Patty Kuntz	5		5	
	6		6	Tim Kuntz	6		6	
	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon
	8		8	Coralie Fix	8		8	
	9		9		9			
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Can you help? The blank spaces mean we need more help in that ministry. Please come to the ushers room and sign in on the schedule to help. Thank You.

OPENING THE WORD

Have you ever wondered how you might get more out of Sunday Mass? A key is reading and reflecting briefly on the scripture readings before coming to Mass. An easy way to do this is to listen to a short 4-5 minute reflection entitled **"Opening the Word"** on FORMED. A new reflection is posted each week for the Sunday scriptures.

FORMED is a dynamic Catholic website that the Church of Corpus Christi has a subscription for. To sign in, go to www.formed.org and type in the parish code which can be obtained by calling the parish office or from flyers outside the parish office. You will need this code the first time you enter this site. After creating your own user name and password, you can then listen to the "Opening the Word" each week before coming to Sunday Mass.

If you have questions about this or need help with registering on FORMED, please contact Cindy Anderst in the parish office by calling 255-4600.



Marriage Moments: Easter. The resurrection of Jesus which we celebrate on Easter was a pretty hard story for the women and apostles to believe. Today, we rely on the testimony of others and thousands of years of retelling the story. Unconditional love is so hard to believe. Believe your spouse's love anyway.

Parenting Pointer: *April 22 is Earth Day.* This year's focus is Climate Literacy. Go to www.earthday.org for ideas on how to teach your child some basics about the environment. Want something less academic? Take a hike or clean up a nearby park.

Exercise for Mind and Spirit

Laura Goebel MSN, RN, Faith Community Nurse (FCN)

We all know that exercise provides physical health benefits.

But what can it provide for your mind and spirit?



Exercise for your Mind:

- The importance of exercise for one's mental health is not adequately understood or appreciated and is often a neglected intervention in mental health care.
- Physical activity improves mental health by reducing anxiety, depression and negative mood while improving self-esteem and cognitive function.
- The positive side effects of these mental changes alleviate low-self esteem and social withdrawal.

SPRING RCIA SESSION

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



Do you want to learn more about your Catholic faith? Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Were you baptized Catholic, but didn't receive the Sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation and/or Confirmation? This spring, our parish is offering a "Fast Track" Seminar which is specifically geared toward individuals who have a basic understanding of the Catholic Faith and would like to explore the possibility of making a formal commitment to the Church. The first session will be Sunday, May 7 at 5:00 p.m. We will meet from 5:00-6:15 p.m. and continue from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., with 6:30 p.m. Mass in between the two sessions. We will meet over the course of six weeks and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for those that are ready over the summer. For more information or to register for these sessions, please contact Tracy in the parish office at 255-4600.



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SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (EASTER SUNDAY) Your Easter best is good enough

It used to be that on Easter everyone would put on their best clothes, new ones if they could afford them. It was a sign of new beginnings and a fresh start. No matter what had happened in people's lives, Easter remained a sign of hope. And so it remains, regardless of what you wear. Today we are an Easter people. Jesus has conquered sin and death. The rules are rewritten. What will you put on to be a new and better person?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; Victimae Paschali Laudes; John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10 (42, 41) or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35 (46). "He saw and believed."*

MONDAY, APRIL 17 MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER All depends on how you look at it

If you grew up with siblings, chances are you've had the experience of your side of the story being far different from the one your brother or sister told. That's because our perceptions are based on self-interest. The soldiers in Matthew's Resurrection story witnessed the same thing the women did, yet their account was a lot different because the empty tomb meant trouble for them. For the women, on the other hand, the empty tomb awakened hope, and the message of the angel filled them with joy. They had a whole different story to tell, one that we hear being told to this day.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 2:14, 22-33; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); Matthew 28:8-15 (261). "Suddenly, Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!'"*

TUESDAY, APRIL 18 TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER Look and you will see

When Mary Magdalene meets Jesus near the tomb, he asks her an important question: "Whom are you looking for?" Not Jesus himself, obviously, because she stood not long ago at the cross where he died. She imagines the man to whom she is speaking is the gardener—who else would be in a cemetery at dawn? Only those who are actually looking for Jesus will be sure to recognize him when they see him, whether in the face of a stranger or a friend. Jesus isn't hiding. He wants to be revealed!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 2:36-41; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); John 20:11-18 (262). "Jesus said to her; 'Woman, why are you weeping?'"*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19 WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER All fired up

What makes your heart come alive with the true fire of passion? Is it when you hear a story about a noble and courageous act? Or read an article about injustice that makes you burn with indignation? Does the sight of human suffering on a street corner arouse your compassion to the brim? Does the innocence in a child's face melt your heart with love? Our hearts were made for the richness of such passion, and our lives are given to us to experience life to the fullest. Avoid activities that deaden and suppress your passion. Follow the fire!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 3:1-10; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); Luke 24:13-35 (263). "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking?"*

THURSDAY, APRIL 20 THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER Keep it real

"Flesh and blood" we say, referring to the people we love to whom we're related. "Body and soul" we say to describe the depth of our love, our commitment, our joy. This is the way God reaches out to us, as beloved children: flesh and blood, body and soul—healing a lame man who dances with delight, sending a risen Christ we can see and touch. The love God gives us—and asks in return—isn't the ethereal love of "dreams," wrote Dorothy Day, cofounder of the Catholic Worker movement, but a hands-on and sometimes "dreadful love" that clothes the naked and feeds the starving. The works of mercy show that real love is real concrete. Let's be real.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 3:11-26; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); Luke 24:35-48 (264). "A ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."*

FRIDAY, APRIL 21 FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER Get over it

Despite knowing that he had hurt Jesus deeply and forsaken him in his hour of need, Peter does not cower in Jesus' presence. In fact, he is thrilled to hear that the risen Jesus has come to break bread with the disciples. Peter's joy at the coming of the Lord is a signature Christian trait. Peter truly believes he is forgiven and that nothing can keep him from the love of God, so he is not afraid. Yet many of us have not reached that level of faith. We are ashamed of our failings and try to run from God's gaze. It's time to acknowledge your sins and move on. Don't keep Jesus waiting.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 4:1-12; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); John 21:1-14 (265). "Jesus said to them, 'Come, have breakfast.'"*

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER See the light

The expression "seeing is believing" may come from the most famous doubter of all, the Apostle Thomas, who insisted on touching the wounds of the risen Jesus before he would accept the fact of Christ's Resurrection. Thomas, though, wasn't alone. Others among the first disciples wouldn't at first give credence to the incredible news. Throughout his earthly ministry Christ's main request was to believe in him and his message, and after he was raised that did not—and has not—changed. With an eye toward generations of Christians to come, Jesus told Thomas, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 4:13-21; Victimae Paschali Laudes (42); Mark 16:9-15 (266). "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."*



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

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