

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)
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Tracy Kraft, Parish Manager.....255-4600 (ext. 212)

PASTORAL MINISTERS

Cindy Anderst, Pastoral Care.....255-4600 (ext. 205)
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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



February 12, 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

Take the next step. It's hard not to be literal in this world. We're surrounded by lawsuits and conflict based on the tiniest details of contracts and agreements. It's a matter of self-preservation in both our business and private life to watch every little fact in every contract we sign to be sure we do what is expected: not one bit more, not one bit less. The problem is, God doesn't work that way. Oh yes, He has agreements with us, and expectations too. But He's not looking for letter-perfect obedience - He wants something more. If we look up to the Lord content with the fact that we've never committed murder, He will ask us, "How many hearts have you slain with your hatred, envy or prejudice?" You see, God is looking for us to do more than plod along obediently not doing things. He's waiting for us to actively take the next step and do something of true value. What will you do for Him this week?

Good for your heart. There is no better exercise for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up. (John Andrew Holmer)

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Feb. 13- †Tom Jahner (12:10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Feb. 14- Phyllis Lentz (12:10 p.m.)

†Ray Miller (5:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, Feb. 15- †Margaret & Sam Krivoruchka (7:00 a.m.)

†Jenny Kuntz (12:10 p.m.)

Thursday, Feb. 16- †George & Anastasia Lauinger (7:00 a.m.)

Cathy Syzmanski (12:10 p.m.)

Friday, Feb. 17- †John & Julianna Boechler (7:00 a.m.)

†Beulah Hoffert (12:10 p.m.)

Saturday, Feb. 18- †Bertha Lisko (4:00 p.m.)

Sunday, Feb. 19- †Rider Cupido (8:30 a.m.)

†Larry Schulz (10:45 a.m.)

†Mary Brendel (1:00 p.m.)

Thank you to the 39 wonderful and dedicated volunteers who delivered **Meals on Wheels** in Bismarck. You served 507 meals this year, despite a lot of snow and sometimes challenging road conditions. There were meal recipients who marveled at and were so grateful for your dedication. In Mark (3:35), Jesus says the **"Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me."** You are truly the brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers in this ministry, as you do the will of God. Your work is faith in action. The Church of Corpus Christi thanks you for your continued support of this very important community ministry.



CONTRIBUTIONS (GENERAL FUND) - (2,247 households)	
Adult Envelopes (367)	\$20,783.44
Youth Envelopes	\$ 239.11
TOTAL RECEIVED (February 5)	\$21,022.55
1st Sunday	\$21,022.55
Electronic Contributions (141)	\$13,189.81
2nd Sunday	\$ 0
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.

Praise & Worship - Go After God with All Your Heart. Corpus Christi Youth Ministry is sponsoring another "Praise & Worship Night" on **Thursday, February 16.** Join us from 7:00-8:00 p.m. as we sing contemporary Christian praise songs, pray together, and participate in Eucharistic Adoration. This night is open to all interested parishioners. Bring your whole family! Contact the parish office with questions or to share your talents.

Corpus Christi Newcomers' Breakfast
Sunday, February 12th
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS
FOR FEBRUARY:
CEREAL & PEANUT BUTTER

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

Our Prayer Blanket Ministry was started in November 2004 and 916 people have received a blessed prayer blanket. The prayer blankets are a symbol of our parishes' faith sharing, "Covering of Prayer" as we pray for those in need of healing, wholeness, comfort and celebration. Thank You to those who have made these blankets, donated yarn and delivered the blessed blankets. If you would like to donate a prayer blanket the measurements of 26" in width and 45" in length are recommended. Donations of 3(7oz) skeins, or 6(3oz) skeins of yarn are welcome.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD GUIDES

We are in need of classroom guides for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes. This style of religious education, based on the principles of Maria Montessori, is a hands-on-method of learning.

We have found this form of learning to be very effective and this program has been a blessing to our parish. We started this program in 2010 with our preschool children, and now this fall the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd includes all children ages 3 through 5th grade. With our growing numbers, we are in great need for more trained guides. There will be a training held at Corpus Christi in June. Please take a moment and prayerfully consider helping with this amazing program. Contact Mariah Conner at 255-4600 for more information. We need your help to keep this program alive and growing!!



What's Going on Here This Week

- Tues. 2/14 Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Community Room
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-3:15 p.m., Chapel
K.C. Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Community Room
- Wed. 2/15 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(2), 7:00 p.m., Community Room
Middle School Youth Ministry, 7:00 p.m., Jaycee Park
Confirmation(4), 7:30 p.m., Conference Room
- Thurs. 2/16 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 & Adoration, 7:00 p.m., Church
- Sun. 2/19 K.C. Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Parish Hall
Spanish Mass, 1:00 p.m., Church Proper
Praise and Worship Choir, 5:15 p.m.
SNAC, 7:30 p.m.

Vocation Views: You have heard God's commandments. Keep them and pass them on. Nurturing the faith is part of the Christian vocation. (Matthew 5:17-37)

Stewardship Thoughts: Stewardship is not job-oriented or project-minded. It is a way of life for a lifetime.

Bismarck-Mandan Catholic Young Adults Group

Part 4 of the Living the Beatitudes Series will be Saturday, February 18. Join CYA as we host Father Paul Becker to discuss the 4th Beatitude, "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied." The event is hosted by Mike and Brianna Weisbeck at their home, 216 Tower Ave, with fellowship beginning at 6:30 p.m. The group serves young adults 21 and up from all parishes and faith traditions who desire to live a good and holy Christian/Catholic life. Please spread the word about this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and growth. If there are any questions or you'd like updates on future events, please visit our Facebook Page: Catholic Young Adults, or contact Bri Weisbeck at 701-426-0456.

COME HEAR THE ORGAN!

Dr. Beverly Everett, Director of the Bismarck-Mandan Symphony as well as organist, will join us for the 8:30 a.m. mass **Sunday, February 26.**



She will play several special selections.

SPANISH MASS

Please join us to celebrate the Sacred Mass in Spanish.

**Sunday, February 19
1:00 p.m.**



K.C. Breakfast at Corpus Christi

Sunday, February 19
(9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)

Serving pancakes, sausage and eggs.

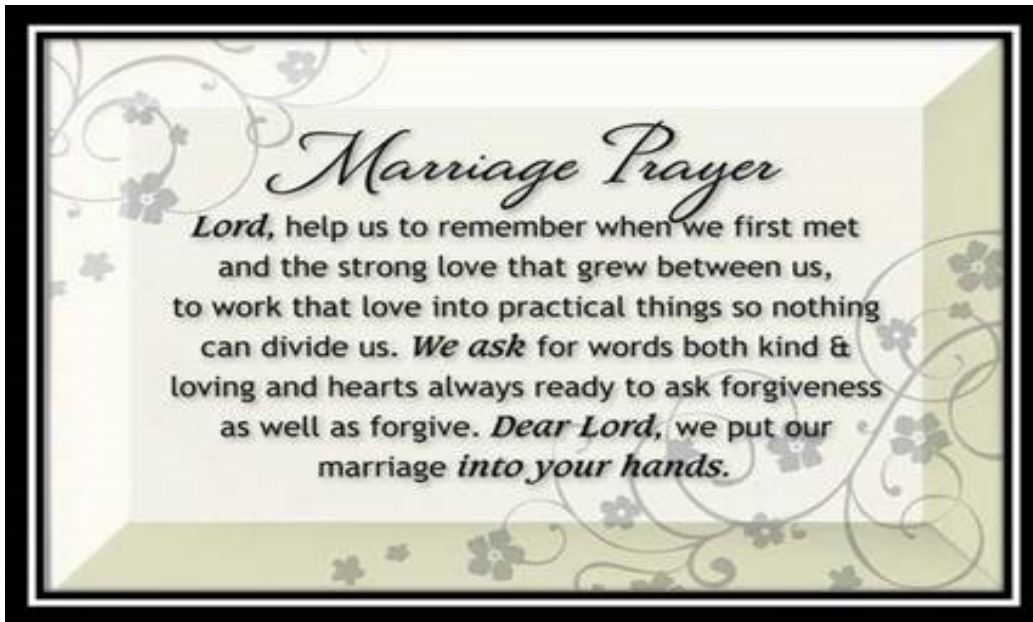


The Holy Father Speaks... God created man in His image, made him Lord of the earth, and gave him a woman at his side to love. Focusing on the verses of Psalm 8: "Lord, what is man that you are mindful of him? Yet you have made him little less than a God, crowned him with glory and honor." First of all, He gave us his 'DNA' that is, He made us children, created us in His image, in His image and likeness, like Him. And when one makes a child, he cannot take it back: the son is made, he exists. And whether or not he resembles the father, he is a son; he has received his identity. If the child is good, his father is proud of that son, right? Look at how good he is! And even if he is a little ugly, the father in any case says: 'Isn't he beautiful!', because a father is always like this. Always. And if the son is bad, the father justifies him, waiting for him... Jesus taught us how a father waits for his children. He gave us the identity of a child: to 'man and woman', we must add the identity of 'child'. We are like gods, because we are children of God. God's second gift in Creation, is a 'task': God gave us all the earth to dominate and subdue as the account in Genesis narrates. God therefore has given humanity a certain royalty because God does not want a 'slave' but 'a lord, a king', entrusted with a task. As God worked in Creation, He has given us work, the work of advancing Creation. Not to destroy it; but to make it grow, to care for it, to keep it and make it carry on. He gave everything. It's funny, I sometimes think, 'He did not give us money! We have everything. Who gave us money? I don't know. Grandmothers have this saying that 'the devil enters through the pocket'. This may be... God gave humanity all of Creation to preserve it and care for it: this is the gift. And finally, 'God created mankind in His image, male and female, He created them.'

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: Feb 18-19	February 18, 2017		February 19, 2017		February 19, 2017		February 19, 2017	
	4:00 PM		8:30 AM		10:45 AM		6:30 PM	
Hospitality	1	Dorothy Hoffman	1	Helen Dauenhauer	1	Leilani Bienek	1	
	2	Lorraine Hoffman	2	Jan Jordan	2	Paul Bienek	2	
	3		3	Patty Kuntz	3	Mary Klooster	3	
	4		4		4		4	
	5		5		5		5	
	6		6		6		6	
Ushers	1	William Kopp*	1	Tim Kuntz*	1	Daryl Wanner	1	Doug Sautner*
	2	Judith Kopp	2	Linda Feist	2	Nancy Willis	2	
	3	Larry Thelen	3	Charles Jazzkowiak	3	Kevin Willis	3	
	4		4	Catherine Williams	4	Don Hruby	4	
	5		5	Francis Williams	5		5	
	6		6		6			
	7		7		7			
Lectors	1	Sandy Wald Clooten	1	Irene Goetz	1	Brian Lardy	1	Bart Brackin
	2	Joellen Roller	2		2	Nikki Ferderer	2	Courtney Brackin
Servers	1	Irie Townsend	1	Brandon Grossman	1	Nathan Kraft	1	Mikayla Brackin
	2		2	Jackson Uhler	2		2	Zachary Brackin
Eucharistic Min	BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST	
	R-1	Helen Berger	R-1	Dick Smith	R-1	Yvonne Richter	R-1	Jackie Buckley
	2	Marion Hoffman	2	Teddie Herner	2	Anthony Silvernagel Jr.	2	
	3	Phyllis Lentz	3	Kermit Herner	3	Sherry Wangler	3	
	4	Erv Barta	4	Mike Uhler	4	Steven Wangler	4	
	5	Jane Wolf	5	Donna Schauer	5	Marsha Wanner	5	
	6	Joseph Wolf	6	Laura Schmidt-Dockter	6	Phyllis Lentz	6	
	7	Kathy Sailer	7	John Schaffner	7	Bill Marion	7	Father Raphael
	8		8	Julie Schaffner	8	Taylor Gall	8	
	9	Father Paul	9	Father Raphael	9	Father Paul		
	10		10		10	Morgan Wanner		
	11				11			
	12				12			
	LG		LG		LG		LG	
	BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST		BLOOD OF CHRIST	
	1	Curtis Carik	1	Don Jorgensen	1	Clarence Fischer	1	Clara Butland
	2	Gisele Thorson	2	Bobbi Mitzel	2	Brenda Weisz	2	
	3	Les Witkowski	3	Dominic Volesky	3	Christopher Knudson	3	
	4	Suzanne Witowski	4	Gerald VandeWalle	4	Cindy Wetzel	4	
	5		5	Brenda Bergan	5	Rita Klemin	5	
	6		6	Colleen Fylling	6	Larry Klemin	6	
	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon
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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.



WE CELEBRATE

NATIONAL
MARRIAGE WEEK

February 7-14

WORLD MARRIAGE
DAY

February 12

Marriage Moments: Valentine's Day. Jesus continually urges us to go beyond the letter of the law. He interprets "You shall not kill" (Mt. 5) as "Don't be angry." "You shall not commit adultery" might be interpreted as "Show your spouse that they come first and you love him/her wholeheartedly." Go the extra mile for your beloved today. Find a way to stretch your love.

Parenting Pointer: Black History Month. The past few years have been tumultuous for race relations. Few people think of themselves as racist, but do you or your children have friends of a different race? It may feel awkward but find a way to meet someone who looks different than you this week. Perhaps go to a church, store, or neighborhood where people who look different from you gather.....*Susan Vogt at www.Susanvogt.net.*

Lotus (Looking Onward To Understanding and Serenity) is a group for men, women and young adults who have experienced a death. All groups meet at the Serenity Center for Loss and Healing at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. On **Tuesday, February 14**, the topic will be "**Built-in Repair Mechanisms: Crying, Sleeping, Dreaming, Laughing, and Talking**". The times are 10:00 a.m. for men, 1:00 p.m. for women and 7:00 p.m. for both men and women.



FLU SEASON. With the recent announcement by the local hospitals regarding this being the flu season, we pray a prayer of blessing for all in our community. We encourage you to remain healthy at this time by taking the following precautions:

- Stay home if you are feeling ill.
- Use the hand sanitizer that is available at all church entrances.
- During the Sign of Peace do what you feel comfortable with.
- If you have cold symptoms, refrain from drinking from the Cup.
- The parish staff will not be able to do daily visits to parishioners in the



COPING WITH LIFE ALONE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

What if the worst thing you think could happen, does, and you are widowed, separated or divorced? What if life changed in the blink of an eye? How do you cope? How do you deal with the grief, loss, and pain? What do you politely tell those well-meaning people in your life who want to help you cope and start over? It's not easy. It's never easy. It hurts, but you don't have to hurt alone. Beginning Experience can help. **Coping with Life Alone** is a 10-week program that can help you through this emotionally trying time and it will be starting in an area near you during the week of February 12. For more information call Ida Scherr 701-336-7106. In the Bismarck area call Marjean Schwehr at 701-391-5411, or Brenda Blasius at 701-989-5734, or email beofwnd@yahoo.com.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Celebrate marriage

Marriage isn't for everyone, and current trends may point to a declining appeal. But for those who have said, "I do," the rest of us say, "Thank you." Your bold act of casting lots together for better or worse until death offers all of us insight into the joyful and sorrowful mysteries of divine love and the nature and power of God, who is love. Whether or not you're married, do what you can to support the marriages in your midst—today, World Marriage Day, and every day.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37 (76)*. "Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13 In the world but not of it

Everyone experiences difficulties at some point in their lives. No matter how fortunate a person may be, going a lifetime without adversity is next to impossible. The early church went through trials of a different sort: hostility, persecution, and the general tension of living in a world that did not share its beliefs. These days there is still friction between a life of faith and an increasingly secular world. The response of some is to condemn that world rather than engage it. Contemporary Christians can learn from the first ones, who saw in trials the opportunity to grow in virtue and develop their faith.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13 (335)*. "He sighed from the depth of his spirit and said, 'Why does this generation seek a sign?'"

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 MEMORIAL OF CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS, BISHOP In their own words

There's a small detail in the gospel story of how Jesus fed 4,000 people with a few loaves and fish: "Some of them have come from a great distance." "Great distance" here was a code word for "outsider." Even outsiders, like Gentiles, were welcome at God's table. Eight centuries later the brothers Cyril and Methodius were called to be missionaries. They not only evangelized, at great distances, but also translated scripture and liturgy into the language of the people. These saints recognized that truly welcoming everyone to God's kingdom called for moving out of established boundaries. And that's a miracle we, too, can be part of.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21 (336)*. "Do you not remember, when I broke the five loaves for the five thousand?"

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 Knowing God is the moment of truth

As any teacher can attest, not everyone comprehends a lesson on the first teaching: Instructions need to be repeated. The same holds true for Christian enlightenment: Some people have a sudden moment of clarity when they know Jesus as their savior; others need continual signs before they realize that through Jesus their lives have been restored. No matter how a person reaches this moment of truth, conversion is the central message of Christianity. We must come to know God, feel the presence of the divine in our lives, and strive for holiness in which we give glory to God and are of service to others.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 8:22-26 (337)*. "Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16 Take a united stand against being divided

At a time in our country when we most need unity, we are divided. We face many difficult issues at one time—war and national security, healthcare, immigration, fiscal policies—each demanding serious attention. Yet our political debate has become toxic. We no longer seem willing to listen carefully, argue dispassionately, or disagree respectfully—much less reach for a compromise of any kind. The internet plays an important role here. In both bread and politics a little yeast goes a long way. Remember, then, to read widely and pay attention to your sources. Where are your "facts" coming from?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33 (338)*. "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17 MEMORIAL OF THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER Do you want to know a secret? Pray.

A good number of religious orders started out as a small group of people looking for a simpler life of prayer and fellowship. Originally a group of seven successful cloth merchants from Florence, the founders of the Servite order started to meet in 1233 to pray and do penance. In time they left their wealthy lifestyles to reside in a dilapidated structure outside the city. Because of their holiness, though, people started coming to them for prayers and spiritual advice. Eventually the community grew into an order that today serves around the world. Make time for an inner life of prayer—and then live out that prayer in the world.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34—9:1 (339)*. "What profit is there for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Be not afraid!

Children often ask why Mary, the mother of Jesus, stands on a snake in many of her images—they're afraid of snakes; why isn't she? Tradition has long interpreted the divine saying to Eve in Genesis as a prophecy that one day a woman would come to wage war on the serpent who tricked her weaker sister. This woman would have no fear of the snake because she would never experience the bondage of sin. This story explains the origin of the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. Offer the traditional prayer today:

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you.
TODAY'S READINGS: *Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13 (340)*. "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."



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

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