



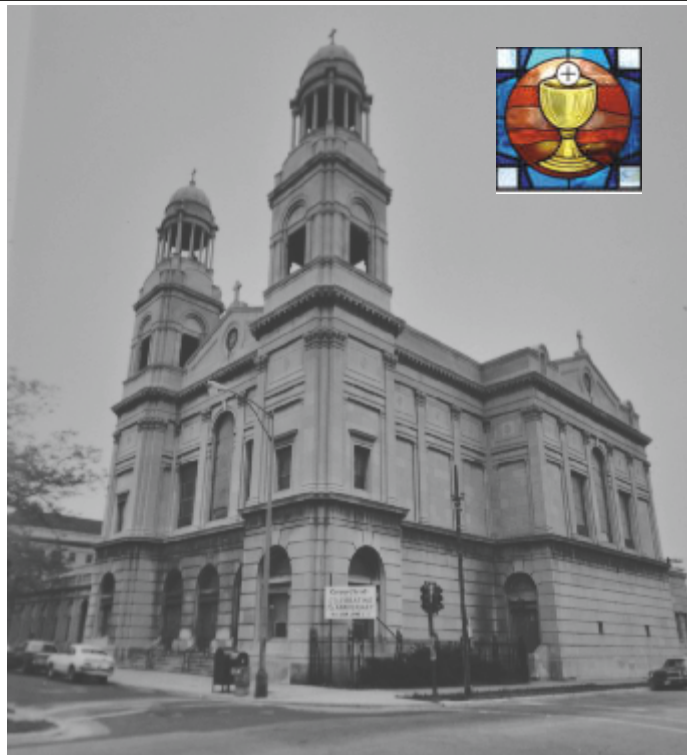
Corpus Christi Catholic Church



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The Priests of the Missionary Society of St. Paul

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Sunday Masses:

9:30 a.m.

Igbo Community Mass

Every last two Sundays of the month - 2:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Legal Holidays - 8:00 a.m.

Holydays of Obligation - 8 am & 6:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Fridays - 8:30a.m. – 6 pm

Confessions:

Saturdays 5:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m. or by appointment

Infant Baptism:

Please call the parish office to make arrangements with the pastor. Parents must ensure enough time to participate in preparation meetings prior to the Baptism.

Marriages/Weddings: Prior to making any arrangements, please call the parish and ask to speak with the pastor at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding.

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Parish/Rectory Phone: 773-285-7720

Fax: 773-285-2572

The **Parish Pastoral Council** meets on the 2nd Saturday of the month, September through June. It's Chairperson is **Lorrie Walls**

The **Parish Finance Committee** meets on the 4th Saturday of the month, September through June. Its Chairperson is **Nancy Banks**.

Parish Registration: To be considered an active member of the parish, every single adult and family must be duly registered with the parish office, and must be on our mailing list, and regularly using the parish weekly donation envelopes. Please, call the office if you are interested in joining our Parish Family.

Our Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Corpus Christi Catholic Church, believe that God, The Source of Life, has graced us through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who stands as a living example for us to follow in our daily lives. We believe that we are called by the Holy Spirit to build up the Body of Christ, to be united in a common bond as a people who proclaim the Good News of salvation and who share God's love by ministering to others.



Solemnity of Holy Family, December 30, 2018

Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Holy Family. A feast day established for the Universal Church in 1921 under Pope Benedict XV. It is a day to honor the family of Jesus, His mother Mary, and his foster father – Saint Joseph. It is also a day to meditate on the gift of family. Today the Holy Family is presented to us as a model for Christian families. We believe that the family unit is important for the formation of individuals who respect and strive to obey God’s will and for the spreading of the gospel message.

In the first reading, Hannah and Elkanah, the parents of the priest Samuel, are presented as example of faith and willingness to serve God by giving their child back to the Lord. The family of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are also presented in today’s Gospel reading as a faithful Jewish family. Although these two parents of the two families did not grasp the full significance of the role that their sons were destined to play in God’s plan, they obeyed God’s will even though they did not understand.

In today’s gospel story, the parents of Jesus discover that he was missing and they returned to the temple to look for him. We heard how Jesus showed Himself faithful to both His heavenly Father (staying back to teach and discuss about God with learned teachers), and obedient to his earthly father and mother by listening to them and returning home with them. In doing what He did in the Temple, Jesus was obeying God, but then we are told that He went home with His parents to Nazareth and was obedient to them when they found him in the temple.

Obedience is in fact an underlying theme for proper family life in this Gospel. The actions of Mary and Joseph in bringing their offerings to the temple, and what Jesus was doing in the temple when they found him, were all done in obedience to the law, with Jesus being obedient to both His heavenly Father and earthly parents.

In a God-fearing family, members live in obedience to God, and the children are taught and grow up to know that they are to be obedient to God and to their parents and to care for others in their community or society. This is done most effectively by a practical life of witnessing, a life of prayer and charity and love for others.

As our Christian families strive to be obedient to God, they may sometimes experience challenges; however, with persevering faith and obedience to God, the family members eventually grow closer together. By the grace of God, may our families become like the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – faithful to God to the end and in all situations.

- Fr. Tony Anike, MSP

PARISH DECEMBER/JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday	December 30, <i>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH</i>
8:40 am	Rosary
9:30am	Families of Corpus Christi
2:30pm	IGBO Community Mass
Monday	December 31, <i>New Year Eve</i>
Tuesday	January 1, 2019 <i>SOLEMNITY of MARY & NEW YEARS</i>
9:30am	
Friday	January 4, Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 8:30am to 6:00pm.
Saturday	January 5, Divine Commission
Sunday	January 6, <i>THE EPHIPHANY OF THE LORD</i>
8:40 am	Rosary
9:30 am	Families of Corpus Christi

** **Daily Mass 8:00 am Monday—Saturday**
 ** **Saturday Confessions (In Church) 5 - 7 pm**

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“A Prayer For “Renew My Church”

Lord Jesus, you speak to us today, as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us. In every age and in our own time, you call to us and say: Renew My Church.

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us to hear you clearly to listen to each other attentively to imagine our future boldly to discern your direction wisely to persevere in your holy will courageously to stay together in charity to surrender our own plans readily to embrace the greater good to hand on your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints. May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace. We ask this of you who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



ROSARY & LITANY SCHEDULE

The Rosary & Litany is at 8:40 am to 9:10 am each Sunday. A prayer guide will be available for the parishioners at the ushers table. Please join us.

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO IS HIRING

The Archdiocese offers employment opportunities across our organization. We provide a competitive salary and benefit package, including medical, dental, vision, paid vacation, sick days, personal days, holidays, 403(b) and more. For the listing of current openings, please visit archchicago.org/careers, or follow us on LinkedIn.

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Giving is an act of the heart. You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.

Church News

COLLECTION



Sunday, December 23, 2018
1,792.60
Monday, December 24, 2018
\$397.00
Tuesday, December 25, 2018
\$548.29

If you work on Sundays or for some other reason are unable to attend Corpus Christi on Sundays, know that we seriously would appreciate and need your tithes. If we all contribute our tithes, it would help us reach the \$3,000 goal per Sunday that we need.

We are grateful and thankful to the individuals and families of our parish who are making sacrifices to support the parish financially. God bless you all!



SICK AND SHUT-IN LIST

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| Curtis Albright | Mable Gray |
| Dorla Allen | Rochelle Gresham |
| Eva Awong | Adolphus Hall Sr. |
| Myra Baugh | Mildred Jackson |
| Barbara McGee-Berry | Georgia Leftridge |
| Lee Etta Clark | Carrie Miller |
| Byron Diggs | William McCullough |
| Ola Mae Forde | Joseph C. Preacely |
| | Rita White |

Take a moment to remember our sick & shut-in members by keeping them in your prayers. We ask that our members check on our elderly and sick & shut-in members, and those who are hospitalized or in nursing homes. As a courtesy, please call before visiting.

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Your 2019 offering envelopes are available to be picked up from the back of church. This year changes were made to the numbering of the envelopes boxes due to reduced number of members and those who actually use the envelopes for their offerings. Please note that your envelope box number may have changed. Please do not use your old envelopes from previous years from January 6, 2019. If you have questions or if you do not find your envelopes box, please contact the office (773) 285-7720.

"If you want to bring happiness to the whole world, go home and love your family."

"The family that prays together, stays together, and if they stay together they will love one another as God has loved each one of them. And works of love are always works of peace."

- Mother Teresa of Calcutta



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HELPS TO BUILD A STRONG FOUNDATION

If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic or if you or anyone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please contact Theresa Rhea at (773-671-3890). Classes for preparation for Reconciliation and First Communion for Catholic children at least 7 years old and Bible Study for all children are held on the third and fourth Saturdays of each month, 10:30 am until 12:00 pm.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the month of January 2019 will be on January 11, 2019 after morning Mass in our Parish Chapel from 8:30am to 6:00pm. Please find time to come and spend an hour with Jesus and pray for your needs. Sign-up sheets are located in the back of the Church



SOUP KITCHEN

Our Soup Kitchen is a place where we provide food and fellowship to those who are homeless or destitute. Our evangelizing staff of volunteers from Corpus Christi Catholic Church and Saint Dorothy's Catholic Church, served 190 meals for the 3 Wednesday in the month December 2018. Thanks to all who volunteer their services each Tuesday and Wednesday

Priest in Residence Leaving

Fr. Michael Ajayi who has been living with us here at Corpus Christi for some years will be leaving us on December 31 to continue his training in Kentucky. We enjoyed his stay with us and his support for Corpus Christi Church. May the good Lord go with him and bless him in all his professional endeavors. We hope he visits again sometime in the future.



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