



Mission Statement

We as members of the Body of Christ, through our thoughts, words and deeds, celebrate the presence of God in all people. As a community of believers, we answer Christ's call to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and love one another.

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

**Immaculate Conception
Holy Redeemer Church**

**Corpus Christi Parish
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West Pittston, PA 18643**

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**Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor
Mr. James Meizanis, Deacon
Mrs. Joyce Cecconi,
Pastoral Associate**

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday thru Friday

7:30AM Immaculate Conception
8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM Immaculate Conception
5:30PM Holy Redeemer

Sunday

7:30AM Immaculate Conception
9:00AM Holy Redeemer
10:30AM Immaculate Conception

Confession Saturday

3:00-3:30PM

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Collection

April 10, 2022

Sunday	\$14,032.73
E-Giving	3,613.93
Easter	1,187.00
Holy Thursday	
(Social Concerns)	212.00
Total	\$19,045.66

**Good Friday
(Holy Land)
\$142.00**

SUNDAY & DAILY MASS

**on our
WEBSITE**

corpuschristinepa.com

and

FACEBOOK

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Paschal Candles

The Paschal Candle (or Easter Candle) that leads us out of darkness into the celebration of the Easter Vigil is the main symbol for the Easter season. Throughout the year, the Easter Candle will be lit at baptisms and funerals.

The Paschal Candle for Immaculate Conception Church is donated in loving memory of the living and deceased members of the Olshemski and Crossin families.

The Paschal Candle for Holy Redeemer Church is donated in loving memory of the living and deceased members of the Morris and Gelgot families.

Easter Water

During the Easter Vigil, the new water is blessed and faithful renew their baptismal promises. Bottles of blessed Easter water will be available at all Easter Masses.

An Easter Thank you!

It is only through your generous monetary donations, as well as your continued donations of non perishable foods, Easter candy and toys for children, that members of our Social Concerns Committee were able to do so much for so many this Easter.

We gifted over 100 families with an abundance of food, including turkeys and hams and Easter baskets for their children. Thirty-six homebound parishioners and 50 residing in nursing homes received an Easter gift bag of chocolates (purchased through our Boy Scouts), blessed palm crosses (handmade by the children of Holy Rosary School) and homemade Easter cookies donated by a parishioner.

On Holy Saturday, our homebound parishioners received a blessed Easter basket filled with traditional Easter foods including ham, paska, poppy and nut roll, a chocolate cross and a small bottle of wine. Please know, once again, YOU made a holiday special for so many people.

A special thank you to the Confirmation class and teens of our parish who always answer the call to help when asked. These kids always come through to carry boxes and bags up and down

steps and in and out of buildings. Without their help, we are not so sure this would all get done! And thank you to the adult volunteers who recruit them for us!

Thank you to Blue Ribbon Dairy for always donating gallons of milk for our families and for treating our "Living Stations" crew with ice cream and sundaes. Thank you to the Forty Fort Lions for your generous donations of grocery store gift cards!

A special thank you to our music ministry including our adult choir, cantors, and our youth choir for the wonderful music which beautifully enhances our liturgies. Thank you to our art & environment volunteers who always make sure we are prepared and artfully decorated for the sacraments and holidays. Thank you to our teens, including the Boy Scouts & Confirmation class who are always there when called upon to help us out. Thank you to our heavenly hosts, ushers, and our liturgical ministers including EM's, lectors and altar servers for your dedication and service at all our liturgies. Of course, thank you to all our groups, committees and ministries because without your talents and commitment, our vibrant and welcoming parish would merely be a building.

Candles

April 17 thru 23 2022

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Beno Borzell** are donated by his mom, dad, Julianna, family & friends.



Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Teresa & Joseph Cravatta** is donated by their daughter, Phyllis.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory **Clem Parulis** is donated by his wife, Diane.

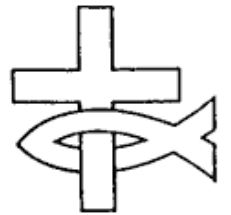
Altar Candles at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jimmy Gardner** are donated by his friends.

Sanctuary Candle at HR

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Margaret Hreha** is donated by her family.

**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**



April 18 thru 24, 2022

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| Mon | 7:30AM | Dave Dembowski
By Friends |
| | 8:30AM | Jimmy Gardner
By Friends |
| Tues | 7:30AM | Frank & Josephine Mirabelle
By Children |
| | 8:30AM | Davidica (Mattei) Ferretti
By Family |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Louis Elvera Cella
By Family |
| | 8:30AM | Louis M. Venetz
By M/M David Slezak |
| Thurs | 7:30AM | Beno Borzell
By Mom, Dad,
Julianna, Family &
Friends |
| | 8:30AM | Jeanette Rice
By Joan Hennigan |
| Fri | 7:30AM | Clara Terzi
By Mary Ann Stout |
| | 8:30AM | Thomas Tyrell
By Scalzo Family |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Ann Grace Manganello
By Millie Paulmassi |
| | 5:30PM | Genevieve Sidorowicz
By Grandson |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Harold & Frances Trethaway
By Family |
| | 9:00AM | Janice Poceschi
By Husband, Children
& Grandchildren |
| | 10:30AM | George Menn, Jr.
By A Friend |

**2022 West Pittston
Cherry Blossom Festival
Saturday, April 30th 11:00AM-5:00PM
Sunday, May 1st 12:00PM-5:00PM**

Teen and adult volunteers are needed to help work some of the stands at the festival. If you can help on either day for a couple of hours, please call Pat Messina at 570-479-5023. Thank you!!

**New Daily and Weekend Mass Schedule
for the
Linked Parishes of
Corpus Christi and St. Barbara
Beginning May 2, 2022**

Daily Masses

Monday	7:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
Tuesday	7:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
	8:30AM	Holy Redeemer Church of Corpus Christi Parish, Harding
Wednesday	7:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
	12:10PM	St. Anthony's Church of St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter
Thursday	7:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
	8:30AM	Holy Redeemer Church of Corpus Christi Parish, Harding
Friday	7:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
	12:10PM	St Anthony's Church of St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter

Weekend Masses

Saturday	4:00PM	Saint Anthony's Church of St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter
Saturday	5:30PM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston
Sunday	7:30AM	Saint Anthony's Church of St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter
Sunday	9:00AM	Holy Redeemer Church of Corpus Christi Parish, Harding
Sunday	10:30AM	Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston

[Closing Mass for Saint Cecilia Church](#)

Utilizing the Diocese of Scranton's Vision 2030: Creating Parish Communities Rooted in the Life of Jesus Christ process, the decision has been made to close Saint Cecilia Church, 1700 Wyoming Avenue in Exeter, a secondary church of Saint Barbara Parish, Exeter. The decree of relegation (closure) was published the weekend of April 9-10th in the Saint Barbara Parish bulletin and the website of the Diocese of Scranton. Saint Anthony Church, 28 Memorial Street, Exeter, will be the principal church of Saint Barbara Parish. You are invited to attend the closing Mass for Saint Cecilia Church which will be celebrated at 8:00AM on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

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“Make Your Own Sundae”

Sunday, April 24th
following 10:30AM Mass
in the church hall
All are welcome!!

ICE CREAM SCOOPS
& SUNDAE PATTERNS



Corpus Christi 11th Annual Car Show **Sunday, May 15, 2022** **Holy Redeemer Church Grounds**

There will be music, door prizes and food trucks all day. Spectators are admitted free. For more information or for volunteer opportunities, contact Mike Flynn 570-760-5704 or Deb Altavilla 570-574-4360. Admission for cars is \$10.00 (in advance) or \$15.00 (day of show).

Graduation Mass & Social **Sunday, May 22, 2022** **10:30AM Mass**

At this Mass, sponsored by Social Concerns, we will honor our 2022 high school graduates. Following the Mass, they and their families are invited to join us in the parish hall for brunch. Invitations will be sent to our high school graduates next week.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L for our parishioners in the parish of St Barbara on Thursday, April 28 at 5:00PM. There are two practices for the students, one on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00PM (for the students only) and one on Sunday, April 24 at 2:00PM (for the students and sponsors).

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Will be celebrated in our parish on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10:00AM. There are 2 practices for the children, one on Sunday, May 1 at 6:00PM and one on Friday, May 6 at 6:00PM.



2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass

His excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L, Bishop of Scranton and the Office for Parish life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at 2:30PM on Sunday, June 26 at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Registration deadline is May 29th. To register, visit www.dioceseofscranton.org or contact Jen Housel at 570-207-2213 x 1104 or jousel@dioceseofscranton.org.