

The Linked Parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara



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

July 24, 2022

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Church

**Holy Redeemer Church
St. Anthony Church**

**Msgr. John J. Sempa,
Pastor**

Corpus Christi Parish

605 Luzerne Avenue
West Pittston, PA 18643
Phone (570) 654-2753
Fax (570) 654-9244

St. Barbara Parish

224 Memorial Street
Exeter, PA 18643
Phone (570) 654-2103
Fax (570) 655-3313

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM St. Anthony

5:30PM Immaculate Conception

Sunday

7:30AM St. Anthony

9:00AM Holy Redeemer

10:30AM Immaculate Conception

Confession

Saturday

3:00PM to 3:30PM

St. Anthony Church

Daily Mass Schedule

Mon 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

Tues 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

12:10PM St. Anthony

Thurs 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

12:10PM St. Anthony

Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on

Corpus Christi Facebook

www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

Weekly Collection

July 17, 2022

St. Barbara

Sunday \$4,699.25

Corpus Christi

Sunday \$7,957.79

E-Giving 1,930.93

Total \$9,888.72

Corpus Christi Parish Second Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend at all Masses at Corpus Christi Parish, we will take up the diocesan collection for Peter's Pence. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Corpus Christi Baptism Ministry

Our Baptism Ministry consists of volunteers who assist at Baptisms by welcoming the families and guests and helping the celebrant during the Baptism. We are looking for additional help for this ministry. To learn more about volunteering with this ministry, please call **Marianne Matysczak at 570-693-1216**.

St. Anthony Church Railing

We thank the members of our parish community who donated to the altar railing in the church. At this time, we are looking at designs that best fit the altar. Once we decide on the best design, we will give you more information regarding its progress.

Religious Education Teacher Meeting

All Religious Ed teachers from Corpus Christi Parish and St. Barbara Parish are asked to attend a meeting on **Tuesday, July 26th at 6:00PM in Corpus Christi rectory**.

For Anyone with Knee, Back or Hip Issues

All three churches have designated seating which is marked and reserved for you. The ministers of communion are aware of these areas and will bring communion to you. If you prefer to sit in a different area in church, please tell an usher that you need communion brought to you and he/she will inform the minister of communion.

Heavenly Hosts

When coming to Mass on the weekend, you may have been welcomed by one of our friendly "greeters" or "heavenly hosts" as we call them. We are looking for more volunteers to take part in this ministry, especially at the Masses at St. Anthony Church. If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about this ministry, please contact **Rosemary Gitkos at 570-954-2121 or Rosella Fedor at 570-855-0088**. Thank you!

Corpus Christi & St. Barbara Community Event

Save the Date! The parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara will sponsor a covered dish under the pavilion at St. Anthony, rain or shine, on **Sunday, August 21st beginning at 12 Noon**. This event is open to all parishioners and their families. There is



no charge. Parishioners are asked to bring their favorite food. There will be wiffle ball and/or kick ball for the kids and Ice Creamers ice cream truck will be there. **A planning meeting will be held on Thursday, July 28th at 6:00PM in St. Anthony rectory**. All are welcome to attend!

Corpus Christi Parish

www.corpuschristinepa.com

Websites

St. Barbara Parish

www.stbarbaraexeter.com

Candles
July 24 thru 30, 2022



Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ann & Paul Hreha** are donated by their family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Patrick Cawley, Sr.** is donated by Mary Curley & Family.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Sam Denisco** is donated by his children.

Sanctuary Candle at SAC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **John Naples** is donated by his sister, Nadine Naples O'Healy.

Corpus Christi Parish "No Bazaar" Envelope

Thank you to all who have already returned your "No Bazaar" Collection envelope. This week we received **\$7,995.00** in our "No Bazaar" collection envelopes which brings our current total for this collection to **\$21,350.00**. If you did not receive a letter and wish to donate, just mail or drop in the collection basket your check or cash donation clearly marked "No Bazaar" Collection. As always, we appreciate your continued support and generosity to our parish.

Carrying Up the Gifts at Mass

If the Mass you are attending on the weekend is intended for a family member or a loved one and you would like to carry up the gifts, please see an usher before Mass to let him/her know. Thank you.

Gluten Free Hosts

If you have a gluten allergy, please know we do have gluten free hosts available at all Masses. At Immaculate Conception Church and Holy Redeemer Church, the EM distributing on the Tabernacle side of the church will have gluten free hosts. At Saint Anthony Church, the EM distributing communion on the side of the altar where Monsignor sits will have gluten free hosts. When you approach the Extraordinary Minister, just mention to him/her you need a gluten free host.

Corpus Christi Parish My E Offering

We would like to invite you to join My E Offering for online giving. You may register using your email address through this link: <https://members.myeoffering.com> Please consider the benefits below when deciding on online giving.

- You can set up a recurring transaction that will automatically deduct the selected amount from your bank account or credit card at the interval of your choice.
- Never miss an offering. Even if you can't make it to Mass, your online offering will
- Call Lori at the parish office 570-654-2753.

*** Please note that if you sign up for My E Offering we will stop your delivery of church envelopes.

Liturgy Intentions
For The Week



July 25 thru 31, 2022

- Mon 7:30AM **(ICC) Charles Wickiser**
 By Frank & Carolyn Swickel
- Tues 7:30AM **(ICC) Herman & Florence Kappers**
 By Joan Hennigan
- 8:30AM **(HRC) Roland Roberts**
 By A friend
- Wed 7:30AM **(ICC) Patrice Kittrick**
 By Patti, Rox, Teresa, Anita & Jackie
- 12:10PM **(SAC) Josephine Yozwiak**
 By Brenda Schriber
- Thurs 7:30AM **(ICC) Leonard Osiecki**
 By Pat, Rosalie & Pat Messina III
- 8:30AM **(HRC) Joseph Kozloski**
 By Brannon Family
- Fri 7:30AM **(ICC) Raymond Anthony Yunkunis**
 By M/M Dominic Fino
- 12:10PM **(SAC) Richard Trotta**
 By Wife & Children
- Sat 4:00PM **(SAC) Daniel J. Pace**
 By Norina & John Conden
- 5:30PM **(ICC) Providence Katarsky**
 By Husband, Norbert & Sons
- Sun 7:30AM **(SAC) Michael J. Chiampi**
 By Daughter, Josephine
- 9:00AM **(HRC) Andrew Timek**
 By Daughter, Lori
- 10:30AM **(ICC) God's Blessings for Patricia Rindgen on her 85th Birthday**
 By Family

- (HRC) Holy Redeemer Church**
(ICC) Immaculate Conception Church
(SAC) Saint Anthony Church

Rectory Office Hours

- St. Barbara Parish**
Monday thru Thursday 9:00AM-3:00PM
(office closed Fridays)
- Corpus Christi Parish**
Monday thru Thursday 9:00AM-4:00PM
(office closed Fridays)

BACK TO SCHOOL

Together, the Social Concerns Committees of St. Barbara Parish and Corpus Christi Parish are conducting a “back-to-school” drive. All donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or at Corpus Christi Parish rectory. At St. Anthony Church entrances, there are boxes marked for your donations.

Through this program we hope to help equip local students with the tools they need to be successful in school. The best part? Everything is free!! If you have school-age children, you know how expensive it is to get them ready for school. Not considering clothes and shoes, it is costly to get the supplies every child needs. For low income families, this is just about impossible. We put together a list of back to school items needed by every child, depending on his or her grade. Whether you choose from the list below or donate any other items, they will be greatly appreciated!!

If you prefer, you can make a monetary donation to either parish’s Social Concerns Committee for the back-to-school drive and a member will do the shopping for you. All donations will benefit children in our parishes and children residing in the surrounding communities. Thank you for your continued support!!

- Totes and drawstring bags (for high school students)
- Backpacks (for elementary students)
- #2 pencils/pens (blue, black, red)
- Colored pencils (8-10 colors)
- Markers (wide 8-10), crayons (24 box)
- Pencil pouches (for 3 ring binder), pencil boxes
- Pencil sharpeners
- Calculators (simple or scientific)
- Scissors (elementary/Friskars)
- Paper (wide ruled & college ruled)
- Notebooks (spiral & composition, 1 or more subject)
- Folders (plastic or paper, with or without pockets)
- Stapler/staples
- Ear buds (cheap)
- Flash Drive
- Binders (3-ring 2’')
- Rulers, protractors
- Hand sanitizer, tissues (small packs)
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► To Request Back-to-School Help

If you or someone you know of needs help getting their children ready to go back to school, please have them call Corpus Christi rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail Joyce at icecconi50@gmail.com.

► Personal Hygiene Donations

Establishing proper hygiene is key to a sense of self and better health. If you can help, we are asking for donations of personal hygiene products for children and teens. Some suggested items could include: toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, soap, etc.

► Non-Perishable Foods & Snack Donations

Along with the back-to-school and personal hygiene products, we will be gifting families with a gift certificate to Gerrity’s, bags of non-perishable foods including fun lunch size snacks of cookies, crackers, puddings, etc., the items all kids like to pack for school.

Our food shelves are rather bare so we are beginning to stock them for the winter. We will gladly accept donations of **ALL** non-perishable foods including peanut butter, jelly, all pastas, sauces, rice, canned meats or tuna and all breakfast foods including cold cereals, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, and breakfast bars.

On behalf of the Social Concerns Committees of both parishes, thank you to everyone for your continued and generous support of our ministry.