

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.

May 31, 2020 Pentecost Sunday

Immaculate Conception and Holy Redeemer Church

Corpus Christi Parish 605 Luzerne Avenue West Pittston, PA 18643

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Msgr. John J. Sempa Pastor

Mr. James Meizanis
Deacon

Mrs. Joyce Cecconi,
Pastoral Associate

Weekly Collection
May 24, 2020
Weekly \$6,686.00
E Giving \$1,582.94
Total \$8,268.94

To sign up for E Giving.......

Just go to our parish website
www.corpuschristinepa.com,

click on the green computer mouse icon. That will take you to the my E offering page for our parish. Simply sign up and begin giving online today! If you need help signing up, contact Lori at 570-654-2753 or lkasisky1@epix.net.

SUNDAY & DAILY MASS on our WEBSITE

corpuschristinepa.com

and FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

Our churches will not open this week. We will notify you when we will open.

Corpus Christi Coffee Shop Discussions

In an effort to stay connected to each other and to our faith, Deacon Jim is holding a virtual discussion group. We will meet using the popular and easy to use Zoom application. The application can be used on smartphones or laptops with a camera and a microphone. We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM for approx. 45 minutes.



We will be sharing our experiences and reviewing the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The goal for this group is for hope and faith filled discussions during these trying times.

If you need help setting up the application, contact Deacon Jim at

Virtual Graduation Mass

Every year in May we do a Graduation Mass & Brunch honoring the high school graduates from our parish. As we all are aware, this year we cannot offer a brunch for the graduates and their families. Msgr Sempa and Deacon Jim Meizanis will celebrate a "Virtual Graduation Mass" honoring high school seniors from our parish who will be graduating from area high schools this June. A letter was mailed to the seniors asking for a video or their senior picture. If you are a 2020 high school graduate and did not get this letter or if you have any questions, please call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail Joyce at icecconi50@gmail.com.

Prayer during a Pandemic

Loving God, Holy One,

Your desire is for our wholeness and well-being. We hold in tenderness and prayer the collective suffering of our world at this time.

We grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened.

We ache for ourselves and our neighbors, standing before an uncertain future.

We pray: may love, not fear, go viral.

Inspire our leaders to discern and choose wisely,

aligned with the common good.

Help us to practice social distancing and reveal to us new and creative ways to come together in spirit and in solidarity.

Call us to profound trust in your faithful presence.

You, the God who does not abandon,

You, the Holy One, Breathing within us, Breathing among us, Breathing around us

In our beautiful yet wounded world.

-Sisters of IHM, Scranton, PA

An Act of Kindness

Recently, two area businessmen, Dave Fusco of Mechanical Service Company, 1145 Oak St., Pittston and Leo Sperrazza of Allstate Insurance, 21 Broad St., Pittston, demonstrated an "act of kindness" toward our parish community. Dave and Leo contacted us regarding sending dinners to our homebound parishioners. Well last week they did just that. They had Fox Hill Country Club prepare a delicious dinner, consisting of an entrée of the recipients choice including a soup or salad and deliver it to our 40 homebound parishioners. On behalf of our entire parish community, thank you Dave and Leo for your generosity during this stressful time.

Parish Car Show

Our annual Car Show which was scheduled for Sunday May 31, 2020 has been re-scheduled to Sunday, August 16, 2020, in the event our state is open by then. The sponsors and vendors have been notified.

Updating Parish Census

Just to let you know sometime in the next couple of months, you will receive a phone call from us asking you to verify the information we have. In some cases, we do not have e-mails, updated phone numbers, marriage status, birth dates, and names of children, etc. Thank you for your cooperation!

My E Offering

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How You Can Help us Earn Money Every Time you Shop at Redner's

Just stop at Redner's Customer Service and ask for a Save-A-Tape card. Then whenever you shop use your card, save your receipts, give them to us and we will receive 1% of the total amount of your submitted tapes, excluding government controlled items such as milk & tobacco products.

ShurSave Community Rewards Program

Just give your phone number every time to shop at any ShurSave store. This program allows us the opportunity toi ear \$.03 for every purchase of their family of store brand products. You need to be registered under Corpus Christi in order for us to receive a rebate.

Free "Drive Thru" Ziti Dinner

St. Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church, 205 N. Main St., Pittston is having a free "drive thru" ziti dinner on **Thursday, June 4th**. 1st come-first served starting at 4:00PM until all dinners are given out. There is a limit of 4 dinners per vehicle. Please wear appropriate face masks and keep social distancing in mind. Please stay in your car. Volunteers will bring dinners to your vehicle.

Candles May 31 thru June 6, 2020

Altar Candles

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jack Hoover** are donated by Cindy, Maria, Dawn, Deneen, Michele, & Eileen.

Holy Family Candle

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Joan Ciliberto** is donated by Pat Kearns.

Sanctuary Candle

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Richard J. Cavalier** is donated by the Speicher Family.

On a daily basis, Monsignor Sempa will celebrate Masses privately for the good of the following Intentions of the day.

> Mass Intentions June 1 thru 7, 2020

Monday **Peter Donnora**

By Wife, Jeanne **Robert Hamlin**

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By Tony & Jean Bartell

Tuesday Mary Anne Fino Anzalone

By Bill & Rochelle Falzone **Marie Williams**

By Kaye Family

Wednesday Edward & Sally Hennigan

By Family **Michael Pisony**

By Philip Stovz

Thursday Anthony Luczak

By Helen Pisano

Dominick Burlone

By Hennigan Family

Friday Faust Valenti

By Pat & Bill Bohn

William Nolan

By Sandra Cella

Saturday Jack & Carmella Salvaggio

By Children & Grandchildren

John Gosciewski

By Daughters, Paula, Susan, Karel, Myra & MaryAnn

Sunday Samuel Angelella

By Sons, Joseph & John

Samuel Marranca

By Tom & Josephine Medico

Edward Kaczmarek

By Charles Palmentere