#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 3, 2025

7:30 AM Marilyn Roche (Living)

12:30 PM Mark Matthew

7:30 PM Spanish Mass

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

7:30 AM Nicola Cafaro

**12:30 PM** Eileen Hendrickson

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

7:30 AM Jean Farquhar

9:00 AM Service

12:30 PM Antonio Dias

4:00 PM Service

6:30 PM Lucille DeStefano

7:30 PM Spanish

8:30 PM Portuguese

Thursday, March 6, 2025

7:30 AM Msgr. Donald Hanson

12:30 PM Frederick Wachter

Friday, March 7, 2025

7:30 AM Msgr. Frank Schneider

12:30 PM Joao & Maria Barbosa

Saturday, March 8, 2025

**5:00 PM** Peter Ribando (3rd anniversary)

Nicola Cafaro

Domenica Scarcella

Maria Santos

Sunday, March 9, 2025

7:00 AM Chuck Becker (Living)

Portuguese Intentions 8:30 AM

Patrick Murphy III (anniversary) 10:00 AM

People of the Parish 11:30 AM

5:00 PM **Spanish Intentions** 

7:00 PM Souls in Purgatory

2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

#### CMA Numbers for 2025

Goal = \$95,900

Pledges = \$9,600Payments = \$8,640

Donors = \$50Average = \$192

Thank you to all the families who already have made a sacrificial gift. Please consider a yearly offering.

#### PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 8, 2025

5:00 **PM** Fr. Tomaz

Sunday, March 9, 2025

7:00 AM Fr. Yesudas

8:30 AM Fr. Tomaz

10:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

11:30 AM Fr. Ngozi

Fr. Malcolm 5:00 PM

7:00 **PM** Fr. Ngozi

(Schedule is subject to change)

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sharing Time. Talent and Treasure

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God has called you to Stewardship to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Actual Collections = \$9,281 February 23<sup>rd</sup> Mail-In Donations = \$836

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Electronic Donations = \$606

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Total Collection = \$10,723

Maintenance = \$3.929

Attendance = 1,109

#### **Church \$\$\$ Scams**

For better or for worse, the reality is that we live in an ever-advancing world of technology; especially lately explosive developments with in "Artificial Intelligence" (A.I.). As your Pastor in the name of Jesus the Good Shepherd, my role is to protect you to the best of my ability; even guarding over your financial assets here at Corpus Christi. Please know that I will never ask you for money via a phone-call, a text, a voicemail, or email. These are all potential scams/frauds by a possible "robotic father malcolm", not me! The only time I would appeal to your monetary generosity is in person on the Altar, or in a parish/CMA letter. Thank you for your attention to these worldly matters, so that we might focus more deeply on our spiritual life.

Yours in Christ,

Father Malcolm (The priest, not a robot!!)



## **Mass/Service Schedule**

March 5, 2025

7:30 AM Mass
9:00 AM Service
12:30 PM Mass
4:00 PM Service
6:30 PM Mass
7:30 PM Mass (Spanish)
8:30 PM Mass (Portuguese)

Ash Wednesday always begins the 40 days of the sacred season of Lent, culminating with Holy Week and the celebration of the Resurrection on Easter. Lent is most profoundly a time for prayer, fasting, and alms-giving, as described in the Gospel according to Matthew read on Ash Wednesday.

As Jesus Himself journeyed alone in the desert for 40 days and nights, so we too spend some of this Lenten time with Christ alone in the sanctuary of our souls. He was tempted by Satan to sin, but never fell. We also are tempted and fallen at times; but Jesus is always present to lift us up with His Cross. Please encourage all in the community to receive this blessed sign of penance and conversion: the sign of the cross in ashes on your forehead or sprinkled on top of your head.

## **Lenten Regulations 2025**



Lent is more than a season; it's an invitation to step into the desert with Through Christ. fasting abstinence, the Church invites us to distractions strip away and rediscover our hunger for God. These practices, rooted in Scripture and tradition, are not only rules to follow, they are spiritual tools, gifts from the Church, to help us conform our hearts to the selfless love of Christ.

#### **Weekdays of Lent:**

There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

## **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:**

These are days of <u>Fast and Abstinence</u> from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

## Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent)

All who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

## **Easter Duty Obligation:**

After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.



**Sunday, Mar. 2, 2025** 9:30 AM Gr. 7, 8, IC-4 (church)

10:00 AM Class Mass

Tuesday, Mar. 4, 2025 Grade 1 Prayer Test during class time

**4:00 PM** 1A Mrs. Kopp/Mrs. Mahoney

1B Mrs. Garcia

**5:30 PM** 1C Ms. Henriques

Wednesday, Mar. 5, 2025 Ash Wednesday-Lent begins.

Students will receive their ashes during

class time.

Thursday, Mar. 6, 2025 Grade 1 Prayer Test during class time

**5:30 PM** 1C Ms. Marcela/Mrs. Mercado **5:30 PM** New junior lector training for

all candidates during class time.

**Sunday, Mar. 9, 2025** 9:30 AM Gr. 1, 2, IC-2 (Fitz. Hall)

10:00 AM Class Mass Girl Scout Sunday



Twenty Minutes with the Director Sunday, March 9, 2025 Gr. 1, 2, IC-2

Sunday, March 16, 2025 Gr. 3, 4 Sunday, March 23, 2025 Gr. 5, 6

|                               | Junior Lectors                       |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 10:00 AM Mass                 |                                      |
| Sunday, March 9, 2025         | Ashley Ferreira and Jasmine Ferreira |
| <b>Sunday, March 16, 2025</b> | Vivian Siracusa and Jane Siracusa    |
| <b>Sunday, March 23, 2025</b> | Nicole Henriques and Peter Guy       |



May God bless all our young people of Corpus Christi who are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation Saturday 5 April, with Bishop Robert J. Coyle as the celebrant. Thank you to the parents, sponsors and catechists for doing such a wonderful job of forming our young people in the way of faith, hope and love!

Lara Abreu Liana Harwell Valerie Acosta Gomez Santiago Heras **Matthew Alvarez** Justin Herrera **Aiden Alves Daniel Luning Owen Alves** Katelynn Medina Justin Medrano Aiden Astorga Ava Astorga Michael Melara **Kevin Barros** Lilybelle Moncayo Alfredo Benavides Ryan Montchal Sofia Cabrera **Delaney Moura Adrianne Cabutin** Alexa Neff

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Leidy Espino Mateo Silva

Lucas FernandesVivian SiracusaBridgette FischerVitoria SousaJaxon GandarelaCristina SurletiDante GarciaErika Turcios

Michael Gaylor Amaia Valderrama
Aaron Gonzales Sophia Vasquez
Gabriella Granados Gomez Anthony Xavier



Corpus Christi Parish

## Lenten Project



One of the most requested items from homeless shelters is new, unused socks.

During the six weeks of Lent, Parish Outreach will be sponsoring "Socks for the Homeless", where we will be donating new, unopened socks for men, women and children to The INN in Hempstead.

There will be a container in the Church lobby for your generous donations.

We will bring them forth at evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

## **Lenten Nail Meditation**



Once again this Lent, we will provide Lenten Nails for you to take and use as your personal Lenten meditation. These nails are intended to revive the ancient Christian practice of meditation, to help you think, ponder, reflect and consider and certainly pray about the meaning of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ for you. This Lent we hope you will take one and keep it with you in your pocket, pocketbook, car, anywhere you go.

These Lenten Nails will be available on Ash Wednesday and the first Sunday of Lent on a table in the back vestibule of the Church.



**DINNER-DANCE** Corpus Christi Council #2502 will hold its annual St Patrick Dinner-Dance on **Saturday, March 8**<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 11:00 pm at the Council Hall (186 Jericho Tpke, Mineola) Admission includes - full dinner (Corned Beef & Cabbage, Shepherd's Pie, beer, wine, soda, (Irish) coffee, tea, dessert). Cash bar available. Music for listening and dancing pleasure will be provided by the band *McSwitch* and a performance by students from the Donny Golden School of Irish Dance will add to the festive evening. Admission is \$ 70 per person. For reservations (<u>by March 3<sup>rd</sup></u>) contact Chairman Jim Corrigan at email <u>KofCJim2502@gmail.com</u> or via text/voicemail to (516) 282-6774.

FINANCES & FAITH You and your Family are invited to join us for a Fraternal Benefit Event at Corpus Christi Council #2502 of the Knights of Columbus (186 Jericho Tpke, Mineola) on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Come and learn more about how you can align your finances with your faith. Attendance is open to members & non-members alike. RSVP to Dan Garcia (email - Daniel.Garcia@kofc.org. Please RSVP by March 18<sup>th</sup>.

## LECTIO DIVINA

- Lectio
- Meditatio
- Oratio
- Contemplatio





Join Bishop Andrzej

For Scripture Reflection Series

on JOHN the BAPTIST

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 Wednesday, April 2, 2025

at 7:30 pm - ZOOM webinar.

**Study of Bible Texts** 

## JOHN the BAPTIST

The Friend of the Bridegroom

**Preparing the Way for New Life** 

Registration is required in order to receive the ZOOM link to each session. Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your name, parish, email and phone number. Send your email to:

westernvicariate@drvc.org
or call Suzanne at 516-744-6850.







## St. Francis Hospital Outreach Bus

## Free Health Screenings

Includes a brief cardiac history, blood pressure and a simple blood test for cholesterol and diabetes for adults 18 and older.

We also provide patient education and referrals.

No appointment is required.

Corpus Christi Church
155 Garfield Avenue
Mineola, NY 11501
March 19, 2025
10am-2pm
(Last Screening at 1:45pm)



The Corpus Christi Rosary Altar Society would like to welcome everyone back to our first meeting of the year, which will be held on Monday, March 10, 2025, in Fitzgerald Hall, at 6:30 pm. Please use the entrance nearest to the garages and, if you're running late, please use the door(s) to the left of the main Church entrance with the stair case. The upcoming topics of discussion will be an election and a fundraiser later in May. The ladies of the Corpus Christi Rosary Altar Society would like to extend an invitation to those women of the parish who have a special devotion to our Blessed Mother's Rosary, as well as to those women who would like to learn about the Rosary and how to incorporate the Rosary into their daily life.

New members are always welcome. Our meetings are always open to women of the parish. For further information call Carol at 516 456 8823 or Lisa at 516 770 8201.



**LA Fires** appear to be a thing of the past and yet the devastation continues. We are ever mindful of the crises created by these fires and as such **Court Immaculata** #444 has donated \$1,090.00 to this cause through the generosity of the Court as a whole, and individual members and friends. **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** nationally has donated \$30,000+ as relief with additional monies still to come. We stand in Unity and Charity. This is just one way we make a difference.

As we move forward toward Spring, we will host a **Basket Raffle** during the latter part of **March** and a **Night of Reflection** during the Lenten season in **April**. Do keep your eyes open for more information on these two events in subsequent issues of this bulletin and elsewhere. We seek to ease hardship, offer spiritual respite, and companionship in myriad ways. Come visit with us to understand more fully how you too can make a difference. Court Immaculata #444 will meet Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 12:45PM in FitzGerald Hall. You are most welcome to survey our meeting. Contact Gloria Sullivan, Regent, 516.580.2491, for more information. See you soon, Gloria



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"Working in Parish Social Ministry renews my faith when I witness the volunteers bringing God's love to the clients, who may have lost that love in themselves. We are letting them know that there is hope in the world and that God is there for them."

Kerri Ostrow, Director of PSM
 St. Patrick, Bay Shore

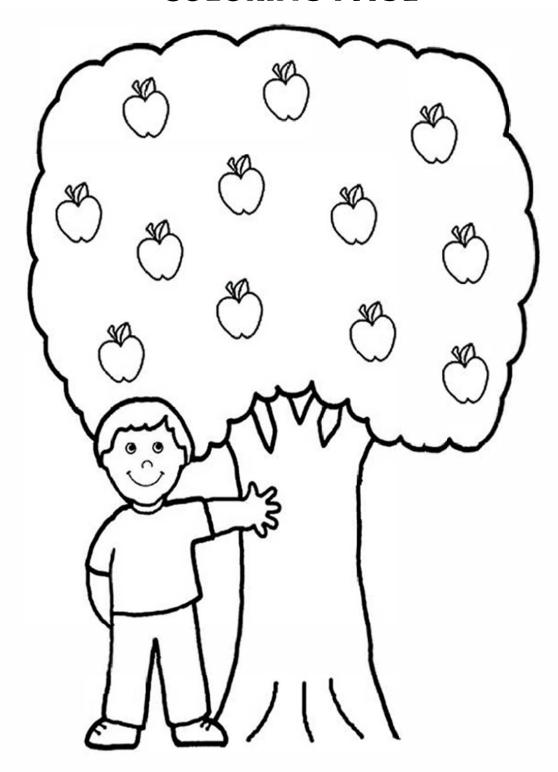


"Thank God for St. Patrick's...they give the homeless and people a place to go, a spiritual release, a safe place to talk to people, to have good conversation, and you don't have to worry about anyone bothering you."

- Client, St. Patrick Outreach

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|  | THANK YOU   |

## **COLORING PAGE**



The Tree and Its Fruit
Luke 6: 43-45



Please remember the sick in your daily prayers, including the following who have asked to be included in our list:

Connie Altvater, Aurora Antunes, Armandina Araujo, Violeta Bernal, Anne Boland, Diane Bombardi, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Jeanne Carroll, Jackson Carvalho, Michael Castalino, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Emmanuel Colon, Joann Cornacchioli, James Cunney, Jerry Daraio, Kate Donovan, Virginia Fallon, Laurie Fefta, Lilly Fuentes, Anne Gallagher, Kenneth Gallagher, Elba Garcia, Vanessa Gomes, Filomena Iavarone, Pat Kober, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Lorraine Liqury, Vincent Lodato, Thomas Lowe, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Susan O'Brien, Gabriel Palhete, Linda Pires, Charles Procaccini, Dennis Radovic, Mary Renker, Elizabeth Rose, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Ann Schwarz, Victoria Sheridan, Lisa Simeone, Lucy Elena Sivirichi, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.

## **Church Donation Envelopes**



Before giving your Church donation envelopes, please make sure that the amounts of your donations are written on the envelope. Please also avoid using tape to seal the

envelopes. The money counters, thank you very much.



#### **Banns I**

Alexandrina Lanceri, Holy Ghost, Rochester & Connor McDermott, St. Aidan

#### **Banns II**

Vanessa Mendes, Corpus Christi Church & Jason Rocha, Corpus Christi Church

## Altar Server Schedule

Sat., March 8 Sun., March 9 5:00 PM M.Palumbo 10:00 AM H.Kearns/R.Kearns 11:30 AM C.Mahoney/K.Cunha

## **2025 Tax Letter Request**



If you would like a tax letter please email us at: **Rectory@corpuschristi-mineola.net** 

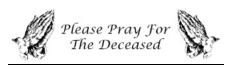
In your email please include your name, envelope number, address and phone number.

## KING KULLEN RECEIPTS

If you shop at the King Kullen in Garden City Park, please save your register receipts and place them in the white basket in the vestibule or in the collection basket or together with your donation in the stewardship envelope. 1% of your total purchase gets donated to the



Corpus Christi Religious Education Program.



**Ronald Annette** 

# Español VIII DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



#### **EVANGELIO DE SAN LUCAS 6, 39-45**

En aquel tiempo, Jesús propuso a sus discípulos este ejemplo: ¿"Puede acaso un ciego guiar otro ciego? ¿No caerán los dos en un hoyo? El discípulo no es superior a su maestro; pero cuando termine u aprendizaje, será como su metro. ¿Por qué ves la paja en el ojo de tu hermano y no la viga que lleva en el tuyo? ¿Cómo te atreves a decirle a tu hermano: Déjame quitarte la paja que llevas en el ojo, si no adviertes la viga que llevas en el tuyo? ¡Hipócrita! Saca primero la viga que llevas en tu ojo y entonces podrás ver, para sacar la paja del ojo de tu hermano. No hay árbol bueno que produzca frutos malos, ni árbol malo que produzca frutos buenos. Cada árbol se conoce por sus frutos. No se recogen higos de las zarzas, ni se cortan uvas de los espinos. El hombre bueno dice cosas buenas, porque el bien está en su corazón, y el hombre malo dice cosas malas, porque el mal está en su corazón, pues la boca habla de lo que está lleno el corazón".

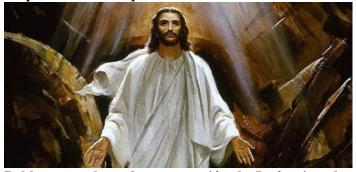


Tenemos que estar atentos para entender bien las palabras que se utilizan en un sentido figurado. El evangelio de Lucas no nos habla de la ceguera física. La ceguera de que habla el texto del evangelio es la falta de visión que todos sufrimos cuando ni entendemos ni sabemos: es lo que nos impide de comprender y ver con claridad el misterio que nos

revela una palabra o acontecimiento que nos desborda. Si todos pues somos ciegos pretendamos guiar a los demás con la visión deficiente que tenemos; el evangelio nos recuerda que ve menos el que tiene una viga en el ojo que el que apenas tiene una mota que distorsiona su visión. Antes de querer guiar, dirigir la conducta de otro, corregirle o quitarle la mota de su ojo para que vea, hay que eliminar todo aquello que no nos permite ver bien, la viga inmensa que entorpece nuestra visión. Eso supone evitar todo aquello que no impide ver la claridad de la luz divina, que no sólo nos ilumina sino que nos hace ver con la misma profundidad y transparencia que ve Dios. Él sí puede guiarnos y devolvernos la visión correcta de la realidad. Fiarnos de Él v confiar en su luz es aceptar la fe como la verdadera visión de las cosas. La fe es la luz divina que aumenta nuestro campo de visión.

## "Nunca alabes a nadie antes de que hable, porque ésa es la prueba del hombre".

En la primera lectura, El libro del Eclesiástico (Sirácide) nos ofrece una serie de sentencias de tipo sapiencial que quieren poner de manifestó la importancia de lo que decimos, de la palabra, como fruto de los que somos. La palabra en el ser humano es tan importante porque en ello e expresan nuestros pensamientos y deseos; el amor y el odio; la verdad y la mentira; la exhortación y la calumnia. Con la palabra se mata la fama y la honra de otros y con la palabra se resucita a los que han sido calumniados. La palabra dice lo que llevamos en el corazón.



Pablo, apoyado en la resurrectión de Jesús, tiene la seguridad de la fe de que la muerte no es lo último; es lo último que vemos si no existe la fe; pero si existe la fe y esperanza, entonces es lo penúltimo.

## Português Domingo viii do tempo comum



#### **EVANGELHO DE SÃO LUCAS 6, 39-45**

Naquele tempo, disse Jesus aos discípulos a seguinte parábola: "Poderá um cego guiar outro cego? Não cairão os dois nalguma cova? O discípulo não é superior ao mestre, mas todo o discípulo perfeito deverá ser como o seu mestre. Porque vês o argueiro que o teu irmão tem na vista e não reparas na trave que está na tuaª Como podes dizer a teu irmão: Irmão, deixa-me tirar o argueiro que tens na vista, se tu não vês a trave que está na tua? Hipócrita, tira primeiro a trave da tua vista e então verás bem para tirar o argueiro da vista do teu irmão. Não há árvore boa que dê mau fruto, nem árvore má que dê bom fruto. Cada árvore conhece-se pelo seu fruto: não se colhem figo dos espinheiros, nem se apanham uvas das sarcas. O homem bom, do bom tesouro do seu coração tira o bem; e o homem mau, da sua maldade tira o mal; pois a boca fala do que transborda do coração".



Neste evangelho os destinatários não são os fariseus, os que se opõem a Cristo, mas os próprios discípulos. Também para eles existe o perigo de se comportarem como guias de cegos. Lucas parece ter reunido aqui um conjunto de sentenças ou ditos de Jesus que, originalmente, tinham um contexto diverso e foram pronunciados em alturas diversas. Por detrás dessas sentenças de Jesus estará, provavelmente, a situação das comunidades cristãs às quais o terceiro Evangelho se destinava. Em meados dos anos oitenta do primeiro século, essas comunidades estavam a ser

inquietadas por falsos mestres cristãos. Lucas sentese no dever de as advertir para o perigo de se deixarem seduzir pelas falsas doutrinas que esses mestres ensinavam. Como distinguir entre os mestres quais os bons e quais os maus na comunidade cristã? Como identificar os que merecem confiança ou não? A última parte do Evangelho nos oferece o critério para julgar: "O homem bom tira coisas boas do bom tesouro do seu coração, e o homem mau tira coisas más do seu mau tesouro, porque a boca fala daquilo de que o coração está cheio".



A primeira leitura do Livro de Ben-Sirá, oferece-nos um conselho muito prático, mas também muito sábio: não julguemos as pessoas pela primeira impressão. Escutemos o que dizem, pois as palavras revelam, mais tarde ou mais cedo, a verdade ou a mentira que há em cada coração. É possível ao homem fingir, enganar, disfarçar, mas a palavra revela-o e põe a nu os seus sentimentos mais profundos.



A segunda leitura traz-nos a conclusão de uma catequese de Paulo sobre a ressurreição dos mortos. A ressurreição, a vida plena, é a meta final do caminho para aqueles que se deixam guiar por Jesus e que vivem de acordo com o seu Evangelho.

### INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 9 de MARÇO

+João Paulo Cunha + Manuel e Joaquina Freitas +Manuel Taipina de Jesus + Domingos e Teresa Cardoso + Domingos Lage Cardoso + Francisco José da Silva + Maria do Carmo e Manuel Afonso +Domingos e Rosalina Pereira e filhos + Amélia e Joaquim Amador + Julian Barreto Albuquerque +António Pires e pais.