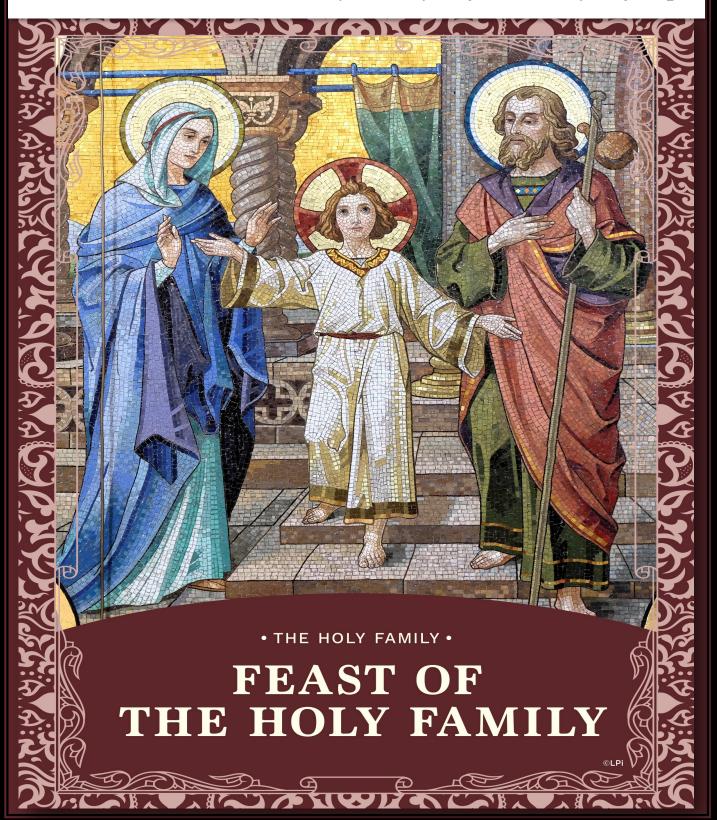
Corpus Christi Catholic Church

1415 W. Lies Road Carol Stream, IL 60188 630-483-4673 December 29, 2024 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 28 The Holy Innocents

非 Mark Herwaldt 9:00 a.m.

SI Deacon Bill Thomas, healing by Madeleine Dedic

라 Francisco Galan by Lynnda Hanrahan SI Elise Lupo, complete healing 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 29 The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph

뷰 Mark Herwaldt by Leonard family 8:00 a.m.

Greg Hajdich by Barbara Creath

Barbara Jatczak by Madeleine Dedic

10:00 a.m. # Rose Marie Lambert by Deacon Bill & Patty

SI Deacon Bill Thomas by Lorraine Standiford

11:30 a.m. SI Parishioners of Corpus Christi Mass in Polish

Monday, December 30 Octave of the Nativity

9:00 a.m. SI Julie Ravida, for healing by the Santosdiaz Family

SI Deacon Bill Thomas, for healing

Tuesday, December 31 St. Sylvester I, Pope

9:00 a.m. SI Deacon Phil Birthday Blessings

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God **Holy Day of Obligation**

5:00 p.m. SI Stephen Talbot, for safe travel

Wednesday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00 a.m. SI Pureeh Santosdiaz birthday blessing

11:30 a.m. 非 Marianna Jurzyk

Mass in Polish

Thursday, January 2 St. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

Agnes Baxter by Carolyn Matassa 9:00 a.m.

Friday, January 3 The Holy Name of Jesus

9:00 a.m. SI Jose H. Yulo by Olivia Laurel family

Saturday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Nicholas Gallo Sr. 9:00 a.m.

Agripina A. Juntura 1 year death anniversary by 5:00 p.m. Juntura family

Sunday, January 5 The Epiphany of the Lord

Rose Marie Lambert by Mary Warick 8:00 a.m.

Jose Manual Calderone 10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. SI Parishioners of Corpus Christi

Mass in Polish

The 2025 Mass book is available. Please call the office 630-483-4673 or email at corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net with your intention.

Please pray for all those on our prayer list..

Shannon & Jaxon A. Samantha Harvey Joe Ernest Alonto Louise Harrison Adnan Alonto Daniel Hartzell Javier-Maria Donna Hawko Joseph Annunzio Debbie Henke Melanie B. Fr. Bob Hoffenkamp Pat Baker Linda Hoffman Asuncion Baldwin Asha J. Janay Bell Pamela Jacobs **Brian Bennett** Patricia Johnson Gerri Tillman Bentel Geoffrey Johnson Jason Birns Shawn Jurgensen John Kinsella Nelly Bonugli Cathy Brill Maria Klisz Brittany Brinkman Ann Krueger **Bud Brown** Westin LaFever Theresa Bull Jackie Lower Camille Burns Patricia Lucchesi Dave Calderone Paul Lutz Jack Cieslak Keegan Manz Terry Cook **Enrique Martinez** Alan Demascus Maria Tessa Dante **Darnell Matesi** Karen Deering **Kevin McKinney** Tom Donnell Larry Miller Denise Ealy Josephine Miller Jean Mondrala Joe Fenton Stephanie Sliwa Mark Muzer Tim Myscofski Freiwald Elida Navarro **Betty Funer** Carol Gatti Michael Novak Mike Gebhardt John Numrich Chris Gries Bill Ohlhaber Thomas O'Neil Clarence Groves Rocella Hampton Dominic Pascucci Richard Hanrahan **Carol Pasker** Dr. Dan Haraf Sue Patterson

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In Loving Remembrance Lawrence Lederer, Buddy Yelk Thomas Gottfreid, Jolene Melles, Elena Rojas **Rose Marie Lambert, Michael Densford** May they Rest in Peace

The Parish Offices will be closed Tuesday Dec. 31 thru Thursday Jan. 2

Readings for the Week of December 29, 2024

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3,5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28 Friday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34 Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-

3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

The Pastor's Corner...

What Makes Marriage and Family Bloom

This Sunday, December 29, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. This feast always occurs on the Sunday between the Nativity of the Lord, December 25 and Mary, Mother of God, January 1. The Gospel chosen for this feast is not only revealing a certain dramatic event from Jesus' childhood but also presents strong family relations between Mary, Joseph, and Jesus and underlines the role and value of the family.

The Church, from the very beginning of her existence, indicates that the union of man and woman that establishes family life is a sacred reality at the very foundation of the social order. Bonded in love and in obedience to the Lord of life, the family reflects the holiness of the Holy Family, centered on Jesus. By the grace of union with Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, family life – with its challenges and its joys – becomes a path to holiness. Marriage and family life is a special vocation that God calls people to.

The story of Jesus lost in Jerusalem when he was 12 years old reminds us of stories from our own lives: stories of mothers and fathers who looked for their lost child during a trip, journey or shopping, or during natural disasters or war. We can easily understand the hearts of Mary and Joseph that were penetrated by suffering as they were looking for Jesus for three days. Mary expressed this pain in a delicate and clear way: "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." We can empathize this "great anxiety" of Mary and Joseph just as we can empathize the great anxiety of many mothers and fathers who lost their children in Gaza, in Ukraine, and in many other places of the world. Their tears are like unstoppable streams. We pray that these tears will dry out and that no other mothers and fathers will have to shed such tears.

Jesus and the entire Holy Family experienced a lot. Jesus was born in Bethlehem while on a forced journey during a census, and the Holy Family had to leave their native Nazareth. These are the same towns that were under occupation then and still are. Later, they had to escape to Egypt because Herod in a blind act of rage killed all small boys in Bethlehem hoping to eliminate

the Newborn King. After a few years of living there, the Holy Family returned to Nazareth.

We can ask why God the Father didn't provide the best of this world for his Only Begotten Son, like we try to provide the best for our children. Why did He allow Jesus to live in such material insecurity and experience such hardship and danger? Isn't He the Almighty and Caring God? It is true that maybe Jesus did not have many things as our children have or even children in biblical times, but He had one thing that is priceless and crucial, a thing that is allowing a child proper growth: the love of a parent. It is because of this love that "Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man," as we read in today's Gospel. Mary's and Joseph's love of Jesus was authentic and abundant because they showed the same love to each other. Their virginal, spousal love was nourished by Jesus' love for them. It was the love of their obedient son and the Son of God.

Looking only from a human perspective, all the hardships that the Holy Family faced did not weaken but cemented it, as may be the case in our family lives. They were going through problems and dangers, never doubting in God's providence and fully trusting God's leading. They recognized the amazing plan of God and followed it even though they did not know all the details. They meditated on the greatness of that plan and the mystery they were participating in.

Many of us can say that it was much easier for the Holy Family to live like this because God Himself was present in their home, in their family and He radiated His wisdom and grace to them. This is a fair argument. However, let's look at this from a different perspective. If it worked in the Holy Family, why wouldn't it work in our family? Why not invite God into our homes, marriages and families, too? May He live in our home as He lived with the Holy Family in Egypt and Nazareth. May he be present in our family life, in our decision making, our journeys and vacations, spending our time and money or raising our children. May He be with us in our sickness, in our sufferings, struggles, in our joys and family gatherings! Maybe we experience failures in our marriages and in our families exactly because He

The Pastor's Corner...continued

is *not invited* and not *welcomed*. Maybe we are willing to acknowledge that He is the Creator and Savior, and we worship Him occasionally or even frequently in church. But in reality, we think that God should stay only there, in the church building since after all, it is *His home*. As a result of such an attitude, *our home* is immune to His presence.

Today's feast of the Holy Family encourages us to invite Jesus into our home and into our life. May He influence our thoughts and actions and inspire us to an authentic love -- which is the most important thing that we really need for our marriage and family to grow and bloom. And may Mary and Joseph assist us in imitating their Holy Family.

Fr. Mark Jurzyk







We invite you to join us for our Christmas Concert, featuring our choir, our guitar group and our children!

\$25 - Adults and children 14 & older \$7 - Children ages 5 - 13 (children under 5 - free)

CHRISTMAS DINNER RESERVATIONS

Name(s) of Adult(s)_			
Email	Phone		
# of Adults	# of Children # seated with parents # seated separately wi	th other children	
Total \$	(checks made payable to Corpus Christi Church)	{Office use only: Paid \$	
Please seat me/us with	(if possible)(Please do NOT deposit reservation form in Sunday collection	hashet)	



OPENING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025



On Sunday, December 29, throughout the world Catholics will gather at their Cathedral Churches to celebrate the opening of the Jubilee Year 2025.

The Diocese of Joliet will celebrate the opening of this Jubilee Year at the 10:30 am Mass on December 29, at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. Everyone is invited to this very special Mass as a worldwide celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025 begins. This will be a very special time for the Church and plans have been made to celebrate this Jubilee Year throughout the Diocese. In the coming weeks, we will be sharing with you these important days, times and places where we will gather to continue our celebration of the Jubilee Year.





Calendar

12/19 - 1/4 - NO CLASSES - Christmas Break

1/5 Classes resume

1/12 Christmas Concert and dinner

1/19 9am – Mandatory First Communion Parent Meeting

1/20 7pm - First Reconciliation

Christmas Break

There will be no Religious Education classes from Thursday, December 19th – Saturday, January 4th. Please mark your calendars!

Mandatory Parent Meeting

The second Mandatory Parent Meeting for Parents of students who will celebrate their First Communion will be held:

January 19, 2025 at 9am in Marian Hall

IMPORTANT First Reconciliation Date Change

The date for First Reconciliation will now be **January 20, 2025 at 7pm**. Please make the change on your calendars.



Good Deeds

Maddie - helped with Thanksgiving dinner

Olly - fed the squirrels

Isabella W. - helped

Elena - helped



Confirmation

Sofia Lech Confirmation Coordinator



Christmas Break

There will be no Confirmation Classes from Monday, December 23rd – Sunday, January 5th. Classes will resume on Monday, January 6th.

Service Projects

Students are required to complete ten (10) hours of service each year.

Service Opportunities:

- Help with Christmas dinner January 12th
 4-7pm
- Attend Youth Ministry meetings on Sundays at 6pm
- Host Greet at Mass or read at the Family Mass January 26, 10 am

Contact <u>corpuschristiccym@gmail.com</u> to sign up or request further information.

Confirmation Date

We have been given a Confirmation date! Confirmation will be held:
Saturday, May 17, 2025
1pm

Our presider will be Bishop Francis
Kane. The practice will be held on

Monday, May 12th at 7pm

Please make a note of these important dates

Confirmation II Requirements

March 1st is coming quickly! Please be sure that your child is working on his/her requirements: Letter to Fr. Mark, Sponsor report, Sponsor verification form and Saint report.

LOVED ONES FOR WHOM CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Joseph and Gloria La Berg

John Talbot

Celestia Zerfahs

William J. Hepperle

Father William Welsh

Angela and Adam Domaracki

Anna and Frank Izban, Sr.

Frank and Gerrie Izban

Rick Ferdinard

Jacob and Virginia Glick

Deceased Members of the

Jennings Family

Bart Moccio

Jom Warick

Grace Stasi

Leroy and Violet O'Neil

Paul and Betty Deening

Rose Marie, Joe, and Tim Lambert

Lee and Jim Ginski

Elizabeth Marecek

Nancy Houdek

Carl and Cecilia Roth

Bob Osbourne

Paula Tatte





The St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you are in need of help, please call our confidential hotline number: 331-229-9069.

We welcome new members!



Christmastime Photos

As we continue to celebrate the 35th anniversary of our parish we invite you to send in photos of your special Christmas moments over the last 35 years, such as pictures of your family in front of the crèche or altar at Corpus Christi during Christmastime. Email or mail your pictures to Joanne in the Parish

corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!

Office at

St. Cecilia's Children's Choir & Family Mass January 26, 10 am

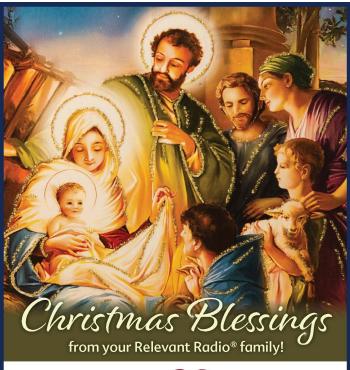


Your 2nd Grader and up is most welcome to join our St. Cecilia's Children's Choir. This choir sings at our 10 am Family Mass once a month during the school year and is showcased at our annual Christmas Concert on January 12, 2025.

Please contact our Music Director Agata Olszakowska

ccmusicnote@gmail.com or 630-483-4673 x 107 or check out our Music Ministry website page at https://corpuschristicarolstream.org/music-ministry/

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Download the FREE mobile app to listen anywhere, anytime and have prayer resources at your fingertips!

Our Lady is calling... for prayer, penance and sacrifice

Please join the Holy Souls Prayer Group (formerly Fatima Prayer Group) for the Rosary and reflections on the messages from Fatima on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 pm in the church.

If you have questions, or cannot make it in person but have Internet access, call Diane at 630-200-0745.

Corpus Christi Council of Catholic Women (CCW) Corner

ATTENTION: Mark your Calendars... Due to the Holiday our CCW
January Monthly meeting will be on Thursday, January 9th at 6:45

PM in Marian Hall. We will have a lot to cover since our last meeting was our October meeting.







Corpus Christi Council #10958 - Serving Corpus Christi and St. Luke parishes in Carol Stream



As a Parish we are doing an AWESOME job on the pop top collections! Keep up the great work. Also, many of the tops from canned goods are also aluminum. Thank you for your continued support in this ongoing community program!

Drink up and be merry this Holiday Season – save those pop tops & canned goods pull tops



Interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus?

As we move into the New Year, it's a GREAT time to join the Knights and help set your own volunteer goals for the coming Holiday and Winter seasons and involve the entire family.

Please contact a Knight you might know OR Grand Knight Brent Smith at brent360@gmail.com / 630-532-3760; Past Grand Knight, Mark Jatczak at kofcmark@gmail.com / 630-263-8377 or Membership Director Kevin Callahan at dd.kevin.callahan@gmail.com / 630-235-6456. You can also visit: www.kofc.org and research the Knights of Columbus further to learn about the various benefits of membership available that can help protect you and your family.

SCAN HERE TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY GIFT



QR Code

You may have noticed a QR code (quick response) on the back of the pews in the church. Now the code is available from our bulletin. Just use your camera phone to scan the QR code to make an offertory gift to Corpus Christi Parish. Thank you!



Our Lady of Fatima wishes to visit your Home

Thank you to all the Corpus Christi families who opened their homes and welcomed our Lady this year. We are very pleased to say that our Blessed Mother has been travelling every week from one home to another without any break since January 1, to December 30, 2024.

We are now open for hosting dates starting January 4 for the year 2025!

Families, especially those with young children, empty nesters, single parents, to spend a week with Mary in your home. Experience her peaceful and loving presence. This practice is a beautiful Christmas tradition. We will deliver her and provide a prayer packet to help you.

Please email the Parish Office at <u>corpuschristic@sbcglobal.net</u> or leave a message 630-483-1673 to schedule a date. You can also contact Letty Dino at <u>ldino518@gmail.com</u>
Our Lady is waiting for you!

Here's what some of our host families have shared:

The McGilly Family

"Our house felt serene, knowing our Lady was present here all week. It was a special reminder not to miss saying the rosary daily."

"There was such peace and love when the Blessed Mother was in our house. Thank you for continuing to bless us".

"Our Lady often speaks of peace in her messages and her presence in our home brought me peace, comfort and calm which I truly experienced and appreciated. Thank you Jesus for sharing your Mother with us".



Wency and Tonette Padua



Szkhlany Family

Our Lady of Fatima gave me peace of mind and happiness. Thank you Mother Mary. ."

"Once again, as always, Mother Mary brought peace and comfort to me."



Do you want to know more about the works of the Legion of Mary? It is an association of lay Catholics through Corpus Christi Pastor Father Mark Jurzyk, and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of all Graces, who is fair as the moon, bright as the sun, terrible as an army set in battle array, formed themselves into service in the spiritual warfare against the world and its evil powers to bring everyone to her beloved Son, Jesus. We meet every Wednesday at 7 pm in Marian Hall.

Contact Letty at <u>ldino518@gmail.com</u> for more information or leave your number at the Parish Office so we can contact you.

Send in Your Photos for Our Parish's 35th Anniversary!



We kicked off our 35th anniversary celebration with our parish picnic on September 15th and requested your photos. We are still looking for pictures of memorable moments at Corpus Christi – Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Wedding, Mission Trips, or any other special events or activities. Any pictures from the 1990s and 2000s will be especially appreciated. We will use them for a collage of our beloved parish to display in the narthex throughout the next year. Help us celebrate 35 years of sharing the Good News of the Gospel with faith and love. Please submit pictures digitally or via snail mail to the Parish Office at corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net or Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Attn: 35th Anniversary, 1415 W. Lies Road, Carol Stream, IL 60188.



We invite you to become a registered parishioner of Corpus Christi, or to submit/update your contact information (for important church updates).

Corpus Christi Parish Registration Form Or register on the parish website at https://corpuschristicarolstream.org/im-new

Date Registering	Envelope # (Parish Office use only)				
Family Last Name					
Address	City	Zip			
Name of <u>Male</u> Head of Household					
Primary Phone					
Primary Email					
Religion:Roman CatholicOther:					
Name of <u>Female</u> Head of Household					
Primary Phone					
Primary Email					
Religion:Roman CatholicOther:	·				
Marital Status:MarriedSingle	Widowed _	_DivorcedSeparated			
What Mass do you regularly attend? □5pm Sat □8:30am Sun □11am Sun □12:30pm Sun.					
Name(s) of Child(ren) and Age(s) (<u>living at I</u>	<i>home</i>):				
First Child	_ Second Child				
Third Child	_ Fourth Child				
Fifth Child	_ Sixth Child				
Other information:					
	- Or -				
SUBMIT/UPDATE your EMAIL (Or email this information to the Parisi					
First and Last Name					
Home Address					
Email Address					
Mobile/cell phone #					

Chief Stewards 2024

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