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Thursday / Jueves Church confessionals 9:15-10 AM

Friday / Viernes Church confessionals 7:00-8 PM

Saturday / Sábado Church confessionals 3:45-4:45 PM

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday Lunes-Jueves 9:00AM - 4:00PM Friday Viernes 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Mass Schedule / Horario de las Misas

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM "Incense Free" Sunday 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:30PM (Español) 6:00 PM Daily Mass (Monday - Saturday) 8:30 AM Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 7:00 AM Wednesday (Miércoles) 6:00 PM (Español)

January 28 2024

Taught with Authority

Authority is a perplexing concept, creating at times contradictory reactions, especially in our American culture. Many view authority as a dynamic opposed to the exercise of their freedom. Bluntly stated: people don't like to be told what to do.

Yet, when facing a crisis, whether it is a natural disaster like an impending hurricane or a national security issue like terrorism, individuals do turn to the authorities for answers. This second perspective views authority at the service of others. Although there are many examples of legitimate authority being misused, authority provides necessary order for our lives. Whether it is in the family, the state or the Church, authority serves to guide proper relationships and growth. Our own attitudes about authority not only color the way we respond to people in authority, but also to the ultimate authority, who is God.

Notice in today's passage from the gospel, Mark tells us *"The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes."* Christ's authority was appealing. Unlike the scribes who taught by referencing other rabbis' and scribes' opinions, Jesus demonstrated authority by teaching the truth of God and God's kingdom. He could teach the truth, because he is the truth of God, the Word made Flesh. And the truth is appealing and attractive.

Jesus reaffirmed his authority to teach, to reveal and to invite people to trust in God through the power of his miracles. By healing the sick, expelling unclean spirits, and forgiving sinners, the Lord showed that he was more than words; he revealed that he truly is *"the Way, the Truth and the Life."* The Scriptures for the last two Sundays have extended to us the invitation to follow the Lord, who is both the Lamb of God and the one who makes us 'fishers of men.' Today, his teaching with authority offers the same invitation to "Come and See!"

Saint Pope John Paul II wrote in his encyclical, *Veritatis Splendor,* "The splendour of truth shines forth in all the works of the Creator and, in a special way, in man, created in the image and likeness of God (cf. *Gen* 1:26). Truth enlightens man's intelligence and shapes his freedom, leading him to know and love the Lord . . . Consequently the decisive answer to every one of man's questions, his religious and moral questions in particular, is given by Jesus Christ, or rather is Jesus Christ himself" This is why he is the one we must share with others. And the reason our Corpus Christi Catholic School is such an essential ministry for reinforcing for our children that Jesus is the One we need to follow. *Fr. Allan F. Wolfe*

Enseño con Autoridad

La autoridad es un concepto desconcertante, que a veces crea reacciones contradictorias, especialmente en nuestra cultura estadounidense. Muchos ven la autoridad como una dinámica opuesta al ejercicio de su libertad. Dicho sin rodeos: a la gente no le gusta que le digan qué hacer.

Sin embargo, cuando se enfrenta a una crisis, ya sea un desastre natural como un huracán inminente o un problema de seguridad nacional como el terrorismo, las personas recurren a las autoridades en busca de respuestas. Esta segunda perspectiva ve la autoridad al servicio de los demás. Aunque hay muchos ejemplos de abuso de la autoridad legítima, la autoridad proporciona el orden necesario para nuestras vidas. Ya sea en la familia, el estado o la Iglesia, la autoridad sirve para guiar las relaciones y el crecimiento adecuado. Nuestras propias actitudes sobre la autoridad no solo influyen en la forma en que respondemos a las personas con autoridad, sino también a la autoridad suprema, que es Dios.

Observe que en el pasaje de hoy del evangelio, Marcos nos dice: *"Los oyentes quedaron asombrados de sus palabras, pues enseñaba como quien tiene autoridad y no como los escribas".* La autoridad de Cristo era atractiva. A diferencia de los escribas que enseñaban haciendo referencia a las opiniones de otros rabinos y escribas, Jesús demostró autoridad al enseñar la verdad de Dios y el reino de Dios. Él enseñó la verdad, porque él es la verdad de Dios, la Palabra hecho Carne. Y la verdad es atractiva.

Jesús reafirmó su autoridad para enseñar, revelar e invitar a las personas a confiar en Dios a través del poder de sus milagros. Al curar a los enfermos, expulsar los espíritus inmundos y perdonar a los pecadores, el Señor mostró que él era más que palabras; reveló que él verdaderamente es *"el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida".* Las Escrituras de los dos últimos domingos nos han extendido la invitación a seguir al Señor, que es el Cordero de Dios y el que nos hace 'pescadores de hombres'. Hoy, su enseñanza con autoridad ofrece la misma invitación a "Vengan a ver!"

San Juan Pablo II escribió en su encíclica **Veritatis Splendor**: "El esplendor de la verdad brilla en todas las obras del Creador y, de modo particular, en el hombre, creado a imagen y semejanza de Dios (cf. Gn 1 : 26) pues la verdad ilumina la inteligencia y modela la libertad del hombre, de que esta manera es conocer y amar al Señor... Por esto, la respuesta decisiva a cada interrogante del hombre, en particular a sus interrogantes religiosas y morales, la da Jesucristo; más aun... es la persona misma de Jesucristo ". Por eso es a él a quien debemos compartir con los demás.

P. Allan F. Wolfe

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This Week at Corpus Christi

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Nueva Vie 8:30 a.m.	an 27: Mem. of St. Angela Merici, Virgin da– Escuela San Andres—Centro Parroquial MASS - Robert Moore ఈ	
3:45-4:45 5 p.m.	Confessions MASS - Intentions of Dennis & Gene Corapi & Family	
7 p.m.	Grupo Carismático (Centro Parroquial)	1
	an 28: 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time da- Escuela San Andres—Centro Parroquial	 '
8 a.m. 10 a.m.	MASS - People of the Parish MASS - Mollie Molloy 🛧	,
6 p.m.	MISA - Esther Lalka ✤ MASS - Edward & Elizabeth Rozario ✤ Youth Group]
7 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	n 29: Weekday MASS - Dora Ambrose 쏘 MASS - Henry Ross 쏘	
Tuesday, Ja	ChristLife - Parish Center an 30: Weekday MASS - Stephen & Doris Maier ¥ FINANCE COUNCIL	
-	y, Jan 31: Mem. of St. John Bosco, Priest MASS - Robert Moore ✤ MASS - John V. "Jack" Ryff ✤ MISA - Aniversario de Boda de Gregorio y Sofia Figueroa	
Thursday, 8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.	Feb 1: Weekday MASS - Betty Clawson ቑ Confessions	
	9 2: The Presentation of the Lord MASS - Edna Banks ఈ	
8:30 a.m. 6 p.m. 7-8 p.m.	MASS - Liz Bowers 🛧 MISA—Para Los No Nacidos Confessions	
Saturday, F	Feb 3: Mem. of St. Ansgar, Bishop, and	
8:30 a.m. 2 p.m. 3:45-4:45 5 p.m. 7 p.m.	St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr MASS - Max Sempowski ✤ MASS - 60 th Wedding Anniversary Confessions MASS - George Hill ✤ Grupo Carismático (Centro Parroquial)	
Sunday, Feb 4: 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8 a.m.	MASS - Vince McCormack	
10 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	MASS - Robert N. Durand 🏵 MISA - Gente de la Parroquia	
6 p.m.	MASS - Robert Moore ✤ Youth Group	

Scripture Readings * * 7

<u>for the Week of January 28, 2024</u>		
Sunday	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28	
Monday	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 5:1-20	
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 5:21-43	
Wednesday	Mem. of St. John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 6:1-6	
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Mk 6:7-13	
Friday	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32	
Saturday	Mem. of St. Ansgar, Bishop, and St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr 1Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34	
Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39	
A candle is lit in the Sanctuary in memory of Toni Murphy as requested by Barbara Skopek		



2023 Diocesan Annual Campaign

Together in Faith, Together in the Eucharist		
Parish Goal	\$189,090	
Unpaid Pledges	\$ <u>5,450</u>	
Paid	\$164,169	
Still Needed to Meet Goal\$ 24,921 by January 31, 2024		

From Palms to Ashes

Lent is approaching quickly, and that means Ash Wednesday - Feb. 14th - will be upon us before we know it. The ashes for this season of repentance

come from burning the palms received on Palm Sunday, so everyone is invited to bring your old, dried up palms back to Corpus Christi this upcoming Sunday and put them in the



basket in front of the pulpit. These will then be burned and the ashes put on our foreheads as a sign of our repentance and contrition.

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Faith Formation • Encountering Our Lord Formación en la Fe • Encuentro con Nuestro Señor



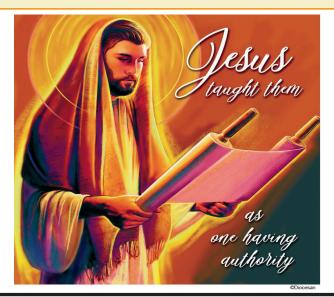
Religious Education Educación Religiosa

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Religious Education Important Dates for 2024

- **†** First Penance Service for CCD/CCCS Saturday, March 23, 10:00am
- **First Holy Communion Retreat CCD** Saturday, April 13, 9:00am – 2:30pm
- First Holy Communion for CCCS (Grade2 only) Saturday, April 20, 10:00am
- **† First Holy Communion for CCD** (Grade 2 only) Saturday, April 27, 10:00am
- Confirmation for CCCS/CCD (Grade 8 only) Saturday, May 4, 10:00am
- First Holy Communion CCD (Grades 3 7 only, English) Sunday April 21, 10:00am
- First Holy Communion for CCD (Grades 3 7 only, Spanish)
 Sunday, April 21, 12:30pm
 Deacon Rick

Committed adorers are needed to keep watch with Jesus for an hour each week in the **Adoration Chapel**. Please contact Richard So at 717-404-9491 for details.



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

<u>School Office Hours</u> Mondays - Fridays, 7:45am-2:45pm



Catholic Schools Week is Sun. January 28th–Sat. Feb. 3rd. We have many events and celebrations planned. If you know someone interested in a Catholic education, have them reach out to the school.

OUR MISSION - Corpus Christi Catholic School is a Christ-centered environment providing each student with the keys to succeed spiritually, academically, and socially.

A candle is lit in the **Adoration Chapel** in memory of **Frederik Shively** as requested by Rebekah Shively



Parish Database Update

Please help the parish update the effectiveness of our communications with you by completing the Database Card in the pew with address, phone numbers, & email addresses and put the completed card in the collection - Thank You!



 January 28, 7:15p.m. - Service Project [Cold Weather Shelter]

We are excited to introduce a new youth ministry program in this new year - *YDisciple*. The program can be described as: "Catholic Disciples helping to form young Catholic Disciples through inspiring a deeper relationship with Christ and a stronger connection to The Church." For more information, contact Pam Gent at youthminister@cburgcatholic.org or (717)264-6317.



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Corpus Christi Council of Catholic Women

All Women of the Parish are members of the CCW

Save the dates!

• The Corpus Christi Council of Catholic Women invites all parishioners to join us for a fun, festive **Mardi Gras Breakfast** on Sunday, February 11th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the parish center, all for \$10 per family or per person. Tickets will be sold In the Narthex after weekend Masses until February 4, 2024 and are available in the parish office until Thursday, February 8th. See the bulletin insert this weekend for details!

• Afternoon of Reflection on Saturday, March 9, 2024, more details coming soon!.

Please contact Kathy Wingert at 717-352-7354 or <u>kathywingert69@gmail.com</u> if you would like more information about our ministry"



Dear Parishioners,

Knights Corner

It's my honor to report to you that the Knights of Columbus & the Knights Home Association made charitable donations in 2023 totaling \$65,983.36. We look forward to continuing our charitable work in 2024. Our donations for January 2024 went to Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, and New Franklin PTO totaling \$900.00.

Calling all Knights! We have several activities running and some changes coming between February to March 2024. Please consider attending a first Thursday of the month meeting at the Knight's Home on Garfield Street from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Your participation will be appreciated.

Keep your eyes open for information about our Annual Fish Fry coming soon.

Knights of Columbus Council 1426



Saint Vincent DePaul (SVDP)



Weekly Assistance Report: For the week ending Jan 20, the pantry was closed two days on account of snow. The one day it was open, 43 households were provided food.

We may never really know what others are going through. We may never know how much a kindness or a helping hand might mean to them or what a difference it might make for them. Our SVDP touches many people every day, through our food pantry as well as our assistance program, and you make that possible through your generous support of this ministry. For that reason, we thank you and want to share with you the following:

Recently SVDP received a call from the secretary at one of the other churches in town. The secretary was working with a woman, whom we will just call Mary. Mary was facing eviction within days and had run out of options. The church was planning to assist her, but being a small church, the amount available in their Benevolence Fund was not sufficient to prevent the eviction. The church was hoping that SVDP would help with the remainder needed. After obtaining all of the necessary information, SVDP agreed to help. The next day, the church secretary emailed the following message to the SVDP Assistance Coordinator:

Please tell all your board that I am eternally grateful that they are so giving and are helping Mary. Mary told me that this has really helped restore her faith and remind her that God has not forgotten about her. She's been given a lot to handle recently, and I think this has been so encouraging for her. She also attended our church this past Sunday and plans to come again. God is drawing her back!

Again, you may never know what a difference you could be making for someone else, someone like Mary. Thank you for your generosity and faithful support!! God bless you!

Upcoming:

► **Feb 10-11** - Ledo Pizza Fundraiser. Mention the code FUNDRAISER when ordering and SVDP will receive 20% of the proceeds.

► **Feb 20** - Annual SVDP General Meeting at 7 pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend.

► Apr 20 - Breath of Spring Basket Weaving Class Fundraiser from 9 am to 3 pm in the Parish Center. Cost is \$50. For more information and to register, call Lisa Reilly at 717-753-3596.



PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORIES HAVE ARRIVED!

Every family who had their photo taken receives a free copy of the directory. Stop by the office between 9 AM-3 PM to pick up your complimentary copy. Those who did not get their family photographed can buy one for cost (\$15)

January 28, 2024

Stewardship Gratefully Received

January 21, 2024 Collection

In Pew	\$31,189
Online	<u>\$3,125</u>
Total	\$34,314

Includes three annual donations totaling \$16,200

Average to meet budget	\$19,300
Surplus/(Deficit)	15,014
YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	41,062

Utility.....\$2,825

January Second Collections

28th—SVDP

February Second Collections

4th—Society for the Prop of the Faith 11th—Poor Missions 14th—Ash Wednesday 18th—21st Century

2023 Diocesan Annual Campaign *Together in Faith, Together in the Eucharist*

Parish......\$189,090 Paid......\$164,169 Unpaid Pledges.....\$<u>5,450</u> **Total Committed......\$169,619**

Still Needed to Achieve Goal....\$19,471

IRA Rollover Gifts

Gifting from your taxable IRA is one of many ways to make annual gifts or satisfy multi-year pledges. Make a gift to Corpus Christi with a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA. Since the QCD goes directly to Corpus Christi without passing through your hands, the amount of the gift may be excluded from your taxable income, potentially lessening your tax liability.

If you are over 70 ½ years old, inform your IRA custodian to make a distribution from your IRA directly to: Corpus Christi, 320 Philadelphia Ave, Chambersburg PA 17201. For assistance or to learn more, call or email the parish office and ask for Alex Bacay, Chair of the Planned Giving Committee of the Parish Finance Council.

Parish Capital Campaign Update

PHASE 3 Goal • *\$2,627,000 Needed* As of January 22, 2024

Pledged & Paid	\$ 2,801,095
Outstanding Pledges	+ 51,780
Total Pledges	2 ,852,875

PHASE 4 Goal • Updated

\$573,000 Estimated Cost

Remainder	of	Capital	Campaign
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Total Goal	\$3,200,000
Total Pledges (387 families)	\$2,852,875
Shortfall	(\$ 347,125)

Matching Grant Phase

(Dollar for Dollar for every New Donation & Pledge up to Goal)

New Pledges & Gifts	\$ 151,466
Matching Grant	\$ 151,466
Total Shortfall after Match	(\$ 44,193)

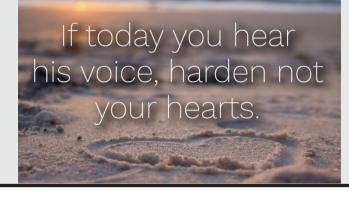
Please write your checks to **Corpus Christi Church** (memo line "Capital Campaign") and mail to:

Corpus Christi Catholic Church ATT: Jim Kase, Conservation Manager 320 Philadelphia Avenue Chambersburg PA 17201

Place your pledge/payment in the collection basket at any time or drop it off at the Parish Office.

2023 Income Tax Preparation

If you find that you need a statement of your 2023 contributions to Corpus Christi and you donate directly to the parish, please contact the Parish Office. If you donate online through Our Sunday Visitor, please login to your account and click on the box for a 2023 statement.



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THE CATHOLIC SHOP at CORPUS CHRISTI

The Shop will be open only on Wednesdays from 10AM to 1PM for the winter months. In case of inclement weather, please call the Parish Office at 717-264-6317 to confirm the Shop is open. Thank you!

<u>Food Pantry Hours</u>: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Monday afternoons from 3:30-5 p.m.

Busy Fingers Club Offers Items for Sale All Year

Please call the parish office at 717-264-6317 to make an appointment to shop for a variety of useful sewn, knitted and crocheted items including: baby items; placemats; runners; hats; scarves; aprons; dog coats. Too many to list! Proceeds benefit the parish. .

<u>Prayer Shawls</u> are a lovely gift to give to

your relatives or friends, who are in need of spiritual or physical comfort . Shawls are blessed and the recipient is prayed for. Our lovely shawls are made by our parishioners. Call Theresa at 717-860-0538 to request one. **Eucharistic Ministers Needed!** We are greatly in need of Eucharistic Ministers to provide Communion to elderly and infirm members of our parish. Please

consider serving in this act of charity. Please ask for Becki Weir at 717-264-6317 for more information.

Brotherhood of Faith

You are invited to join and participate with the Corpus Christi 'Brotherhood of Faith' Men's Group. We meet the 1st and 3rd Saturdays in the Narthex immediately following the 8:30 AM Mass. Come and

discuss, with like-minded Catholic men from the Parish, 'How to be a Catholic Man in the World Today'. Contact John Putko at jbputko@yahoo.com









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