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FEBRUARY 11, 2024 | 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ASH
WEDNESDAY

February 14

Liturgy of the Word
Services

6:30am & Noon

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Mass Times

8:15am & 7pm

Ashes will be distributed
at all four times.



**A Day of Fasting &
Abstinence from Meat**

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BE MADE
CLEAN.

MARK 1:41



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Sat. Vigil: 4pm

Sun.: 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5pm

DAILY MASS

Mon.-Sat.: 8:15am

Tues.: 6:00pm

Fri.: 6:30am

CONFESSIONS

Tues.: 5:00-5:45pm

Thurs.: 7:00-8:00pm

Sat.: 2:30-3:30pm

ROSARY

Sun.: 4:15pm (Family Holy Rosary)

Tue.: 9:15am (Rosario en Español)
5:15pm (Rosary for our Youth)

Thu.: 6:30pm (Rosary for Life)

OFFICE HOURS

PARISH OFFICE

Sunday: 9:30am-12:00pm

Mon.-Fri.: 9:00-11:30am

Mon.-Thurs.: 1:00-5:00pm

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

Mon.: 9:30am-2:00pm

Tues.: 2:30pm-7:30pm

Wed.: 9:30am-4:30pm

Thurs.: 9:30am-2:00pm

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"The lives of the saints and blessed show us the importance of the Eucharist on our journey as disciples of Jesus."

- The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church (51)

Become a prayer partner!

Help each other on your journey to become saints!



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 11

7:00 am † Parishioners
8:30 am † Mr. & † Mrs. Elmer LaBarge
10:30 am † Josephina Bingham
5:00 pm † Kathleen Monti


Monday, February 12

8:15 am † Rosina Cosolo

Tuesday, February 13

8:15 am Elizabeth Ong
6:00 pm † Greg Guimond


Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday 
8:15 am Deb Goldstine
7:00pm For the family of Tammy Nguyen

Thursday, February 15

8:15 am † Leticia Alcasid

Friday, February 16


6:30 am † Marge Wohead
8:15 am † Eric Van Dunn

Saturday, February 17


The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:15 am The Tran & Nguyen Families
4:00 pm † John Kane

Sunday, February 18

7:00 am Parishioners
8:30 am † Beverly Krutz
10:30 am † Margie Kopiek
5:00 pm † John Repaty

 Fast & Abstain from Meat

 Abstain from Meat

2024 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS FULL!

Due to the popularity of this devotion, our Masses are typically booked out 9 to 12 months and we must limit Mass Intention requests to five per year. Requests for 2025 will not be available until this summer. Thank you for understanding.



Jackie Benhoff, Mark Blayney-Moore, Bobbie Braden, Christopher Brassington, Randy Booth, Josefina Caisido, Dale Crawford, Barbara Danielson, Kathy Delacluyse, Val Doering, Andrew Dull, Kathleen Fordyce, Louise Gnaller, Julia Haggerty, Harold Henry, Jr., Victor Ivich, Vera Jakubicek, Noah Johnson, Marie Klingenberg, Lori Klipfel, Pat Koling, Graciela Luna, Jackie Manning, Sandy McVeigh, Antonio Mejia, Michael Mejia, Ana Minelli, Fr. George Mulligan C.S.C., Peter Nielsen, Carole Oeverndiek, Jim Oliver, Brooks Pallan, Ed Pellegrino, Dee Peterson, Carol Picco, Lynn Robbins, Yolanda Rosales, Luna Marie Rotter, Dcn. Phil Simeone, Chester Stanislawski, Trisha Stuart, Jeff Trojan, Bryce Weinheimer, Jim Yeager

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS JANUARY 28, 2024

TITHING

Weekly Total	\$26,234.65
Weekly Budget	\$32,298.75
Weekly Deficit.....	(\$6,064.10)
Fiscal Year-to-date Total	\$1,015,178.35
Fiscal Year-to-date Budget.....	\$978,965.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Surplus.....	\$36,213.35

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Miscellaneous.....	\$670.00
Building Fund Collection.....	\$1,790.75
Building Fund Balance	\$50,054.46

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Regardless of how you choose to give, thank you for your continued generosity! Your support not only makes a difference within our own parish, but also throughout our local community!

As the Body of Christ — Becoming Disciples, we are called to serve each other in many ways. As a family of families, we know the needs are great. Together, we can do more than any one person or family could do alone.



BABY SAFE HAVEN

Did you know that Corpus Christi is a Baby Safe Haven? A parent or agent of a parent can leave an unwanted, unharmed newborn baby at a designated Baby Safe Haven without fear of prosecution or answering any questions. They can remain anonymous. A baby can be left at the Parish Office during normal office hours. After hours, take the baby to the nearest fire station or hospital.

How to Love Your Spouse as Christ Loves

Jen Arnold, M.A. in Theology and Catechetics — www.CatholicHeartAblaze.com

St. Valentine's Day is this week, and while it may be fun to celebrate with hearts, gifts, and romantic dinners, it is also an excellent time to reflect on Christian love in the context of marriage.

The Sacrament of Marriage is a beautiful gift from God intended to provide us lifelong companionship and access to the grace that flows from the sacramental bond. However, marriage also comes with a considerable amount of responsibility. St. Paul says, "Husbands, love your wives as Christ loves the church..." (Eph 5:25). Paul speaks directly to husbands here because it is embedded in a larger context that emphasizes the differences between men and women. Still, the call for spouses to love one another is universal.

Throughout the gospels, Jesus frequently uses the imagery of a bride and a bridegroom to illustrate his relationship with the people united in his Church. We are called to imitate this union in our own marriages as a reflection of Christ's love for the world. The Catechism expands on this mystical union, saying:

The unity of Christ and the Church, head and members of one Body, also implies the distinction of the two within a personal relationship. This aspect is often expressed by the image of bridegroom and bride... The Lord referred to himself as the "bridegroom." The Apostle speaks of the whole Church and of each of the faithful... as a bride "betrothed" to Christ the Lord to become but one spirit with him. The Church is the spotless bride of the spotless Lamb. (CCC #796)

So, since everyone who has entered the Sacrament of Marriage is called to love one's spouse like Christ loves the Church, the natural question becomes: How does Christ love the Church in a practical and attainable sense? There are countless examples throughout Scripture, but we will examine a few fundamental ones here.

Provide

Jesus always provides for the needs of his people. The first example is when he began his public ministry by performing his first miracle at his Blessed Mother's behest during the wedding feast in Cana. The couple had run out of wine and, despite telling his mother that his time had not yet come, he was obedient to her and provided the wine they needed to continue their feast. It was no coincidence that this significant moment in Jesus' life occurred as a guest at a wedding. By this act, he sanctified the sacrament and let us know he will provide the grace we need to provide for one another in our marriage (cf. CCC #1613).

Be a Friend

Jesus was alone on only a few occasions. He selected twelve men to be his apostles, who became his friends and companions. They journeyed with him, learned from him, shared meals, and defended him. He also formed such a close friendship with Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, that when Lazarus died, it is the one time when Scripture reveals that Jesus wept (Jn 11:35). Through Jesus' example, we learn how vital friendship is to the human condition. While other friendships

may ebb and flow, a married relationship should provide a secure and lasting friendship founded on trust and openness.

Serve

Jesus is a servant. He most notably demonstrated his servant heart at the Last Supper when he humbly washed his Apostles' feet (Jn 13:2-17). Peter, recognizing his unworthiness, tried to resist, but Jesus explained that this service was critical to being in relationship with him. In other words, to have a share in what Jesus offers, we must humble ourselves in service to others, beginning with our spouse.

Protect

Jesus protected his Church on Pentecost by sending the Holy Spirit as promised. While Jesus was not physically present and walking the earth that day, he made sure we had a guide and a comforter in his absence (Acts 2:2-4). The Holy Spirit continues to protect the Church's teaching through the Magisterium so that we can always feel safe knowing that we are not being led astray (CCC #86). Protecting our spouse applies to more than just the physical sense. We can protect our spouse's dignity, reputation, privacy, and other things as an act of love for them.

Help

Everywhere Jesus went, he helped people. He helped a woman who was about to be stoned to death for her adultery (Jn 8). He helped people to understand theological realities by patiently answering their questions, and he helped Peter catch fish after a

long, unsuccessful night (Lk 5:1-6). One of the benefits of marriage is knowing one's spouse well enough to understand how to help, even when he or she may not be able to articulate it. When our spouse asks for help, we should imitate Jesus and not hesitate to give it.

Forgive

One of the fundamental pillars of Jesus' teaching is forgiveness. We are all sinners, and as such, we all need forgiveness. Marriage is a prime target for Satan, who seeks opportunities to damage the bond through sin. These can be anything from minor annoyances and negativity to more significant issues, such as destructive communication patterns, criticism, or actively turning away from one's spouse. Be aware that the source of these things is Satan, whose sole purpose is to destroy the sacrament. So, be quick to forgive, "for if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses" (Mat 6:14-15). For the times when, perhaps, your spouse offends or disappoints you without even realizing it, keep the words Jesus spoke while he was being crucified close to your heart: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do" (Lk 23:34) – as an act of compassion towards your spouse for what he or she is unable to see.

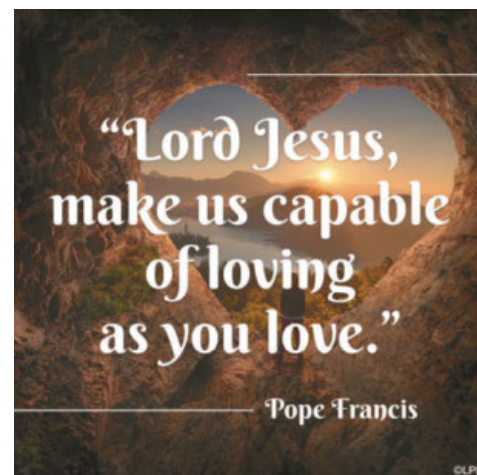
Correct

While forgiveness is a beautiful and necessary thing offered abundantly by Jesus, he never encouraged anyone to persist in sin. He told many parables about the consequences of making

poor decisions and stories of the joy of conversion, repentance, and finding the right path. Earlier, I mentioned the woman caught in adultery whom Jesus saved from stoning. After the confrontation, he stated, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more" (Jn 8:11). It is common for people to focus on the lack of condemnation from Jesus, while ignoring the part where he tells her to stop sinning. The primary duty of spouses is to help one another to get to Heaven. This involves supporting and correcting one another with love and gentleness, as well as accepting it from each other, as both spouses grow in virtue and holiness.

Sacrifice

Of course, the greatest act of love that Jesus gave to his Church is his self-sacrifice in his passion and crucifixion for our salvation. Spousal love is sacrificial love. We are called to lay aside our ego, comfort, and desire for the good of our spouse. There ought to be no room for selfishness in a sacramental marriage, which is one of those temptations from Satan I mentioned earlier. To achieve this type of sacrificial love, humility and prioritizing long-term over short-term goals must be present. In other words, there ought to be a willingness to sacrifice temporary earthly comforts or desires to achieve a



greater eternal good in heaven for you and your spouse. Remember, Jesus was not comfortable being scourged and hung on a cross, nor did he desire to be there. He did it purely out of love. This love transcends warm and fuzzy emotions and gets to the root of what it means to love like Jesus. "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends" (Jn 15:13).

When you chose your spouse and spoke your vows before God, you did not know where the journey would lead and what difficulties and joys you might encounter, but you knew you wanted to go through all of it with that one person. There is abundant grace to be found in marriage, but to receive all it has to offer, we must love our spouse as Jesus loves us.



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Find more of Jen Arnold's catechetical and spiritual writings according to traditional Catholic teaching at www.CatholicHeartAblaze.com.

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FAITH FORMATION

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Family Catechesis Corner

Why Ashes?



Ashes are rich in spiritual symbolism. We recall in the second chapter of Genesis, when the human person is fashioned “out of the dust of the ground” and receives the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). In death, a person returns to the ground from which we came. The ancient Hebrews used ashes as a sign of repentance, reminding themselves that God is God and we are not.

As the minister places ashes on each of our foreheads, we hear either, “remember that you are dust and unto dust you shall return” or “turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.” When we receive ashes, we remember our own mortality. We’re reminded that we have limited time on this earth and we ought to make the best use of it that we can! People are in need of love, care, and compassion. We all need to continually rediscover the love of God. The Gospel invites every person in every stage of life to encounter and imitate Jesus here and now. The forty days of Lent are the perfect time to assess our own awareness of these realities.

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Sat. Feb. 24
9am-11am



Substitutes Needed

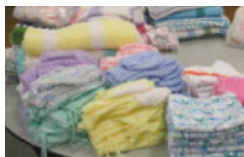
We are in need of volunteers who would occasionally be able to substitute in the nursery on Wednesdays from 9-11:30am. Contact Samantha in the Faith Formation Office if interested.



CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY

February Meetings
Wednesdays,
Feb. 14 & 21

9am-1pm in the Parish Center



Please bring a sack lunch.

Dessert, coffee, and lemonade are provided.

The Christ Child Society of Phoenix is dedicated to serving babies and children in need. Please join us as we meet to sew, crochet and knit newborn clothing items. Don't sew? We can use your help in cutting fabric.

Please call Michelle Cano at 602-524-7735 or Michelle Grimditch at 480-710-4357 for more info.

<https://www.christchildphx.org>

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

From **Feb. 14-March 25**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Tempe Planned Parenthood located at 1837 E Baseline Rd. in Tempe. Additional prayer warriors will be there praying the Rosary on Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach.

If you'd like more information, and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact:

Jim Fitzsimmons at tempe40daysforlife@gmail.com, call 480-712-9733, or visit 40daysforlife.com/tempe.



MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

A Ministry for the Men of the Parish

Meeting Schedule

Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Rooms 7-8-9

Feb. 14 - No meeting (Ash Wednesday)

Men's Retreat: *Receiving God's Love*

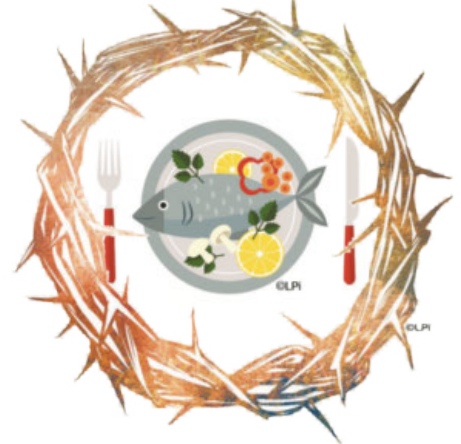
Saturday, Feb. 17 | 9am-3pm

Jesus came that we might have life and have it more abundantly. Join Tina Glenn, a certified Spiritual Director, on Sat. Feb. 17, for a time of prayer and meditation to learn what God's restorative love means for each of us. Scan the QR code or sign up at <https://corpuschristicc.flocknote.com/signup/152083>.



FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Stations of the Cross
at 6pm followed by
Meatless Meals



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fish Fry

**Friday, Feb. 16 following
Stations of the Cross**

The Knights of Columbus will host two Fish Fry Dinners this Lent! The first will be this Friday, February 16. Dinner includes fish portions, French fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, a roll and soft drinks. To ensure proper ordering, advanced ticket purchase is required. **Deadline to order is TODAY, Sunday, Feb. 11!** Adults are \$10 and children 12 and under are \$5. Seating is limited, so if tickets sell out for this Friday, be sure to order ahead for the next one on March 8!

Stop by the Knights' kiosk in the courtyard or contact Jul Tiritilli at 480-250-2208 for more info.



PRAISE PATHWAY **Saturday Lenten Walks**

Feb. 17 & 24, March 2, 9, 16, 23

*"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."
Prov. 3:5-6*

The "Praise Pathway" is a 2-mile walk along South Mountain that will begin in the south parking lot following the Saturday 8:15am Mass during Lent. The walk will include praying the Rosary, as well as other opportunities for prayer and reflection, and will take approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes. Be sure to use sunscreen, wear comfortable clothes & shoes, and bring water & your rosary!

For more information, please leave a message for Fr. Johnson at 480-893-8770 or call Knights of Columbus Deputy Grand Knight, Julius Tiritilli, at 480-250-2208.



MEET & GREET LUNCHEON

Whether you are brand new to Corpus Christi or you have been a parishioner for years, we invite you to come to the Parishioner Meet & Greet in the Parish Center next **Sunday, Feb. 18, after the 10:30am Mass.**

Lunch will be provided, so please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you'll be attending.

BAPTISMS

Dean Clayton Copley
Vito Ernesto Payares
Congratulations!



*You have put on Christ,
in Him you have been
baptized.
Alleluia, alleluia!*



Rest in Peace

Eldon Ault
Mary Ann Kassel
Howard Miller

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and perpetual light
shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

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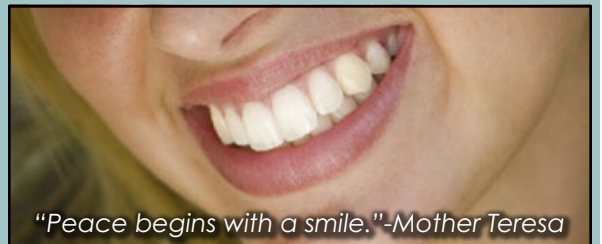
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(7AM Mass)

*Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!*

TODAY'S READINGS

6th Sunday In Ordinary Time
(Year B)

#1210

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 32

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

I Love you, Lord

by Matt Maher

Refrain: I love you, Lord. I love you, Lord. I love you, Lord; you are my strength.

1. My heart, it longs to be with you
and nothing else will ever do.
So at your throne is where I'll be,
'cause your flesh and blood consumes me,
and I am one with you. *(Refrain)*

2. My stronghold, my refuge,
your righteousness will see me through.
In dark of night and thorn of sin,
I will stay close to you, my friend,
and I am one with you. *(Refrain)*

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LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Don't Doubt Your Value

A Benedictine Abbot Reflects on
Human Dignity, Self-Esteem, and the *Imago Dei*

Monday, February 26-Wednesday, February 28

Morning Sessions: 9:15am-10:15am

Evening Sessions: 7:00pm-8:00pm

One of the hot topics in our culture today is self-esteem. Head to any bookstore and you will find aisles and aisles of self-help books. A cursory glance at podcast listings shows an abundance of shows focused on building up one's self-esteem. Countless retreats, spas, and fitness regimes are geared toward creating a positive self-esteem ...and yet current research shows that 85% of people today suffer from low self-esteem. So why the disconnect? In the Lenten Parish Mission, Abbot Austin Murphy, OSB will explore how the Christian message offers the fundamental reason to think well of yourself — that you are made in the image of God. Reflecting on Scripture and the Patristic tradition, Abbot Murphy will reveal how awareness, acceptance, and action will help us to cultivate a true self-esteem, a sense of our worth and dignity as children of God made in His image. Lent is a time to strip away our false masks and to come face-to-face with who Christ is calling us to be. Come and experience this three-part series that will help us to understand not only our inherent value and dignity, but how we live out a good and holy life in keeping with our dignity.

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